

The Delta Blues Trail

3 Days/2 Nights

The roots of American music are firmly planted in the South. There's no better way to understand southern music or life than to visit the lyrical landscape of the Delta. Whether you're a die-hard blues fan or a casual traveler in search of an interesting trip, you'll find facts you didn't know, places you've never seen, and you'll gain a new appreciation for the area that gave birth to the blues. Come and listen to the music that defines a nation.

Tour Features:

- Memphis, TN
 - Memphis Rock 'N' Soul Museum
 - Dinner at BB Kings Blues Club
 - Memphis Blues Hall of Fame
 - STAX Museum
- Mississippi Delta Blues Trail
 - Delta Blues Museum
 - Ground Zero Blues Club
 - Grammy Museum Mississippi
 - B.B. King Museum
 - Lunch at Historic Club Ebony
- Two Nights First Class Lodging
 - South Memphis & Clarksdale
- Two Hotel Breakfasts
- One Lunch
- Two Dinners
- All Taxes & Tips on these services

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Day 1 - Depart New Orleans this morning and arrive in Memphis, TN just in time for lunch on own. The afternoon features a visit to the Rock N Soul Museum where you discover the birthplace of rock and soul music. Created by the

Smithsonian Institution, tells the story of musical pioneers who, for the love of music, overcame racial and socio-economic barriers to create the music that shook the entire world.

Tonight, you dine at the original B.B. King's Blues Club located on historic Beale Street, the home of American blues music, legendary musicians, famous barbecue, and historic landmarks. With live entertainment every night of the week – from authentic blues to classic soul and rock and roll – and a meal of Southern favorites, the club is a popular destination spot in Memphis. Then you check into the Drury Inn Memphis South for the night.

Day 2 - In search of The Blues, you tour the Blues Hall of Fame, a gem for both serious blues fans and casual visitors. Filled with robust exhibits and in-depth history, it educates and entertains with all that what is The Blues Culture.

Next, you tour the Stax Museum of American Soul Music. With more than 2,000 cultural artifacts, music exhibits, video footage, and items of memorabilia, the museum is designed to preserve and promote the legacy of American soul music, particularly that of Stax Records. Have lunch on your own before leaving the Memphis area and departing for Clarksdale.

On arrival, visit the Delta Blues Museum, an internationally acclaimed museum that showcases the history and significance of the Blues in this region. The museum features a wax figure of Blues great, Muddy Waters and the famous Muddywood Guitar. Many now-legendary musical artists, were born and raised in and around Clarksdale: Muddy Waters, John Lee Hooker, Son House, Ike Turner, Jackie Brenston, Sam Cooke, Junior Parker and W. C. Handy. The likes of Robert Johnson, Howlin' Wolf and Charley Patton are also associated with the museum.

Following your visit to the Delta Blues Museum, you check into the Hampton Inn Clarksdale for the night. This evening enjoy a Southern style dinner and live music at Ground Zero, a restaurant/juke joint that is co-owned by actor Morgan Freeman.

Day 3 - Enjoy breakfast at the hotel before departing Clarksdale. You first stop today is a visit to the Grammy Museum Mississippi. Do you know which state has more Grammy Nominees & Winners than any other? Well that is Mississippi. This interactive museum has tons of stuff to listen to, touch and see. Visitors can actually write and record their own blues songs in songwriting pods.

Next, you stop in Indianola, MS and visit B. B. King Museum. From the cotton fields, street corners and juke joints of the Mississippi Delta came a new kind of music – the blues. Considered by many to be the only truly indigenous American music, this form has influenced musicians worldwide is deeply rooted in Delta soil. And so is the man who helped spread the blues as its foremost ambassador...Riley B.B. King. The Museum opened in 2008 to rave reviews and delivers an unparalleled experience. The exhibits include thousands of rare artifacts, award-winning films, computer interactives, and a story that will give your emotions a workout.

Lunch is included at the Historic Club Ebony, one of the South's most important African American nightclubs. It was built just after the end of World War II by Indianola entrepreneur Johnny Jones. Under Jones and successive owners, the club showcased Ray Charles, Count Basie, B. B. King, Bobby Bland, Little Milton, Albert King, Willie Clayton, and many other legendary acts. When owner Mary Shepard retired in 2008 after 34 years here, B. B. King purchased the venue to keep the vaunted Club Ebony tradition alive and then donated it to the museum.

Afterwards, you depart for home.