

COUNTRY HERITAGE TOURS

QUILT TOURS



SOUTHERN CHARM

SAVANNAH | CHARLESTON | JEKYLL ISLAND | GOLDEN ISLES

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY



River Street, Savannah



SEPTEMBER 21 – 27, 2024

HAND-SELECTED HOTELS

CHARLESTON: Francis Marion Hotel
Historic District

SAVANNAH: Hilton Garden Inn
Historic District

JEKYLL ISLAND: Jekyll Island Club
Hotel & Resort

6 NIGHTS

Hotel accommodations, including
baggage handling

8 MEALS

American breakfast ^B daily, 2 dinners ^D

DEPARTURE TRANSFERS

Return transportation to Jacksonville,
Florida, International Airport (JAX)

TOP-RATED HIGHLIGHTS

- Kick-off Welcome Meeting
- Charleston City Market
- Historic District Carriage Ride
- People, Places & Quilts Quilting Emporium
- Sunset Dinner Cruise
- Boone Hall Plantation & Gardens
- Charleston Tea Garden & Lunch
- Savannah City Market
- Narrated Trolley Tour
- Davenport House Museum
- Sew Much More Quilt Shop
- St. Simons Island Lighthouse
- Golden Isles Panoramic Tour
- Jekyll Island Club Hotel & Resort
- Jekyll Island History Tram Tour
- Georgia Sea Turtle Sanctuary
- Cinnamon's Quilt Shoppe
- Customary Farewell Dinner

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DAY 1 ARRIVE CHARLESTON – TOUR BEGINS

Welcome to the charming city of **Charleston**. Start your journey by immersing yourself in the local culture at Charleston's **Old Marketplace**. As you roam freely, admire the handiwork of Gullah women weaving sweetgrass baskets, an art handed down through generations. Later in the evening, you'll have the opportunity to meet your Tour Manager and fellow travel companions at the **Kick-off Welcome Meeting**. Let the adventure begin!

DAY 2 CHARLESTON – SUMMERVILLE

Wake up to a hearty breakfast and prepare to delight in a **carriage ride** through Charleston's **historic gas-lit streets**, taking in the stunning views of Colonial and Victorian homes with intricate wrought-iron fences. Next, a heaping spoonful of Southern hospitality awaits in **Summerville**, the "Birthplace of Sweet Tea." Here, you'll indulge your love for quilting at **People, Places & Quilts**, a haven for fabrics, patterns, and kits housed in a charming 19th-century hardware store. As the day turns into evening, savor a chef-inspired menu while relishing waterside views on our **harbor dinner cruise**. ③ ④

DAY 3 CHARLESTON – SAVANNAH

Embrace the Southern heritage with a guided tour of the **historic Boone Hall Plantation**, a living testament to the history and culture of the region. Immerse yourself in the beauty of the mansion and gardens, then journey down the road and prepare to explore America's only **tea plantation**, the **Charleston Tea Garden**, where you'll dive into the fascinating world of tea production with a **Field and Factory Tour**. Savor the exquisite flavors during a **tea sampling session** before traveling to the enchanting city of Savannah, known for its well-preserved architecture and historic squares. Experience the bustling **City Market**, a vibrant open-air marketplace teeming with unique restaurants and boutiques, offering a perfect opportunity to pick up a souvenir or two. Take the evening to explore at your leisure and perhaps enjoy a meal in one of the most picturesque Southern cities, savoring the flavors of the South. ⑤



Forsyth Park, Savannah

DAY 4 SAVANNAH

Experience Savannah's captivating history as you navigate its narrow streets on a **narrated trolley tour**, an exciting and fun way to explore the city. Marvel at the city's antebellum architecture, leafy squares, and ornate fountains, all contributing to the city's distinct character. A **guided tour** of the **Davenport House** features a home that once narrowly avoided demolition and played a key role in the birth of the Historic Savannah Foundation. Spend the rest of your day wandering through Savannah's 22 historic squares before treating yourself to a delicious old-fashioned Southern supper at a locally loved restaurant, a perfect way to end a day of historical exploration. ⑤



Charleston carriage ride

DAY 5 SAVANNAH – ST. SIMONS ISLAND – JEKYLL ISLAND

Begin your day at **Sew Much More**, Savannah's oldest quilt store, a paradise for anyone with an appreciation for craft and design. With more than 3,500 bolts, including batiks, lace, and heirloom fabrics, you'll be spoiled for choice. After enjoying lunch at your own pace, you'll embark on a **city tour** of the stunning **St. Simons Island**, offering scenic views and a tranquil atmosphere. As the day winds down, a warm welcome awaits you at the **Jekyll Island Club Hotel & Resort**, your home for the next two nights. This **National Historic Landmark**, featuring Tiffany's leaded glass in the Grand Dining Room, provides the perfect setting for an evening of relaxation, perhaps with a mint julep in hand, epitomizing the Southern way of life. ⑥

DAY 6 JEKYLL ISLAND

After breakfast, set off on the **Jekyll Island Tram Ride** to delve into the rich history of this island, once known as a Millionaires' Playground. Visit the **Georgia Sea Turtle Sanctuary** for a heartwarming encounter with these beautiful creatures. Spend your afternoon indulging in leisurely activities, whether it be a game of croquet, a beach stroll to gather seashells, or a peaceful walk through the live-oak forests. The highlight of your day will be **the Jekyll Island Club Farewell Dinner**, a celebration of the incredible experiences shared, and friendships formed during this unforgettable vacation. ⑥ ⑦

DAY 7 JEKYLL ISLAND – JACKSONVILLE – TOUR ENDS

Make the most of your final day by visiting **Cinnamon's Quilt Shoppe**, a renowned Quilt Sampler Top 10 Shop. Here, you'll have the opportunity to browse for last-minute patterns and notions, perhaps finding the perfect memento of your Southern Charm journey. As you swap addresses with new friends and say your goodbyes at Jacksonville's Airport, reflect on the unforgettable moments of your trip and look forward to your next adventure, wherever it may take you. ⑦



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