




# NEW ORLEANS

*Destination Guide*

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*Imagine* meeting in a city where cultures collide in a brilliant explosion of flavors, emotions and sounds. New Orleans is the birthplace of jazz, home to Creole cuisine and rich with history and unmatched southern hospitality. It is centrally located with a walkable downtown and cutting-edge, world-class convention facilities. With \$1.57 billion worth of improvements to the city in the past decade, New Orleans remains an authentic destination and truly a place like no other. It's a city of chefs and delectable cuisine and a unique blend of French, Spanish, Caribbean and African cultural influences. With more than 1,400 restaurants, the city offers one of the most diverse concentrations of incomparable dining and unforgettable cuisine in the world. Because most of the city's restaurants, attractions, tours, accommodations and event venues are within walking distance of each other, it's easy to get around the "Big Easy" and is the perfect setting for networking. Come enjoy the charm of New Orleans, all while attending a successful meeting in the Crescent City, Sportsman's Paradise...the Big Easy. New Orleans combines big city choices with small-town friendliness, convenience and lagniappe – a little something extra. Your exploration of the many sensory experiences that come with the unique city of New Orleans begins here – laissez les bons temps rouler – let the good times roll!



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# Restaurants

## Acme Oyster House

724 Iberville St.  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-522-5973

## Arnaud's Restaurant

813 Bienville St.  
New Orleans, LA 70112  
504-523-5433

## Boulevard American Bistro

801 Magazine Street  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-581-7103

## Bourbon House

144 Bourbon St.  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-522-0111

## Café Du Monde (Beignets Across from Jackson Square)

800 Decatur St.  
New Orleans, LA  
1-800-772-2927

## Cane and Table

1113 Decatur St.  
New Orleans, LA 70116  
504-581-1112

## Chemin a' la Mer (Inside Four Season's Hotel)

2 Canal St.  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-434-5898

## Commander's Palace

1403 Washington Ave.  
New Orleans, LA  
504-899-8221

## Emeril's Restaurant

800 Tchoupitoulas St.  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-528-9393

## Houston's

1755 St Charles Ave.  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-524-1578

## Katie's Restaurant

3701 Iberville St.  
New Orleans, LA 70119  
504-488-6582

## Manny Randazzo King Cakes

3515 N. Hullen Street  
Metairie, LA 70002  
504-456-1476

## Meril

424 Girod St.  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-526-3745

## Miss River (Inside Four Season's Hotel)

2 Canal Street  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-434-5701

## Morrow's Steak

1003 Julia St.  
New Orleans, LA  
504-354-9805

## Mr. B's Bistro

201 Royal Street  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-523-2078

## Neyow's Creole Café

3332 Bienville St.  
New Orleans, LA 70119  
504-827-5474

## Nobu- Caesars New Orleans

8 Canal Street  
Caesars Casino  
504-533-6646

## Palace Café

605 Canal St New Orleans, LA  
70130  
504-523-1661

## Parkway Bakery & Tavern (Po-boys)

538 Hagan Ave.  
New Orleans, LA 70119  
(504-482-3047

## Sun Chong

240 Decatur St.  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-355-0022

## The Court of Two Sisters

613 Royal St.  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-522-7261

## Vaucresson's Sausage Company

1800 St. Bernard Ave.  
New Orleans, LA 70116  
855-727-3653



# Art



## Contemporary Arts Center (CAC)

900 Camp St.  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-528-3805.



## New Orleans Museum of Art

1 Collins Diboll Circle  
New Orleans, LA 70124  
504-658-4100



## Ogden Museum of Southern Art

925 Camp St.  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-539-9650



## Rodrigue Studios (Blue Dog)

730 Royal St  
New Orleans, LA 70116  
504-581-4244



## Stella Jones Gallery

201 St. Charles Ave. St. 132  
New Orleans, LA 70170  
504-568-9050

# Attractions

## Audubon Aquarium & Audubon Insectarium

1 Canal St.  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-565-3033

## Audubon Nature Institute

6500 Magazine Street  
New Orleans, LA 70118  
504-861-2527

## Audubon Zoo

Combo tickets available at  
504-565-3033

## Five O Fore Golf & Entertainment

3800 Howard Ave.  
New Orleans, LA 70125  
1-504-581-8888

## Fulton Alley (Bowling, Food & Drinks)

600 Fulton Street  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-208-5569

## Mardi Gras World

1330 Port of New Orleans Pl  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-361-7821

## Louisiana Children's Museum

15 Henry Thomas Dr.  
New Orleans, LA 70124  
504-523-1357

## National World War II Museum

945 Magazine St. New Orleans, LA 70130  
504-528-1944

## New Orleans City Sightseeing Hop-On-Hop -Off Bus Tour

1-833-764-2186

## New Orleans Transportation Canal Ferry

- \$2.00 to ride Ferry; board at foot of Canal Street right next to Audubon Aquarium
- You can download the free RTA LePass app to pay for your fare instantly on your phone
- 30 minute ride to the other side at Algiers Point



# Music

The Carousel Bar & Lounge  
(Hotel Monteleone in French Quarter)

214 Royal St.  
New Orleans, LA 70130  
(504) 523-3341



Snug Harbor Jazz Bistro

626 Frenchmen St.  
New Orleans, LA 70116  
(504) 949-0696

Preservation Hall-Traditional  
New Orleans Jazz Since 1961

726 Saint Peter St.  
New Orleans, LA 70116  
Box Office 504-522-2841



# Shopping



## Royal Street:

The heart of boutique and gallery shopping in the French Quarter



## Chartres & Decatur Streets:

More tourist-friendly shops, souvenirs, and clothing



## The Outlet Collection at Riverwalk

- Located along the Mississippi River at the edge of the Central Business District (CBD).
- Outlet stores like Coach, Polo Ralph Lauren, Levi's, Kate Spade, & Michael Kors.



## French Market Flea Market

- 1008 N. Peters Street
- Located at the eastern edge of the French Quarter near the Mississippi River.
- Generally open daily, around 10:00 AM to 5:00 or 6:00 PM, but hours can vary by vendor or season.

# Fun Facts



Mardi Gras Origins: Mardi Gras was first celebrated in New Orleans in 1699 by French explorers, and it's now one of the most famous festivals in the world.



French Quarter: Despite its name, most of the French Quarter's architecture is actually Spanish due to rebuilding after a fire in the late 1700s when Spain controlled the area.



Birthplace of Jazz: New Orleans is widely considered the birthplace of jazz. Legends like Louis Armstrong got their start here.



Street Performers Galore: The city is known for its incredible street musicians, especially along Frenchmen Street and Jackson Square.



The Big Easy: New Orleans is often referred to as "The Big Easy", a popular nickname that represents the city's laid-back lifestyle and vibrant music scene.

Second Lines: These are parades with brass bands where everyone is welcome to dance and follow along—a quintessential New Orleans tradition.



# Historical Landmarks



## Pontalba Buildings

- Location: Flanking Jackson Square
- Built in the 1840s, they are among the oldest apartment buildings in the U.S.
- Design: Elegant ironwork balconies and red-brick facades.



## Hermann-Grima House

- Location: French Quarter
- A meticulously preserved Federal-style mansion from 1831, showcasing life for wealthy Creoles in the 19th century.



## St. Louis Cathedral

- Location: Jackson Square
- The oldest continuously active Roman Catholic cathedral in the U.S., originally built in 1789.



## The Garden District

- Known for its well-preserved antebellum mansions and picturesque oak-lined streets.
- Famous homes including the Buckner Mansion and homes of various celebrities.

# Nature & Geography



Below Sea Level: Large parts of New Orleans sit below sea level, which is why its levee system is so crucial.



Bayou Life: Just outside the city, the bayous and swamps are home to unique wildlife, including alligators and herons—and airboat tours are a popular activity.

# Language & Quirks



Y'at Accent: Some locals have a unique dialect known as the "Y'at" accent (from "Where y'at?" meaning "How are you?").



Laissez les bons temps rouler: This Cajun French phrase means "Let the good times roll" and captures the spirit of New Orleans.

# Resources

For additional information on exploring New Orleans, please check out the following websites:



[New Orleans & Company](#)



[Viator New Orleans Visitor's Guide](#)



[Get Your Guide | The BEST New Orleans Tours](#)



[Bayou Swamp Tours](#)



[Explore Louisiana](#)