



Discover Southern USA



Our Travel Style

One thing we've learned at Peregrine – you never outgrow adventure. The spirit that drives you to get out there and see the world. Not through a coach window or with 50 strangers wearing headsets, not with a personal butler or a big buffet breakfast –but intimately, authentically, memorably.

At Peregrine we're for premium adventures, and for us that means embracing the spirit of adventure through a more immersive cultural journey. Hand-picked accommodation, small groups, award-winning local guides, added inclusions and a more considered pace. Premium means an exceptional experience, but never an artificial one.

Yes, adventure still exists. It's still out there. It just got a whole lot easier to find.

Discover Southern USA 12 days/11 nights

Friday 18th October 2019 - Tuesday 29th October 2019

About Your Trip

Start and Finish Location Nashville, USA

Holiday Inn Express Downtown Conference Center or similar

New Orleans, USA

The Troubadour Hotel or similar

Accommodation

Hotel

Rooming Requirements

Twin Share

Included Meals

Breakfast (11) Lunch (2) Dinner (3)

Transport

Private Vehicle

Leader/Guide

Boat

English Speaking Driver/Guide

Included Activities

Per Daily itinerary

Entrance/Admission Fees

Where applicable with included activities

Airport Transfers

Arrival and Departure Transfers are Included on a Group Basis

Exclusions

- International Flights
- · Any visas required
- Services not mentioned in the itinerary
- · Late check out at hotels
- Meals and drinks not mentioned in the itinerary
- Drinks with included lunches and dinners
- · Tips for leaders, guide and driver
- · Expenditure of personal nature
- Personal Insurance
- Optional activities

United States Destination Highlights

Retrace the history of American blues music on a journey from Nashville to New Orleans

Visit the cities and landmarks that have influenced America's musical heritage—country, rock-n-roll, soul, blues, and jazz with Elvis Presley also thrown into the mix.

Everything you need to know about United States

We have an entire webpage dedicated to the need to know information for this country. Discover the following by going to http://www.peregrineadventures.com/en-au/United States

Day 1/ Friday 18th October 2019 Nashville

Welcome to Music City, USA! Upon arrival you will be greeted by a representative and transferred to your accommodation.

You can arrive at any time as there are no activities planned until your welcome meetingater this evening.

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Express Downtown Conference Center Nashville or similar

Day 2/ Saturday 19th October 2019 Nashville

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Today you will visit the Johnny Cash Museum

The later this evening you will enjoy the music and night life at the Grand Ole Opry. Dinner will be included tonight at a local restaurant.

Included Activities

- Johnny Cash Museum
- Grand Ole Opry & show

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Express Downtown Conference Center Nashville or similar

Day 3/ Sunday 20th October 2019

Nashville

Meals: Breakfast

Today you will pay a visit to RCA Studio B, Nashville's oldest-surviving recording studio and one of the country's most important studios. Between 1957 and 1977, more than 35,000 songs were recorded here. Make a special recording and take it home as a memory of your time in Nashville

Included Activities

• Country Music Hall of Fame & Recording at RCA Studio B

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Express Downtown Conference Center Nashville or similar

Day 4/ Monday 21st October 2019 Muscle Shoals

Meals: Breakfast

Drive to a small Alabama town with a giant musical legacy. In the 1960s, tiny Muscle Shoals became synonymous with a sound that was hard to describe (equal parts country, gospel, R&B and soul) but was captured on records by Arthur Alexander, Percy Sledge, Aretha Franklin, Wilson Pickett, Otis Redding and many others. A group of four studio musicians credited with creating the 'Muscle Shoals sound' (affectionately referred to as the 'Swampers') opened a studio in a former casket factory in town, and here artists like the Rolling Stones, Paul Simon, Bob Dylan and Bob Seger sought that distinctive groove. For years this studio was referred to by its street address – 3614 Jackson Highway – but today it's called Muscle Shoals Sound Studios. It's still a functioning studio, but after the building was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2006 and a recent renovation restored its 1970s-era ambience, it's now a popular destination for music fans. A tour of the studio is included today. In the afternoon, perhaps visit Ivy Green, the simple, white clapboard home where Helen Keller was born in 1880. For early dinner, you might like to choose the unique restaurant that refers to itself as a 'watering hole under the rock', the Rattlesnake Saloon.

Included Activities

• Muscle Shoals Sound Studio Tour

Accommodation: Hampton Inn & Suites Florence Downtown or similar

Day 5/ Tuesday 22nd October 2019 Memphis

Meals: Breakfast & Lunch

Head back to where the Mississippi River forms the western edge of Tennessee and a city many call the music capital of the world. Memphis is where rock and roll was born in Sun Studios and soul music went worldwide via Stax Records. Where Elvis Presley turned a Civil War-era mansion into the second most-visited private home in the US (after the White House). Where a blues guitarist named Riley Ben King gained the nickname 'Beale Street Blues Boy' that eventually got shortened to B.B. After arriving in Memphis you will visit the Stax Museum of American Soul Music. The original studio where the likes of Otis Redding, the Staple Singers and Sam and Dave made history was torn down but the museum is a brilliant celebration of the Stax legacy. It includes a replica of Stax's original recording studio, dozens of outfits and guitars of the stars, even an outrageously detailed 1972 gold-trimmed Cadillac Eldorado that Isaac Hayes was given for the success of his music in the movie Shaft. While music is Memphis's main claim to fame, barbecued ribs are a close second, and for lunch you will visit The Rendezvous, a Memphis institution so beloved by Elvis he had their ribs flown to Las Vegas when the King of Rock and Roll needed a taste of home. Use the rest of your day (and night) to soak up the vibe of Beale Street, though be sure not to miss the 'march of the ducks' at your hotel at 5 pm.

Included Activities

- Memphis BBQ rib lunch
- Memphis Stax Museum of American Soul Music

Accommodation: Hampton Inn & Suites Memphis Beale Street or similar

Day 6/ Wednesday 23rd October 2019 Memphis

Meals: Breakfast

As Paul Simon once sang, you're going to Graceland. Along with the mansion he bought in 1957, the grounds include a museum stuffed with artefacts (Las Vegas jumpsuits, awards, gold records, cars, private planes) and his grave. The rest of the day is free. You may wish to visit Sun Studio, the 'birthplace of rock', where Sam Phillips first recorded future rock and roll legends like Elvis, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis and Carl Perkins. Memphis also has deep connections to the civil rights era, most poignantly represented by the National Civil Rights Museum at the former Lorraine Motel, where Martin Luther King Jr was assassinated in 1968.

Included Activities

• Memphis - Graceland Museum

Accommodation: Hampton Inn & Suites Memphis Beale Street or similar

Day 7/ Thursday 24th October 2019 Greenwood

Meals: Breakfast & Lunch

You couldn't call this a blues trip without visiting the Mississippi Delta. Today you'll do so via Highway 61, the so-called Blues Highway. Your first stop will be in Clarksdale, where you'll visit the Delta Blues Museum and see the famous (infamous?) 'crossroads' at highways 61 and 49 where local legend says legendary 1930s bluesman Robert Johnson sold his soul to the devil. After lunch at Ground Zero Blues Club you'll head further south with a stop at the Grammy Museum in Cleveland, MS, newly opened and dedicated to showcasing the deep musical roots of Mississippi. You'll then visit nearby Dockery Farms, a former plantation that was once home to famed bluesman Charley Patton and that was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2006 for its role in the development of the Delta Blues. The gruesome lynching of 14-year-old Emmett Till in 1955, and the blatant lack of justice delivered by an all-white jury to his killers, sparked a level of outrage that helped galvanize the civil rights movement of the 1960s. Also visit Money, the town where Till's abduction and murder took place, to learn more about the town's role in raising awareness throughout the US about Jim Crow-era laws in the deep South. Spend the night in Greenwood.

Included Activities

- Clarksdale Delta Blues Museum
- · Lunch at Ground Zero Blues Club Clarksdale

Accommodation: Hampton Inn Greenwood or similar

Day 8/ Friday 25th October 2019 Natchez

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

As you continue down the Blues Highway you'll make a morning stop in Indianola, MS to visit a museum dedicated to perhaps the most famous bluesman of them all, B.B. King. Located in a restored brick cotton gin building in which he worked in the 1940s, the B.B. King Museum and Delta Interpretive Center opened in 2008 and features exhibits about his life and the lives of other musicians of the delta region and the culture where the blues arose. King was buried in the museum after his death in 2015 at the age of 89. You'll then follow the Mississippi to Natchez, MS, and your night's stay at an historic antebellum home and National Historic Landmark. If time permits, you may stop at Vicksburg – a key Civil War site – along the way. Spend the evening touring the antebellum homes of Natchez.

This evening you will have an included dinner at Antebellum mansion.

Included Activities

- Indianola B.B. King Museum
- Vicksburg National Military Park

Accommodation: Natchez Grand Hotel and Suites or similar

Day 9/ Saturday 26th October 2019 New Orleans

Meals: Breakfast

Before leaving town you'll take a tour of Longwood, the largest octagonal house in the USA and a symbol of pre-Civil War Southern opulence before the demise of the cotton barons. Designed in 1859 for a cotton planter named Dr. Haller Nutt, work was halted two years later when the Civil War began and went unfinished after Nutt died of pneumonia in 1864. Nonetheless, 'Nutt's Folly' was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1971 and is a pride of Natchez. You'll continue down along the Mississippi into Louisiana for a lunchtime visit to Angola Museum, the only prison museum in the country operated within an active prison. Opened in 1997 in a former bank across from Louisville State Penitentiary, the museum is the brainchild of a former Angola warden who recognized the importance of documenting the history of Louisiana's prisons in order to not repeat the horrors of the past. From here you will continue south to New Orleans (approximately 4 hours). The Big Easy's eclectic mix of European, Creole and Cajun culture manifests itself in the city's architecture, cuisine and music scene. Take in the gaudy sights and sounds of Bourbon Street, relax in the Garden District and absorb the ambience of the French Quarter. In the evening, perhaps check out a jazz show and dance the night away in the bars along Frenchman Street.

Included Activities

- Natchez Longwood antebellum home tour
- Angolaa prison mudeum

Accommodation: The Troubadour Hotel New Orleans or similar

Day 10/ Sunday 27th October 2019 New Orleans

Meals: Breakfast

Start your morning with a bagful of fresh beignets roll before taking a 'stroll with a local' tour of the French Quarter that includes the iconic Café du Monde, French Market, Jackson Square and St. Louis Cathedral. Spend a free afternoon exploring the history, homes and cemeteries of the Garden District. Stop into the Contemporary Arts Center or Ogden Museum of Southern Art as you wander through the city's Warehouse District, alive with celebrations of the arts. The business district's National WWII Museum is a must for history buffs. At nightfall follow the sound of live blues and smell of Cajun spices. You won't be steered wrong.

Included Activities

• New Orleans - Historic French Quarter tour and beignets

Accommodation: The Troubadour Hotel New Orleans or similar

New Orleans

Meals: Breakfast & Dinner

Enjoy a free day to discover why New Orleans music legend Dr John described his city as a place where 'You can't separate nothing from nothing. Everything mingles each into the other... until nothing is purely itself but becomes part of one funky gumbo.' Celebrate the end or your trip with a dinner and jazz cruise aboard the historic Steamboat Natchez. Launched in 1975, the Natchez carries on the tradition of Mississippi River steamboats dating back to the early 19th century. Captain's orders are barked through an old-time hand-held megaphone. A calliope trills a melody into the air while a 25-ton white oak wheel churns the waters of the Mississippi. Stroll the decks of the great boat while a live jazz band plays and you float past breathtaking views of New Orleans.

Included Activities

• Mississippi Riverboat Dinner Cruise

Accommodation: The Troubadour Hotel New Orleans or similar

Day 12/ Tuesday 29th October 2019 New Orleans/ Departure Day

Meals: Breakfast

Your trip ends after breafkast this morning. There are no more activities planned and you're free to leave your accommodation at any time. You will be transferred to the airport to board your onward flight.

Important Information

• The quote and accommodation will be subject to availability at the time of booking

How to Book

If your passengers are happy with the quotation and itinerary please advise us of the clients names as per passport and their dates of birth. Once we have this information we can send you an invoice. The next step is to pay a per person deposit. This allows us to go off and confirm the arrangements, please note we require at least 1 week to confirm all tour services. Once the tour has been confirmed final payment will be due no later than 56 days prior to travel. We can only hold arrangements for a group once we have received deposit.

We would love for your passengers to travel with us so let us know if there is anything we need to change about this quote or if you have any questions. We will do our best to help!

Thank you,

Peregrine Adventures

Booking Conditions

As the organiser/participant of this Peregrine Adventures Private Group Adventure, you agree:

- To provide a passenger name list and passenger details including (Name as per passport, passport number and expiration date, nationality, DOB, gender, rooming requirements, dietary requirements, medical concerns at least 60 days prior to departure, or provided directly to Peregrine Adventures;
- All rates are per person, based on indicated numbers of passengers travelling together as one movement.
- Cost is valid for travel during 2017/2018 only.
- This is a quote only. Please review all details carefully and confirm at time of booking with your coordinator.
- Rates and itinerary subject to availability of accommodation, transport, leaders and other suppliers at time of booking. We reserve the right to amend and requote itinerary if such suppliers are not available.
- By making your payment, you are agreeing to the most recent itinerary and price quote. All revisions will be subject to requote and additional approval.
- Once your Non refundable deposit has been accepted and itinerary confirmed and should either the operator or organiser/participant make any revisions, subsequent pricing will become applicable to your booking.
- Any changes to the above itinerary AFTER services have been confirmed will require a requote and will be subject to a fee of \$150 per change (in addition to any charges levied by hotels, ground operators or airlines).
 No additional changes are permitted within 30 days prior to departure.
- Hotels listed in quote are indicative only and are subject to change. If the hotel listed in the quote is unavailable, we will confirm an alternative hotel of similar standard.

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