

Jazz it Up in New Orleans!



New Orleans is known as the birthplace of jazz music. Enjoy getting in touch with the city's musical roots by learning about the various types of music that have evolved within it, including spicy creole jazz. Embark on historical jazz tours, and experience authentic jazz performances, including a tribute to the legendary Louis Armstrong. In addition, see some of the sights that New Orleans is famous for including ghostly hauntings, plantations, swamps and bayous, jazz, food, above ground cemeteries, the ancient practice of Voodoo and Mardi Gras!



Authentic Dixieland Jazz in the Crescent City!

DAY 1: Flight to New Orleans, Louisiana. Upon arrival, enjoy a guided coach city tour of New Orleans including the French Quarter, Jackson Square, the Cemeteries, Bayou Street, Lake Pontchartrain Causeway, the Garden District, Audubon Park, and more! In the evening, wander the French Quarter to locate the multitude of haunted houses including the Lalaurie House and the Bottom

of the Cup Tearoom.

DAY 2: Today, wander the French Quarter to see **Bourbon and Royal Streets**. Later, embark on a **musical excursion** to learn about the many types of music that have evolved within Louisiana. **Examine the**

spicy tunes of creole jazz and enjoy a performance as well. Then spend some time in Jackson Square, the French Market, St Louis Cathedral, and visit the Louisiana Music Factory - famous for its free in-store musical performances and record sales department.

DAY 3: Full day coach excursion to see the sugar plantations including the Oak Valley Plantation. Also, take a swamp boat ride through the swamps and bayous and see a Bayou Nature Wildlife Show. Upon return, enjoy a free evening to wander the lively French Quarter.



DAY 4: Guided historical jazz walking tour including Louis Armstrong Park and Congo Square - the birthplace of jazz. After, hop on the St. Charles Streetcar to explore the Garden District and Lafayette Cemetery. Then wander Canal Street, known for its rich musical history and take in a jazz performance at an authentic jazz hall.

DAY 5: Cross the *Mississippi River* to *Algiers Point*. Walk *Old Algiers* to see the residences that were once home to musicians in the early jazz era. After, visit *Mardi Gras World* to see some of the most extravagant floats ever created for Mardi Gras and sample the traditional *Mardi Gras King Cake*. Upon return, experience the *ultimate musical tribute to Louis Armstrong, "A Salute to Satchmo".*

DAY 6: Tour the **New Orleans Center for Creative Arts,** meet the music students, and **perform** for them. After, visit the **Voodoo Museum** and the **Voodoo Spiritual Temple Cultural Center** to purchase authentic voodoo dolls and paraphernalia. Later, enjoy a delicious dinner and performance at the legendary **House of Blues.**

DAY 7: Depart on your flight home with a deeper knowledge and appreciation of "N'Awlins" music, culture, and lifestyle.

Tour Highlights

French Quarter
Swamp and Plantation Tour
Authentic Jazz Performances
House of Blues
New Orleans Music Workshops
Congo Square - Birthplace of Jazz
Tribute to Louis Armstrong
Guided Jazz Walking Tour

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