



SANTA ANA COLLEGE COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM

PRESENTS....

SOUTHERN CHARM

FEATURING CHARLESTON, SAVANNAH, PLANTATIONS, FORT SUMTER, JEKYLL ISLAND & BEAUFORT

APRIL 11-17, 2013 ~ 7 DAY TOUR

TOUR PACE Leisurely On the Go ACTIVITY LEVEL Low High

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ Visit Charleston, one of the most historic and charming destinations in the Old South with a guided carriage ride and a visit to the Citadel
- ◆ Visit two "Lowcountry" plantations including Middleton Place Magnolia Plantation and Gardens when the blooms should be peaking
- ◆ Stay overnight at the Jekyll Island Club and enjoy a guided tour of Jekyll Island
- ◆ In Savannah visit the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, the Mercer-Williams House (featured in *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*) and dine at Mrs. Wilkes
- ◆ Visit Fort Sumter – site of the first shots of the American Civil War
- ◆ Visit Beaufort, South Carolina – a city rich in Southern history and hospitality
- ◆ Visit Parris Island Marine Base and the Parris Island Marine Museum
- ◆ Tour Hilton Head Island and the lighthouse

FINE HOTELS / GREAT LOCATIONS

- ◆ Nights 1-3 **SpringHill Suites**
Charleston, SC
- ◆ Night 4 **Jekyll Island Club Hotel**
Jekyll Island, GA
- ◆ Nights 5-6 **Holiday Inn Express Downtown**
Savannah, GA

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ◆ 6 Nights deluxe hotel accommodations
- ◆ 13 Meals – 5 dinners, 2 lunches, 6 breakfasts
- ◆ Services of a professional Tour Director
- ◆ Comprehensive sightseeing with local guides
- ◆ Sightseeing and admissions per itinerary
- ◆ Roundtrip airport-hotel transfers (with purchase of group air)
- ◆ Transportation on a deluxe motorcoach
- ◆ Luggage handling throughout the tour
- ◆ Taxes, fees and most gratuities

PER PERSON LAND PRICES

Double \$1,699 / Single \$2,179 • Deposit \$300

Roundtrip group airfare available from \$595

Travel Protection Plan – see reverse

~DAY BY DAY ITINERARY~

Embark on a journey to America's Old South in South Carolina and Georgia. Discover the southern hospitality, rich history, and magnificent food that this region is known for. From American Civil War history and Antebellum homes to 17th-century rice plantations and gardens in bloom to a stay at "the richest, most exclusive club in the world," this tour features the best of America's Lowcountry.



Savannah, Georgia

◆DAY 1 ~ ARRIVE CHARLESTON◆

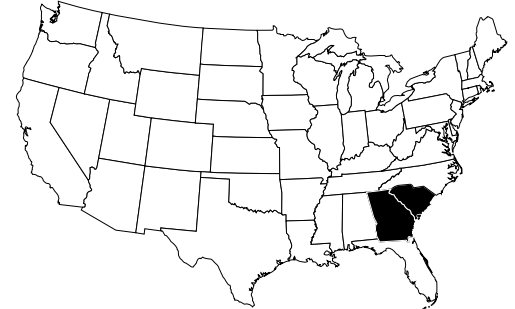
Start with optional transfers from home or our departure points this morning to LAX for our flight arriving in **Charleston, South Carolina** this afternoon. The "Grand Dame of the South," Charleston is widely regarded as the most beautiful and historic city in America. Charleston is a place where delightful southern breezes and cobblestone streets pave the way to stately Antebellum homes and southern hospitality. The city is known for its magnificent formal gardens and its graceful historic district. After checking into our Charleston hotel, our home for the next three nights, we'll depart for an included dinner this evening. (Dinner)



Charleston, South Carolina

◆DAY 2 ~ CHARLESTON◆

This morning, following an included breakfast, enjoy a fully **narrated carriage tour** of Charleston's Historic Residential District – an area of beautiful homes, buildings, churches, many of which date from pre-Revolutionary War days.



Afterwards, time to stroll the galleries and shops of the historic City Market. This afternoon we take a **guided sightseeing cruise** of Charleston's harbor and disembark at **Fort Sumter**. It was here on April 12, 1861 that America's most tragic conflict began with a single gunshot and through a chain reaction of social, economic and political events exploded into civil war. This afternoon, a visit to the **Citadel**, the Military College of South Carolina. An included dinner at a local favorite this evening. (Breakfast, Dinner)



Charleston Carriage Tour

◆DAY 3 ~ PLANTATIONS◆

This morning, following an included breakfast, we travel to Middleton Place, an 18th century plantation that has served as home to the President of the Continental Congress, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, a Governor of South Carolina, and an Ambassador to Russia. Explore "America's oldest formal landscaped gardens" at **Middleton Place Plantation**. Your visit includes a guided walking tour of the gardens, an authentic "Lowcountry" lunch, and time to explore the gardens, stable areas, and re-enactors village. This afternoon we visit **Magnolia Plantation and Gardens**, a 17th century estate, acquired in 1676 by the Drayton family. It features a year-round bloom of America's oldest gardens, boasting one of the largest collections of azaleas and camellias

RESERVATIONS

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PAYMENT INFORMATION

◆ Deposit due at time of booking to the address above (*Good Times Travel* will contact you for the travel protection and air option)

◆ *Good Times Travel* will invoice you for the balance payment 6-8 weeks prior

TRAVEL PROTECTION / CANCELLATION

Travel protection/cancellation insurance is highly recommended for all multi-day tours. If travel protection has not been purchased, only recoverable funds less a cancellation charge of \$50 will be reimbursed once payment has been made. Amount of reimbursement depends on the date of cancellation.

If travel protection has been purchased and you must cancel prior to departure or leave the tour enroute for a reason approved by the insurance company, you will receive a full refund (or partial if enroute), minus the cost of the premium. Other benefits of travel protection include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, and lost/stolen/damaged luggage. Pre-existing medical conditions are only covered if protection is purchased at the time of deposit. See travel protection plan for full details and exclusions.

DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Roundtrip airport transfers are available as follows:

From one of our departure points: \$69 p.p.

Fountain Valley - Good Times Travel office
Long Beach - City College - Lot "O"

From home: \$159 and higher (contact us for quote)

Exact departure times are provided 2 weeks prior

SINGLE SHARE PROGRAM

Should a single traveler wish to take advantage of the double price, tell us when making your reservation that you wish to have a roommate. We will provide the contact information to others requesting a roommate and the two parties can determine if they would be a good fit and the price will be adjusted.

FURTHER INFORMATION / TERMS

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in the country. Magnolia Plantation has for over a century been considered to be "the most beautiful garden in the world". Highlights include the Pre-Revolutionary War Plantation House with early American antiques, a biblical garden, antebellum cabin, and wildlife observation tower. Ride the nature tram thru the wildlife and cypress swamp to look for birds, turtles and alligators. Return to the hotel with an optional transfer to downtown Charleston. (Breakfast, Lunch)



◆ DAY 4 ~ BEAUFORT, JEKYLL ISLAND ◆

This morning, following an included breakfast, we travel south along South Carolina's scenic coastal route to **Beaufort, South Carolina** known as the "Queen of the Carolina Sea Islands". It was discovered by the Spanish in 1514 and chartered by the British in 1711. Here we will join a local guide and drift back in time as we make our way through the narrow streets of Beaufort's historic district. Visit **Parris Island Marine Base**, where all potential Marines east of the Mississippi go through boot camp. Visit the **Marine Museum** here, paying homage to United States Marines. Enjoy lunch at your leisure in Beaufort before we head to **Jekyll Island, Georgia**, once considered an exclusive "escape" for the wealthiest Americans. See miles of wide, barrier island beaches and dune-lined unbothered woodlands. Beginning in 1886, and continuing for four gilded generations, the Island was the exclusive domain of the renowned **Jekyll Island Club Hotel**. Over a century later, this fabled river front colony shines and lives again as a National Historic Landmark. Check-in for an overnight stay followed by an included dinner at one of Jekyll Island's mansions. (Breakfast, Dinner)



◆ DAY 5 ~ JEKYLL ISLAND, SAVANNAH ◆

This morning, following an included breakfast, a **guided tram tour** of the **Jekyll Island Historic District** often called "Millionaire's Row" with

an opportunity to go inside one the homes. Traveling to Savannah, we'll stop in the town of Darien for an included lunch. Next it's onto **Savannah**, the first city of Georgia and the largest Historic Landmark area in the United States. Savannah personifies southern charm, grace and beauty. A local guide will join us and provide a guided tour of the city showcasing her cobblestone streets, historic squares, magnificent architecture and live oaks draped with moss seduce the senses. Visit the spectacular **Cathedral of St. John the Baptist**. Time at your leisure this afternoon along **River Street** to do some shopping and exploration. After checking into our conveniently located Savannah hotel, we'll depart for some old time cooking as we enjoy dinner at **Mrs. Wilkes Dining Room** – reminiscent of the boardinghouses that used to dot the southern towns. This Savannah institution has served hearty Southern fare - family-style - for over 60 years (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

◆ DAY 6 ~ SAVANNAH ◆

This morning following an included breakfast, a docent-guided tour of the **Mercer-Williams House**, made famous by the novel, *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*. Throughout the house you will see furniture and art from Mr. Williams' private collection including 18th and 19th century furniture, 18th century English and American portraits, drawings from the 17th century and a wide collection of Chinese export porcelain. Following, we'll travel the short distance to **Hilton Head Island** to do some sightseeing including the **Hilton Head Lighthouse**. This evening enjoy a special farewell dinner this evening at the **17Hundred90 Restaurant**. Hidden within the city's Spanish moss-draped majestic oaks, it is Savannah's oldest inn and favorite local haunt. (Breakfast, Dinner)



◆ DAY 7 ~ JOURNEY HOME ◆

Following an included breakfast this morning, we head north to Charleston and our return flight back to LAX. A spectacular journey of America's South providing for very fond memories. (Breakfast)