

# LOUISIANA FISHING & OUTDOOR ADVENTURES



LouisianaTravel.com



photo credit [www.MonsoursPhotography.net](http://www.MonsoursPhotography.net)

Dear Traveler,

Come enjoy Louisiana's great outdoors. Our unique terrain and abundant wildlife make it a paradise for fishing, hunting, hiking, biking and just spending quality time in nature.

We promise an experience like no other. Our state's cultural heritage, history and wildlife contribute to the region's distinct appeal, but its scenic beauty makes it second to none. Ever seen a sunset on the bayou?

We know you can fish anywhere, but you catch fish in Louisiana. And we will show you how to cook it too! We look forward to welcoming you to all the exciting outdoor activities Louisiana has to offer, the Sportsman's Paradise!

For more information, go to [LouisianaTravel.com](http://LouisianaTravel.com). I look forward to welcoming you to our great state soon!

Sincerely,



Lieutenant Governor

Billy Nungesser

**LOUISIANA**  
*Pick your Passion®*

**LouisianaTravel.com**

## IF YOUR PASSION IS...

FISHING	4-9
ATTRACTIONS & OUTFITTERS	10-16
BIRDING	17-20
FESTIVALS	21-25
GOLFING	28-29
OUTDOOR RECREATION	30-35
PARKS & CAMPING	36-39
TOURS	40-43
WATER ACTIVITIES	44-47
LISTING INDEX BY REGION	48-51

## HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

This guide is arranged by the categories above then color coded by regions of the state. You will find a map describing the regional colors below and a more detailed map on page 26-27.



[www.LTPA.org](http://www.LTPA.org)

Each region of the state is given its own color on the map and in the directory.

# FISHING

## CATCH YOUR SUPPER



Louisiana has long been known as a fisherman's heaven, from bass fishing on Toledo Bend to saltwater fishing off the coast. The state is literally chock full of lakes, bayous, streams and wetlands all teeming with crappie, bream, bass and catfish – to name a few. Charter fishing is available along the coast, offering excursions into Gulf waters of redfish, specs, black drum, flounder and much more. Visitors may also bring their own boats and enjoy South Louisiana's many marinas and boat launches, then enjoy accommodations specifically tailored to fishermen.



*BASSMASTER® MAGAZINE NAMES TOLEDO BEND*

**#1 BASS FISHING  
LAKE IN THE NATION**



[ToledoBendLakeCountry.com](http://ToledoBendLakeCountry.com) 1-800-358-7802

## BASS PRO HOMER HUMPHREYS



**Webster Parish/Minden**

**318-371-2020**

**[www.homerhumphreys.com](http://www.homerhumphreys.com)**

Fish with the winner of the Louisiana 2002 CITGO BASSMASTER Louisiana Open.

Currently featured on Sportsman's Paradise TV and the Paradise Louisiana Network, Homer has fished in 56 BASSMASTER tournaments.

## LAKE D'ARBONNE FISHING



**Union Parish Tourist Center**

**318-285-9333 • 888-245-7145**

**[www.tourunionparish.org](http://www.tourunionparish.org)**

**[unionparishtorist@att.net](mailto:unionparishtorist@att.net)**

For reservations call 888-677-5200.

## ALEXANDRIA/PINEVILLE AREA FISHING



**707 Second Street**

**Alexandria, LA 71301**

**800-551-9546**

**[www.AlexandriaPinevilleLA.com](http://www.AlexandriaPinevilleLA.com)**

Whether you prefer a cane pole or a rod and reel, come see what you can catch in the Heart of Louisiana. Offering cypress-studded lakes, moss-draped bayous, rolling rivers and cold water creeks.

## LIVING THE DREAM GUIDE SERVICE



**Many, LA 71449**

**318-256-8991**

**[ltdguideservice.com](http://ltdguideservice.com)**

Living The Dream Guide Service is the premier guide service on Toledo Bend. Bass or Crappie, small groups or corporate retreats, our 8 guides can handle all your needs. Come "Live the Dream" with us!

## TOLEDO BEND LAKE COUNTRY FISHING



**800-358-7802**

**[www.toledobendlakecountry.com](http://www.toledobendlakecountry.com)**

The 186,000 acre Toledo Bend Lake is one of the renowned fishing draws in the South because of its abundant largemouth bass, crappie, stripers, white bass, and catfish. Largemouth bass recorded range up to 15.32 lbs. Over 35 guides available.

## BAYOU LAFOURCHE AREA FISHING



**Bayou Lafourche Area  
Convention & Visitor Bureau**

**877-537-5800**

**[VisitLafourche.com](http://VisitLafourche.com)**

With a full slate of charter boat captains for inland or offshore fishing and plenty of marinas and boat launches, your fishing adventure begins in Bayou Lafourche! Come Live the Bayou Life! Just 45 minutes from New Orleans.

## CAJUN COAST FISHING



**Morgan City, LA 70381**

**800-256-2931 • 985-380-8224**

**[www.cajuncoast.com](http://www.cajuncoast.com)**

The Cajun Coast offers great fishing opportunities throughout the year. The Atchafalaya Basin provides excellent freshwater fishing for bass or bream while saltwater fishing is available on inside waters and offshore including speckled trout and redfish.

## HENDERSON GATEWAY TO THE ATCHAFALAYA BASIN



**Interstate 10, Exit 115**

**888-565-5939**

**[www.cajuncountry.org](http://www.cajuncountry.org)**

Sac-a-lait (white perch), Bream (bluegill) and Blue Channel Catfish. Landings along Lake Henderson offer boat docking, boat rentals, houseboat rentals, airboat tours and more! Henderson is also home to world famous seafood restaurants. Hotels, Cabins and Campgrounds are also available.

KNOWING THERE'S  
*nothing like a*  
**BAYOU**  
*Sunset*

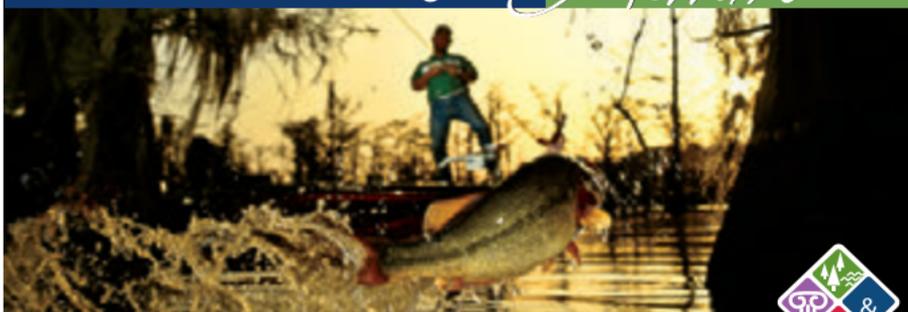
#BAYOULIFE

In Bayou Lafourche there are plenty of ways to enjoy living on the bayou. Just 45 minutes from New Orleans, visit Bayou Lafourche to experience a different kind of life, the Bayou Life.

**VISITLAFOURCHE.COM**  
**877.537.5800**

BAYOU  
*Lafourche*  
AREA CONVENTION  
& VISITORS BUREAU  
THIBODAUX | LOCKPORT | GOLDEN MEADOW

**WEBSTER PARISH** MINDEN, LOUISIANA  
**Discover** our good *Nature*



**HOMER HUMPHREYS** 1.800.2MINDEN [www.visitwebster.net](http://www.visitwebster.net)



*St Bernard*  
Tourist Commission  
**WHERE REEL**  
ADVENTURE BEGINS

Five miles from the  
Historic French Quarter.

[www.visitstbernard.com](http://www.visitstbernard.com)  
(504) 278-4242

## HOUMA CHARTER FISHING



**Houma Area Convention & Visitors Bureau**  
**800-688-2732**

**[www.houmatravel.com/do/charter-fishing](http://www.houmatravel.com/do/charter-fishing)**  
Houma's unique location on the Gulf of Mexico allows for a diverse combination of year-round fishing. Bring your own boat and launch from one of our numerous public boat launches or charter an experienced fishing guide. Visit our website for a list of guides and marinas.

## I-10 PARK FISHING



**Jeff Davis Parish • Jennings, LA 70546**  
**337-821-5521 • 800-264-5521**

**[www.jeffdavis.org](http://www.jeffdavis.org)**

11 acre stocked fishing pond. LA fishing license required. The park also features playground, picnic pavilions, walking track, ducks, and restroom facilities. Also home to the Gator Chateau and Tourist Information.

## IBERIA PARISH FISHING



**Iberia Parish Convention & Visitors Bureau**  
**888-942-3742**

**[www.iberiatravel.com](http://www.iberiatravel.com)**

Visit Louisiana's HOT side New Iberia, Avery Island, Jefferson Island, Jeanerette, Loreauville and Delcambre. Fresh water and salt water fishing opportunities include Bass, Crappie, Redfish, Flounder, Snapper and Grouper. Experienced charter fishing guides welcome you aboard.

## LIVINGSTON PARISH



**888-317-7899**

**[www.livingstontourism.com](http://www.livingstontourism.com)**

This is a paradise for sportsmen with over 600 miles of waterways and endless fishing and hunting opportunities. Situated between Baton Rouge and New Orleans on I-12, makes it a perfect location for an outdoors getaway.

V I S I T  
**JEFFERSON**  
P A R I S H



**Turn your next vacation into an outdoor adventure in Jefferson Parish.** Whether it's a deep water fishing excursion, hiking nature trails or a camping trip, we have the right adventure for all outdoor enthusiasts in Jefferson.

*Jefferson Convention & Visitors Bureau, Inc.*  
1.877.572.7474 • [VisitJeffersonParish.com](http://VisitJeffersonParish.com)



## GRAND ISLE & JEAN LAFITTE



**Jefferson Convention & Visitors Bureau, Inc.**  
**877-572-7474**

[www.visitjeffersonparish.com](http://www.visitjeffersonparish.com)

Cast a line in Grand Isle or Lafitte! Fish inland for big specks and reds; offshore charter excursions reel in mackerel, tarpon, tuna & marlin. Compete in one of the numerous rodeos and tournaments!

## ST. BERNARD PARISH FISHING



**St. Bernard Parish Office of Tourism**  
**504-278-4242**

[www.visitstbernard.com](http://www.visitstbernard.com)

The great outdoors does not adequately describe the abundance of fisheries apparent in St. Bernard Parish. Book a charter out of Shell Beach, Hopedale or Delacroix Island and experience a truly world-class fishing destination.

## ST. TAMMANY/NORTHSHORE FISHING



**St. Tammany Parish Tourist Commission**  
**68099 Hwy. 59 • Mandeville, LA 70471**  
**800-634-9443**

[www.fishthenorthshore.com](http://www.fishthenorthshore.com)

Are you fishing for fun or the BIG one? Find both in the waters of Louisiana's Northshore, less than an hour north of New Orleans. Reel in monster trout, redfish and flounder on one of our exciting fishing charters.

# ATTRACTIONS & OUTFITTERS

## YOU GOTTA SEE THIS



With such a wide variety of activities throughout the state, why not step outside and enjoy all Louisiana has to offer in the great outdoors? Visit one of several zoos and other animal attractions to catch a glimpse of wetland creatures in their natural habitat, get close to exotic animals as they roam a wildlife preserve or even pet an alligator – if you dare! Experience history firsthand at Civil War battlefields and other notable sites. And if you want to see stars, visit the Duck Commander store in Monroe/West Monroe where you might run into someone from the hit reality show Duck Dynasty!

### HOME OF DUCK COMMANDER



[monroe-westmonroe.org](http://monroe-westmonroe.org) • 800-843-1872

**Gator Chateau**  
**HOLD A BABY GATOR**  
**R.E.R.**  
Rescue. Educate. Release.

free attraction!

337-821-5521 / I-10 EXIT 64 / [jeffdavis.org](http://jeffdavis.org)

The advertisement features a green background with a photo of a baby alligator in a circular frame. It includes a map showing the location on I-10 Exit 64 and contact information for Jeff Davis.

## DUCK COMMANDER STORE



**117 Kings Lane  
West Monroe, LA 71292  
318-387-0588**

**[www.duckcommander.com](http://www.duckcommander.com)**

Shop for souvenirs from your favorite bearded family like shirts, hats, Phil's special seasoning, books, duck calls, and more. And don't forget to take our Duck Commander Hometown Tour to visit the places where the show was filmed.

## GATORS AND FRIENDS ALLIGATOR PARK AND EXOTIC ZOO



**11441 Hwy. 80  
Greenwood, LA 71033  
318-938-1199**

**[www.gatorsandfriends.com](http://www.gatorsandfriends.com)**

Bring the family to Gators and Friends to pet a baby alligator and zip-line throughout the park. See alligators wrestle during daily feeding shows, and enjoy the exotic petting zoo and pony rides.

## JUBILEE ZOO



**6402 Hwy. 1  
Shreveport, LA 71107  
318-929-7387**

**[www.jubileezoo.com](http://www.jubileezoo.com)**

Visit Jubilee Zoo to pet and feed animals, ride ponies, tour the zoo on a hayride or picnic in the playground.

## LANDRY VINEYARDS



**5699 New Natchitoches Road  
West Monroe, LA 71292  
318- 557-9050**

**[www.landryvineyards.com](http://www.landryvineyards.com)**

Landry Vineyards is a family owned and operated winery located in the rolling hills of West Monroe. Visitors can sample wines while enjoying the picturesque views from the beautiful tasting room or take a tour of the vineyard.

## SPLASH KINGDOM WATERPARK

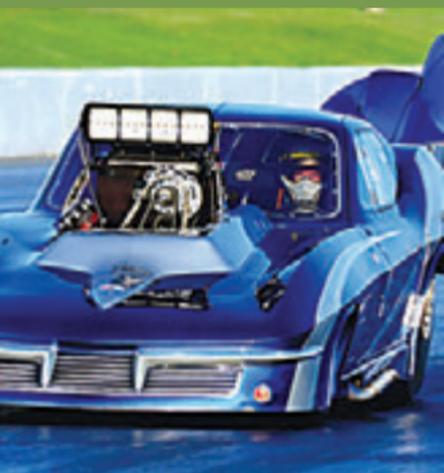


**7670 W. 70th St.  
Shreveport, LA 71129  
318-938-5475**

**[www.splashkingdomwaterpark.com](http://www.splashkingdomwaterpark.com)**

Come to Splash Kingdom Waterpark to enjoy cool summer attractions like the Bonzai Thrill Slide, two kids' areas, lazy river and wave pool. The waterpark offers free tubes and life vests. Open Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day.

## THUNDER ROAD RACEWAY PARK



**5700 Thunder Road  
Gilliam, LA 71029  
318-299-7223**

**[www.racetrp.com](http://www.racetrp.com)**

Thunder Road Raceway Park is a state-of-the-art, motorsports facility featuring a 1/4-mile drag strip, sanctioned by the National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) in Division 4.

## TP OUTDOORS



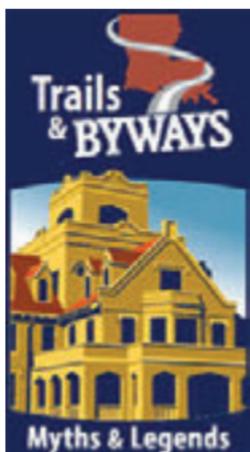
**101 Mill Street • West Monroe, LA 71292  
318-322-4474**

**3000 Breard Street • Monroe, LA 71292  
318-388-3788**

**[www.tpoutdoors.com](http://www.tpoutdoors.com)**

Family owned hardware and hunting store. Large selection of fishing and hunting gear from guns and ammo to clothing and stands. Shooting range in West Monroe location. Hunting and fishing licenses available.

## MYTHS & LEGENDS BYWAY



**Vernon, Beauregard & Allen Parishes  
800-349-6287 • 337-238-0783  
[vernontourism@bellsouth.net](mailto:vernontourism@bellsouth.net)**

**[www.LouisianaLegendCountry.com](http://www.LouisianaLegendCountry.com)**

Explore Louisiana's Myths & Legends Byway— a 183-mile drive of Western Louisiana based on tall tales, true stories, and legends. Small-town museums, fabulous festivals, outdoor recreational opportunities, centuries of history, culture, stories, and the people that make it all come alive.

See. Touch.  
Explore!



Creole Nature Trail Adventure Point showcases the marsh, prairies, swamp and coastal areas along with the animals and vegetation of Southwest Louisiana. Through imaginative, hands-on displays, you can smell mouthwatering aromas of Cajun/Creole cooking, "play along" with a Cajun and Zydeco band and much more!

**This free attraction is open 7 days a week!**

**ADVENTUREPOINT.INFO**



**CREOLE NATURE TRAIL ADVENTURE POINT**

2740 RUTH STREET, SULPHUR, LA 70665

337.502.4358  

## NATCHITOCHE



**780 Front Street, Ste. 100  
Natchitoches, LA 71457  
800-259-1714  
[www.Natchitoches.com](http://www.Natchitoches.com)**

Natchitoches, Louisiana's oldest city, established in 1714 on Cane River Lake. Natchitoches offers a unique blend of culture and architecture. Known for Plantations, meat pies, annual festivals, historic sites, "Steel Magnolias", gorgeous lakes and rivers, and the Historic District. Come celebrate, discover, and explore!

## CREOLE NATURE TRAIL ADVENTURE POINT



**[www.visitlakecharles.org/adventurepoint](http://www.visitlakecharles.org/adventurepoint)**

Immerse yourself in interactive exhibits that bring the Cajun/Creole food, music and culture to life along with hands-on dioramas on great outdoors – before your experience the wonders of the Creole Nature Trail.

## PACK & PADDLE



**-92.0037671, 30.2185832  
601 E. Pinhook Rd.  
Lafayette, LA 70501  
337-232-5854 • [www.packpaddle.com](http://www.packpaddle.com)**

Over 6,000 square feet, housing outdoor equipment for rock climbing, backpacking, canoeing, kayaking, kayak fishing, fly fishing, family camping and much more. Also a resource for local forests, swamps, marshes and streams that make Louisiana a special place for the outdoor enthusiast.

## VERMILION PARISH



**1905 Veterans Memorial Dr.,  
Abbeville, LA 70510  
337-898-6600 • [www.MostCajun.com](http://www.MostCajun.com)  
Contact: Alison Miller, Executive Director**  
Feast on fresh seafood straight from our gulf waters or on a plate of crawfish étouffée made the same way grandma did. From over-stuffed po-boys and raw oysters to fresh caught seafood, we have it all and more!

**Vermilion Parish -**  
**The Most Cajun Place on Earth!**

Discover authentic Cajun cuisine, family-friendly festivals, quaint towns, marshes teeming with wildlife and native fauna and our true Cajun hospitality!

**Vermilion**  
 TOURIST COMMISSION *Parish*  
 Abbeville 337-898-6600

Just minutes from Lafayette and New Iberia!  
**MostCajun.com**

## VERMILIONVILLE



**-91.9977907, 30.2124619**

**300 Fisher Rd.**

**Lafayette, LA 70508**

**337-233-4077**

**[www.vermilionville.org](http://www.vermilionville.org)**

A cultural development within the Bayou Vermilion District serving to preserve the cultural resources of the region. The park is a picturesque representation of a village from 1765 to 1890.

## ZOOSIANA



**-91.94330, 30.11740**

**5601 Highway 90 E • Broussard, LA 70518**

**337-837-4325 • [www.zoofacadiana.org](http://www.zoofacadiana.org)**

For more than two decades, Zoosiana has provided Acadiana with animals from all around the world. The 45-acre park surrounded by centuries old live oak trees hosts more than 750 animals from more than 130 species. Zoosiana is open seven days a week and offers various admission prices for adults and children as well as group tour rates.

## AUDUBON ZOO



**6500 Magazine Street  
 New Orleans, LA 70118**

**504-581-4629 • [www.AudubonInstitute.org](http://www.AudubonInstitute.org)**

Top 5 zoo in the nation is an ideal birding location and features more than 2,000 of the world's most exotic animals, displayed in natural habitats on 58 acres. At the Louisiana Swamp exhibit catch a glimpse of the world's only white alligators while enjoying the music, food and culture of South Louisiana. Cool Zoo, a wild and wet splash park now featuring Gator Run, a new lazy river, is open spring and summer.

## CHALMETTE BATTLEFIELD



**8606 West St. Bernard Highway  
Chalmette, LA 70043  
504-281-0510**

**[www.nps.gov/jela/chalmette-battlefield.htm](http://www.nps.gov/jela/chalmette-battlefield.htm)**

Tour the site of the Battle of New Orleans at the Chalmette Battlefield, where General Andrew Jackson led his troops to victory against the British in the greatest land American victory of the War of 1812. Open daily.

## GLOBAL WILDLIFE CENTER



**26389 Hwy 40  
Folsom, LA 70437**

**985-624-WILD  
[globalwildlife.com](http://globalwildlife.com)**

Come start your adventure with Global Wildlife Center! You'll be amazed as you learn through touch while you wiggle the camels' humps, feel the wooly fur of bison, and get eye to eye with our family of giraffes!

## GRAND ISLE



**Grand Isle Tourism Department  
985-787-2997  
[www.grand-isle.com](http://www.grand-isle.com)**

A remote oasis nearly hidden within Louisiana's expansive coast, Grand Isle is renowned for its world-class fishing and birding habitat. Louisiana's only inhabited barrier island offers unblemished views of the Gulf of Mexico, miles of beaches and boundless wildlife.

## LOS ISLEÑOS MUSEUM & VILLAGE



**1357 Bayou Road  
St. Bernard, LA 70085  
504-277-4681**

**[www.losislenos.org](http://www.losislenos.org)**

The Museum is dedicated to preserving the culture of the Isleños, Canary Islanders who settled to St. Bernard in the 1780s. Experience the last vestige of Spanish colonial Louisiana. Tours available Wed-Sun, 11am-4pm.

# BIRDING

## AMAZING VIEWS AWAIT YOU



Hundreds of bird species make their home in the Bayou State, but Louisiana also offers a resting spot for migrating waterfowl and songbirds in the spring and fall. Across the state are great opportunities for bird watchers. From bald eagles to the endangered Red-cockaded Woodpecker, rare species can be spotted in various areas. Informative nature trails, lush wetlands and scenic waterways across the state provide year-round bird watching options.

### Experience Sportsman's Paradise **RUSTON & LINCOLN PARISH**



Fishing, camping, biking, bird watching and more in Lincoln Parish's four beautiful lakes!



[experienceruston.com](http://experienceruston.com) | (800) 392-9032



## RELAX

*& enjoy*

## NATURE

Hiking \* Biking \* Boating  
Fishing \* Birding \* Hunting  
Camping \* Caving \* Caching

[VentureVernon.com](http://VentureVernon.com)



## JAMES LAKE BIRDING TRAIL



**318-777-33321**

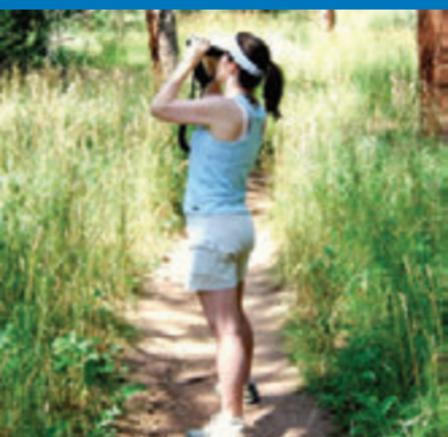
**[www.experienceruston.com](http://www.experienceruston.com)**

Located along the west side of James Lake, 12 miles north of I-20 in Lincoln Parish.

This outdoor paradise is one of Louisiana's best places to enjoy birds watching. These magnificent creatures can be seen from many locations – the viewing platform, the bridge or the lake's wooded walking trail.



## ALEXANDRIA/PINEVILLE AREA BIRDING



**707 Second Street**

**Alexandria, LA 71301**

**800-551-9546**

**[www.AlexandriaPinevilleLA.com](http://www.AlexandriaPinevilleLA.com)**

From the red-cockaded woodpeckers to the American Bald Eagles, birders can find native and migratory species in piney woods and along scenic waterways.

## VERNON PARISH BIRDING



**201 South Third Street**

**Leesville, LA 71446**

**800-349-6287 • 337-238-0783**

**[www.LouisianaLegendCountry.com](http://www.LouisianaLegendCountry.com)**

**[vernontourism@bellsouth.net](mailto:vernontourism@bellsouth.net)**

Birding is easy in Vernon Parish - just open your door and step outside! The forests laced with freshwater streams encourage the presence of numerous birds, including the endangered Red-cockaded Woodpecker plus other rare species.

## BAYOU LAFOURCHE AREA BIRDING



**Bayou Lafourche Area CVB**

**877-537-5800**

**[VisitLafourche.com](http://VisitLafourche.com)**

Bayou Birding offers the opportunity to see thousands of migratory birds in the Gulf Coast Louisiana Flyway. [VisitLafourche.com/birding](http://VisitLafourche.com/birding) for more. Come live the bayou life! Just 45 minutes from New Orleans.

## CAJUN COAST BIRD TRAIL



**P.O. Box 2332**

**Morgan City, LA 70381**

**800-256-2931 • 985-380-8224**

**[www.cajuncoast.com](http://www.cajuncoast.com)**

Explore the Cajun Coast for great bird watching. Over 11 designated birding sites throughout the area provide birders the opportunity to view over 300 species. Eagle Expo, a birding event is held every February.

## HOUMA BIRDING



**Houma Area Convention & Visitors Bureau**

**800-688-2732**

**[www.houmatravel.com/see/nature-and-wildlife](http://www.houmatravel.com/see/nature-and-wildlife)**

Situated between the Mississippi Delta, Atchafalaya River Basin and the Gulf Coast, Houma is surrounded by thousands of square miles of wetlands making it the perfect habitat for over 400 species of birds.

## IBERIA PARISH BIRDING HABITATS



**Iberia Parish Convention & Visitors Bureau**

**888-942-3742**

**[www.iberiatravel.com](http://www.iberiatravel.com)**

Visit Louisiana's HOT side New Iberia, Avery Island, Jefferson Island, Jeanerette, Loreauville and Delcambre. Explore birding habitats at Jungle Gardens, Rip's Rookery at Rip Van Winkle Gardens, Spanish Lake, Lake Fausse Pointe and Cypremort Point.

## LAKE MARTIN



**1209 Rookery Road**

**Breaux Bridge, LA 70517**

**888-565-5939 • [www.cajuncountry.org](http://www.cajuncountry.org)**

Lake Martin, a shallow lake ringed with cypress trees and tupelo trees draped with Spanish moss, is home to a spectacular wading bird rookery that supports thousands of nesting birds each spring. Paved boat launch ramp, tours.

## WHITE LAKE WETLANDS CONSERVATION AREA BIRDING TRAIL



Hwy. 91 S. • Gueydan, LA 70542  
337-536-9400

[www.wlf.louisiana.gov/white-lake-wca-birding-and-nature-trail](http://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/white-lake-wca-birding-and-nature-trail)

2-mile birding and nature trail with kiosks providing information on the species of plants and animals in and around the trail, an observation tower at the southeast corner overlooking the trail, parking and covered pavilion.

## ST. TAMMANY/NORTHSHORE BIRDING



[www.LouisianaNorthshore.com/bird](http://www.LouisianaNorthshore.com/bird)

• Big Branch Marsh National Wildlife Refuge  
Lacombe, LA • 985 882-2000

[www.fws.gov/bigbranchmarsh](http://www.fws.gov/bigbranchmarsh)

Diverse habitat of pine flatwoods and coastal marsh. Hundreds of bird species, the red-cockaded woodpecker & bald eagle.

• Northlake Nature Center • 23135 Hwy. 190 E  
985-626-1238 • [www.Northlakenature.org](http://www.Northlakenature.org)

Great Louisiana BirdFest each spring. Boardwalk and hiking trails along Bayou Castine.



**LOUISIANA**



**culinary trails™**

**DIG** *in to* the many *flavors* of  
**LOUISIANA**

[LouisianaCulinaryTrails.com](http://LouisianaCulinaryTrails.com)

# FESTIVALS

**LAISSEZ LES BON TEMPS ROULER**



In Louisiana, residents love to “pass a good time,” which is why the state is home to more than 400 festivals. These annual fetes revolve around food, harvests, heritage and the celebration of Louisiana’s natural beauty. Foodies flock to annual crawfish, peach, strawberry and rice festivals where the delicious local fare is sure to delight. The state’s rich heritage is on full display during festivals that celebrate everything from Mardi Gras to bullfrogs. Come experience the fun alongside the locals!



**HAPPIEST CITY IN AMERICA**  
Wall Street Journal's MARKETWATCH.COM

**STAY HAPPY**

**STAY LAFAYETTE**



**LAFAYETTETRAVEL.COM/HAPPY 800 346 1958**

## CHIMPANZEE DISCOVERY DAYS



**13600 Chimpanzee Place  
Keithville, LA 71047  
318-925-9575**

**[www.chimphaven.org](http://www.chimphaven.org)**

Chimp Haven is a sanctuary for 200 retired chimpanzees and open only for Chimpanzee Discovery Days, which allows visitors to observe the chimpanzees in their natural, forested habitats and discover the wonders hidden in the nature trail.

## MAYFEST



**Vernon Parish Tourism Commission  
201 South Third St. • Leesville, LA 71446  
800-349-6287 • 337-238-0783**

**[vernontourism@bellsouth.net](mailto:vernontourism@bellsouth.net)**

**[www.LouisianaLegendCountry.com](http://www.LouisianaLegendCountry.com)**

Admission Free. Sponsored by the Vernon Parish Tourism Commission. First weekend in May. Leesville Historic District. Wonderful Louisiana music, food, and arts & crafts.

## BAYOU LAFOURCHE AREA FESTIVALS



**[VisitLafourche.com/events](http://VisitLafourche.com/events)**

Leave your cares behind, and experience a different kind of life, the Bayou Life. Visit Bayou Lafourche and experience Cajun culture, food, and festivals. Just 45 minutes from New Orleans.

## CAJUN WOODSTOCK



**100 Darbonne Street  
Church Point, LA 70525  
337-280-8710**

**[www.cajunwoodstock.com](http://www.cajunwoodstock.com)**

A beautiful two day festival to help a cure for the kids of St. Jude's Hospital. It's a weekend of food, fun and the greatest music in the state. Come join us at the City Park Pavilion and make a difference for the children. Always the last Saturday and Sunday of April. Poker Run on Sunday with a great run for the bikers. We can find a cure and save lives together. Last week-end of April.

# HEART OF THE CAJUN PRAIRIE

## ACADIA PARISH



Tour Rice and Crawfish Farms  
Visit Kelly's Landing Agricultural Museum  
Tour the Grand Opera House of the South  
Visit a Rice Interpretive Center, J.D. Miller  
Recording Studio Musuem  
Visit Ford Automotive Museum



Acadia Parish Tourist Commission  
877-783-2109 • [www.acadiatourism.org](http://www.acadiatourism.org)

## CHURCH POINT MARDI GRAS



### Saddle Tramp House

1036 East Ebay • Church Point, LA 70525  
337-523-7000

[www.churchpointmardigras.com](http://www.churchpointmardigras.com)

The Saddle Tramp Riders Club, Inc, & the Capitan would like to welcome all participants to the annual Church Point Courir de Mardi Gras Run! We are the last “**Traditional**” Cajun Mardi Gras in keeping with this tradition, the Capitan request that all ‘Mardi Gras’ be dressed in full traditional costume. Hope to see y’all there!

## FROG CAPITAL CLASSIC CAR AND HOT ROD SHOW



Rayne, LA 70578 • 337-334-3585

[www.acadiatourism.org](http://www.acadiatourism.org)

Rayne Frog Association’s 5th Annual Frog Capital Classic Car and Hot Rod Show is the first Saturday in June. Located in the Rayne Pavillion with FOOD, FUN JUMPS, MUSIC, BEVERAGES. Camping space available through the City of Rayne. Awards will be presented.

## INTERNATIONAL RICE FESTIVAL



112 East Hutchinson Avenue

Crowley, LA 70526 • 337-783-3067

[www.ricefestival.com](http://www.ricefestival.com)

The oldest and largest agricultural festival in the state of Louisiana. It calls attention to the importance of rice as food and emphasizes its place in the world’s economy. The three day festival is still held downtown Crowley and Free to the public.

## RAYNE FROG FESTIVAL



107 Oak Street • Rayne, LA 70578

337-334-2332

[www.raynefrogfestival.com](http://www.raynefrogfestival.com)

Hop on down to the Frog Capital of the World and have a “toadally” awesome time at the Festival. Showcasing Cajun and Swamp Pop music. Activities include frog racing and jumping contest. Great food, including Cajun Specialties.

## ROBERTS COVE GERMAN FEST



**7212 Roberts Cove Rd. • Rayne, LA 70578**  
**337-334-8354 • [www.robertscovegermanfest.com](http://www.robertscovegermanfest.com)**  
Roberts Cove Germanfest is unique in that this cultural event takes place in a small community whose roots are of German origin and is situated in the middle of "Cajun Country." The two-day event provides activities for all ages. The central theme is expressed with native foods and drinks - sausage, bread, potatoes, sauerkraut and sugar cookies. While at the Germanfest take time to tour the new German Heritage Museum. Admission Fee. The Germanfest is held on Sat & Sun the 1st full weekend in October.

## TEE MAMOU IOTA MARDI GRAS FESTIVAL



**116 Duson Ave • Iota, LA 70543**  
**337-779-2456**  
**[www.iotamardigras.com](http://www.iotamardigras.com)**  
Prairie Cajun Mardi Gras at its best! Totally traditional group singing, dancing and chanting their 400-year old chant in French, wearing handmade screen masks, costumes and capuchons. Traditional Cajun foods served and live Cajun and Zydeco music all day long.

## TOUR DU TECHE CANOE RACE

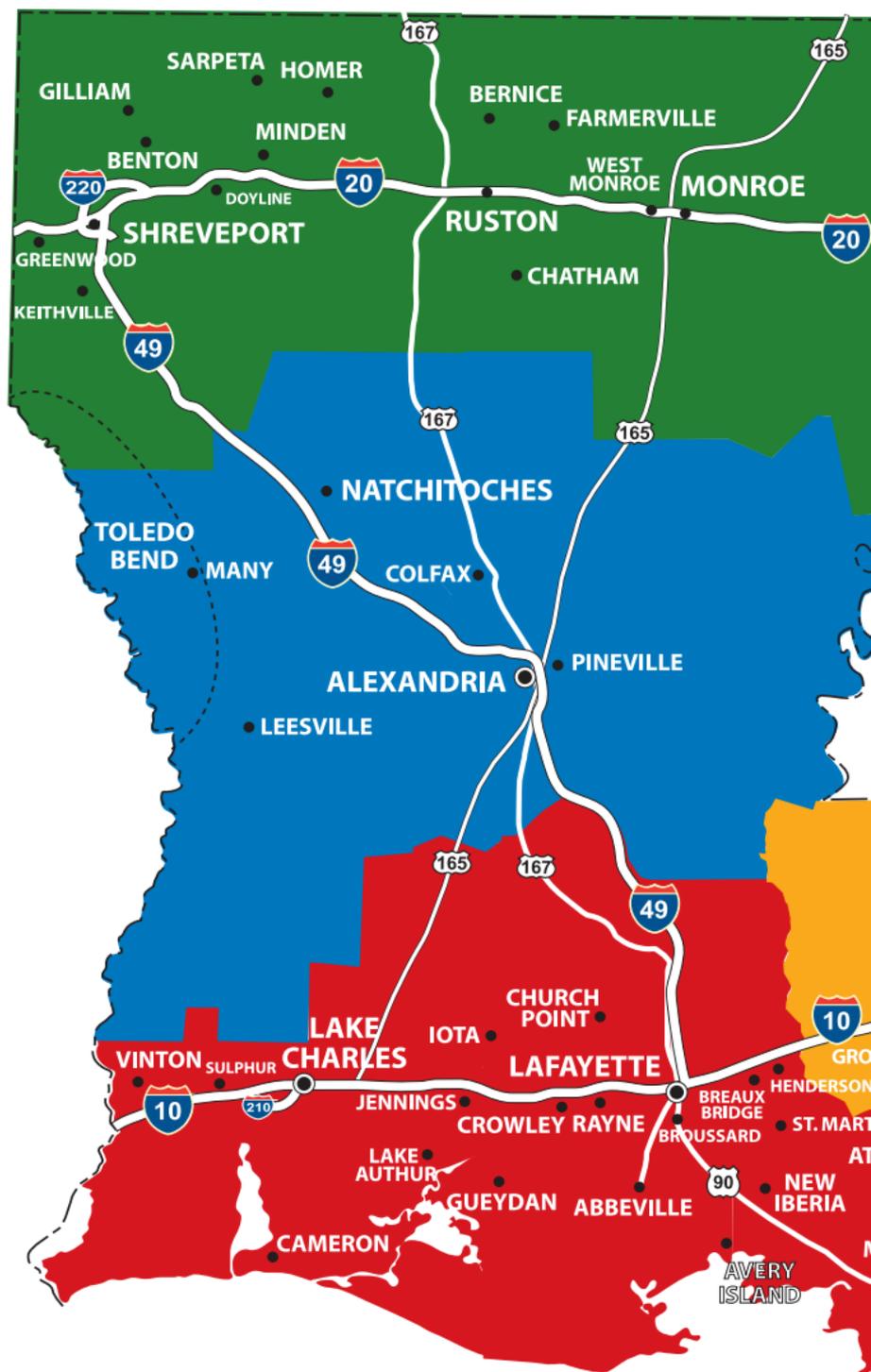


**P.O. Box 69 • St. Martinville, LA 70582**  
**337-394-6232 • [info@tourduteche.com](mailto:info@tourduteche.com)**  
**[www.tourduteche.com](http://www.tourduteche.com)**  
Canoe & Kayak Race along the Historic Bayou Teche. Always the first Friday in October. The Tour du Teche is a staged marathon for canoes and kayaks of all shapes and sizes which courses the entire length of the Bayou.

## NEW ORLEANS PLANTATION COUNTRY FESTIVALS



**[VisitNOPC.com](http://VisitNOPC.com)**  
Festivals throughout the year offer opportunities to experience the food, music and culture of New Orleans Plantation Country. Plan your adventure today!



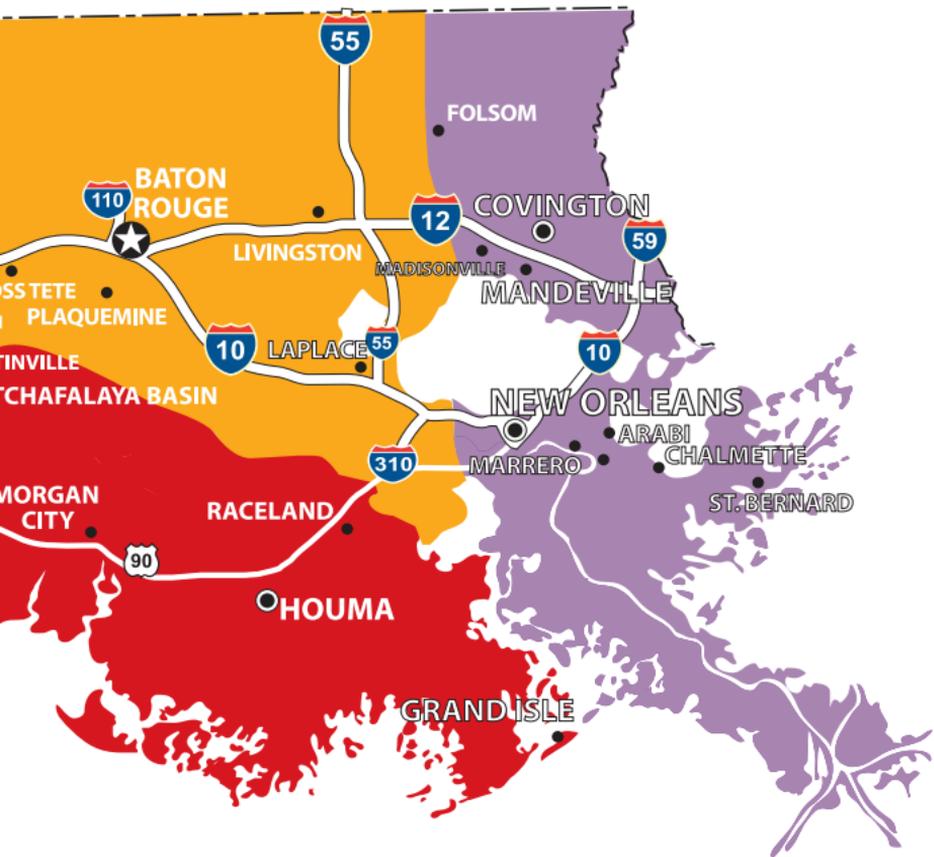


# LOUISIANA

*Pick your Passion*

LouisianaTravel.com

-  **Sportsman's Paradise**
-  **Crossroads**
-  **Cajun Country**
-  **Plantation Country**
-  **Greater New Orleans**



# GOLFING

## WITH SPECTACULAR VIEWS



Golfing in Louisiana is more than a sport – it’s an experience. Our natural beauty and diverse topography from one end of the state to another makes every course unique. In addition to the many outstanding courses available in different regions, there’s the Louisiana’s Audubon Golf Trail featuring 12 specially designed courses, including some by Hal Sutton, David Toms and Pete Dye. The Audubon Golf Trail was named for naturalist John James Audubon who not only painted many of his bird studies in the Bayou State, but who was routinely enthralled by Louisiana’s natural beauty.

### LAKE D’ARBONNE COUNTRY CLUB



**180 Country Club Drive**

**Farmerville, LA 71241**

**318-368-2474**

**[www.tourunionparish.org](http://www.tourunionparish.org)**

Tee off on this 9 hole course located near Lake D’Arbonne and enjoy a day of golf.

Then relax in the Lounge with your favorite beverage. You will enjoy their hospitality.



### MEADOW LAKE GOLF CLUB



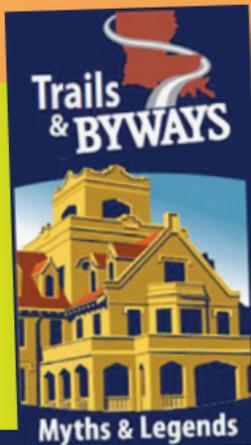
**152 Golf Course Rd.**

**Bernice, LA 71222**

**318-285-7425**

**[www.tourunionparish.org](http://www.tourunionparish.org)**

Tee off on this 9 hole course located in the Piney Hills of North Louisiana. Enjoy a drink in the Club House afterwards. The people are friendly and you will feel right at home.



## ENJOY THE MYTHS & LEGENDS BYWAY ON THE WEST SIDE OF LOUISIANA

Travel the 181 miles of backroads that bring you to such treasures as the Coshatta Casino Resort and the Leatherwood Museum located in Allen Parish.



888-639-4868 | [www.allenparish.com](http://www.allenparish.com)

## CYPRESS BEND RESORT GOLF



2000 Cypress Bend Pkwy.

Many, LA 71449

800-358-7802

[www.toledobendlakecountry.com](http://www.toledobendlakecountry.com)

Cypress Bend Golf Resort's 18-hole Audubon Course on Toledo Bend Lake features ten holes along the water with shots across coves and inlets. The Resort has a spa, restaurants, conference center, hotel and golf suites.

## ALLEN PARISH GOLFING



800-584-7263

The Koasati Pines Golf Course is one of the best in the State of Louisiana. Come and play this exciting course and see how your game adds up.

## THE WETLANDS GOLF COURSE



-92.043615, 30.262034

2129 N. University Ave.

Lafayette, LA 70507

337-291-7151

[www.wetlandsgc.com](http://www.wetlandsgc.com)

A member of the Audubon Golf Trail, this links style course is unique to Southern Louisiana with wide open fairways and subtle rolling terrain. The Wetlands accommodates all levels of players.

# OUTDOOR RECREATION

## EXPLORE IT ALL



Settlers arriving in Louisiana were amazed by its natural beauty and bountiful wildlife. Today, much of that pristine wilderness still exists, allowing visitors to enjoy the great outdoors in a wide variety of ways. View alligators basking in the sun and migratory songbirds resting along nature trails. Enjoy the sites of massive live oak trees and bald cypress as they grace sleepy southern wetlands. A host of lakes and streams provide for watersports to the north, while a drive along the coast offers natural gulf beaches and fishing opportunities.



**EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES!**

## Where Cajun began...

Antiques | Artists | Boutiques | Historic Districts | Museums  
World Famous Seafood Restaurants | Bed & Breakfasts | Hotels  
Cajun & Zydeco Music, Jams & Festivals | Cabins | Houseboats  
Nature Conservancy Visitor Center | Kayak, Canoe & Bike Rentals  
Swamp Tours | Boating | Fishing | Hiking | Bird Watching | Dino Park  
Bayou Teche | Lake Martin | Atchafalaya Basin Swamp



FOR MORE INFO  
[CAJUNCOUNTRY.ORG](http://CAJUNCOUNTRY.ORG)  
888.565.5939



ARNAUDVILLE | BREAUX BRIDGE | BUTTE LA ROSE  
CATAHOULA | HENDERSON | ST. MARTINVILLE

## CANEY LAKES



**Minden/Webster Parish**

**318-927-2061**

350 acres of water recreation for great fishing, swimming, picnicking, and 49 camp sites. There is a 12 mile sugar cane trail for hiking and biking all located in the 600,000 acre **Kisatchie National Forest**.

## LAKE BISTINEAU STATE PARK



**Doyline/Webster Parish**

**877-CAMP-N-LA**

**[www.lastateparks.com](http://www.lastateparks.com)**

Covering 17,280 acres, scenic Lake Bistineau State Park offers great fishing, duck hunting, swimming, boating, waterskiing, modern cabins, boat rentals, playgrounds, two swimming pools, hiking and horse trails, and group meeting facilities.

## LINCOLN PARISH PARK TRAIL



**211 Parish Park Road**

**Ruston, LA 71270**

**318-251-5156**

**[www.lincolnparishpark.org](http://www.lincolnparishpark.org)**

Lincoln Parish Park's claim to fame is its world class mountain bike trail. With a blend of traditional tight southern single track, double track and fire lanes, the park is rated one of the top mountain bike trails in the country.

## MUDDY BOTTOMS ATV & RECREATION PARK



**Sarepta/ Webster Parish**

**318-377-3800**

**[www.MuddyBottomsATV.com](http://www.MuddyBottomsATV.com)**.

Opening Memorial Day weekend, **The Nation's Largest ATV Park** offering over 5000 acres with multiple terrains to create an ATV rider's paradise. Many facilities never before offered including bath house with hot showers, pro shop and general store, fueling station, garage and repair station and spray park. Also offering, RV hook ups, tent camping area, food court and pavilion, and amphitheater.

## ALEXANDRIA/PINEVILLE AREA OUTDOOR RECREATION

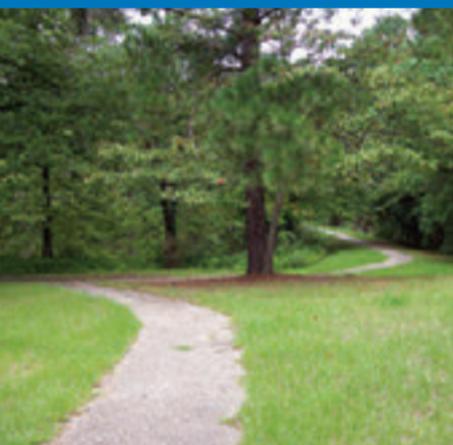


**707 Second Street  
Alexandria, LA 71301  
800-551-9546**

**[www.AlexandriaPinevilleLA.com](http://www.AlexandriaPinevilleLA.com)**

Adventure awaits visitors around every bend, turn, and hill in the Alexandria/Pineville Area. Come discover our family-friendly camping, swimming, water skiing, picnicking, fishing, birding, hiking, mudding and more. Various recreation areas open year round.

## KISATCHIE NATIONAL FOREST IN VERNON PARISH



**Vernon Parish Tourism Commission  
201 South Third St. • Leesville, LA 71446  
800-349-6287 • 337-238-0783**

**[vernontourism@bellsouth.net](mailto:vernontourism@bellsouth.net)**

**[www.LouisianaLegendCountry.com](http://www.LouisianaLegendCountry.com)**

Find adventure in Vernon Parish at Kisatchie. See Wolf Cave or the ruins of Fullerton Sawmill; hike beneath a long-leaf pine canopy; find rare birds and wildflowers; or challenge yourself on the Enduro riding trail.

## TOLEDO BEND ATVING & HIKING



**800-358-7802**

**[www.toledobendlakecountry.com](http://www.toledobendlakecountry.com)**

Get outside and play. South Toledo Bend State Park & Cow Bayou Wilderness Area offer ATV trails with miles of smooth or muddy terrain. Want to know another way to make a fun family memory? Go hiking! Try the trails at Cypress Bend Resort, Hodges Gardens State Park, or North and South Toledo Bend State Parks.

## TOLEDO BEND FOREST SCENIC BY-WAY



**800-358-7802**

**[www.toledobendlakecountry.com](http://www.toledobendlakecountry.com)**

The Toledo Bend Forest Scenic By-way (Hwy. 191) travels the length of the lake and displays 76 miles of rolling hills lined with stately pine. Thirty-plus marinas and parks offer a variety of opportunities.

AT THE HEART OF

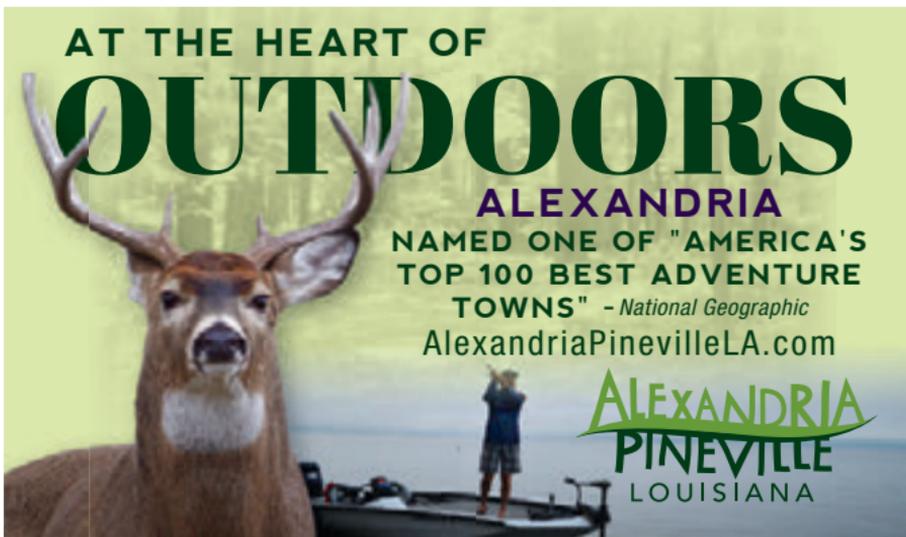
# OUTDOORS

**ALEXANDRIA**

NAMED ONE OF "AMERICA'S  
TOP 100 BEST ADVENTURE  
TOWNS" - *National Geographic*

AlexandriaPinevilleLA.com

**ALEXANDRIA  
PINEVILLE**  
LOUISIANA



## VERNON PARISH RODEO



**Vernon Parish Arena**

**276 H. M. Stephens Blvd.**

**Leesville, LA 71446**

Dates: First weekend in October

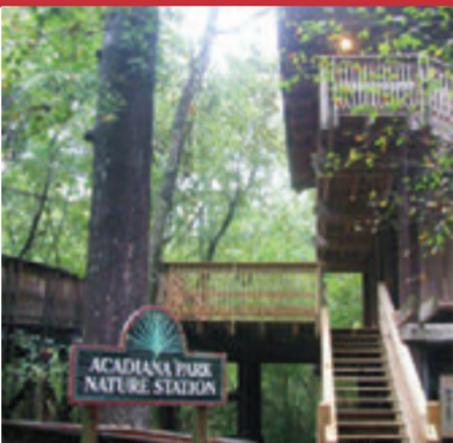
For more information contact the Vernon Parish Tourism Commission, P. O. Box 349, Leesville, LA 71496.

800-349-6287 • 337-238-0783

vernontourism@bellsouth.net

www.LouisianaLegendCountry.com

## ACADIANA PARK NATURE STATION



**-91.98523, 30.25348**

**1205 E. Alexander St. • Lafayette, LA 70501**

**337-291-8448 • www.naturestation.org**

Located in the wooded section of Acadiana Park, the Nature Station is a 42-acre site with an accompanying three mile trail system as well as a canoe launch. The Nature Station offers a unique look at the native flora and fauna of the area as well as various hiking trails throughout the property. The Nature Station is open seven days and also offers group tours.

## ALLEN PARISH HUNTING & FISHING



**888-639-4868**

**www.allenparish.com**

Allen Parish... The Place to be for hunting and fishing! Try your hand in the many waterways to see what you catch. West Bay is the ideal place for hunting for fowl and wildlife.

## BAYOU LAFOURCHE RECREATION



### **Bayou Lafourche Area CVB**

**877-537-5800**

**VisitLafourche.com**

Our laid-back bayou lifestyle is evident in the smiles you'll see, with hospitality as historic as our sites and museums. Travel "up da Bayou" or "down da Bayou" to learn more about our waterways. Just 45 minutes from New Orleans.

## CAJUN CORRIDOR



### **Vermilion Parish Tourist Commission**

**1905 Veterans Memorial Dr.**

**Abbeville, LA 70510**

**337-898-6600 • www.MostCajun.com**

Travel the Cajun Corridor from the shrimping community of Delcambre to Gueydan, "Duck Capital of America," with all the picturesque towns along the way. Enjoy authentic Cajun cuisine, family-friendly festivals, rural countryside and more.

## CREOLE NATURE TRAIL ALL-AMERICAN ROAD



### **Calcasieu and Cameron Parishes**

**800-456-7952**

**www.CreoleNatureTrail.org**

Scenic byway through 750,000 acres of marshland, 26 miles of natural Gulf beaches, over 400 bird species sighted annually, spectacular saltwater fishing, three wildlife drives plus walking trails the "natives" are happy to share.

## FLYWAY BYWAY



### **Jeff Davis Parish**

**337-821-5521 • 800-264-5521**

**www.jeffdavis.org**

This 55-mile trail features a scenic tour of our vast wildlife community by vehicle, or over 80 miles of waterways by boat, canoe, or kayak. Perfect for birding and fishing. Enjoy the breathtaking view of Lorrain Bridge and the Lacassine National Wildlife Refuge. Shopping and dining along the way.

## ST. MARTIN PARISH RECREATION



**P.O. Box 9 • St. Martinville, LA 70582**  
**888-565-5939**

**[www.cajuncountry.org](http://www.cajuncountry.org)**

For information on recreational activities in Arnaudville, Breaux Bridge, Henderson, Parks and St. Martinville. Airboat tours, swamp tours, birding, fishing, camping, nature walks, canoeing and hunting. Also cabins, campgrounds, B&B's, hotel information.

## ZYDECO CAJUN PRAIRIE SCENIC BYWAY



**401 Tower Road • Crowley, LA 70527**  
**877-783-2109**

**[www.zydecocajunbyway.com](http://www.zydecocajunbyway.com)**

When you take the road less traveled, you make the most exciting discoveries. Visitors are attracted by three things: our food, our music, our culture are the building blocks found along the Byway. Hit the road and experience the adventure of a lifetime down the "road less traveled"

## ST. TAMMANY/NORTHSHORE BIKING

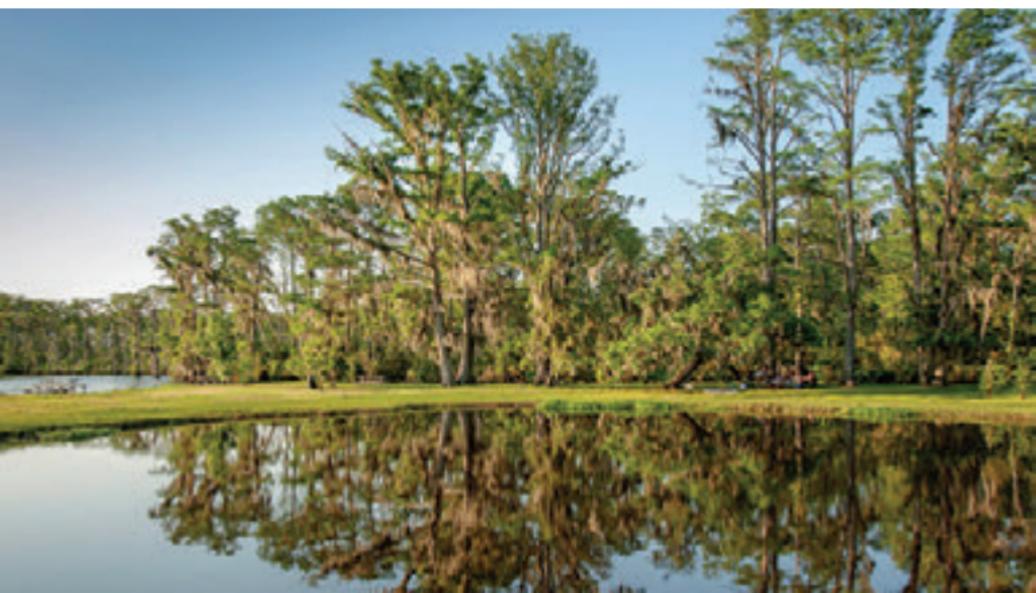


**[www.LouisianaNorthshore.com/bike](http://www.LouisianaNorthshore.com/bike)**  
**[www.TammanyTrace.org](http://www.TammanyTrace.org)**

Explore the Tammany Trace, a 31-mile rails-to-trails conversion. It's a wonderful way to explore the Northshore; stop at the trailheads and enjoy the playgrounds and water parks along the way.

Bring bikes or rent at outfitters:

- Brooks' Bike Shop • Covington • 985-237-3658
- Shiver Shack Snowballs & Bike Rental  
Mandeville • 985-629-4003
- The Spokesman Professional Bicycle Works  
985-727-7211 • [www.spokesmanprobikeworks.com](http://www.spokesmanprobikeworks.com)



# PARKS & CAMPING

## GET AWAY FROM IT ALL



Louisiana state parks offer everything for the visitor, with lakeside campsites and cabins, hiking and biking trails, swimming pools, playgrounds, nature centers, beaches and unlimited opportunities for water sports and fishing. These magnificent parks run the gamut, from swamps and marshlands to hills and pristine lakes. Private RV parks and campsites are available as well as outstanding municipal and regional parks. The Kisatchie National Forest and the Jean Lafitte National Historic Park extend their reach throughout Louisiana, featuring numerous park sites within each designation, all unique to their individual areas.



What's the  
best way to  
experience  
Louisiana  
without  
walls?

# GO CAMPING!

**Bring your tent, bring your RV or just simply bring your family to one of the many campgrounds located around Louisiana.**



Visit [www.campinglouisiana.com](http://www.campinglouisiana.com) for a FREE camping guide & information on campgrounds located in Louisiana.



## JIMMIE DAVIS STATE PARK



**1209 State Park Road  
Chatham, LA 71226  
318-249-2595**

Located on the peninsula on Caney Lake, this park offers prime freshwater fishing, boating and waterskiing and a playground for the kids. Lodges and cabins are available. For a closer visit with nature, RV's are welcome on several scenic sites.

## LAKE CLAIBORNE STATE PARK



**225 State Park Road  
Homer, LA 71040  
318-927-2976**

Centrally located to Shreveport, Ruston, Monroe and Farmerville, this freshwater lake is perfect for experiencing unsurpassed natural beauty. Enjoy swimming, fishing, boating, camping, hiking and so much more. Two bedroom cabins and RV campgrounds available.

## LAKE D'ARBONNE STATE PARK



**Union Parish Tourist Center  
318-285-9333 • 888-245-7145  
[www.tourunionparish.org](http://www.tourunionparish.org)  
[unionparishtorist@att.net](mailto:unionparishtorist@att.net)**

For reservations call 1-888-677-5200.

## LINCOLN PARISH PARK



**211 Parish Park Rd  
Ruston, LA 71270  
[www.park.lincolnpark.org](http://www.park.lincolnpark.org)**

Rated as one of the best mountain bike trails in America. Visit the beach with life-guards offered from Memorial Day to Labor Day. 30-acre lake available for seasonal boating, fishing and swimming. The park is also perfect for picnics and camping with 33 RV sites with water, electricity and sewage hook-ups.

## TOLEDO BEND LAKE COUNTRY RV & CAMPING



**800-358-7802**

**[www.toledobendlakecountry.com](http://www.toledobendlakecountry.com)**

RVing in Toledo Bend Lake Country is easy with 35 public and private parks that offer over 600 RV pads. Most have cabins for additional family or friends and offer a wide range of amenities. Visit our website for photos of facilities.

## VERNON PARISH PARKS & CAMPING



**Vernon Parish Tourism Commission**

**201 South Third St.**

**Leesville, LA 71446**

**800-349-6287 • 337-238-0783**

**[vernontourism@bellsouth.net](mailto:vernontourism@bellsouth.net)**

**[www.LouisianaLegendCountry.com](http://www.LouisianaLegendCountry.com)**

From RV spots to primitive campsites, 13 RV parks and campgrounds are available in Vernon Parish, just minutes from the lakes, state parks, and national forests.

## BAYOU LAFOURCHE PARKS & CAMPING



**Bayou Lafourche Area CVB**

**877-537-5800**

**[VisitLafourche.com](http://VisitLafourche.com)**

The Bayou Lafourche area offers camping, RV parks and lodges as well as hotels and bed & breakfasts. Book your stay today – Come Live the Bayou Life! Just 45 minutes from New Orleans.

## PRIEN LAKE PARK



**[www.visitlakecharles.org](http://www.visitlakecharles.org)**

Along the shores of Lake Charles, you can relax with a picnic lunch, enjoy walking trails, or jogging trails, and the kids can have fun at the playground at this picturesque location.

[www.lindseyjanies.com](http://www.lindseyjanies.com)

## SAM HOUSTON JONES STATE PARK

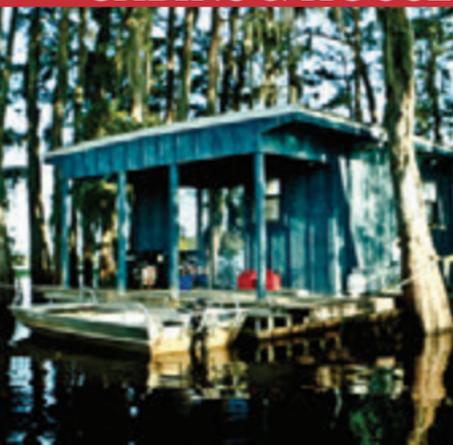


[www.monsoursphotography.net](http://www.monsoursphotography.net)

[www.visitlakecharles.org](http://www.visitlakecharles.org)

Enjoy hiking and biking trails that wind through majestic Louisiana woods with a waterway that runs alongside the park. Perfect for camping out in nature or enjoying cabins in the park.

## ST. MARTIN PARISH CAMPING, CABINS & HOUSEBOATS



P.O. Box 9

St. Martinville, LA 70582

888-565-5939

[www.cajuncountry.org](http://www.cajuncountry.org)

For information on overnighting in Arnaudville, Breaux Bridge, Henderson, Parks and St. Martinville. Houseboat rentals, cabins, campgrounds, B&B's and hotel information.

## BARATARIA PRESERVE AT JEAN LAFITTE NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK AND PRESERVE



6588 Barataria Boulevard

Marrero, LA 70072

504-689-3690

[www.visitjeffersonparish.com](http://www.visitjeffersonparish.com)

This Preserve boasts 23,000 acres of bayous, swamps, marshes and forests; home to alligators, otters, over 300 species of birds, 400 species of plants, nature trails, canoeing, paddling and educational programs.

## ST. TAMMANY/NORTHSHORE CAMPING



[www.LouisianaNorthshore.com/camp](http://www.LouisianaNorthshore.com/camp)

Fontainebleau State Park

Mandeville, LA • 985-624-4443

Fairview-Riverside State Park,

Madisonville, LA • 985-845-3318

In addition to two waterfront state parks with camping sites, find family-friendly campgrounds with sandy beaches, clear rivers, cabins and campsites.

# TOURS

## TAKE IT ALL IN



Outfitters and charter services are ready to guide visitors into Louisiana's great outdoors, providing services for all interests. Swamp tours and fishing charters are offered throughout South Louisiana, including the vibrant wetlands teeming with wildlife and great fishing near Houma, Thibodaux, New Orleans and in the vast Atchafalaya Basin. Each tour offers a unique experience as you watch for alligators and other wildlife, travel down a winding bayou in an 18th century French Voyager canoe, learn about the vanishing wetlands or view the world from the air. In addition, there's Iberia Parish's garden tours, agri-tours in Crowley and "casual fishing charters" for women.



## ACADIA PARISH AGRI-TOURS



### Acadia Parish

#### Convention & Visitors

401 Tower Road • Crowley, LA 70527

877-783-2109 • [www.acadiatourism.org](http://www.acadiatourism.org)

How are two different crops, crawfish and rice, grown on the same land at the same time? Take a tour and learn the answers, from the field to the market place, you'll learn how it all happens.

## ATCHAFALAYA EXPERIENCE



-92.009863, 30.23221

338 N. Sterling St. • Lafayette, LA 70501

337-277-4726

[www.theatchafalayaexperience.com](http://www.theatchafalayaexperience.com)

**Owner: Coerte Voorhies**

Photographers, birders and nature lovers will appreciate seeing Louisiana's answer to the Grand Canyon, The Atchafalaya. Louisiana's Atchafalaya is North America's largest river swamp and ranks among the top 10 wilderness areas in the United States.

## BAYOU LAFOURCHE AREA SWAMP TOURS



### Bayou Lafourche Area CVB

877-537-5800

[VisitLafourche.com](http://VisitLafourche.com)

Visit Bayou Lafourche for meandering pontoon boat excursions into moss-laden swamps and high-speed airboat adventures – all with sought after alligators. Book your bayou adventure today, and come live the bayou life! Just 45 minutes from New Orleans.

## CRAWFISH FARM TOURS



### Jeff Davis Parish

337-821-5521 • 800-264-5521

[www.jeffdavis.org](http://www.jeffdavis.org)

Join us pond side at a working crawfish farm to learn about the habitat, harvesting process, biology, pond ecology and harvesting equipment of your favorite crustacean. Then visit a local crawfish co-op to see how they are cleaned, graded, and distributed. After, head to the Gator Chateau and hold a baby gator. Reservations required. Minimum 10 people.

## HOUMA SWAMP & WETLAND TOURS



**Houma-Area Convention & Visitors Bureau**  
**800-688-2732**

**[www.houmatravel.com/do/swamp-tours](http://www.houmatravel.com/do/swamp-tours)**

Home to the strange and exotic, our great swamps and wetlands overflow with the unknown and the unforgettable. Take one of our many exciting swamp tours and begin a mysterious and thrilling journey. You can literally explore by boat, canoe, foot and even by plane!

## IBERIA PARISH GARDEN TOURS

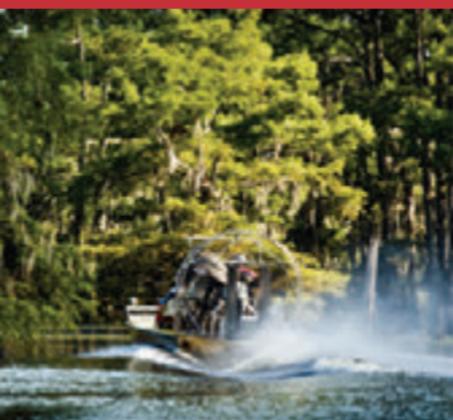


**Iberia Parish Convention & Visitors Bureau**  
**888-942-3742**

**[www.iberiatravel.com](http://www.iberiatravel.com)**

Visit Louisiana's HOT side -- New Iberia, Avery Island, Jefferson Island, Jeanerette, Loreauville and Delcambre. Stroll gardens at Jungle Gardens, Rip Van Winkle Gardens, Shadows-on-the-Teche Plantation Home & Gardens and Antique Rose Ville Tea Room & Gardens.

## ST. MARTIN PARISH SWAMP TOURS



**P.O. Box 9**

**St. Martinville, LA 70582**

**888-565-5939**

**[www.cajuncountry.org](http://www.cajuncountry.org)**

For information on airboat tours and swamp tours in Henderson, Lake Martin and the Atchafalaya Basin, visit our website or call today!

## NEW ORLEANS PLANTATION COUNTRY SWAMP TOURS



**866-204-7782**

**[www.VisitNOPC.com](http://www.VisitNOPC.com)**

Experience exhilarating swamp tours into Louisiana's vibrant eco-system where storytellers and alligators are equally fascinating. Discover the outdoors, just minutes from New Orleans.

# Savor

*the New Avery Island Experience  
including a visitors center, restaurant,  
expanded factory tour and new  
interactive Jungle Gardens.*

**Iberia**  
Parish *savor the difference.*  
[IberiaTravel.com](http://IberiaTravel.com)



## HONEY ISLAND SWAMP TOURS



photo credit Cajun Encounters

**Cajun Encounters Honey Island Swamp Tours**  
985-641-5879 • [cajunencounters.com](http://cajunencounters.com)  
**Dr. Wagner's Honey Island Swamp Tours**  
985-641-1769 • [honeyislandswamp.com](http://honeyislandswamp.com)  
**Pearl River Eco-Tours**  
985-649-4200 • [pearlrivercotours.com](http://pearlrivercotours.com)  
**Middle of Nowhere Eco-Tours**  
985-288-4238

Venture deep into the untouched bayous and sloughs of one of America's most pristine cypress river swamps. Learn history and ecology while spotting alligators, raccoons, nutria, bald eagles, owls, snakes and more. Plan your adventure with one of our four tour operators.

## JEFFERSON PARISH SWAMP & BAYOU TOURS



**877-572-7474**

**[www.visitjeffersonparish.com](http://www.visitjeffersonparish.com)**

Experience the adventure of Louisiana's swamps & wetlands learning the culture & history as you spot alligators, raccoons, birds & vegetation. Aboard a high speed airboat or relax at a slower pace . . . your adventure awaits!



# WATER ACTIVITIES MAKE A SPLASH



The beauty of being on the water in Louisiana – which, we might add, is everywhere in the Bayou State – is in the diversity. Renting a house boat in Minden provides a different experience than within the Atchafalaya Basin or along the “Cajun Coast.” Both, however result in natural vistas, spectacular sunsets and unique wildlife viewing. Adventure seekers can enjoy waterskiing on picturesque lakes or canoeing and kayaking along scenic bayous. For those who love the beach, visit Lake Charles, where there is the only white inland beach in Louisiana.



Come explore the Northshore’s great outdoors, just 45 minutes from New Orleans. Paddle Lake Pontchartrain, go flyboarding, set out fishing or tour the swamp. Come, discover our wild side.



[LouisianaNorthshore.com/outdoors](http://LouisianaNorthshore.com/outdoors) • 800-634-9443

## BAYOU DORCHEAT



**Minden/Webster Parish**

**1-800-2MINDEN**

**[www.visitwebster.com](http://www.visitwebster.com)**

This Louisiana designated scenic stream features cypress trees over 200 years old and entices canoeing and kayaking enthusiasts as well as offering bird and waterfowl watching, great fishing, boating and water sports opportunities.

## iFLY H<sub>2</sub>O WATERSPORTS



**135 Cypress Park Drive**

**Benton, LA 71006**

**844-879-2359**

**[www.arklatexflyboard.com](http://www.arklatexflyboard.com)**

Fly above the water with iFly H<sub>2</sub>O Watersports. A water jetpack propels adventurers up to 40 feet in the air to experience the thrill of flying over Cypress Lake in Benton.

## PADDLING THE UNION PARISH WATERWAYS



**D'arbonne Kayak Club**

**[www.facebook.com/darbonnekayakclub](https://www.facebook.com/darbonnekayakclub)**

**318-372-3006 - Stephanie Herrmann**

Explore the waterways of Union Parish by kayak or canoe and enjoy the beauty of the great outdoors. Union Parish has 5 scenic waterways to explore. (lakes, creeks, bayous and river).

## TOLEDO BEND LAKE COUNTRY WATER ACTIVITIES



**800-358-7802**

**[www.toledobendlakecountry.com](http://www.toledobendlakecountry.com)**

There is plenty of room for water sports & activities on Toledo Bend Lake's 186,000 acres. Enthusiasts can test their skills at wake boarding, tubing, skiing, or simply enjoying a fun filled day on a sandy beach.

## VERNON PARISH CANOEING



**Vernon Parish Tourism Commission**  
201 South Third St. • Leesville, LA 71446  
800-349-6287 • 337-238-0783  
[vernontourism@bellsouth.net](mailto:vernontourism@bellsouth.net)  
[www.LouisianaLegendCountry.com](http://www.LouisianaLegendCountry.com)

Escape the daily grind! Canoe the Sabine and chances are you might spot wild hogs, deer, eagles, hawks, beavers, otters, rabbits, turtles, snakes, or maybe even an alligator or two. Great outdoor adventure for families!

## CAJUN COAST PADDLING TRAILS



**Morgan City, LA 70381**  
800-256-2931 • 985-380-8224  
[www.cajuncoastpaddle.com](http://www.cajuncoastpaddle.com)

Explore our exotic waterways by canoe or kayak to view our natural beauty. The Cajun Coast has an abundance of opportunities for paddlers to explore with over 12 designated trails in various waterways.

## CANOEING ON THE OUISKA CHITTO



**Allen Parish**  
888-639-4868  
[www.allenparish.com](http://www.allenparish.com)

Mittie has outfitters ready to make your day. Enjoy nature at its best. If a day of canoeing is what you want, then the Ouiska Chitto is what you need. A great day get-a-way. Lake Charles and right off Interstate 10.

## ST. TAMMANY/NORTHSHORE PADDLING



[www.LouisianaNorthshore.com/paddle](http://www.LouisianaNorthshore.com/paddle)  
Stand-up paddling adventures on Lake Pontchartrain and the Bogue Falaya River with Bayou Paddle Company; rent a kayak, get live bait, or take a guided fishing or eco-tour with Bayou Adventure.  
• Bayou Adventure, 27725 Main St. Lacombe, 70445  
985-882-9208 • [www.bayouadventure.com](http://www.bayouadventure.com)  
• Bayou Paddle Company (inside The Spokesman)  
1848 N. Causeway Blvd., Mandeville, LA  
985-966-7978

ONLY



COME TRY  
**GRILLED LOUISIANA  
OYSTERS**

TOPPED WITH

**UNFORGETTABLE OUTDOOR  
ADVENTURES**

Come dig in to the unique cuisine and cultural experiences you'll find only in Louisiana. Learn more and plan your getaway at [LouisianaTravel.com](http://LouisianaTravel.com).

**LOUISIANA**  
*Pick your Passion.*

[LouisianaTravel.com](http://LouisianaTravel.com)

## SPORTSMAN'S PARADISE



Bass Pro Homer Humphreys	5
Bayou Dorcheat	45
Caney Lakes	31
Chimpanzee Discovery Days	22
Duck Commander Store	11
Gators And Friends Alligator Park And Exotic Zoo	11
iFly H2o Watersports	45
James Lake Birding Trail	18
Jimmie Davis State Park	37
Jubilee Zoo	11
Lake Bistineau State Park	31
Lake Claiborne State Park	37
Lake D'arbonne Country Club	28
Lake D'arbonne Fishing	5
Lake D'arbonne State Park	37
Landry Vineyards	11
Lincoln Parish Park	37
Lincoln Parish Park Trail	31
Meadow Lake Golf Club	28
Muddy Bottoms ATV & Recreation Park	31
Paddling The Union Parish Waterways	45
Splash Kingdom Waterpark	12
Thunder Road Raceway Park	12
TP Outdoors	12

## CROSSROADS

Alexandria/Pineville Area Birding	18
Alexandria/Pineville Area Fishing	5
Alexandria/Pineville Area Outdoor Recreation	32
Cypress Bend Resort Golf	29
Kisatchie National Forest in Vernon Parish	32
Living the Dream Guide Services	5
Mayfest	22
Myths & Legends Byway	12
Natchitoches	14



Toledo Bend ATVing & Hiking	32
Toledo Bend Lake Country Fishing	6
Toledo Bend Lake Country RV & Camping	38
Toledo Bend Scenic Forest By-Way	32
Toledo Bend Lake Country Water Activities	45
Vernon Parish Birding	18
Vernon Parish Canoeing	46
Vernon Parish Parks & Camping	38
Vernon Parish Rodeo	33

## CAJUN COUNTRY



Acadia Parish Agri-Tours	41
Acadiana Park Nature Station	33
Allen Parish Golfing	29
Allen Parish Hunting & Fishing	33
Atchafalaya Experience	41
Bayou Lafourche Area Birding	18
Bayou Lafourche Area Festivals	22
Bayou Lafourche Area Fishing	6
Bayou Lafourche Area Outdoor Recreation	34
Bayou Lafourche Area Parks	38
Bayou Lafourche Area Swamp Tours	41
Cajun Coast Bird Trail	19
Cajun Coast Fishing	6
Cajun Coast Paddling Trails	46
Cajun Corridor	34
Cajun Woodstock	22
Canoeing on the Ouiska Chitto	46
Church Point Buggy Festival	24
Crawfish Farm Tours	41
Creole Nature Trail Adventure Point	14
Creole Nature Trail All-American Road	34
Flyway Byway	34
Frog Capital Classic Car and Hot Rod Show	24
Henderson Gateway To The Atchafalaya Basin	6
Houma Birding	19
Houma Charter Fishing	8
Houma Swamp & Wetland Tours	42
I-10 Park Fishing	8

## CAJUN COUNTRY



Iberia Parish Birding Habitats	19
Iberia Parish Fishing	8
Iberia Parish Garden Tours	42
International Rice Festival	24
Lake Martin	19
Pack & Paddle	14
Prien Lake Park	38
Rayne Frog Festival	24
Roberts Cove German Fest	25
Sam Houston Jones State Park	39
St. Martin Parish Camping, Cabins & Houseboats	39
St. Martin Parish Recreation	35
St. Martin Parish Swamp Tours	42
Tee Mamou Iota Mardi Gras Festival	25
The Wetlands Golf Course	29
Tour Du Teche Canoe Race	25
White Lake Wetlands Conservation Area Birding Trail	20
Vermilion Parish	14
Vermilionville	15
Zoosiana	15
Zydeco Cajun Prairie Scenic Byway	35

## PLANTATION COUNTRY



Livingston Parish	8
New Orleans Plantation Country Festivals	25
New Orleans Plantation Country Swamp Tours	42

## GREATER NEW ORLEANS



Audubon Zoo	15
Barataria Preserve at Jean Lafitte	
National Historical Park and Preserve	39
Chalmette Battlefield	16
Grand Isle	16
Grand Isle & Jean Lafitte	9
Global Wildlife Center	16
Honey Island Swamp Tours	43
Jefferson Parish Swamp & Bayou Tours	43
Los Islenos Museum & Village	16
St. Bernard Parish Fishing	9
St. Tammany/Northshore Biking	35
St. Tammany/Northshore Birding	20
St. Tammany/Northshore Camping	39
St. Tammany/Northshore Fishing	9
St. Tammany/Northshore Paddling	46

ONLY



THE CHEF RECOMMENDS  
THE SPECKLED TROUT WITH  
HEIRLOOM TOMATOES.  
— AND —  
FISHING AT TOLEDO BEND.



Come dig in to the unique,  
innovative cuisine and one-of-a-kind  
cultural experiences you'll find only in Louisiana.  
Learn more and plan your getaway at  
[LouisianaTravel.com/culinary](http://LouisianaTravel.com/culinary).

---

**LOUISIANA**  
*Pick your Passion<sup>®</sup>*

[LouisianaTravel.com](http://LouisianaTravel.com)