



Cruisin' The Coast, October 2-9, 2016
Suggested Itinerary



Welcome to the “longest block party in America”, our 50s Greaser’s Sock Hop and Antique Car festival on the coast of Mississippi. This event has become nationally recognized and *Cruisin’ The Coast 2011, 2012 & 2016*, has been chosen as one of ABA’s Top 100 Events in North America. Everywhere you go you will find cars of all colors, shapes, sizes and styles. So, pull out your bobby socks, 50’s records and let the good times roll!

Sunday, October 2: Arrive and check-in to hotel

Monday, October 3: Breakfast at the hotel

Morning Spend the morning in the Bay. After a beautiful Gulf View drive west, you will cross the Bay of St. Louis into a shopping and dining paradise. Mississippi’s West Coast is home to more than 200 resident artists who create fine and folk pieces exhibited in galleries that will take your breath away. Visit **St. Rose de Lima**, an African American based Catholic Church which holds a truly magnificent surprise. While riding through this historic town see firsthand their post-Katrina rebirth. The **historic L & N Train Depot**, new home to the Hancock County’s CVB, is a convenient rest and information stop. You won’t want to miss any of the “Cruisin” cars that will be parked everywhere in downtown Bay St. Louis.

Lunch in Bay St. Louis

Head east along Beach Blvd. Stop in the quint seaside town of Pass Christian. Visit the delicious **Pass Christian Olive Oils and Vinegars Shop** to learn how to blend unique flavors to tantalize your personal palate.

Afternoon Return to **Long Beach**, stop for a stroll along the beach

5:30 pm Kick-Off **Antique Car & Street Rod Parade** and free **Cruisin’ Concert** (Viewing from Long Beach Yacht Club optional)

Evening Dinner in Long Beach at **Steve’s Marina** (next door to the Yacht Club), The Reef Club Restaurant, Harbor View Restaurant, or other eateries close by.

Tuesday, October 4: (there will be cruisers all along the coast every day)

- Morning Breakfast at the hotel
- 8:30am **Biloxi Visitors Center** at the Lighthouse to tour the free museum, climb the lighthouse + new park being built across the street to the west with raised wooden boardwalk. (\$ to tour the lighthouse)
- 10:00am **Walter Anderson Museum of Art** – The Anderson family is still alive and well in Ocean Springs, murals and outdoor art inspired by this family. Tour and hands-on Art project. (2.5 hours) Option: free time shopping on their own in this quaint artisan town.
- 12:30pm Lunch at **Mary C. O’Keefe Cultural Arts Center**, Ocean Springs – make your own lunch and tour the exhibits in the Center, Ocean Springs
- Free time to explore town, talk to the cruisers.
- Dinner: East of Ocean Springs – **The Shed BBQ and Blues Joint**, winner of the 2015 World Championship Whole Hog Division at Memphis in May and over 20 awards for their sauces at the National BBQ Association Convention.

Wednesday, Oct. 5:

- Morning Breakfast at the hotel
- 9:00 am **Maritime and Seafood Industry Museum**, Biloxi - Explore the new Maritime and Seafood Industry Museum at the Point in Biloxi. Learn how to cast a net with the experts. Exhibits on shrimping, oystering, recreational fishing, wetlands, managing marine resources, charter boats, marine blacksmithing, wooden boat building, net making, catboats/Biloxi skiff, shrimp peeling machine and numerous historic photographs and objects tell the story of Biloxi’s rise to being known as Seafood Capitol of the World.
- Lunch at **Mary Mahoney’s Old French House**
- Afternoon **Beauvoir, Historic Home Tour** - The Jefferson Davis Home circa 1852, last home of the President of the Confederacy and the place where he penned his memoirs. Stroll around **Ms. Davis’ Gardens** opened summer of 2013.
- Dinner **Biloxi Shrimp Trip Sunset Cruise & Tailgate Shrimp Boil**
- Evening **Cruisin’ Entertainment** at any of the coast casino resorts

Thursday, October 6:

Head for home

