Day 1: Guided Outdoor Tours in Southwest Louisiana

Plan ahead and schedule a personalized eco-tour with **Grosse Savanne Eco-Tours** , located on the East Side of the Creole Nature Trail, or a charter trip with one of Southwest Louisiana's **professional fishing guides**. These adventures take you outside the city limits into the heart of the area's marshes and waterways; plan to drive 30-60 minutes before reaching your destination. Being in the midst of quiet and serene surroundings, you'll quickly discover why Louisiana is called "Sportsman's Paradise." **Estimated Activity Time: 1 – 5 hours**

If you prefer urban outdoor adventures, hit the waterways by renting a kayak from **Bayou Glamping Co.** and navigate through Prien Lake or the Calcasieu River. We recommend late afternoon/evening trips to experience the beauty and solitude of a Louisiana sunset. **Estimated Activity Time: 2 - 3 hours**

Day 2: Explore the Creole Nature Trail–Attractions, Beaches, and Activities

Remain one with nature on a drive along the West side of the **Creole Nature Trail All-American Road**. View alligators, over **400 bird species**, and marshlands teeming with life, as you travel along the Creole Nature Trail All-American Road. The trail also offers 26 miles of natural Gulf beaches and **fishing** areas. Start your Creole Nature Trail journey at **Creole Nature Trail Adventure Point** (open Monday-Saturday) in Sulphur, LA.

For a down-home, Cajun lunch or to stock up on a variety of homemade specialties for a beach picnic, stop at one of the **limited eateries** before hitting the trail. While at the beach, be on the lookout for **seashells.** If you're lucky you might even find a "sea bean" – a pod carried all the way from Central and South American forests.

If you're still looking for adventure, try your hand at **crabbing**. With just a few supplies that can be found at local bait shops, you'll be catching crabs like a pro. Louisiana blue crabs are easy to catch, making it an activity the whole family can enjoy. **Estimated Activity Time: 4 - 5 hours (including 1 hour for lunch)**

Day 3: Things to Do in Sam Houston Jones State Park
Conclude your weekend excursion with a trip to the trails or secluded rivers of **Sam Houston Jones State Park** . The 1,087-acre park features abundant wildlife, tree-filled lagoons, and a mixed pine and hardwood forest, creating a unique natural environment.

Embark on one of the three hiking trails that wind through the park and explore the banks of the various tributaries to the Calcasieu River. Trail options vary for leisure and serious hikers. The park also features a disc golf course and kayak rentals. **Estimated Activity Time: 1 - 3 hours**

After a full day of exploration, treat yourself to a delicious meal at one of our **local restaurants** – many of which have **outdoor seating**. **Estimated Activity Time: 1 - 2 hours**