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Welcome to the South's Best Kept Secret

There's a funny thing about Jackson, Mississippi. Folks are always amazed by what they discover here. From the fabulous history and beautiful museums to the world-class exhibits and performances, Jackson is a secret full of surprises! Our accommodations are very affordable whether your preference is hotels or quaint Bed & Breakfasts. More than 300 restaurants offer everything from true Southern favorites to fresh seafood to international fare.

We are pleased that you, as a tour professional, are considering Jackson as a tour destination. This Group Tour Planner has been designed specifically for you, offering detailed information on attractions, events, and accommodations as well as sample itineraries. It is our goal at the Jackson Convention & Visitors Bureau to assist you in any way possible to make your tour a success. From planning assistance to marketing and promotional items, we offer you the tools you need.

Once you've experienced our city, we know you won't be able to keep your experience a secret...



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INTRODUCTION

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

Mississippi's Capital City is conveniently located at the crossroads of Interstate 55 (north-south) and Interstate 20 (east-west) in the heart of our "Hospitality State." As the center for the Metro Jackson area, home to more than 425,000 people, the city of Jackson is steeped in history, music, performing arts, sports and our truly Southern way of life. We are an entertaining and very affordable destination for families, groups, individuals and even the business traveler.

A TOUCH OF HISTORY

Founded in 1821 at the site of a trading post on a high bluff on the west bank of the Pearl River, Jackson was originally a village called LeFleur's Bluff, named after French-Canadian explorer and trader Louis LeFleur.

When the Mississippi legislature wanted a central site for the state's capital, the village's proximity to navigable water, abundant timber, and the Natchez Trace made the area a logical choice. On December 23, 1822, the state assembly met for the first time in the new and permanent seat of government for Mississippi, and the town was renamed Jackson in honor of Major General Andrew Jackson who later became the seventh President of the United States. The city was designed following Thomas Jefferson's "checkerboard" layout with alternating squares for business, residential, and "green space."

In its first 100 years, Jackson's growth was painfully slow. Under the command of Major General William Tecumseh Sherman, the city was ravaged and burned three times by Union Troops during the Civil War. This is where Jackson got its nickname "Chimneyville." Fortunately, the Governor's Mansion (completed in 1842), City Hall (built in 1846) and the Old Capitol (built in 1839) were spared.

As the state capital, the city of Jackson played an important role in politics and government during its first century—a role it still holds today. And even though Jackson was a focal point of the Civil Rights Movement in the 1960s, its residents banded together to bring about positive changes from the troublesome era. Today, the city boasts one of the few Civil Rights Driving Tours in the United States and the Old Capitol Museum created the first Civil Rights exhibit in the country.

ARTS & CULTURE

Jackson boasts one of the strongest performing arts offerings for a city its size. With the Mississippi Symphony Orchestra, the Mississippi Opera, Ballet Mississippi, Ballet Magnificat!, and New Stage Theatre, Jackson is truly the arts and culture capital of the state. Adding to the local talent are Broadway productions brought in by W. Kessler, Ltd. and world-class dancing companies, acting companies, and musicians showcased through the Thalia Mara World Performance Series.

Jackson is also home to the prestigious USA International Ballet Competition, held every four years and hosting young dancers from all over the world. Referred to as the "olympics of dance," the USA IBC awards bronze, silver, and gold medals to the top dancers and allows these gifted performers the chance to be seen by world-renown dancing companies.

Since 1995, Jackson has also had the honor of presenting breathtaking art exhibitions through the Mississippi Commission for International Cultural Exchange. Held every two to three years, the exhibitions have featured paintings, furniture, tapestries, jewelry, sculptures, and china from cities all over the world. And Jackson is the ONLY city in the United States to host these spectacular works. Previous exhibitions have included *The Palaces of St. Petersburg* (1996), *The Splendors of Versailles* (1998), and *The Majesty of Spain* (2001). The next exhibition—*The Glory of Baroque Dresden*—is scheduled for March 1 – September 6, 2004.

SPORTS & RECREATION

With our temperate climate, Jackson is ideal for outdoor enthusiasts. Whether you prefer tennis, golf, biking, or fishing, Jackson has facilities to help you indulge your interests. Professional sports are also a favorite here with the Jackson Bandits hockey team playing from October through March and the Jackson Senators baseball team taking the field from May through August. Area colleges and universities offer football, soccer, baseball, and more!

To help make your tour even more interesting, here are some interesting facts about Mississippi and Jackson...

MISSISSIPPI MEMORIES

- The word “Mississippi” is Choctaw for “Father of Waters” and refers, of course, to the Mississippi River from which the state takes its name.
- In 1839, the Mississippi Legislature passed one of the first laws in the English-speaking world protecting the property rights of married women.
- Mississippian W. A. Scott founded the first African-American owned newspaper, *The Atlanta Daily World*.
- The Mississippi Delta region is the birthplace of Blues music, the only music recognized as truly original to America.
- The Parent-Teachers Association (PTA) was founded in Mississippi in 1909.
- Mississippi is the birthplace of the Order of the Eastern Star.
- Mississippi was the first state in the nation to have a planned system of junior/community colleges.
- In 1942, during World War II, the Mississippi River’s approaches were mined with explosives by the Germans.
- Every child’s favorite toy—the Teddy Bear—came into being after President Theodore Roosevelt refused to kill a small bear cub during a hunting trip in Onward, Mississippi, in 1901. The animal—and its toy likeness—came to be known as “Teddy’s Bear.”

FAMOUS FOLKS

- **Comedians**—Jerry Clower
- **Country Singers/Songwriters**—Moe Bandy, Bobbie Gentry, Mickey Gilley, Faith Hill, Charley Pride, LeAnn Rimes, Jimmie Rodgers, Marty Stuart, Conway Twitty, Tammy Wynette
- **“Kings”**—Elvis Presley “The King of Rock ‘n Roll” and Robert Johnson “The King of the Delta Blues”
- **Blues Singers/Songwriters**—Sam Chapman, Bo Diddley (Elias McDaniels), W. C. Handy, B. B. King, Dorothy Moore, James “Son” Thomas, Muddy Waters (McKinley Morganfield), Sonny Boy Williamson, Howlin’ Wolf (Chester Pugh)
- **Actors**—Dana Andrews, Louise Fletcher, Morgan Freeman, James Earl Jones, Tom Lester, Gerald McRaney, Beah Richards, Stella Stevens, Ray Walston, Sela Ward

- **Authors**—William Faulkner, John Grisham, Henry Clay Lewis, Willie Morris, James Street, Tennessee Williams
- **Astronauts**—Fred Halsey, Donald Peterson, Col. Robert L. Steward

Others of Interest

- Jim Henson—Creator of The Muppets
- Oprah Winfrey—Talk show host/actress
- Zig Ziglar—Nationally-acclaimed speaker and author
- Bob Pittman—Founder of MTV
- Leontyne Price—Opera singer
- Jimmy Buffett—“Beach music” singer/songwriter/author

JACKSON JEWELS

- The world’s first lung and heart transplants were performed at the University of Mississippi Medical Center in 1963 and 1964 respectively.
- The Federal Building in Jackson is the first federal building in the United States to be named after an African-American. Dr. A. H. McCoy was a prominent dentist and business leader.
- Pine-Sol was invented in Jackson by Harry A. Cole Sr.
- The Mississippi Governor’s Mansion (circa 1842) is the second-oldest executive residence in the United States that has been continuously occupied.
- The State Capitol building is accented by stained glass thought to be designed by Tiffany & Co. The building is also the only State Capitol in the United States that most closely resembles our nation’s Capitol building in Washington, D.C.
- City Hall was spared during the three burnings of the city during the Civil War because the building housed a Masonic Temple. Union General William T. Sherman was a mason.
- Jackson is the home of the largest gospel music recording label, Malaco Records.
- Each year, Jackson hosts the Dixie National Rodeo in late January through mid-February, the largest rodeo east of the Mississippi River.
- The movies *Mississippi Burning*, *Ghosts of Mississippi*, *A Time to Kill*, *The Chamber*, and *O Brother, Where Art Thou?* were all filmed in Jackson.

Famous Jacksonians:

- Beth Henley—Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright
- Eudora Welty—Pulitzer Prize-winning author
- Margaret Walker Alexander—Poet/Novelist

TRANSPORTATION

AIR

Jackson International Airport

P. O. Box 98109
601-939-5631 • www.jmaa.com

Jackson International Airport is the commercial airport serving Jackson. Designated as a general purpose Foreign Trade Zone, it maintains two 8,500-foot runways and has undergone a multi-million dollar renovation.

Airlines serving Jackson are American Eagle, ASA, Continental Express, Delta, Comair, Northwest Airlines, Southwest, and US Airways Express.

Daily Direct Flights Serving Jackson:

- Atlanta
- Baltimore/Washington, D.C.
- Charlotte
- Chicago-Midway
- Cincinnati
- Dallas/Ft. Worth
- Houston-Hobby
- Houston-Intercontinental
- Memphis
- Orlando

RAIL

Amtrak Passenger Station

300 West Capitol Street
601-355-6350 • www.amtrak.com

General Information and Reservations
1-800-872-7245

Amtrak serves the city of Jackson with daily service to Chicago and New Orleans.

BUS

Greyhound-Trailways Bus Lines

201 South Jefferson Street
601-353-6342 • www.greyhound.com

Provides 86 inbound and outbound buses daily.

LIMO/TAXI CAB

Information is available by contacting our Group Tour Manager at 1-800-354-7695.

GROUND DISTANCES TO OTHER MAJOR CITIES

- Atlanta 441
- Birmingham 248
- Chicago 753
- Dallas 412
- Memphis 208
- Miami 979
- New Orleans 185
- St. Louis 505

GROUND DISTANCES TO OTHER MISSISSIPPI CITIES

- Biloxi 165
- Brookhaven 56
- Clarksdale 151
- Cleveland 127
- Columbus 147
- Corinth 218
- Greenville 115
- Greenwood 96
- Grenada 113
- Gulfport 157
- Hattiesburg 88
- Laurel 84
- Meridian 93
- Moss Point 181
- Natchez 102
- Oxford 165
- Pascagoula 184
- Southaven 198
- Starkville 125
- Tupelo 170
- Vicksburg 44
- Yazoo City 44



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

GENERAL FACTS

Taxes

7% sales tax; 1% hotel & restaurant tax;
\$0.75 per room night

Population

202,064 (City of Jackson)

Climate

Winter: 48°, Spring: 65°, Summer: 81°, Fall: 66°

Location

Central Mississippi, crossroads of Interstates 55 and 20, running north-south and east-west respectively.

Hotels

50 properties with over 5,500 rooms.

Restaurants

Over 300 fine restaurants, many with convention and banquet rooms; cuisine from authentic deep Southern cooking to international fare.

Web Site

www.visitjackson.com

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Emergency: Police, Fire, or Ambulance.....911

Poison Control Center.....601-354-7660

Central Mississippi Medical Center

1850 Chadwick Drive • 601-376-1000

G.V. (Sonny) Montgomery VA Medical Center

1500 East Woodrow Wilson Drive • 601-362-4471

Methodist Rehabilitation Center

1350 East Woodrow Wilson Drive • 601-981-2611

Mississippi Baptist Medical Center

1225 North State Street • 601-968-1000

St. Dominic Hospital

969 Lakeland Drive • 601-982-0121

University of Mississippi Medical Center

2500 North State Street • 601-984-1000

ALCOHOL LAWS

- Must be 21 years of age or older to drink alcohol.
- Beer, wine coolers, etc. are sold in grocery stores and gas stations. Wine and liquor are sold in package liquor stores.
- Alcohol can be purchased at package liquor stores between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Liquor stores are closed on Sunday and Christmas Day.
- Beer, wine coolers, etc. can be purchased in grocery stores or gas stations from 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. (following day) Monday through Saturday. On Sunday, these beverages can be purchased from noon until 10 p.m.
- Jackson is located in Hinds County, Mississippi which is designated as a “wet” county by the Mississippi State Tax Commission’s Alcoholic Beverage Control Bureau. This means that beer, wine, and liquor are sold and served in Hinds County. Some counties in Mississippi are designated as “dry” counties, which means no alcoholic beverages can be purchased or served in public establishments. Please view the state map at the ABC’s Web site at www.mstc.state.ms.us/abc/main.htm for more information.



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THE ALAMO THEATER

333 North Farish Street
601-352-3365

The historic Alamo Theater was one of the last Dual Purpose Theaters in the United States. The building originally functioned as a cinema featuring “chase Westerns” and African-American films and has also served as a performing arts theater featuring black vaudeville acts, stage bands, and black performing artists. Restoration of the theater provided a needed focal point for the revitalization of the historic Farish Street neighborhood and its potential for Heritage Tourism, in addition to meeting the need for a small theater in downtown Jackson available for rental to small audience productions.

- Tour Contact: Theater Manager
- Hours: Tours by appointment only
- Admission: Free

CHIMNEYVILLE CRAFTS GALLERY

1150 Lakeland Drive
601-981-2499

Chimneyville Crafts Gallery, located at the Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum, is open year-round for fine craft sales. The gallery is operated by the Craftsmen’s Guild of Mississippi, a regional non-profit organization of juried, professional artisans who make original, handmade crafts of the highest quality to sell through the Guild’s retail galleries and special events. During warm weather months, members demonstrate their work on Saturdays.

- Tour contact: Gallery Director
- Hours: Monday-Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Admission: Free/donations accepted

Special Services:

- Handicap accessible
- Motorcoach parking

CITY HALL

219 South President Street
601-960-1084

Completed in 1847, City Hall is noted as one of the most beautiful and historic municipal buildings in the nation.

Used as a hospital by both sides during the Civil War, City Hall was one of only three public buildings to survive the destruction of the city by Union troops. The top floor of the building was originally constructed for use by the Odd Fellows and various Masonic groups and remains the home of Pearl Lodge No. 23 F. & A.M.

Today, City Hall is the seat of municipal government for the Capital City and houses the offices of the mayor and city council. The beautifully manicured Josh Halbert Gardens on the west side of the building, featuring fountains and a statue of Jackson’s namesake, General Andrew Jackson, is a favorite photographic spot for amateur and professional photographers alike.

- Tour Contact: Hospitality Desk
- Tour Time: 30-45 minutes
- Admission: Free

Special Services:

- Water fountain
- Handicap accessible
- Motorcoach parking

THE CITY OF JACKSON FIRE MUSEUM & PUBLIC FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION CENTER

355 Woodrow Wilson
601-960-2433

The City of Jackson Fire Museum and Public Fire Safety Education Center consists of artifacts including records, an 1870 parade uniform, communication equipment, pictures, helmets, and fire apparatus such as a 1904 horse-drawn steamer, 1917 chain-driven American LaFrance, and a 1936 Seagrave. Visitors see the history of the Jackson Fire Department from the early 1800s to the actual equipment used in fighting fires today. This complex has educational displays and materials which provide valuable information for the public in how to prevent and protect their lives and property from fire loss/damage.

- Hours: Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
by appointment only
- Educational programs
- Admission: Free

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FARISH STREET HISTORICAL DISTRICT

(This area is undergoing renovation)

*Amite Street across to Fortification Street
and Mill Street to Lamar Street
601-949-4000*

This 125-acre area, late 19th-century grid-patterned neighborhood, is the largest and only primarily residential district in Jackson spanning more than 100 years. The District is made up of residences and diverse businesses and was placed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1980, due to efforts of many concerned groups and citizens. Located in the center of the city, the Farish Street Historical District includes over 690 listings in the National Register of Historic Places. The Farish Street District is a compendium of vernacular architectural examples representing craftsmanship skills of numerous African-American building contractors. Walking tours will reveal a variety of styles which include antebellum, Creole, Queen Anne, shotgun, and bungalow cottages in addition to business structures which represent the early 20th century. Tours can be arranged through the Jackson Convention & Visitors Bureau.

- Driving Tour only

THE FONDREN DISTRICT

*2819 North State Street
601-981-9606 • www.fondren.org*

Rapidly becoming known as a destination point for arts, entertainment, retail, and fine dining in the Jackson area, The Fondren District offers a variety of opportunities for visitors. These include interesting antique shops, great restaurants, notable art galleries, eclectic architecture, charming homes, and wonderful people. Contact the Jackson Convention & Visitors Bureau or the District office to arrange a tour for your group.

INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM OF MUSLIM CULTURES

*117 East Pascagoula Street
601-960-0440 • www.muslimmuseum.org*

Jackson's newest museum, the International Museum of Muslim Cultures celebrates contributions Muslims have made to the city of Jackson, the state of Mississippi, the region, the nation, and the world. Exhibits describe the

Muslim experience and place it in context with other cultural and religious groups.

- Tour Contact: Ms. Okola Rashid
- Tour Time: 30 minutes
- Hours: Monday-Thursday & Saturday-Sunday
9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
- Admission: Adults \$7; Seniors, Children, Disabled \$4
- Group Rates: \$5

Special Services:

- Handicap accessible
- Gift Shop

JACKSON MUNICIPAL ART GALLERY

*839 North State Street
601-960-1582*

The Gallery building, originally built in the late 1860s as a stately private home, stands today as one of the oldest surviving historic structures in Jackson. As the Municipal Art Gallery, it has become a cultural focal point for hundreds of local artists, attracting thousands of visitors each year. On the first Sunday of every month, the Gallery hosts a public reception and presents a new art exhibition. Come by for a closer look at history in all its vibrant colors.

- Tour Time: 30 minutes-1 hour
- Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.,
Sunday 2-5 p.m.
- Admission: Free

Special Services:

- Handicap accessible
- Motorcoach parking

JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY

*1400 John R. Lynch Street
601-979-2272 • www.jsums.edu*

Relocated to Jackson in 1882 after being originally established in Natchez, Mississippi in 1877, Jackson State University is Mississippi's fourth largest institute of higher learning and one of America's most prominent historically black colleges and universities. Jackson State University occupies a scenic, 123-acre tract only minutes from downtown Jackson, and serves as the educational, cultural, and spiritual heart of the statewide African-American community.

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- Tour Contact: Jean Frazier, Office of Public Relations
- Tour Time: 1 hour
- Hours: Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m. during school semesters only.
- Reservations required for groups (2 week notice preferred)
- Group Rate: Free/donations accepted

Special Services:

- Meeting facilities
- Handicap accessible
- Motorcoach parking

JACKSON ZOOLOGICAL PARK

2918 West Capitol Street
601-352-2581 • www.jacksonzoo.com

An afternoon wandering along the walkways of the Jackson Zoo will delight kids of any age. The Jackson Zoo has one of the finest collections of wild animals from throughout the world, shown in natural habitat surroundings. Leisurely walk and talk with the animals on your own. Enjoy an outdoor picnic at the Elephant House Café.

- Tour Contact: Kelly Bules
- Tour Time: 1-2 hours
- Hours: June-August, Monday-Sunday 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; September-May, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Admission: Adults \$4.50, Children ages 3-12 & Seniors \$2.50, Friends of the Zoo members FREE

Special Services:

- Restrooms
- Drinking fountains
- Gift shop
- Concessions/Café
- Handicap accessible
- Motorcoach parking on site
- Group rates

MANSHIP HOUSE

420 East Fortification Street
601-961-4724 • www.mdah.state.ms.us

One of the few remaining antebellum houses in Jackson and a rare example of Gothic Revival architecture in Mississippi, the Manship House Museum is an architectural and historical treasure. Meticulously

restored, the house offers a glimpse of the daily life of an interesting 19th-century middle-class family. Charles Henry Manship, a talented craftsman who served as mayor of Jackson during the Civil War, built the house for his family in 1857. Its unusual features include several examples of Manship's wood-graining work, which transformed plain doors and mantels into fine marble and expensive wood.

- Tour Contact: Receptionist/Marilynn Jones
- Tour Time: 1 hour
- Hours: Tuesday-Friday 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Group Rate: Free/Donations accepted
- Reservations requested for groups of 10 or more
- Maximum group size: 60

Special Services:

- Accredited by the American Association of Museums
- Interpretative guide provided
- Handicap accessible
- Motorcoach parking on street
- RV Parking
- Meeting room

MEDGAR EVERS HOME

2332 Margaret Walker Alexander Drive
601-977-7839

The house that Medgar Evers and his wife owned is not grand. It is evidence of little wealth but a great deal of power. The humble house of this leader, as an object, does not inspire awe. The small house and site of his assassination, and the neighborhood of similar houses that surround it make palpable the very simple longings for freedom and opportunity that drove the Civil Rights Movement. As a museum and a house in a historic district, the renovated structure informs those who visit of the many sacrifices that took place in Jackson and in Mississippi and presents a more modern link in the succession of Mississippi landmarks that communicate the history of the state.

- For appointments to visit the Medgar Evers home, contact the Office of EDC at Tougaloo College at 601-977-7839 or the Office of Public Relations at 601-977-7842.

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MEDGAR EVERS LIBRARY/STATUE

4215 Medgar Evers Boulevard
601-982-2867

This city library located in Evers' former neighborhood, along with the street on which it sits, was renamed in dedication to the memory of Medgar Evers. A life-sized bronze statue of Evers was erected at the library site by local citizens. Evers was the first field secretary for the NAACP in Jackson at the time of his death, June 12, 1963.

MISSISSIPPI AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY MUSEUM/ NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL AVIATION MUSEUM

1150 Lakeland Drive
601-713-3365 • 1-800-844-TOUR
www.mdac.state.ms.us

This 40-acre complex, located in the heart of the city, brings to life Mississippi's rich agricultural heritage. A 40,000-square foot Heritage Center traces the history of agriculture and forestry through an extensive collection of artifacts and life-like exhibits. Outside, the Fortenberry-Parkman Farm restoration and Bisland Cotton Gin, both circa 1860, tell the story of farm life in early Mississippi. Walk down Main Street of the Small Town, Mississippi restoration (circa 1920) and imagine a day in the lives of the people who once toiled and worshiped in these buildings. A visit to the Fitzgerald Collection, Ethnic Heritage Center, and Chimneyville Crafts Gallery complete this walk through history. Award-winning rose gardens and special interest gardens provide enjoyment year-round.

- Tour Contact: Charlie Dixon
- Tour Time: 1½-2 hours
- Hours: Monday-Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Reservations requested for groups of 15 or more
- Group Rate: Adults \$3 per person (motorcoach tours), Ages 6-18 \$2, 3-5 \$.50, 2 and under free
- Complimentary admission for escort & driver

Special Services:

- Member NTA
- Interpretative guide provided upon request
- Multi-media presentation available
- Restrooms
- Drinking fountains
- Gift shop
- Picnic area

- Refreshments available in General Store
- Museum Café serves breakfast and lunch
- Meeting rooms
- Motorcoach parking

MISSISSIPPI GOVERNOR'S MANSION

300 East Capitol Street
601-359-6421 • www.mdah.state.ms.us

Constructed in 1842, this beautiful Greek Revival mansion was designed, according to architect William Nichols, "to adhere to plain republican simplicity." Having served as the official residence of Mississippi's first family since its construction, the mansion is the second-oldest continuously occupied gubernatorial residence in the United States. The mansion underwent various changes before the state restored it to its original plan in 1972, reconstructing original design details and furnishing it with museum-quality antiques appropriate to the 1820s-1830s. In 1975, the mansion was designated a National Historic Landmark.

- Tour Contact: Mary Lohrenz
- Tour Time: 30 minutes
- Hours: Tuesday-Friday 9:30-11 a.m., on the half hour. Closed major holidays and two weeks at Christmas.
- Reservations required for groups of 10 or more.
- Group Rate: Free

Special Services:

- Interpretative guide provided
- Motorcoach parking/curbside

MISSISSIPPI MUSEUM OF ART

201 East Pascagoula Street
601-960-1515 • www.msmuseum.org

Mississippi's oldest and largest professional arts organization, the Mississippi Museum of Art holds an extensive collection of more than 3,000 works including the world's largest collection by and relating to Mississippians and their culturally diverse heritage. Its collections are also notably strong in 19th- and 20th-century American landscape paintings, 18th-century British paintings and furniture, Japanese prints, Southern photography, folk art, pre-Columbian ceramics, and Oceanic art. Each year, various rotating and traveling exhibitions are complemented by lectures and

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special programs. In addition, the Museum offers the Museum Store and Gallery where visitors can find a variety of art-related books and gifts.

- Tour Contact: Education Department
- Tour Time: 1 hour
- Hours: Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Sunday Noon-5 p.m.
- Admission: Adults \$5, Seniors \$4, College Students \$3, & Children \$2
- Group rate: \$1 off regular admission.
- Admission and hours may vary for special exhibitions

Special Services:

- Complimentary admission (one per bus)
- Restrooms
- Drinking fountains
- Gift shop
- Restaurant
- Handicap accessible
- Motorcoach parking
- Meeting rooms

MISSISSIPPI MUSEUM OF NATURAL SCIENCE

2148 Riverside Drive

601-354-7303 • www.mdwfp.com/museum

Experience Mississippi's living heritage through a visit to the Mississippi Museum of Natural Science. An aquarium system containing nearly 100,000 gallons of water and housing over 200 species of native fish, reptiles, and amphibians tells an ecological story of rivers, streams, lakes, ponds, marshes, and the Mississippi Sound. "The Swamp" is a 1,700-square foot greenhouse containing a 20,000-gallon aquarium that is home to an assortment of alligators, turtles, and fish surrounded by a native garden. The 300-acre nature area, with over 3,000 native trees, shrubs, and vines is a great place for bird watching or enjoying a stroll over the 2.5-mile nature trails with interpretive stops along the way.

- Tour Contact: Receptionist or Martha Cooper
- Tour Time: 1 hour (2 hours including Nature Trail tour)
- Hours: Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 1 p.m.-5 p.m.
- Admission: Adults \$4, Children ages 3-18 \$2, Seniors 60 and over \$3
- Group Rate: \$3, \$1 for school groups (10 people minimum for group rate)
- Complimentary admission for escort and driver.

Special Services:

- Restrooms
- Drinking fountains
- Handicap accessible
- Picnic pavilion
- Motorcoach parking
- Multi-media presentations available

MISSISSIPPI SPORTS HALL OF FAME

1152 Lakeland Drive

601-982-8264 • 1-800-280-FAME

www.ms fame.com

Mississippi's first museum for the 21st century contains an array of interactive exhibitry. Touch-screen television kiosks allow museum visitors to access archival footage, achievement data, biographical information, and more than 500 interviews with famous Mississippi athletes like Jerry Rice, Brett Favre, Archie Manning, Ralph Boston, and Dizzy Dean. Reservations requested for group tours.

- Hours: Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Admission: Adults \$5, Students (6-17) and Seniors \$3.50
- Group Rate: \$3.00 (12 people minimum in group)
- Complimentary admission for escort and driver.

Special Services:

- Welcome reception
- Tailgate parties (tour, food, entertainment \$12.50 per person)
- Handicap accessible
- Motorcoach parking
- Meeting rooms

MISSISSIPPI STATE CAPITOL

400 High Street

601-359-3114

Designed by architect Theodore Link and completed in 1903, the Mississippi State Capitol, patterned after the nation's capitol in Washington, D.C., exemplifies the Beaux Arts Classical style of architecture and today serves as the working seat of state government. Often referred to as the "New Capitol," the building boasts exceptional examples of stained glass and marble from around the world.

- Tour Contact: Ernestine Collins
- Tour Time: 1 hour

ATTRACTIONS & MUSEUMS

- Hours: Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Reservations required for all groups
- Group Rate: Free

Special Services:

- Interpretative guide provided
- Restrooms
- Drinking fountains
- Handicap accessible
- Motorcoach parking on street

MYNELLE GARDENS

4736 Clinton Boulevard
601-960-1894

From a simple garden started over a half-century ago, Mynelle Gardens stands today as a botanical wonderland, wildlife sanctuary, and haven for songbirds. The gardens feature azalea and camellia trails and daylily displays, as well as hundreds of perennials and annuals in natural landscape settings. The gardens change with the seasons, even with the time of day, but the mood is always tranquil.

- Tour Contact: Betty McRee
- Tour Time: 45 minutes
- Admission: \$2
- Hours: March-October, 9 a.m.-5:15 p.m.
November-February, 8 a.m.-4:15 p.m.
- Closed major holidays.
- Complimentary admission for escort and driver (commercial tours only)

Special Services:

- Restrooms
- Drinking fountains
- Gift shop
- Handicap accessible
- Motorcoach parking

THE OAKS HOUSE MUSEUM

823 North Jefferson Street
601-353-9339

Circa 1850. The Oaks is probably the oldest house in Jackson and the oldest residence in the city to be continuously occupied. It was built around 1850 by James Hervey and Eliza Boyd and survived the fire of 1863, which reduced most of Jackson to ashes. The home

is rumored to have served as headquarters for General William T. Sherman during the siege of the city by Union troops. James Hervey Boyd was mayor of Jackson for 4 two-year terms. The House exemplifies the Greek Revival cottage style that was popular in the mid-19th century. Lovingly restored and furnished with period antiques by its present owner, the Colonial Dames of America in the State of Mississippi, The Oaks remains a treasured part of Mississippi history.

- Tour Contact: Receptionist
- Tour Time: 40 minutes
- Hours: Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Reservations required for groups of 10 or more.
- Admission: Adults \$4.50, Children \$3.50, Seniors \$3
- Group Rate: 20% off (Groups of 10 or more)
- Complimentary admission for escort and driver.
- Maximum group size: 25

Special Services:

- Interpretative guide provided
- Motorcoach parking on street
- Box lunches/refreshments

THE OLD CAPITOL MUSEUM

100 South State Street
601-359-6920 • www.mdah.state.ms.us

A National Historic Landmark and one of America's finest examples of Greek Revival public architecture, the Old Capitol building served as state capitol from 1839 to 1903, housing such notable events as the passage of the Ordinance of Secession. The Old Capitol was restored from 1959 to 1961 for use as the state historical museum. The Old Capitol Museum offers exhibits on Mississippi from prehistory through the Civil War, Reconstruction, the cotton culture, and the Civil Rights Movement. A new permanent exhibit, Mississippi 1500-1800, depicts the era when Native Americans, Europeans, and Africans first encountered one another in Mississippi. The Old Capitol Shop offers visitors a sampling of the state's folk art, crafts, and books by Mississippians and about Mississippi.

- Tour Contact: Receptionist
- Tour Time: 1 hour
- Hours: Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m.,
Saturday 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday 12:30-4:30 p.m.
- Admission: Free
- Advance reservations for groups are required.

ATTRACTIONS & MUSEUMS

Special Services:

- Introductory tour available weekdays
- Handicap accessible
- Restrooms
- Museum shop/book store
- Meeting rooms
- Motorcoach parking on street

RUSSELL C. DAVIS PLANETARIUM/ RONALD E. MCNAIR SPACE THEATER

201 East Pascagoula Street
601-960-1550 • www.city.jackson.ms.us

Experience the universe in one of the South's largest and best-equipped planetariums! The giant hemispheric theater includes one of mankind's most spectacular replicas of the starry heavens, and can show the skies as they appear on any night in history and from any location on Earth. The facility houses the only large-format theater in Mississippi with the MEGA-HD projection system. The magnificent theater is named for Astronaut/Cinematographer Dr. Ronald E. McNair, who perished aboard the ill-fated "Challenger" in January of 1986. Offerings include sky shows – popular astronomy in a multi-media format and laser light presentations – featuring the music of contemporary, classic, and rock and roll artists with vibrant imagery. The Planetarium also features exhibits on space transport and the solar system.

- Tour Contact: Virginia Trotter
- Tour Time: 1 hour
- Admission: Adults \$5.50, Seniors & Children 4-12 \$4, Children 3 & under Free
- Special discount for groups of 10 or more.
- Advance reservations for groups are required.
- Shows daily except holidays, call 601-960-1550 for current schedule.

Special Services:

- Restrooms
- Handicap accessible
- Drinking fountain
- Gift shop
- Motorcoach parking on-site

SMITH ROBERTSON MUSEUM & CULTURAL CENTER

528 Bloom Street
601-960-1457
www.city.jackson.ms.us/CityHall/robertson.htm

Smith Robertson Museum and Cultural Center is a comprehensive depository of artifacts portraying the African-American Mississippians' experience in the fields of history, art, music, and literature. The museum was originally Smith Robertson Elementary School, the first public school for African-American children in the city of Jackson.

- Tour Contact: Sharon Ceasar
- Tour Time: 1 hour
- Hours: Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m. No guided tours on Monday.
- Group Rate: Adults \$1, under 18 \$.50
- Advance reservations for groups are required.
- Group maximum: 60

Special Services:

- Restrooms
- Drinking fountains
- Interpretative guide provided
- Gift shop
- Meeting rooms
- Motorcoach parking

SPRINGDALE HILLS ARBORETUM

2116 North Springdale Road
601-366-4679

This 104-acre private arboretum has nature trails, a Christmas tree farm, and the ruins of an 1830s antebellum mansion raided during the Civil War.

- Tour contact: Ed or Charlotte Blake
- Tour time: 1 hour
- Open year-round. Tours by appointment only
- Admission: \$2.00
- Complimentary admission for escort and driver

ATTRACTIONS & MUSEUMS

STATE ARCHIVES & HISTORY LIBRARY

100 South State Street
601-359-6876 • www.mdah.state.ms.us

A haven for genealogists from all over the nation, this is the second-oldest state archives department in the country. It contains U.S. Bureau of Census records, 1,800 private collections, three million feet of news footage dating to 1954, nearly 17,000 rolls of microfilmed newspapers, 30,000 boxes of state government documents, 1,400 historical maps dated from 1582, and over one million photographs.

- Contact: Information Desk
 - Hours: Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 8 a.m.-1 p.m.
 - Admission: Free
- A research identification card is required. There is no charge, and this card can be obtained from the library receptionist with valid identification.

TOUGALOO COLLEGE

500 West County Line Road
601-977-7905 • 1-888-42GALOO
www.tougaloo.edu

Located on what was once the Boddie Plantation, Tougaloo College, a historically black, private, liberal arts institution, was founded in 1869 by the American Missionary Association. Enter through historic wrought iron gates, follow streets lined with centuries-old magnolias and giant oaks dripping with wispy Spanish moss, past historic buildings that whisper to us of a rich but sometimes turbulent past, to the modern dormitories, classrooms, and facilities that today are home to the African-American future professional, community, and national leaders.

Tougaloo played a vital role in the difficult times that surrounded the Civil Rights Movement in the 1960s. Serious researchers and students of history alike will appreciate the Lillian Pierce Benbow Room of Special Collections in the Coleman Library where thousands of documents, tapes, photographs, and artifacts tell the story of the civil rights struggle.

- Tour Contact: Shandra Daniel
- Tour Time: 30 minutes
- Hours: By appointment only
- Reservations required for groups
- Group Rate: Free/donations accepted

Special Services:

- Interpretative guide available
- Restrooms
- Handicap accessible
- Drinking fountains
- Motorcoach parking

WAR MEMORIAL BUILDING

120 North State Street
601-354-7207

Located next to the Old Capitol Museum, the Mississippi War Memorial Building stands as a monument to the memory of Mississippi men and women who have given their lives in defense of their country. The building contains a model of the Battleship USS Mississippi and some very unique cast aluminum doors and panels depicting battle scenes from the Battle of Ackia in 1736 through the Vietnam Conflict.

- Handicap accessible
- Admission: Free

NOTES

OTHER AREA ATTRACTIONS

DUPREE HOUSE & MAMIE'S COTTAGE

2809 Dupree Road, Raymond
1-877-629-6051

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the Dupree House developed from a three-room structure built in the 1850s to the picturesque, transitional Greek Revival/Italianate plantation home of Dr. H. T. T. Dupree. During the late 19th century, the property was recognized as one of the finest working plantations in West Central Mississippi, with a sawmill and a gristmill.

Mamie's Cottage, the in-town home of Dr. Dupree's adopted daughter, Mamie, was moved to the property in 1977 following her death. Today, the cottage houses two comfy bed & breakfast suites.

A great place to enjoy beautiful ambiance steeped in history, Dupree House welcomes groups for tours and catered meals. The home is also available for family reunions, weddings, luncheons, and company parties. A special motorcoach entrance makes the home easily accessible.

- Tour contact: Brenda Davis, owner

HILLTOP PAINTED ACRES

607 North Street, Brandon
601-825-2094

Old wagons, horse-drawn farm equipment, and antiques abound in the western town at Hilltop Painted Acres. The town features a general store, bank, livery stable, jail, blacksmith shop, and old church/schoolhouse. Panning for gold and other gems is a favorite activity in the old mining town. There's also a Cowboy Goofy Golf course, exotic animals, and much more. Many artifacts, animals, and even the owner himself have been featured in movies such as *Ghosts of Mississippi*, *Oh Brother Where Art Thou?*, and *My Dog Skip*.

- Tour Contact: Barbara Blough
- Hours: By appointment
- Tour Time: Varies by activity

Special Services:

- Handicap accessible
- Motorcoach parking

McGEE'S CASTLE

1479 Pinehill Drive, Raymond
601-857-8997 • www.mcgeescastle.com

Located in historic Raymond, just minutes from downtown Jackson, McGee's Castle transports the visitor across continents and back in time to the days of fair maidens and knights in shining armor. The castle, begun as a modest A-frame house in the mid-1970s, has evolved into a one-of-a-kind, luxurious home filled with 18th-century furnishings including an authentic replica of the Knights of the Round Table and other unique architectural elements. A museum of collectible guns, swords, and Civil War memorabilia is housed on the upper floor.

The Castle offers romantic bed & breakfast accommodations and caters to weddings, receptions, and other special occasions such as corporate meetings and events. Special Christmas tours feature more than 100,000 twinkling lights and Santa Claus. Tour groups are welcomed for tours and catered meals. Ample bus parking is available.

- Tour contact: Cheryl Thomas, manager

MISSISSIPPI CRAFTS CENTER

Natchez Trace Exit from I-55 North
601-856-7546

Built on the historic Natchez Trace Parkway in 1975 under the sponsorship of the Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi, the Center is a showplace of both traditional and contemporary folk arts and crafts of our state. Informative exhibits and live demonstrations involve visitors in the artist process. In the sales gallery, you will discover a vast array of items, from Choctaw Indian crafts to fine pewterware hand-crafted by Mississippi artisans.

- Tour Contact: Center Director
- Tour Time: 30 minutes-1 hour
- Hours: Monday-Sunday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Admission: Free/donations accepted

Special Services:

- Restrooms
- Drinking fountains
- Motorcoach parking
- Handicap accessible
- Special calendar for craft demonstrations is available upon request

OTHER AREA ATTRACTIONS

MISSISSIPPI PETRIFIED FOREST

P. O. Box 37, Flora, MS
601-879-8189 • www.ms petrified forest.com

Located north of Jackson off I-55, the existence of this Petrified Forest has been known since the middle 1800s, but only within the past three decades has it been developed and opened for the public. Expert research during this time has brought forth a wealth of facts and features about the forest. The many points of interest are viewed from an easy walking nature trail about six blocks long. A printed trail guide explains each feature and point of interest. In 1966, the Mississippi Petrified Forest was declared a Registered National Natural Landmark by the National Park Service as possessing exceptional value in illustrating the natural history of the United States. Additional features include a museum, gemstone fluming, picnic area, campground, gems, native wildlife display, dynamite mine, rock shop, educational exhibits, gifts, colorful badlands, and souvenirs.

- Hours: April 1-Labor Day, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Labor Day-April 1, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Closed only on Christmas Day.
- Admission: \$5 Adults; \$4 Children grades 1-12
- Group Discounts Available (15 or more)
- Advance reservations for groups required

MUSEUM OF THE SOUTHERN JEWISH EXPERIENCE

3863 Morrison Road, Utica, MS
(40 minutes southwest of Jackson)
601-362-6357 (September-May)
601-885-6042 (June-August)
www.msje.org

Located on the picturesque campus of the Henry S. Jacobs Camp in Utica, Mississippi, the Museum of the Southern Jewish Experience is dedicated to exploring the rich history and experience of Jews in the South. Religious objects, materials, and memorabilia speak to the long and rich tradition of Jewish life in the South. Changing exhibits featuring artifacts from our collections and others explore relevant issues and themes of the southern Jewish story. The Museum houses a fully-functioning sanctuary and a gift shop which offers many unique gift items, books, and souvenirs for sale. The Museum also offers Cultural Corridor Tours to sites of southern Jewish history in the Mississippi River region.

- Group tours available by appointment

- Hours: 7 days, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Admission: Adults \$5, Students and Seniors \$4
- Group rate: \$4
- Gift Shop

NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY

1-800-927-6378 • www.nps.gov/natr/

This 400-mile parkway stretches from Natchez to Nashville, Tennessee. The Trace is a historic route travelled by early Indian tribes, pioneer settlers, colonial troops, and traders. This beautiful scenic highway follows the shore of the Ross Barnett Reservoir where picnic areas and parks beckon the traveller.

Hauling and commercial trucks are prohibited; however motorcoaches are permitted on the Trace with proper permits. Speed limit is 50 mph unless posted otherwise. Natchez Trace Parkway tour itineraries are available through the Jackson Convention & Visitors Bureau.

PINEY WOODS COUNTRY LIFE SCHOOL

Highway 49 South
601-845-2214 • www.pineywoods.org

Located 21 miles southeast of Jackson, Piney Woods Country Life School began as a dream of Dr. Laurence Jones in 1909. Today, the 2,000 acres that encompass the campus is a viable modern school which is mostly self-sufficient. In addition to academics, the students are taught skills and trades. Still dedicated to pragmatic principles, the school has more than 300 students in grades 7-12 from all over the world. Largely built by students over the years, Piney Woods has a rustic charm that obscures the obstacles overcome in its creation.

- Hours: By appointment only

PERFORMING ARTS

BALLET MAGNIFICAT

5406 I-55 North • 601-977-1001
www.balletmagnificat.com

Ballet Magnificat is a classical ballet company with a religious focus. The company is sponsored by churches, educational foundations, and arts councils, and tours throughout the world.

BALLET MISSISSIPPI

Mississippi Arts Center
201 East Pascagoula Street • 601-960-1560
www.msmuseumart.org

Ballet Mississippi is one of Jackson's premiere performing arts organizations, providing educational outreach and the Ballet Mississippi School to expose Mississippi students to the beauty and artistry that is ballet. The company's professionally trained dancers perform *The Nutcracker* each winter and a special Spring Gala. Guest choreographers are invited to stage their work with the company, and Ballet Mississippi now partners with Millsaps College offering a credit course in ballet to students.

COMMUNITY CHILDREN'S THEATRE

1000 Monroe Street • P. O. Box 4403
601-354-1191

Community Children's Theatre is a 50-year-old voluntary organization that annually produces a play for area children. Members select the play, build sets, gather props, rehearse, make costumes, work spotlights, arrange reservations, and more for the 10,000 plus children who see the play annually each winter.

JACKSON CHORAL SOCIETY

P. O. Box 4211 • Fondren Station

The Jackson Choral Society includes people from all walks of life who enjoy performing unique songs. Some are professional musicians, but most are people who just enjoy singing.

JACKSON COMMUNITY CONCERT ASSOCIATION

P. O. Box 5163 • 601-960-1565

The Jackson Community Concert Association, a non-profit organization, presents three major artistic events annually featuring internationally acclaimed artists.

METROPOLITAN CHAMBER ORCHESTRA SOCIETY

3615 Hawthorne Drive • 601-366-3457

The Society provides central Mississippi audiences with concerts of quality classical music in a chamber orchestra format and gives community members the opportunity to perform classical music. It also gives individuals the opportunity to solo with an orchestra.

MISSISSIPPI SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Mississippi Arts Center
201 East Pascagoula Street • P.O. Box 205
601-960-1565 • www.msorchestra.com

The largest performing arts organization in Mississippi. The Symphony performs for approximately 400,000 Mississippians each year either as a full orchestra, a touring orchestra, or a chamber orchestra.

NEW STAGE THEATRE

1100 Carlisle Street • 601-948-3531
www.newstagetheatre.com

New Stage Theatre, founded in 1965, is Mississippi's only professional theater, and produces a full professional season.

PUPPET ARTS THEATRE

1927 Springridge Drive • 601-956-3414

The Puppet Arts Theatre is a professional puppet theatre company organized in 1967. Performances combine arts, education, and entertainment. The theatre tours Mississippi and the Southeast.

PERFORMING ARTS

REPERTORY THEATRE OF MISSISSIPPI

P. O. Box 17927 • 601-948-6633

The Repertory Theatre of Mississippi is a professional theatre company which provides artists the opportunity to work in the areas of dance, music, art, directing, technical, and visual arts. Performances offer cultural enrichment and entertainment.

THE MISSISSIPPI OPERA ASSOCIATION

Mississippi Arts Center

201 East Pascagoula Street • P. O. Box 1551

601-960-1528 • Box Office 601-960-2300

www.msopera.org

“Mississippi’s Most Musical Theater,” the Mississippi Opera produces and presents a season of Grand Opera and a variety of other opera/musical theater, recital, and special events. Acclaimed by national and international critics, Mississippi Opera attracts audiences from throughout the region, and serves Mississippi through touring and education productions.

USA INTERNATIONAL BALLET COMPETITION, INC.

P. O. Box 3696 • 601-355-9853

www.usaibc.com

One of the world’s most prestigious dance events, the USA International Ballet Competition (USA IBC) is a two-week “olympic style” competition where tomorrow’s ballet stars vie for gold, silver, and bronze medals, cash awards, and scholarships. Designated as the official USA Competition by a Joint Resolution of Congress, the USA IBC is held every four years, in the tradition of sister competitions in Varna, Bulgaria and Moscow, Russia. Audiences and participants alike enjoy a festival of ancillary events, such as the International Dance School, art exhibition, regional ballet company performances, and dance workshops.



AREA ARTS ORGANIZATIONS

American Guild of Organists
601-362-3235

Arts Alliance of Jackson/Hinds County
www.artsalliance.org • 601-960-1557

Ballet Magnificat
www.balletmagnificat.com • 601-977-1001

Ballet Mississippi
www.balletmississippi.com • 601-960-1560

Belhaven College
www.belhaven.edu • 601-968-5900

Community Children's Theatre
601-354-1191

The Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi, Inc.
www.ms craftsmensguild.org • 601-981-0019

Eudora Welty Library System
601-968-5803

Hinds Community College
www.hinds.cc.ms.us • 601-857-3321

Jackson Public School's Academic & Performing Arts
Complex (APAC) Performing Arts Division
601-960-5387

Jackson State University
www.jsu.ms.edu • 601-968-2272

Metropolitan Chamber Orchestra Society
601-366-3457

Millsaps College
www.millsaps.edu • 601-974-1039

Mississippi Academy of Ancient Music
601-852-4848

Mississippi Artists Guild
601-373-1110

Mississippi Arts Center
601-960-1500

Mississippi Arts Commission
www.arts.state.ms.us • 601-359-6030

Mississippi Chorus
601-825-1031

Mississippi Department of Archives & History
www.mdah.state.ms.us • 601-359-6850

Mississippi Humanities Council
www.ihl.state.ms.us/mhc.index.html • 601-432-6752

Mississippi Museum of Art
www.msmuseumart.org • 601-960-1515

The Mississippi Opera Association
www.msopera.org • 601-960-2300

Mississippi Poetry Society
601-856-3635

Mississippi Puppetry Guild
601-932-2751

Mississippi Symphony Orchestra
www.msorchestra.com • 601-960-1565

Mississippi Writers Association
601-352-6864

Municipal Art Gallery
www.city.jackson.ms.us • 601-960-1582

New Stage Theatre
www.newstagetheatre.com • 601-948-3531

Puppet Arts Theatre
601-956-3414

Repertory Theatre of Mississippi
601-948-6633

Thalia Mara World Performance Series
www.thaliamara.org • 601-968-0090

Tougaloo College
www.tougaloo.edu • 601-977-7839 or 1-888-42GALOO

USA International Ballet Competition, Inc.
www.usaibc.com • 601-355-9853

W. Kessler, Ltd.
601-981-1827

RECREATION

BOWLING

COTTON BOWL

3003 Lynch Street • 601-354-5738

Hours: 11 a.m.-11 p.m.

LARWIL LANES

1423 Old Square Road • 601-362-1513

Hours: 12 noon-12 midnight

MINIATURE GOLF

JACKSON GOLF WORLD

5124 North State Street • 601-981-8889

Golf driving range, miniature golf, 1/4 mile go-cart track, baseball/softball range, professional golf instruction.

SKATING RINKS

FUNTIME SKATELAND

820 Cooper Road • 601-373-9311

LAKELAND SKATING

2929 Layfair Drive • 601-932-5323

PARK

LEFLEUR'S BLUFF STATE PARK

2140 Riverside Drive • 601-987-3985

The State's only park located within the city limits. Beautiful grounds and peaceful scenery feature clubhouse, swimming pool, picnic areas, tennis, boating, fishing and camping, a nature trail, and a 9-hole golf course. 30 RV camp pads, bathhouse, sanitation dump station.

SPORTS TEAMS

JACKSON BANDITS HOCKEY TEAM

601-352-PUCK (7825) • www.thebandits.com

Jackson's professional hockey team hits the ice in the Mississippi Coliseum. From the first face-off to the final shoot-out, it will be wall-to-wall action! Call for a game schedule and ticket information. Season runs October to March. Group rates available.

JACKSON SENATORS BASEBALL TEAM

601-362-2294 • www.jacksonsenators.com

Professional baseball is back in Jackson! America's favorite past-time is a family-friendly venue for young and old alike. Games are played at Smith-Wills Stadium from May to August. Group rates available.

SHOPPING CENTERS

BANNER HALL

4465 I-55 North • 601-366-3371

CANTON MART SQUARE

1471 Canton Mart Road • 601-957-1217

CHIMNEYVILLE CRAFTS GALLERY

50 Lakeland Drive • 601-981-2499

ELLIS AVENUE PLAZA

Ellis Avenue • 601-944-0607

FONDREN DISTRICT

2819 North State Street • 601-362-1492

HIGHLAND VILLAGE SHOPPING CENTER

4500 I-55 North • 601-982-5861

JACKSON SQUARE

2460 Terry Road • 601-372-5123

LEFLEUR'S GALLERY

4800 I-55 North • 601-981-4626

MAYWOOD MART

I-55 North at Northside Drive • 601-366-5502

METROCENTER MALL

3645 Highway 80 West
601-354-7800 • 601-969-7633

PEAR ORCHARD VILLAGE SHOPPING CENTER

1625 East County Line Road

THE QUARTER SPECIALTY CENTER

1855 Lakeland Drive

WESTLAND PLAZA SHOPPING CENTER

Ellis at Robinson Road • 601-372-5123

WOODLAND HILLS SHOPPING CENTER

Duling Avenue • 601-981-3886

SHOPPING

ANTIQUES

ANNELLE PRIMOS & ASSOCIATES

Highland Village, Suite 126 • 601-362-6154

ANN'S CANDLES/HOME EMBELLISHMENTS

170 Highland Village • 601-981-2666

ANTIQUE MARKET

3009 North State • 601-982-5456

ANTIQUES GALLERY BY ANN HALL

2943 Old Canton Road • 601-981-0140

AX ANTIQUES & TRADING POST

3953 Highway 80 East • 601-939-5887

BATTE FURNITURE & INTERIORS

1010 East Northside Drive • 601-366-0335

CAPITOL BARGAIN SHOP

2025 West Capitol Street • 601-355-1626

CHAMPAGNE ANTIQUES & GIFTS

228 East Capitol Street • 601-353-9718

DOUGLASS'

4800 I-55 North Frontage Road • 601-981-0400

THE ELEPHANT'S EAR

3110 Old Canton Road • 601-982-5140

EXCLUSIVELY YOURS, INC.

1491 Canton Mart Road • 601-956-9419

FAIRGROUND ANTIQUE & FLEA MARKET

900 High Street • 601-353-5327

FRAME SHOPPE & ANTIQUE PRINT GALLERY

3017 North State Street • 601-366-8541

HIGH STREET ANTIQUE MALL

806 Larson Street • 601-354-5222

HOUSTON'S FURNITURE STORE

2929 Enochs Street • 601-362-1981

INTERIOR FABRICS & ANTIQUES INC.

1491 Canton Mart Road • 601-957-0141

INTERIOR SPACES

1220 East Northside Drive • 601-981-9820

INTERIORS MARKET

659 Duling Avenue • 601-981-6020

JIM WESTERFIELD ANTIQUES & INTERIORS

4429 Old Canton Road • 601-362-7508

JO'S ANTIQUES

680 Commerce Street • 601-352-3644

KING BOBBIE-DRESSING UP

Woodland Hills Shopping Center • 601-362-9803

KUNTRY JUNKSHUN

1135 Raymond Road • 601-373-6503

OLIVER ANTIQUES

730 Lakeland Drive • 601-981-2564

ORIENTAL SHOPPE

Highland Village • 601-362-4646

PEELER HOUSE ANTIQUES

4500 I-55 North • 601-366-5113

REAVES' ORIENTAL RUGS

420 Meadowbrook Road • 601-362-7707

ST. MARTIN'S GALLERY

2817 Old Canton Road • 601-362-1977

STATELY HOME ANTIQUES

737 North State Street • 601-355-1158

THE SHOPPES, PATRICE'S

1491 Canton Mart Road • 601-956-4343

WARREN WRIGHT'S ANTIQUES

4914 North State Street • 601-982-2122

YE OLDE LAMP SHOPPE

4505 I-55 North Frontage Road • 601-362-9311

ANNUAL EVENTS

JANUARY

MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CELEBRATION & PARADE

601-960-1090

Two full weeks of activities leads up to the second largest parade in America honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. This annual celebration features gospel singing, a talent show, live entertainment, and more.

MISSISSIPPI RACING VEHICLE EXTRAVAGANZA

601-992-9877

Race car expo—NASCAR vendors, custom stock race vehicles. Mississippi State Fairgrounds.

DIXIE NATIONAL LIVESTOCK SHOW & RODEO

601-961-4000

(Event runs through mid-February)

Beginning in January, the Mississippi Fairgrounds hosts the largest livestock show east of the Mississippi River. In February, the Coliseum hosts the second largest PRCA Rodeo with ten performances over seven days. There are also five horse shows, a Junior Livestock show, a two-day Western Festival, two trade shows, rodeo dance, and parade during this three-week event. Admission to some events.

FEBRUARY

GEM & MINERAL SHOW

601-961-4000

This semiannual event is held at the Agriculture & Industrial Buildings at the Mississippi State Fairgrounds. This show promotes education and enjoyment related to the earth sciences. Admission.

MARCH

MISSISSIPPI PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL FOR CHILDREN/PUPPETRY JAM

601-977-9840

Presented by the Mississippi Puppetry Guild, this fabulous event for kids features puppet shows,

storytellers, clowns and more! Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum.

ZOOLYMPICS

601-352-2581 • www.jacksonzoo.com

Children test their skills against those of the animals in such activities as the Zebra Kick and the Cheetah Relay. Other activities include clowns, space jump, face painting, and more. Jackson Zoological Park. Admission.

NATIONAL CUTTING HORSE ASSOCIATION EASTERN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

601-961-4000 • 817-244-6188

www.nhacutting.com

This annual event at the Mississippi State Fairgrounds is a definite crowd pleaser. The sport of “cutting” is a timed event involving a horse and rider attempting to separate specific cattle from a herd and keeping them away.

MAL'S ST. PADDY'S PARADE & FESTIVAL

601-984-1972 • www.halandmals.com

Downtown Jackson turns out the green and the green-at-heart for this truly fun-loving, Irish-inspired celebration. Mal's St. Paddy's Parade & Festival Weekend includes dances, runs, concerts, children's activities, and a major parade that attracts thousands of participants and spectators from across the globe. A weekend of whacky, way-out fun for the neighborhood. Sweet Potato Queens and their Wannabes, the Krewe of Kazoo, the O'Tux Society, the Shamrock Gator Society, and the Rude Boys all gather with a cast of thousands to create humor and merriment while raising money and awareness for the Blair E. Batson Hospital for Children.

BAGWELL ANTIQUES SHOW

662-844-3095 • 662-231-9654

Touted as Mississippi's premier antiques event, this show features 75 antique dealers from 20 states. Furniture, decorative accessories, estate jewelry, silver, collectibles, textiles, porcelain, and books are offered. Mississippi Trade Mart. Admission.

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SCOTTISH HIGHLAND GAMES

601-713-3365 • 601-968-5130

www.mdac.state.ms.us

Break out the bagpipes as we promote the art, music, and culture of Scotland and her Highland Games. Featured are musical entertainment competitions, Scottish food, music, and artisans. Held at the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum. Admission.

SPRING FESTIVAL & PLANT SALE AT MYNELLE GARDENS

601-960-1894

There's no better way to spring into the season than to join us at Mynelle Gardens for this celebration of Mother Nature's floral beauty.

HANDWORKS SPRING & EASTER MARKET

601-981-1052 • www.handworksmarket.com

This biannual event features fine crafts and art by nearly 100 Mississippi and regional artisans, and includes Easter eggs, bunnies, clothing and gifts, as well as gift items for Mother's Day and graduation. Exceptional quality home and garden accessories are also available—all in a party-like atmosphere. Mikhail's Northgate. 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Admission.

APRIL

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

601-713-3365 • 1-800-844-8687

www.mdac.state.ms.us

Easter service provided by local churches, including music by local choirs. Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum.

CROSSROADS FILM FESTIVAL

601-352-5230 • www.crossroadsfilmfest.com

Crossroads Film Festival is a four-day celebration of local, national, and international film and video that features a film and video competition for features, short films, student films, documentaries, and experimental projects. Special seminars and evening galas are offered. Downtown Jackson. Admission.

AG MUSEUM FESTIVAL

601-713-3365 • 1-800-844-8687

www.mdac.state.ms.us

A special festival for the entire family. Held on the grounds of the Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum. Admission.

ZOOBILATION, "A ZOO CELEBRATION"

601-352-2581 • www.jacksonzoo.com

This annual celebration for the Zoo involves visits from cartoon and storybook characters. Local media celebrities and friends come out to join the fun. Jackson Zoological Park. Regular Admission.

ANNUAL LYNCH STREET HERITAGE FESTIVAL

601-352-6993

This two-day event is designed to recapture the festive, artistic, and cultural atmosphere of the area. Festivities include a talent show, arts and crafts booths, and musical entertainment.

INTERNATIONAL CRAWFISH FESTIVAL

601-992-9877

This family-oriented event offers a full day of fun and music for your mouth. Activities scheduled include a children's village, crawfish cooking contests, crawfish vendors and other festival foods, and live musical entertainment. Smith Park. Admission.

TOUR LEFLEUR BIKE RACE

601-936-2100 • www.active.com

This regional cycling event offers multiple races for both professional and amateur riders on a route through downtown Jackson.

MAY

CANTON FLEA MARKET

601-859-8055 • 1-800-844-3369

Outstanding artists and craftsmen display their work on the beautiful grounds of the historic Madison County Courthouse and surrounding locations. This is definitely

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a “don’t miss” event that will feature over 1,100 superior artists and craftsmen from approximately 29 different states. Admission is free!

JUBILEE!JAM

601-960-2008 • www.jubileejam.com

As the city’s biggest outdoor music and arts festival, Jubilee!JAM features performances by great local, regional, and national artists. Family and children’s activities as well. This is one you don’t want to miss! Held in the streets of downtown Jackson. Admission.

JUNE

REPTILE RENDEZVOUS

601-352-2581 • www.jacksonzoo.com

Snakes, snakes, and more snakes!!! The Jackson Zoo features over 100 reptiles and over 22 different species of rattlesnakes in the annual North American Rattlesnake Exhibit. Admission.

JULY

OLD-FASHIONED 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

601-713-3365 • 1-800-844-8687

www.mdac.state.ms.us

This family event includes pony rides, train rides, carousel rides, lots of games and prizes, free watermelon, musical entertainment, and other fun activities for the kids. Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum. Admission.

CANTON HOT AIR BALLOON RACE

601-859-4358

For an Independence Day celebration full of patriotic pride, this event is the place to be. Features 50 hot air balloons, carnival rides, fireworks, and concessions.

AUGUST

MISSISSIPPI WILDLIFE EXTRAVAGANZA

601-354-7051

A must-see for lovers of the great outdoors. Hunters, fishermen, and other outdoors enthusiasts of all ages won’t want to miss the state’s largest wildlife trade show. Show features a large selection of outdoor wear, equipment, and more! Mississippi Trade Mart. Admission.

SEPTEMBER

CELTIC FEST

601-713-3365 • 1-800-844-8687

www.mdac.state.ms.us

Come immerse yourself in Celtic art, music, and culture. This event features Celtic music, displays by Celtic artists, educational workshops, family and children’s activities, and plenty of concessions. Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum. Admission.

FESTIVAL LATINO

601-371-1682 • 601-960-8467

www.mshispanicassociation.com

This annual cultural event features dance, music, and crafts from Central and South American countries as well as the Caribbean Islands. Sample foods from the northern border of Mexico to the tip of South America. Free activities for kids. LeFleur’s Bluff State Park. Admission.

CLARION-LEDGER COOKING SCHOOL

601-961-7041 • www.clarionledger.com

Food is the centerpiece of Southern culture and what better place to enhance your cooking skills than at The Clarion-Ledger’s Cooking School? Mississippi Trade Mart.

KID ZONE

1-800-222-1331 • www.bcbsms.com

Kid Zone is an annual fall festival that takes place at LeFleur’s Bluff State Park. The award-winning event offers a weekend of fun for children and their families. The festival includes nationally acclaimed stage shows and popular characters from Cartoon Network and

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OCTOBER

MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIR

601-961-4000

This is one of the South's largest fairs, featuring amusement rides, concessions, entertainment by national recording artists, and a variety of agricultural and livestock competitions, and educational demonstrations. Mississippi State Fairgrounds. Admission.

PUMPKIN PICKING

601-713-3365 • 1-800-844-8687

www.mdac.state.ms.us

Features a hayride tour of a vegetable garden, children's barnyard, snack, and visit to the pumpkin patch to pick out your own pumpkin. Mississippi Agricultural & Forestry Museum. Admission.

HALLOWEEN HAUNTED FARM & HAYRIDE

601-825-2094

Tour through a haunted barn and maze, walk through "deep, dark, dangerous" woods, and take a hay ride through spook-filled pastures and woods. Complete tour takes about an hour. Hilltop Painted Acres, Brandon. Admission.

CANTON FLEA MARKET

601-859-8055 • 1-800-844-3369

Outstanding artists and craftsmen display their work on the beautiful grounds of the historic Madison County Courthouse and surrounding locations. This is definitely a "don't miss" event that will feature over 1,100 superior artists and craftsmen from approximately 29 different states. Admission is free!

SOUTHERN CUTTING FUTURITY

601-654-9271

Annual Competition of one of the world's fastest-growing equine sports. Cutting offers tremendous excitement and drama for the horse, rider, and spectators alike. Mississippi State Fairgrounds.

Nickelodeon. Plus, there's the Half-Ring Circus, kid karaoke, water wars, inflatables, face painting, arts and crafts, climbing walls, NASCAR simulators, BMX Stunt Team, a food court, and more! Admission includes entrance to the Museum of Natural Science and the playground at LeFleur's Bluff State Park. Sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Mississippi. Admission.

FARISH STREET HERITAGE FESTIVAL

601-960-2384

The second oldest African-American community festival in the state of Mississippi features three stages of live entertainment from national, regional, and local artists and performers. There will also be an arts and crafts exhibition; a Kiddy Cottage for children; "soul food" and other ethnic delicacies; and various cultural activities. Farish Street Historical District in downtown Jackson. Admission.

JSU HOMECOMING

601-968-2273 • www.jsu.ms.edu

Activities include a parade, coronation of the Homecoming Queen, the football game, and a Greek show. Various venues.

HANDWORKS HOLIDAY MARKET

601-981-1052

This annual arts and crafts market is highlighted by works for sale from nearly 100 Mississippi and regional artisans. Shoppers can choose from Christmas decorations, children's clothing and toys, home accents, fine art, home and garden accessories, photography, ceramics, and more. Mikhail's Northgate Conference Center. Admission.

WELLSFEST

601-353-0658

A family festival held to benefit a different non-profit service organization each year. Activities include a 5K race, fun walk, food, children's games, arts and crafts, silent auction, and plenty of live music by area entertainers. Lakeland Park. Admission.

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FRIGHT NIGHT

601-352-2581 • www.jacksonzoo.com

For ghosts and goblins this Halloween, the Jackson Zoo is the place to be! Kids of all ages will love the "Trail of Terror" featuring a snake pit, mummies, monsters, trolls, witches, and other surprises. Jackson Zoo. Admission.

BAGWELL ANTIQUES SHOW

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Touted as Mississippi's premier antiques event, this show features 75 antique dealers from 20 states. Furniture, decorative accessories, estate jewelry, silver, collectibles, textiles, porcelain, and books are offered. Mississippi Trade Mart. Admission.

TRUSTMARK RED BEANS & RICE CELEBRATION

601-353-2759 • www.stewpot.org

Enjoy delicious samplings of red beans and rice courtesy of the many cooking teams vying for the title of the BEST red beans and rice dish! Downtown Jackson. Admission.

ANNUAL PIONEER AND INDIAN FESTIVAL

601-856-7546

This celebration appeals to the senses of sight, sound, touch, and taste. For sight and touch, the crafts predominate with demonstrations and sales of blacksmithery, brooms, leather, wood, clay, weaving, quilts, and baskets. Music and dance for the event comes from diverse traditions. Featured are Choctaw dance and chants, African-American spirituals, bluegrass, and gospel. For taste, the scent and savor of traditional foods satisfy everyone's appetite. Mississippi Crafts Center, Natchez Trace Parkway.

SOUTHERN FARM BUREAU PGA GOLF CLASSIC

601-856-9290

The SFBGC is Mississippi's only regular PGA TOUR event. Some of the top PGA TOUR players will compete for a total purse of over \$1,000,000. Annandale Golf Club, Madison.

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL AT THE MISSISSIPPI AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY MUSEUM

601-713-3365 • 1-800-844-8687

www.mdac.state.ms.us

Children of all ages can come enjoy ghostly rides, haunted farm, fortune telling, a nature trail, magic show, and trick-or-treat goodies. Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum. Admission.

MISSISSIPPI WATERCOLOR SOCIETY GRAND NATIONAL EXHIBITION

601-960-1515 • www.msmuseumart.org

This annual presentation includes more than 60 works from artists across the country in various water-based mediums, organized in conjunction with the Mississippi Watercolor Society. Mississippi Museum of Art. Admission.

NOVEMBER

HARVEST FESTIVAL

601-713-3365 • 1-800-844-8687

www.mdac.state.ms.us

It's harvest time at the Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum. Come and observe the operation of the cotton gin, sawmill, cane mill, and blacksmith shop. Admission includes tour of the Museum.

MISTLETOE MARKETPLACE

601-948-2357 • 1-800-380-2870

www.mistletoemarketplace.com

The largest fundraiser in Mississippi! Enjoy the excitement of this three-day holiday shopping extravaganza featuring more than 100 merchants from across the nation. Each day is filled with special events designed to fuel the excitement of the approaching holiday season. Mississippi Trade Mart. Admission.

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

601-359-6920 • www.mdah.state.ms.us

The Old Capitol Museum's Gift Shop hosts this annual Open House, offering visitors a sampling of the state's folk art, crafts, and books by Mississippians and about Mississippi. Enjoy the Metropolitan Chamber Orchestra in concert. Old Capitol Museum. Admission is free.

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CAPITAL CITY FOOTBALL CLASSIC

601-979-2450 • 601-259-2701

www.jsums.edu

Activities surrounding the Jackson State University and Alcorn State University football game include: a scholarship banquet, Miss Capital City Classic pageant, pep rally, Greek step show, Battle of the Bands, and much more! Various venues; game at Veteran's Memorial Stadium.

DECEMBER

Many different associations and attractions celebrate Christmas in Jackson. Please call the Jackson Convention & Visitors Bureau at 601-960-1891 or 1-800-354-7695 for a holiday events calendar.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

601-960-1457 • www.city.jackson.ms.us/CityHall/robertson.htm

Held at the Smith Robertson Museum, this festival showcases various civic, social, and religious organizations' decorated Christmas trees. Each year's festival features a special theme for decorations.

CITY OF JACKSON CHRISTMAS PARADE

601-960-1084 • www.city.jackson.ms.us

Usher in the Yuletide Season in downtown Jackson at the annual Christmas Parade held the first Saturday in December. After the parade, gather at City Hall for the tree lighting ceremony and musical entertainment.

CHRISTMAS AT THE OLD CAPITOL

601-359-6920 • www.mdah.state.ms.us

A tradition enjoyed by thousands each holiday season is held in the 160-year old Greek Revival structure that once served as the State Capitol building. Beautiful decorations of late 1800s-style, reproduction ornaments, toys from the Museum's collected, the Old Capitol trains, and a fabulous Christmas tree highlight the holidays at the Old Capitol. Admission is free.

OLDE TYME CHRISTMAS VILLAGE

601-713-3365 • 1-800-844-8676

www.mdac.state.ms.us

The Mississippi Heritage Center will be decorated for an old-fashioned Mississippi Christmas. Bring the entire family to enjoy a miniature Christmas village featuring lights and early 1900s-era buildings. Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum. Admission.

PUPPET WONDERLAND

601-977-9840

The Mississippi Puppetry Guild in cooperation with the Millsaps College Department of Theater presents *The Nutcracker Suite*. Millsaps College. Admission.

BELHAVEN SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE

601-968-5930 • www.belhaven.edu

A Belhaven College tradition since 1933, the Singing Christmas Tree is an outdoor choral performance of the season's favorite Christmas carols. Bring your blanket and lawn chairs to the Belhaven College soccer bowl. No admission charge, but donations to the Belhaven College music program will be accepted.

CHRISTMAS AT THE GOVERNOR'S MANSION

601-359-6421 • www.mdah.state.ms.us

The Governor's Mansion is beautifully decorated with traditional holiday greenery and fruit for regular morning tours on Tuesday through Friday. Call for tour times. Admission is free.



HERE ARE A FEW MORE GEMS JUST WAITING TO BE UNCOVERED.

What makes a visit to Jackson really memorable are the things you can do that are a bit off the beaten path, things you can see and enjoy on your own. Here are some great ways to round out the rest of your trip. If you like, we can create a tour especially for your group. Simply call 1-800-354-7695.

- Stop by the grand antebellum Governor's mansion after touring the historic Manship House.
- Buffs of Beaux Arts Classical architecture will want to stroll the Mississippi State Capitol.
- Combine a stop at Chimneyville Crafts Gallery with a visit to the Mississippi Agricultural and Forestry Museum.
- Spend a wildly fun afternoon at the Jackson Zoo.
- Bask in the glow of athletic greatness at the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame and Museum.
- Gaze out over the natural beauty of the swamp at the new Mississippi Museum of Natural Science.
- Stop and smell the roses, among other lovely flowers, at Mynelle Gardens.
- Re-live the African-American experience at Smith Robertson Museum and Cultural Center.
- Go antiquing and art shopping in the eclectic Fondren District.
- If you're what they call a "big shopper," then Northpark, Metrocenter, and Highland Village are your bag.
- Enjoy lunch at the historic Fairview Inn in Belhaven, or any one of the city's great restaurants.
- Take in a play at New Stage Theatre, where the offerings range from serious to hilarious.
- Tour an Old West town and sit down to a campfire dinner on the trail at Hilltop Painted Acres.
- Soak up "Mississippi's Music"—the Blues—at the 930 Blues Café, George Street Grocery, or a variety of other local night spots.

IF YOU'RE STAYING A BIT LONGER, YOU CAN ADD THESE TO YOUR ITINERARY.

- Drive the Historic Natchez Trace, once referred to as "The Devil's Backbone" because it was such a treacherous trail. Mississippi Crafts Center, cypress swamp tours, and lunch at the Dupree House are among the highlights.
- Visit quaint Canton, Mississippi, just 30 minutes north of Jackson, where movies such as *My Dog Skip* and *A Time To Kill* were filmed.
- In the nearby town of Flora, you'll find the only petrified forest in the Eastern United States.
- Take a side trip to Vicksburg or Natchez, both on the Mississippi River, where you can tour beautiful antebellum homes or try your luck at the riverboat casinos.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE—A PLACE IN HISTORY AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE TOUR

You'll see it nearly everywhere you look. From the thousands of artifacts on display at the Smith Robertson Museum and Cultural Center, to the grand turn-of-the-century architecture that graces the campus of Tougaloo College. From the proud civil rights legacy of Medgar Evers, to the intricate cultural tapestry that is the Farish Street Historical District, Jackson is alive with African-American heritage. Spend a day, or a week, with us and we guarantee you'll leave feeling up-lifted and enriched by the experience.

Sites to see, sounds to hear, and things to do...

- Explore the Farish Street Historical District, a 125-acre late-19th century grid-patterned neighborhood, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, where you'll find over 100 years of rich African-American heritage. Visit the newly renovated Alamo Theater and then stop in at Birdland (formerly known as The Crystal Palace Night Club) where the likes of Duke Ellington, Lionel Hampton, and Louis Armstrong once performed. Study the special exhibit on vernacular housing at the Smith Robertson Museum and then walk through the area where you'll see many examples of these styles remaining today, including Queen Anne, Creole Cottage, and Bungalow. The district has the largest known number of restored "Shotgun Style" houses in the country.

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- Stop in at the Blues Museum or the 930 Blues Café and set your soul swaying with the music born in the cotton fields of the Mississippi Delta. Visit the Old Capitol Museum, home to the first permanent Civil Rights exhibit in the nation. Other not-to-miss Civil Rights sites include: Freedom Corner, the former home of slain NAACP Field Secretary Medgar Evers, the Medgar Evers Library/Statue, Jackson State University, Margaret Walker Alexander National African-American Research Center, and the historic Tougaloo College.

Sing along with us at one of our historic churches:

- Christ Temple Church of Christ Holiness, U.S.A
- Old Mt. Helm Baptist Church
- Central United Methodist Church
- Farish Street Baptist Church
- Woodworth Chapel at Tougaloo College.

We've only begun to share the story...there's so much more.

For a larger sampling of African-American Heritage in Jackson, visit our Web site at www.visitjackson.com or give us a call at 1-800-354-7695.

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN WALKING TOUR

You'll find plenty of interesting and enlightening sites to explore in Downtown Jackson on this stroll through history. Don't forget to look up. Many of our favorite treasures are perched upon the rooftops. Come explore:

The Old Capitol Museum, the War Memorial Building, and Mississippi Department of Archives & History, all located on Capitol Green, the site set aside for government in the original plat of the city.

Stroll down Capitol Street past Spengler's Corner and the Emporium Building to our little antebellum island that is the Governor's Mansion. Across the street is the Lamar Life Building with the purple-faced clock tower and fierce-looking gargoyles standing guard over the building and the adjacent St. Andrews Episcopal Cathedral.

A turn northward takes you past Smith Park, the only remaining downtown park from the city's original checkerboard layout, St. Peter's Catholic Church, Old Central High School, and the Original First Baptist Church (circa 1843-44). You may want to take a moment to be humbled by the new Mississippi Veterans Monument next to the Woolfolk State Office Building.

A right turn on Mississippi Street will bring you to the magnificent Mississippi State Capitol, with its majestic gold-leafed American Eagle keeping watch over the city.

Of all the states, Mississippi's Capitol building most closely resembles our nation's Capitol building in Washington, D.C.

Turn right on Congress Street and you'll pass Galloway Memorial United Methodist Church and the Galloway House (circa 1889) on your way back into the heart of the city. Stroll along the only remaining brick street in the city until you come to City Hall, one of four public buildings left standing after the burnings of Jackson during the Civil War. As a side note, these burnings are how Jackson got the nickname "Chimneyville."

Look across Pascagoula Street to the Hinds County Courthouse and discover the two statues on top of the building. One is Moses, the giver of the law, and the other is Socrates, the interpreter of the law.

Don't stop now...there's so much more to see! For a detailed Downtown Walking Tour itinerary, visit our Web site at www.visitjackson.com or give us a call at 1-800-354-7695.

OLD & NEW TREASURES— ANTIQUING AT ITS BEST!

Whether you're searching for fine antique furnishings and accessories or those pre-loved treasures that make a house a home, you can shop-'til-you-drop in a multitude of antique shops, markets, and flea-markets. Plan to spend the night in one of our historic Bed & Breakfast Inns—like the Fairview Inn, the Millsaps Buie House, and the Old Capitol Inn—and dream amongst some of the most beautiful antique furnishings in the South.

A great way to start your tour is with a visit to the Governor's Mansion; the second oldest in the nation, completely restored and furnished with museum-quality antiques. Visit the Manship House (circa 1857) and The Oaks House Museum (circa 1850) for a glimpse of times long past.

When you're ready for the shopping to begin, visit any of the great sites listed here:

FONDREN DISTRICT/WOODLAND HILLS

Fondren, Jackson's first "suburb," is becoming well known for its trendy retail shops, antique merchants, award-winning restaurants, and convenient location... Right in the middle of everything.

For a brochure with a complete listing of Fondren shops and businesses, e-mail: FonRenewal@aol.com

HIGHLAND VILLAGE

One of Mississippi's most prestigious specialty shopping experiences. Over 45 unique shops, restaurants, and services. Beautifully landscaped courtyards and lush greenery.

CHIMNEYVILLE CRAFTS GALLERY

On the grounds of the Mississippi Agriculture & Forestry Museum. Hand-made treasures from some of Mississippi's greatest artisans include Choctaw baskets, pottery, wood carvings, and so much more.

FAIRGROUNDS ANTIQUE AND FLEA MARKET

Mississippi's largest indoor flea market. Antiques, jewelry, books, and collectibles of all sorts. Saturdays and Sundays only.

For a complete listing of antique and collectible merchants, historic accommodations, great places to dine, and other fun things to see and do in Jackson, visit our Web site at www.visitjackson.com or give us a call at 1-800-354-7695.

MONUMENTS & MEMORIALS TOUR

Jackson, Mississippi is proud of her history and of those who have made sacrifices to bring our city—and our state—forward. To truly get a feel of our city's pride, take some time to tour the monuments and memorials that pay tribute to those whose who've gone before.

Soldiers of all wars are honored at the War Memorial Building, where the faces of the soldiers carved into the building are all the same—representing the kinship of all Mississippians who gave their life in defense of their country. The building's unique cast aluminum doors and panels depict scenes from the Battle of Ackia in 1736 through the Vietnam War. Just two buildings down is the Confederate Memorial.

A few blocks to the northwest on Mississippi Street is the Wives & Daughters' Monument at the State Capitol, dedicated to the women who kept the home fires burning during the Civil War. Continue on over to West Street where the Woolfolk State Building Flag Wall is the newest memorial dedicated to Mississippi veterans of all wars. Each branch of the U. S. military has a star and all Mississippi Congressional Medal of Honor recipients are listed.

A turn to the south takes you down to Pascagoula Street where the city's fallen police officers are honored at the

Police Memorial in front of department headquarters. Just a few buildings down, the Hinds County Courthouse is watched over by the two statues on top of the building. One is Moses, the giver of the law, and the other is Socrates, the interpreter of the law.

A turn back to the north takes you up President Street to the original Jackson Firehouse, currently the MetroJackson Chamber of Commerce. In front of this historic building with its original "barn doors" is the Jackson Fallen Fire Fighter's Memorial, an emotionally endearing statue of a fire fighter holding a small boy in his arms.

Just north of downtown are other monuments & memorials including Greenwood Cemetery, one of the oldest cemeteries in the city that dates back to the mid-1800s and is the resting place of former mayors, senators, governors, Confederate soldiers, and Jackson's beloved Pulitzer Prize-winning author, Eudora Welty. Further north is Freedom Corner, the site of numerous rallies and gatherings during the Civil Rights Movement.

Let us share our history with you! For more information on any of these monuments & memorials, visit our Web site at www.visitjackson.com or give us a call at 1-800-354-7695.



RESTAURANTS

Name/Address/Phone	Location	Open	Meals/ Average Price	Group Menu	Type Service	Comp Policy	Total Seating	Max Group	Motor- coach Parking	Type of Cuisine
930 Blues Café 930 Congress Street 601-948-3344	Downtown	L 11A-3P D 5P-until M-Sat.	L \$7.95 D \$12.95		F		160	150	Y	Southern/Soul Food
Barrio Antiguo 4312 North State Street 601-366-0191	North	Call for information								Mexican
Baron's Restaurant/ The Hunt Club Ramada Inn Southwest Conference Center 1525 North Ellis Avenue 601-944-1150	West	B 6A-10A L	B \$6.50 L \$7.50 D \$10.00	Contact Sales Dept.	F, B	Y	92	30	Y	American
Beatty St. Grocery 101 Beatty Street 601-355-0514	Downtown	M-F 6A-5:30P S 6:30A-2:30P	B, L, D		F	Y			Y	American
Big Apple Inn 509 North Farish Street 601-354-9371	Downtown	T-SAT 7:30A-9:30P	B, L, D		F, B		20			Soul Food
Bill's Greek Tavern 4760 McWillie Drive 601-982-9295	North	Call for information								Greek
Bon Ami 1220 Northside Drive 601-982-0405	North	L 11A-2:30P D 6P-10P	L \$10.00 D \$25.00		F, O		50		Y	Country French; American
Bonsai Japanese Steakhouse 1925 Lakeland Drive 601-981-0606	East	L 11A-2PM-F; Sun. 11:30A-2P D 5P-9:30P M-Th.; (to 10:30P F&S; to 8:30P Sun.)	L \$8.50 D \$17.00	L, D	F		150	120	Y	Japanese
Bravo! Italian Restaurant & Bar Highland Village 4500 I-55 North 601-982-8111	North	Sun. & Mon. 11:30A-9P T-Sat. 11:30A-10P	L \$10.00 D \$18.00	L, D	F, O		110		Y	Eclectic Italian
Bristol Bar & Grill Crowne Plaza 200 East Amite Street 601-969-5100	Downtown	B 6A-10A L 11A-2P D 5P-10P	L \$10.00 D \$14.00		F, B		186			American
Broad Street Baking Company 101 Banner Hall 4465 I-55 North 601-362-2900	North	M-Th. 7:30A-8P F-Sat. 7A-9P Sun. 7A-3P	\$10.00	B, L, D	Counter, O		150	50	Y	Italian, Gourmet sandwiches/pastries
Bruno's Eclectic Cuisine The Quarter 1855 Lakeland Drive, Suite Q110 601-362-7779	East	L 11A-2P (M-F) D 5P-10P (T-Th.; to 10:30 Fri. & Sat.)	L \$10.00 D \$15.00	L, D	F, O		85		Y	Thai, Caribbean, Spanish
CHAR Highland Village Shopping Center I-55 North 601-362-5313	North	Sun.-Th. 11A-10P Fri. & Sat. 11A-10:30P	\$20.00	L, D	F		250	50	Y	Steak, Seafood
Chili's Restaurant 475 Briarwood Drive 601-957-7090	North	Sun.-Th. 11A-10:30P Fri. & Sat. 11A-Midnight	\$11.00	L, D	F, O		225		Y	Tex Mex
Chimneyville Smokehouse 970 High Street 601-354-4665	Downtown	L 10:30A-2P M-Sat.	\$7.00	L only	C, O	Y	80		Y	Southern-style barbecue & catfish

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China Belle The Quarter 1855 Lakeland Drive 601-366-5688	East	Call for information								Chinese
China Buffet 420 South Robinson Road 601-944-1088	West	10:30A-10:30P 7 days	L \$6.00 D \$9.00		B	Y	150		Y	Chinese
China Wok Restaurant 145 East McDowell Road 601-373-8630	South	Call for information								Chinese
Crechale's Restaurant 3107 Highway 80 West 601-355-1840	West	M-Sat. 4P-10:30P Sun. 4P-10P	D \$15.00		F		96		Y	Steaks, Seafood
Copeland's 6390 Ridgewood Road 601-899-0100	North	M-Th. 11A-11P F-Sat. 11A-Midnight Sun. 11A-10P	L/D \$12.00		F, O		200	35	Y	New Orleans/Cajun
Country Fisherman 3110 Highway 80 West 601-944-9933	West	Call for information			B				Y	Southern
Country Kitchen 1254 Macon Street 601-354-9500	North	Call for information								Southern
Cracker Barrel Old Country Store 6020 Atkins Road 601-977-1055	North	Sun-Th. 6A-10P F-Sat. 6A-11P	B, L, D \$8.00		F	Y	174		Y	Southern
Dennery's 330 Greymont Avenue 601-354-2527	Downtown	M-F 11A-10P Sat. 5P-10P	L \$12.95 D \$19.95		F, O		250		Y	Steaks, Seafood, Pasta
Ding How 5350 I-55 North 601-956-1717	North	Call for information								Chinese
Ecco Italian LeFleur's Gallery 4800 I-55 North, Suite 6D 601-366-8112	North	Call for information								Italian
Edison Walthall Hotel Dining 225 East Capitol Street 601-948-6161	Downtown	M-S 6:30A-10P	B, L, D L \$10.75 D \$15.00	Y	F, B		65			Steaks, Seafood, American
El Chico 4240 Robinson Road 601-969-5997	West	M-Th. 11A-10P F-Sat. 11A-11P	L/D \$9.00		F		250	50		Mexican
Elite Restaurant 141 East Capitol Street 601-352-5606	Downtown	M-Th. 7A-9P F 7A-9:30P Sat. 5P-9:30P	L \$8.00 D \$10.00		F	Y	186		Y	Southern, Seafood, Mexican
Fat Tuesday's 5719 Old Canton Road 601-956-2971	North	Call for information								New Orleans, Cajun
Fenian's Irish Pub 901 East Fortification Street 601-948-0055	Downtown	M-F 11A-2A Sat. 5P-2A	L/D \$6.50		F		100	20		Irish, Traditional American

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Fernando's 5788 Terry Road 601-373-8700	South	M-F 11A-2P & 5P-9P Sat.11A-10P	L/D \$7.00		F	Y	80-100	50	Y	Mexican
Forum (The) 6107 Ridgewood Road 601-899-4805	North	M,T,Th,Sun. 11A-11P W,F,Sat. 11A-2A	\$6.00	Y	F, O		350	50-100	Y	American
Freelon's Restaurant & Bar 444 North Mill Street 601-949-2535	Downtown	Call for information								
George Street Grocery 416 George Street 601-969-3573	Downtown	M-Th. 11A-2P & 4P-9P F-Sat. 11A-2P & 4P-10P Sun. 6P-10P	L/D \$9.00		F, B		100		Y	American
Grady's American Grill 1169 East County Line Road 601-957-3326	North	Call for information								American, Pasta, Steaks
Hal and Mal's Restaurant & Brewery 200 South Commerce Street 601-948-0888	Downtown	M 11A-3P T-F 11A-10:30P Sat. 5P-10:30P	L/D \$10.00	Y	F, O		100	50, 150, up to 700	Y	Southern, New Orleans/Cajun
Hill (The) 2555 Valley Street 601-373-7768	South	Call for information								
Host Marriott Jackson International Airport 601-939-5942	East	Call for information								American
Hooter's 4565 I-55 North 601-981-0480	North	M-Th. 11A-11P F-Sat. 11A-Midnight Sun. 11A-10P	L/D \$6.75	Y	F		150	16	Y	American
Hops 474 Briarwood Drive 601-952-0494	North	M-Th. 11A-11P F-Sat. 11A-Midnight Sun. 11A-10P	L/D \$10.00		F, O	Y	288		Y	American
Huntington's Grill Hilton Jackson Convention Center 1001 East County Line Road 601-957-1515	North	M-Th. 5P-10P F-Sat. 5P-10:30P	\$18.00	Y	F		140	20	Y	American
Jason's Deli 1067 East County Line Road 601-206-9191	North	10A-10P 7 days	B, L, D \$6.00	Y	F, O		100		Y	Deli
Keifer's 705 Poplar Boulevard 601-355-6825 120 North Congress Street 601-353-4976	Downtown	S-Sat. 11A-10P	L/D \$5.00	Y	F	Y	220	50	Y (Poplar Blvd. location)	Greek, Pita Wraps
Kim's Seafood Restaurant 1675 Terry Road 601-353-0102	South	Call for information								Seafood
La Cazuela 1401 East Fortification Street 601-353-3014	Downtown	M-Sat. 11A-10P	L/D \$7.00	Y	F	Y	150		Y	Mexican
Lager's World Grill & Draft Emporium 6111 Ridgewood Road 601-956-3416	North	M-Th. 11A-10P F-Sat. 11A-11P	L/D \$10.00		F		140	70-80	Y	Eclectic

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Lamar Restaurant 209 South Lamar Street 601-354-9300	Downtown	M-F 7A-4P Sat. 8A-2P	B,L \$6.00		F	Y	115		N (on street or parking nearby)	American, Greek
Lone Star Steakhouse and Saloon 6010 I-55 North 601-957-6026	North	Sun.-Th. 11A-10P F-Sat. 11A-11P	L \$8.00 D \$11.00		F	Y	260	20	Y	Steaks
Los Margarita's 1625 East County Line Road 601-957-7672	North	Sun.-Th. 11A-10P F-Sat. 11A-10:30P	L, D \$10.00		F		100		Y	Mexican
Mario's Italian Restaurant 2887 McDowell Road 601-371-2437	South	5P-10P	D \$10.00		F		115		Y	Italian
McAlister's Deli 1240 East Northside Drive 601-982-3883	North	S-Th. 10A-10:30P F-Sat. 10:30A-10:30P	L, D \$6.50		F, O		100		Y	Deli
Mikhail's Northgate 4330 North State Street 601-982-3838	North	Call for information								Southern, American
Morrison's Family Dining 1315 Metrocenter Drive 601-969-6944	West	11A-8:30P 7 days	L, D \$7.00		C	Y	250-300		Y	Home-cooking
Museum Café 1150 Lakeland Drive 601-981-1465	East	M-F 11A-2P	L \$6.00	Y	B	Y	200-250		Y	Southern
Nagoya 6351 I-55 North 601-977-8881	North	Call for information			F				Y	Japanese
Nick's 1501 Lakeland Drive 601-981-8017	East	M-F 11A-10P Sat. 11A-10:30P	L, D \$24.00	Y	F		110	75	Y	American, French
Old Venice Pizza Co. 1428 Old Square Road 601-981-4775	North	M-Sat. 11A-10:30P	L, D \$7.50		F		250	100	Y	Italian
Olive Garden Italian Restaurant 6347 I-55 North 601-978-3407	North	11A-10P 7 days	L \$8.00 D \$12.00	Y	F	Y	350	35	Y	Italian
On The Border 6352 Ridgewood Court 601-977-9447	North	M-Sat. 11A-Midnight Sun. 11A-10P	L, D \$7.00	Y	F		400		Y	Mexican
Outback Steakhouse 6030 I-55 North 601-977-9040	North	Sun. 3P-10P M-Th. 4P-10:30P F-Sat. 4P-11P	D \$15.00		F, O		215	20	Y	Steaks, Chicken
Pantrout Cabin 3805 Miller Avenue 601-981-9910	North	11A-11P 7 days	L, D \$5.00		F		Drive-up only. No seating.			Pan Trout, Catfish
Passage to India 5101 I-55 North 601-366-9698	North	Call for information								Indian, Asian
Peaches Restaurant 327 North Farish Street 601-354-9267	Downtown	M-Sat. 6A-11P	B, L, D \$4.00		F, C	Y	45	35	Y	Soul Food

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Peking Chinese Restaurant 5315 I-55 North 601-362-7000	North	Call for information			F, B				Y	Chinese
Penn's Fish House 2085 Lakeland Drive 601-982-9004	East	M-Th. 11A-9A F 11A-10P Sat. 4:30P-10P Sun. 11A-2PM	L, D \$8.00		F, O, B	Y	300	100	Y	Catfish, Seafood
Perkin's Family Restaurant & Bakery 5469 I-55 North 601-957-1234	North	6A-11P	B, L, D \$5.00- \$15.00		F		185		Y	American
Piccadilly 4800 I-55 North 601-366-6802	North	11A-8:30P 7 days	L, D \$9.00		C		350		Y	American casual
350 Woodrow Wilson Boulevard 601-982-9141	Downtown									
4273 Robinson Road 601-922-9423	West									
Que Sera Sera 2801 North State Street 601-981-2520	North	M-W 11A-11P Th. 11A-10P F-Sat. 11A-10P	L, D \$6.00		F, O		100-120	,	Y	New Orleans, Cajun
Red Hot & Blue 1625 East County Line Road 601-956-3313	North	Sun.-Tu. 11A-9P W-Sat. 11A-11P	L, D \$8.00		F, O		350		Y	Barbecue
Red Lobster 6357 I-55 North 601-977-8884	North	Sun.-Th. 10:30A-10P F-Sat. 10:30A-11P	L, D \$11.00		F, O		298		Y	Seafood
Remington's Restaurant & Bar Jackson Southwest Hotel 2649 Highway 80 West 601-355-3472	West	7A-1P 7 days	B, L \$6.75-\$8.95	Y	B, O	Y	135		Y	Southern
Rio Grande Coliseum Hotel 400 Greymont Avenue 601-969-2141	Downtown	6:30A-9P 7 days	B \$6.95 L \$9.00 D \$14		F, B		120		Y	American, Mexican
Roadhouse Grill 6379 Ridgewood Court 601-956-3647	North	Sun.-Th. 11A-10P F-Sat. 11A-11P	L, D \$13.00		F, O		240		Y	Steaks, Ribs
Romano's Macaroni Grill 6376 Ridgewood Court 601-957-3999	North	Sun.-Th. 11A-10P F-Sat. 11A-11P	L, D \$10.00	Y	F	Y	250	70	Y	Italian
Ruby Tuesday's 1210 Metrocenter Drive 601-352-8903	West	Call for information								American
Schimmel's 2615 North State Street 601-981-7077	North	M-Sat. 5:30P-10P	D \$20.00	Y	F, O		230	12, 26 or 60	Y	Steaks, Seafood
Shoney's 680 Larson Street 601-353-6505	Downtown	Sun.-Th. 6A-10P F-Sat. 6A-11P	B, L, D \$7.00		F, B	Y	148	50	Y	American
Sonny's Real Pit Bar-B-Q 2603 Highway 80 West 601-355-7434	West	Call for information								Barbecue

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Steam Room Grille 5402 I-55 North 601-899-8588	North	M-Sat. 11A-10P Sun. 11A-8:30P	L \$8.00 D \$17.00	Y	F, O	Y	247	120	Y	Steaks, Seafood
Sterling Sidewalk Cafe & Catering Service 168 East Griffith Street 601-948-2670	Downtown	Call for information								
Sun Koon 5105 I-55 North Frontage Road 601-366-4949 or 601-366-4940	North	Sun.-Th. 11A-10P F-Sat. 11A-11P	L, D \$9.00		F, B				Y	Chinese
Thai House Restaurant 2665 I-55 South 601-373-8154	South	M-F 11A-2P; 5P-9P Sat. 4P-9:30P	L, D \$8.00		F, B		90		Y	Thai
Two Sister's Kitchen 707 North Congress Street 601-353-1180	Downtown	(L) Sun.-Fri. 11A-2P (D) M-Fri. 4:30P-8P	L, D \$10.00		B	Y	100	25	On street	Southern, Country-Style
Walker's Drive Inn 3016 North State Street 60-982-2633	North	(L) M-F 11A-2P (D) T-Sat. 6P-10P	L \$8.00 D \$23.00	Y	F, O		94	40		American, Asian, Southern
Western Sizzlin Steak House 3090 Highway 80 West 601-354-1030	West	Sun.-Th. 11A-9P F-Sat. 11A-10P	L, D \$10.00	Y	F, B, O	Y	300	150	Y	Steaks, American
4904 I-55 North 601-982-0031	North									
Woodlands Restaurant & Bar (The) 565 Taylor Street 601-713-1004	North	(L) T-F 11A-2P (D) T-Sat. 5P-10P	L \$8.50 D \$20.00	N	F	N	105	60	N	Steaks, Seafood, Wild Game

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Best Suites of America-Jackson 5411 I-55 North 601-899-9000 1-800-BEST-INN	North	103	Y	N		Y	IN	LC, FB	C, R, M, H, I
Best Value Inn & Suites 5035 I-55 North 601-982-1011	North	134	Y	Y		Y	EX	CB, LC, BV	R, M
Best Western Executive Inn 725 Larson Street 601-969-6555 1-800-WESTERN	Downtown	62	Y	N		Y	IN	CB, LC	C, R, M, H, I
Best Western Jackson North 593 Beasley Road 601-956-8686 1-800-528-1234	North	60	Y	Y		N	IN	CB, LC	C, R, M, H, I
Best Western Metro 1520 Ellis Avenue 601-355-7483 1-800-542-2923	West	134	Y	Y	F	Y	IN, EX	CB, LC	C, R, M, H, I
Cabot Lodge Millsaps 2375 North State Street 601-948-8650 1-800-874-4737	Downtown	205	Y	Y		Y	IN	CB, LC, BV	C, H, I
Clarion Hotel & Convention Center Clarion Hotel • 147 Rooms Quality Inn • 135 Rooms 400 Greymont Avenue 601-969-2141	Downtown	285	Y	Y	F, R, GM	Y	IN, EX	LC, BV	C, H, I, MV
Comfort Inn North 5709 I-55 North 601-206-1616	North	121	Y	Y		Y	IN	CB, LC, BV	C, R, M, H, I
Comfort Inn South 2800 Greenway Drive 601-922-5600 1-800-228-5150	South	77	Y	N		N	EX	CB, LC	C, R, M, H, I
Courtyard by Marriott 6280 Ridgewood Court Drive 601-956-9991 1-800-321-2211	North	117	Y	Y	F, GM	Y	IN	BV	C, H, I, MV
Crowne Plaza 200 East Amite Street 601-969-5100 1-800-TO-CROWN	Downtown	358	Y	Y	F, R, GM	Y	IN	AS, BV	C, H, I, MV
Days Inn-Coliseum 804 Larson Street 601-352-7387 1-800-329-7466	Downtown	50	Y	Y		N	EX	CB, LC	R, M, H, I
Days Inn Southwest 2616 Highway 80 West 601-969-5511 1-800-DAYS-INN	West	50	Y	Y		N	EX	CB, LC	R, M, H, I

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In-Room Amenities: C - Coffemakers, R - Refrigerators, M - Microwaves, H - Hairdryer, I -Iron/Boards, MV - Movies

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Econo Lodge 2450 Highway 80 West 601-353-0340 1-800-553-2666	West	40	Y	N		N	EX	CB, LC	C, R, M, H, MV
Econo Lodge 3880 I-55 South Savannah Street 601-373-1244	South	80	Y	N	R	N	EX	CB, LC, AS	C, R, M, H, I, MV
Edison Walthall 225 East Capitol Street 601-948-6161 1-800-932-6161	Downtown	203	Y	Y	F, R, GM	Y	IN	BV, AS	C, H, I, MV
Extended Stay of America 5354 I-55 North 601-956-4312 1-800-EXTSTAY	North	108	N	N		N		LC	R, M
Fairfield Inn by Marriott 5723 I-55 North 601-957-8557 1-800-228-2800	North	79	Y	N			IN	CB, LC	R, M, H, I
Fairview Inn (Bed & Breakfast) 734 Fairview Street 601-948-3429 1-888-948-1908	Downtown	18	N	-	GM	Y	IN	FB, LC	C, H, I
Hampton Inn 465 Briarwood Drive 601-956-3611 1-800-HAMPTON	North	119	Y	Y		N	IN	CB, LC	C, H, I
Hampton Inn & Suites 320 Greymont Avenue 601-352-1700 1-800-HAMPTON	Downtown	111	Y	Y		Y	IN	CB, LC, BV	C, R, M, H, I, MV
Hilton Jackson & Convention Center 1001 East County Line Road 601-957-2800 1-888-263-0524	North	273	Y	Y	F, R, GM	Y	IN	AS, BV	C, H, I, MV
Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites 310 Greymont Avenue 601-948-4466 1-800-HOLIDAY	Downtown	109	Y	Y		Y	IN	CB, LC	C, R, H, I
Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites 5075 I-55 North 601-366-9411 1-800-611-9151	North	189	Y	Y	F, R, GM	Y	IN	AS, BV	C, H, I, MV
In-Town Suites 5731 I-55 North 601-957-6833	North	130	N	N		N	EX	LC	R, M
Jackson Southwest Hotel 2649 Highway 80 West 601-355-3472	West	289	Y	Y	F, GM	Y	IN, EX		H, I, MV
Jameson Inn 585 Beasley Road 601-206-8923 1-800-526-3766	North	67	Y	Y		Y	IN	CB, LC	C, R, M, H, I

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Knights Inn North 4641 I-55 North 601-981-3320	North	70		Y		N	IN		
Knights Inn South 1065 South Frontage Road I-20 601-354-4455 1-800-446-4656	South								
La Quinta Inn North 616 Briarwood Drive 601-957-1741 1-800-531-5900	North	144	Y	Y		Y	EX	CB, LC, AS	C, R, M
Leland Hotel 150 Angle Street 601-373-6110	West	101	Y	Y		N	EX	CB, LC, AS	C, R, M
Microtel Inn & Suites 614 Monroe Street 601-352-8282	Downtown	50	Y			Y	IN	CB, LC	C, R, M, H, MV
Millsaps-Buie House (Bed & Breakfast) 628 North State Street 601-352-0221 1-800-784-0221 Fax: 601-769-3315	Downtown	11	N	N	R	Y	IN	FB	R, H
Motel 6 6145 I-55 North 601-956-8848 1-800-466-8356	North	100		N		N	EX		
Old Capitol Inn (Bed & Breakfast) 226 North State Street 601-359-9000 1-888-359-9001	Downtown	24	N	-	R	Y	IN	FB, LC, BV	H, I, MV
Parkside Inn 3720 I-55 North 39211 601-982-1122	North	96	Y	Y		N	EX	LC	R, M
Poindexter Park Inn (Bed & Breakfast) 803 Deer Park Street 601-944-1392	West	5	Y	N		N	IN	CB	
Ramada Inn Southwest Conference Center 1525 Ellis Avenue 601-944-1150 1-800-265-9399	Downtown	201	Y	Y	R, F, GM	Y	EX	LC, AS, BV	C, R, M, H, I
Ramada Limited 6058 I-55 North 601-956-9986 1-800-272-6233	North	55	Y	N		N	EX	CB, LC	MV
Red Roof Inn Fairgrounds 700 Larson Street 601-969-5006 1-800-THE-ROOF (1-800-843-7663)	Downtown	116	N	Y		N	EX	LC	MV
Regency Inn 1714 Highway 80 West 601-354-4931	West	59	N	N		N	EX	LC	

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Relax Inn 2355 Highway 80 601-948-0680	West								
Residence Inn by Marriott 881 East River Place 601-355-3599 1-800-331-3131	Downtown	120		N		Y	EX	CB, AS, BV	C, R, M, H, I, MV
Sleep Inn 2620 Highway 80 West 601-354-3900 1-800-753-3746	West	52	Y	Y		N	IN	CB	R, M
Super 8 Motel South 2655 I-55 South 601-372-1006 1-800-800-8000	South	77	Y	Y		N	IN	LC, AS	R, M
Super 10 Motel North 4641 I-55 North 601-982-1044	North	88	Y	Y		Y	IN, EX	LC	
Tarrymore Motel 1651 Terry Road 601-355-0753	South	110	N	N		N	IN	LC	C, R, M, MV
Towne Place Suites by Marriott 572 Beasley Road 601-206-5757 1-800-257-3000	North	94	Y	N		N	IN	LC	C, R, M, H, I
Travel Inn 1955 Highway 80 West 601-354-1653	West	72	Y	N		Y	EX	LC	R, M
Travelers Express Inn 5925 I-55 North 601-957-5500	North	105	Y	N		Y	EX		H

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