



Southern Porches

October 24 - 30, 2022

6 Nights / 7 Days

Day One - October 24, 2022 - Arrivals & Welcome Dinner

- Arrive in **Charleston, South Carolina**, & depart for **Meeting St. Inn** where baggage handling is included, and vintage southern charm meets modern comfort in a sophisticated setting.
- Enjoy an **included welcome dinner** at **Virginia's on King**, a sophisticated Southern restaurant blending traditional kitchen comforts with familiar regional dishes. Prepared with the utmost care for quality and flavor, the menu incorporates local ingredients and family recipes to bring you Southern cooking - Low Country Style. **(Meals: D)**

Day Two - October 25, 2022 - Horse-Drawn Carriage Ride & Boone Hall

- Enjoy **breakfast included** at your hotel this morning prior to a visit to **Charleston Carriage Works**. Enjoy a **horse drawn carriage ride** through **Historic Downtown Charleston**.
- Explore **City Market** with **free time** and **lunch on own** at the sprawling marketing spanning four blocks and more than 300 vibrant entrepreneurs. Sweet grass basket weavers can be seen in every building, along with local artists, jewelry, tapestry, souvenirs, church dolls, afghans, rugs, rice, beans, sauces, local candies, cookies, and more.
- Discover history at **Boone Hall Plantation and Gardens**. Founded in 1681 when Englishman Major John Boone came to Charleston and established a lucrative plantation and gracious home on the banks of Wampacheone Creek. The family and descendants of Major Boone were influential in the history of South Carolina, the colonies, and the nation. In 1743, his son planted live oak trees, arranging them in two evenly spaced rows creating, what is now, a spectacular view as you approach the estate. The powerful image of the **Avenue of Oaks** symbolizes southern heritage and will take root in your memory for many years to come. Enjoy a **Tractor and House Tour** while at the plantation.
- Enjoy dinner on your own and a free evening in Charleston. **(Meals: B)**

Day Three - October 26, 2022 - Gullah Geechee & the Carolina Belle

- Enjoy **breakfast included** this morning at your hotel prior to **checking out**.
- Meet your **Gullah Geechee Ambassador / Guide** for a **City Tour** of the community and your first introduction to the Gullah Geechee heritage. Drive through the places, history, and lore relevant to the rich and varied contributions of black Charlestonians. Visit Denmark Vesey's home, Catfish Row, the Old Slave Mart, and the Market; learn about the sweetgrass basket makers, the Aiken-Rhett House slave quarters, black slave owners, & blacksmith Philip Simmons.
- Sail away on a **Sightseeing Cruise**. Climb aboard the **Carolina Belle** to enjoy the beauty of the Charleston Harbor and learn the rich history of the Holy City. During the scenic & relaxing 90-minute tour, you will see over 75 landmarks and points of interest!
- Enjoy lunch included at **Charleston Crab House**, a local favorite, family owned and operated for over 27 years.
- Explore and learn at Lady's Island Oyster. Single lady oysters are grown in the clean, crisp waters of the South Carolina low country. The estuaries nurturing their oysters are filled with pure salt water flowing directly from the Atlantic.
- Check-in to the boutique **Beaufort Inn** with **baggage handling included**. This elegant, upscale Victorian inn dates back to the 1800s and is located in a perfect, relaxing environment.
- Relax, laugh, and socialize with a **Welcome Wine Reception** at **601 Bay St.**
- Depart on foot to explore the **Main Street** restaurants and shops for **free time** and **dinner on your own**. **(Meals: B, L)**



Day Four - October 27, 2022 - Dolphin Cruise & Lowcountry History

- Enjoy **breakfast included** at your hotel this morning.
- Set sail on your **Story River Dolphin Cruise to Hunting Island!** Your on-board naturalist will share interesting facts about local history as it intertwines with the natural history of these waters dating from the prehistoric habitation of the indigenous people to the very first western European settlers in our state in the mid-seventeenth century.
- Explore the **Gullah Geechee Visitors Center** where you'll enjoy a **Low Country Shrimp Boil lunch** and **"Hear the Rest of Story"** from a local storyteller and historical interpreter.
- Tour the **Penn Center**, formerly the Penn School, an African-American cultural and educational center in the Corners Community on **Saint Helena Island**.
- Enjoy **free time to explore** and **dinner on your own** this evening. (Meals: B, L)



Day Five - October 28, 2022 - Quirky Kazoos & Historic Savannah

- Enjoy **breakfast included** this morning at your hotel before **checking out**.
- Visit the quirky **Kazoo Factory**. This Museum contains historical kazoos from the collections of Boaz Frankel, Barbara Stewart, and Rick Hubbard. You'll learn all about how the kazoo was invented and how it has come to be America's most beloved musical instrument.
- Embark on a **City Tour of Historic Savannah** followed by **lunch on own** and **free time for shopping**.
- Check-in to the **River St. Inn**, a genteel riverfront hotel in the historic district featuring polished rooms, exceptional amenities, and baggage handling included.
- Enjoy **dinner on your own** this evening. (Meals: B)



Day Six - October 29, 2022 - Pin Point Heritage & Wormsloe

- Enjoy **breakfast included** at your hotel this morning.
- Visit the **Pin Point Heritage Museum** located in the old **A.S. Varn & Son Oyster and Crab Factory**. For nearly 100 years, the community of Pin Point was quietly isolated on the banks of the Moon River just south of Savannah. Now, you can explore the refurbished museum complex and experience multimedia presentations, exciting exhibits and unparalleled views of the marsh!
- Explore **Wormsloe Historic Plantation**, featuring a breathtaking avenue of Spanish moss-covered oak trees leading to the colonial estate of Noble Jones who arrived in Georgia in 1733 with James Oglethorpe and the first group of settlers from England.
- Enjoy **lunch on your own** at the **Wyld Dock Bar**, a waterside hangout serving New American fare with a seafood focus, plus cocktails, bocce, and a fire pit.
- Tour the Andrew Low House Museum, a nationally known 1840s historic home and garden situated on one of the most beautiful sites in Savannah.
- Discover the area at your leisure with **free time** and scheduled transfer **hop-on/hop-off** service with your Sprinter charter bus.
- Enjoy a **Farewell Dinner** included at **Tubby's Tank House**. Overlooking the river, this eatery offers straight-up seafood & American cuisine and features Live music and entertainment.
- Depart and return to the hotel for the evening. (Meals: B, D)



Day Seven - October 30, 2022 - Charleston Tea & Depart for Home

- Enjoy **breakfast included** at your hotel prior to checking out this morning.
- Visit the **Charleston Tea Plantation**, home to **The Charleston Tea Garden**. Located on **Wadmalaw Island**, the area provides the perfect environment for propagating tea. With its sandy soils, sub-tropical climate, and average rainfall of 52 inches per year, Wadmalaw possesses idyllic conditions for the Camellia Sinensis tea plant. This plant is currently used to produce both black and green teas and exists in over 320 varieties on the 127 acre grounds of the Charleston Tea Garden.
- Enjoy **lunch included** at the plantation and a **complimentary gift bag**.
- Depart for the **Charleston Airport** for your return flight home. (Meals: B, L)



Inclusions:

Round-trip mini-bus transportation upon arrival, Round-trip Baggage Handling, 6 Nights' Accommodation, 6 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 2 Dinners, Admissions, and Guide Service as stated in the itinerary, plus all applicable taxes and gratuity; *except gratuity for guide/s and driver is NOT included.*

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