



# Natchez, Vicksburg and New Orleans

March 19 - 24, 2023

# Sunday, March 19

Depart Waterloo and Columbia for Lambert Airport and a non-stop flight to the Crescent City, New

Orleans, Louisiana. While onboard prepare for the beautiful antebellum homes awaiting us in the southern cities where we make our home over the next week. Upon arrival meet our local guide for a city tour. Learn the French words that still make their way into the English language down here and get a lay of the land for our two-night stay in the French Quarter at the Hotel St. Marie. Tonight we enjoy an early dinner at The Court of Two Sisters, in a the quintessential French Quarter atmosphere. Enjoy exploring the Quarter after dinner or relax in our hotel. (D)



# Monday, March 20

After breakfast at our hotel we visit the **WWII Museum** (formerly called the D-Day Museum) which chronicles the escalation towards the second World War, the lifestyle America lived before the war and then how it changed forever after. Through exhibits, multimedia experiences, and thousands of personal accounts in this six-building complex, the Museum takes visitors on an immersive tour of World War II in every theater of war. This afternoon enjoy a bit of razzle dazzle with a visit to **Blaine Kern's Mardi Gras World** and learn where all the magical floats are made and learn about the history of the parade. Refresh at the hotel and then enjoy dinner in the Garden District at **Commander's Palace**. (B, D)

## Tuesday, March 21

After breakfast we depart from NOLA for our first Southern Plantation visit, one of the largest antebellum homes turned inn located in White Castle, Louisiana, **Nottoway Plantation**. Our visit begins with a tour of the home and inn, then we enjoy a delicious lunch at this historic plantation. Don't forget to check out the gift shop before we depart. Enjoy narration about Louisiana and Mississippi while learning about the Delta culture along our route as we head towards the beloved city

of Natchez, Mississippi. Our **Natchez Pilgrimage Tours** guide begin our exploration of our first private homes of Natchez only open to the public during Pilgrimage. Visit with the friends of each homeowner who may even be dressed in period costume and have knowledge about the home and the families that live here. Then we check into the **Grand Hotel**, our home for the next two nights. Tonight we are going out to our old friends' home, **Choctaw Hall**. David Garner, Jr. and Lee Glover welcome us into one of the most notable homes in Natchez that sat vacant and was lovingly restored in 2015. If you have ever



visited Marlsgate Plantation just outside of Little Rock, Arkansas and viewed the Jacob Petit collection of David's, you know you are in for a treat in this 11,068 sq. ft. mansion open just for our group this evening. Our private tour and dinner will be something to write home about! (B, L, D)

# Wednesday, March 22

Enjoy an included breakfast at the hotel and a leisurely morning of touring two more private homes. Our lunch location is at the **Carriage House at Stanton Hall**. We will enjoy their famous chicken and mini biscuits home-style meal. This afternoon you have free to stroll the streets of Natchez. Visit the William Johnson House, take a carriage ride through downtown, see the historic churches or visit The

Norman/Gandy Collection, a 200-pictorial history of Natchez. Or enjoy time back at the hotel before we enjoy dinner at our last historic home in Natchez, **Dunleith Inn**. (B, L, D)

## Thursday, March 23

Enjoy an included breakfast at the hotel before we depart for the Vicksburg National Military Park. Upon arrival see a film about the momentous battle that took place here. We will then be joined by our expert guide who will share the meaning of this place and what happened here. We drive through the park and will have photo stops to snap pictures of the monuments and walk on the battlefield. After this moving experience at one of our nation's most visited National Parks we enjoy lunch at a local favorite then depart for Memphis. We will check in to **The Guest House at Graceland**. Enjoy dinner on your own at this opulent resort. (B, L)

# Friday, March 24

After our included breakfast at the hotel, we visit **Graceland: The Home of Elvis Presley** and second most visited home in the US after The White House. Already toured the mansion?
There are plenty of options including: Self-guided tour of Elvis' Custom Jets, Full Access to all-new Elvis Presley's Memphis Entertainment Complex with Presley Motors Automobile Museum, Elvis: The Entertainer Career Museum and Elvis Discovery Exhibits. Enjoy lunch on your own at the complex. After Taking Care of Business we will head home via our private motorcoach with memories of homes old and new. (B)



**Please Note:** We want you to have a great trip so please realize that cobblestone streets in New Orleans, steps into the tour homes can be uneven and there is a lot of walking on this tour. So please be ready for "3 Sneaker" walking (Steady pace, 1-2 flights of stairs, some inclines) on city sidewalks and possibly uneven surfaces. As always you can walk or rest as much as you want, but please be aware of your ability to walk in these conditions for an extended period of time so for this reason this trip is rated 3.5-4 sneakers.

Double Occupancy—\$1,859 Single Occupancy—\$2,386 Triple & Quad Occupancy - \$1,596

# Tour price includes:

12 Meals (5 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 4 dinners)

Air fare to New Orleans with private motorcoach for the remainder of the trip

Deluxe hotel accommodations

Private Tours and Meals in Antebellum homes

Local step-on guides in New Orleans, Natchez and Vicksburg

Baggage handling at all hotels

Bank Escort

2 Professional Tour Directors

All gratuities including meals, drivers and directors

Trip Protection

Inclusions and events are subject to venues ability to perform. An event of equal or greater value will be used to replace if necessary.

\$500 deposit per person (check or authorize a debit from an FNB account) and Booking Form are required to secure your reservation. Once this tour fills, a wait list will be formed. Please include any dietary, walking restrictions & accommodation requests on booking form.

Final payment is due no later than **January 3**, **2022** and no refunds will be given after that time. If you need to cancel for a covered reason after the final payment is received, you may file a claim with proper documentation to request refund.





# 55 CLUB

# First National Bank of Waterloo Classic 55 Club Booking Forms & Procedures

Return this form to the nearest banking center or mail to FNB, PO Box 507, Waterloo, IL 62298 with deposit and necessary documents to secure your reservation. Questions – Call Darcy at (618) 504-2363.

Tour Name Natchez, Vicksburg & New Orleans						Tour Dates 3/19-24,2023			
PERSONAL INFORMATION – Travelers in same household									
Traveler #1 Name (as it appears on valid ID)									
Name preferred on tour Birthdate									
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Traveler # 2 Name (as it appears on valid ID)									
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TSA Known Traveler OR Global Entry OR Other Trusted Traveler Number									
<b>Real ID</b> - Please be aware that Illinois residents who fly domestically, the federal government has extended the									
deadline for to May 3, 2023 that will require you to use a valid U.S. Passport or obtain a REAL ID from the Illinois									
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Signature							Date		

Darcy Fausz, Classic 55 Coordinator, Post Office Box 507, Waterloo, IL 62298 (618) 504- 2363 Direct Phone Line, <a href="mailto:dfausz@fnbwaterloo.bank">dfausz@fnbwaterloo.bank</a>

# Classic 55 Club Travel General Information



#### Travel Protection:

First National Bank of Waterloo has always believed the importance of Trip Protection Plans. Tour price represents cost with a trip protection.

#### **Final Payment:**

Final payments are due 45 - 60 days prior to departure depending on the trip, please consult the trip brochure to review specific tour details.

### **Methods of Payment:**

We accept cash, check or debit from a First National Bank of Waterloo account. We do not accept credit or debit cards.

#### Cancellations:

Our cancellation fees vary according to the type of tour. Your deposit is refundable up to the final payment due date unless previously noted. If you need to cancel for a covered reason after final payment, you may file a claim with proper documentation to request refund.

#### **Tour Inclusions:**

Classic 55 Club tour cost includes all attractions, lodging, motor coach transportation, meals as noted and gratuities for all included for any events or services that are provided. If the trip includes airfare the cost of the ticket is included unless otherwise noted. Some airlines charge for checked baggage, which is not included in the tour price unless noted.

#### **Motor Coach Pick Up Locations:**

All pick up points allow parking for your vehicle. Please park in the specified area of the parking lot as to not disrupt usual business. Neither First National Bank of Waterloo nor the parking lot owners assume responsibility for incidents occurring to parked cars.

The motor coach usually originates from the Waterloo VFW, 406 Veteran's Drive. Please park in the rocked area of the VFW parking lot. Columbia pick up is at the Schnuck's Marketplace, 1000 Columbia Center, park towards the road, near the Post Office. The motor coach will pull up to the sidewalk of the post office. Please bring your luggage to the motor coach to be loaded.

#### Seating on the motor coach:

At this time, seating is <u>assigned</u> on a first-come-first-served basis. We are currently not filling the motor coach to capacity. Special seating requests are honored on the basis of medical need and availability.

#### **Single Travelers requesting roommates:**

If you would like to travel with The Classic 55 Club, but do not have a roommate for a specific trip, let the coordinator know when you complete the reservation process and they can provide you with the names of other travelers of the same sex who are also looking for a roommate. If there is mutual agreement to room together, you will be charged the double rate. Of course, if you prefer to travel individually, you can still register for single occupancy.

# **Trip Registration after Final Payment:**

Often times there is room for additional travels after the final payment date. Feel free to contact the coordinator to see if you can be added to a tour that isn't sold out. Please be aware that additional charges may apply when booking after the final payment date. We are happy to advise you of such changes before you finalize your reservation.

### **Pictures:**

By signing up for and participating in our tour, you are agreeing to have any pictures taken on tour published by First National Bank of Waterloo, printed or online (social media & our website). If you do not wish to have your picture used by us, please notify us prior to traveling.

Keep this document for your records