

# CLASSIC SOUTHEAST COAST



Featuring **Savannah GA, & Charleston SC**  
(Hilton Head Island, Tybee Island, Jekyll Island & St Simons, Island)



## April 21-29, 2025 (9 Days)

A FABULOUS Excursion with Southern Charm. A travel day ending in Kodak, TN. **Day 2:** We travel to Savannah, GA., where we meet our Savannah Guide for our **Historic Savannah "Snapshot Tour"**. Savannah is one of the world's premier tourist destinations, home to the largest urban National Historic Landmark district in the country. Its stately squares and moss-draped oaks offer one of the most scenic and historic landscapes in America. The two-hour "windshield" driving tour includes the 2.2 square miles of the Historic District's rich history with its restored 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> century buildings and the picturesque waterfront where cotton warehouses are now restaurants, hotels and shops. We'll tour **The Cathedral Basilica of St John the Baptist**, an iconic symbol of Savannah, gracing the skyline with its towering steeples. Dinner this evening at the **Pirates House**.



**ARGGHHH!** It was first opened in 1753 as an inn for seafarers, and fast became a meeting point for pirates and sailors from the Seven Seas. Delicious Food, Drink and a rousing good time. Our 3-night lodging is in Savannah's Historic District. **Day 3:** We begin our day at the **Savannah History Museum**.



Located in the old Central of Georgia Railway Passenger Depot, the museum takes guests on a journey through time from the city's beginnings to the present with unique exhibits and experiential activities. A visit to the **Andrew Low House**. Stunning from the outside, breathtaking within, its history will inspire you at this beautiful 19<sup>th</sup> century home in the heart of the Savannah's National Historic Landmark District. A **Savannah River Boat Lunch Cruise** with a narrated harbor tour too. Come ready to relax and feast on a delicious southern style buffet all while cruising along the



Savannah River listening to our Captain's intriguing tales and historic facts. This afternoon, experience a guided **Atlantic Ocean Low Country Tour:** We'll visit the **Byrd Cookie Company** flagship store, located at the Factory. You can smell the cookies baking from the parking lot! Enjoy a cookie-tasting and browsing their marketplace for a huge selection of locally made gourmet foods. We'll view the outlying areas that showcase river inlets, marshes and tidal creeks as we travel Savannah's Beach at **Tybee Island**. Hear about the **Fort Pulaski National Monument & Park** followed by a brief overview of the Island's unique Coastal living style, and then we stop & unload for a photo op and a *beach walk to experience the Atlantic Ocean sand & water on your toes!* This evening's dinner is at the **Famous Lady & Sons**. Paula Deen's flagship restaurant is where charm and character collide and now features a unique family-style dining experience. In true Southern tradition, they serve a family-style spread of hearty down-home dishes along with Paula's famous sides to be selected and



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**Day 6:** This morning, a **Boone Hall Plantation Tractor Tour**. Boone Hall Plantation was founded in 1681 when Englishman Major John Boone came to Charleston and established a lucrative plantation and gracious home on the banks of Wampacheone Creek. The family and descendants of Major Boone were influential in the history of South Carolina, the colonies and the nation. We begin with a

**tractor tour** around the entire 738 acres that make up the plantation. You will see and learn about the history of Boone Hall and experience how it remains a working farm today. A Guided **mansion tour** of the first floor lets you see how this Georgian-



designed home blends recovered materials and antique furnishing to create an atmosphere that would have surrounded a Coastal Carolina planter's Family. Witness **"Exploring the Gullah Culture"**, a unique presentation where that difference can be experienced first-hand. Boone Hall is the only plantation in the Charleston area to present a live presentation of this unique culture adapted by African slaves. True descendants of the Gullah people present the history of this culture through storytelling, song, and dance that is at times educational, at times entertaining, and at times...very moving and emotional. Lunch on your own at **Charleston Old**

**City Market**. This afternoon, an **Historic Charleston Overview tour**. We'll see the College of Charleston, Harleston Village, the Citadel-Military College of SC., and of course the famous Battery with its elegant town houses built by planters and merchants in the 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>



centuries. Then a **Historic Charleston Carriage Tour** where we enjoy the sights of Charleston the way your ancestors did, aboard a horse-drawn carriage. This leisurely ride through the narrow streets and alleyways carries you past carefully restored 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century homes and buildings. Our knowledgeable guide relates 300 years of history to the accompaniment



of horse's hoofs clapping along the pavement. Dinner this evening at **Mrs Rose's Fine Dining**. **Day 7:** A visit to **Fort Sumter a Tour and Cruise**. On the ferry ride to Fort Sumter, you will hear interesting and important historical facts to prepare you for your visit. Once on the fort, National Park Service

rangers offer an orientation on the history of the fort. Enjoy the museum filled with historical artifacts and detailed information on the construction and history of the fort. Stroll the grounds, see the historic cannons and wayside markers, while experiencing the incredible views of the city from



the top of the fort. Stand on the grounds where America's deadliest war began at Fort Sumter and Fort Moultrie National Historical Park. The first shots were fired upon Fort Sumter, igniting a conflict that saw more than 700,000 casualties. Next, a stop at the **Charleston Tea Plantation "Taste of Tea" Tour**. We begin with a delicious Boxed Lunch in their scenic picnic area surrounded by Live Oak Trees. Over 100 years ago, tea

planters brought their finest tea bushes from China, India, and Ceylon to the S. Carolina Low Country. Now the descendants of those very plants are growing strong at the nation's only tea plantation, nestled on a serene sea island near the historic city of

Charleston. You will see thousands of tea plants growing on acres and acres of rich and fertile Low Country soil. An informative narrated **Trolley tour** of the fields as well as the factory, where the tea is produced. A visit to **Angel Oak Park** and the Oak tree that is estimated to be 400-500 years old. It stands 66.5 ft tall, measures 28 ft in circumference, and produces shade that covers 17,200 square feet. Its longest branch distance is 187 ft in length. Dinner will be at

the **James Island Crab House**. **Day 8:** We begin our journey toward home with a stop at the **Billy Graham Library**, a 40,000 square foot state of the art experience that invites visitors to discover the remarkable ways God has used a humble farmer's son to nearly eight decades of ministry. Lodging in Beckley WV. **Day 9:** Our final day from our journey to the Classic Southeast Coast.



**TOUR INCLUDES:**

- \*All Attractions
- \*15 Meals (8 Breakfasts, 1 Lunches, 6 Dinners)
- \*8 Nights Quality Lodging
- \*Luggage Handling 1 pc.
- \*Travel via Motorcoach



**\$3635** per person **DOUBLE**

**\$3296. Triple, \$4810. Single**

Deposit of \$100 per person with reservation  
Balance Due March 21, 2025

**DEPARTS: Goshen, Kendallville, Auburn, Ft. Wayne**