



# A Mix of History and Culture

## -Two Day Itinerary-

### DAY ONE

#### HOUMAS HOUSE ESTATE AND GARDENS

Visit a Greek Revival Mansion built in 1840. Houmas House is home to wonderful stories of sugar cane farming on the grandest scale, Civil War history, period furnishings of early LA craftsmanship, and formal gardens beneath 200 yr. old moss-laden live oaks. Experience the southern splendor of "The Sugar Palace." Enjoy 38 acres of gardens, ponds and majestic live oaks. Stay in the luxurious inn and dine in Southern style at one of the property's world-class restaurants, Latil's Landing Restaurant, The Carriage House Restaurant, Dixie Cafe', The Turtle Bar and The Wine Cellars of Houmas House.

40136 Highway 942 | Darrow | 225-473-9380 | [kk@houmashouse.com](mailto:kk@houmashouse.com) | [houmashouse.com](http://houmashouse.com)

#### THE CAJUN VILLAGE

The Cajun Village is made up of unique shops and boutiques that make their home in sturdy old buildings. You can view the two live alligators (Big Boy and Nubby) that live out back in the pond. There is a 100-year-old General Merchant store, now called Livin' Louisiana. The Cajun Shop, a restored Acadian style home that is home to a Louisiana souvenirs, sports shop, signs, old candy shop, and kitchen store! Plus, the Cajun Village Coffee House which offers Cafe Au Lait and beignets all day!

6470 Highway 22 (Junction of LA 22 and LA 70) | Sorrento | 225-675-2782 [cajunvillageshops.com](http://cajunvillageshops.com)

#### SHOPPING AT TANGER OUTLETS

Over 60-designer and manufacturer outlet store and restaurants are featured in this popular outlet mall. Special coupon vouchers and incentives are available for groups. At Tanger, every day is sale day.

2410 Tanger Blvd. Ste. 161 | Gonzales | 225-647-9383 | 800-406-2112 | [tangeroutlet.com](http://tangeroutlet.com)

#### DINNER AT MIKE ANDERSON'S SEAFOOD

Over the past 40 years, Mike Anderson's Seafood has grown into a Louisiana staple. Its the South Louisiana restaurant that food lovers and football fans alike turn to for fantastic Louisiana food in a festive atmospher-and for fun with friends and family too.

1500 Highway 30 | Gonzales | 225-743-6453 | [mikeandersons.com](http://mikeandersons.com)

## DAY TWO

### **HISTORIC DONALDSONVILLE**

Explore Donaldsonville's Historic District in 7 wayside exhibits. Visit the Riverwalk, Fort Butler, Ascension Catholic Church, River Road African American Museum, Ascension Parish Court-house, Crescent Park and Louisiana Square.

### **ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Tour the Ascension of Our Lord Catholic Church, a beautiful gothic style cathedral-like structure built in the late 1800's, serving the Church parish established in 1772 after which Ascension Parish is named.

716 Mississippi Street | Donaldsonville | 225-473-3176 | [ascensioncatholic.com](http://ascensioncatholic.com)

### **ALVIN BATISTE**

Visit Alvin Batiste, the Folk Artist of generations along the Mississippi River. Find expressions in the brush strokes of this self-taught, primitive artist, whose work has been critically acclaimed.

512 Mississippi Street | Donaldsonville | 225-473-8536 | [alvinbatiste.com](http://alvinbatiste.com)

### **RIVER ROAD AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM**

The River Road African American Museum collects, preserves and exhibits art, artifacts and buildings as it is related to the history and culture of African Americans in the rural communities along the Mississippi River between Baton Rouge & New Orleans.

511 Williams Street | Donaldsonville | 225-474-5553 | [riverroadaam.org](http://riverroadaam.org)

### **LUNCH AT THE GRAPEVINE CAFÉ AND GALLERY**

We invite you to experience Grapevine Café and Gallery's award-winning cuisine, a unique blend of Cajun, Creole and African traditions all served up with a warm and loving flair.

211 Railroad Avenue | Donaldsonville | 225-473-8463 | [grapevinecafeandgallery.com](http://grapevinecafeandgallery.com)

### **TOUR & TASTING AT NOEL FAMILY DISTILLERY**

Taste and tour the newest distillery in Ascension. Throughout the tour, learn the history of the town, family, and sugarcane production. Every tour finishes in the tasting room so visitors can sample their ultra-premium spirits.

30 Veterans Boulevard | Donaldsonville | 225-229-4159 | [noeldistillery.com](http://noeldistillery.com)