



New Orleans in the Spring with St Patrick's Day!

March 15-20, 2026

Escape the cold and head on down to New Orleans on St. Patrick's Day where celebrating is a way of life! Stay right in the middle of the French Quarter, take a river boat ride, celebrate St. Joseph's Day with the Italian community, visit a plantation and visit the National WWII Museum while staying right in the French Quarter. So much to see and do with Jeanie's Journeys!

DAY 1 | HEADING DOWN TO NOLA (New Orleans, LA)!

Meet at the MSP Airport in the morning and fly to New Orleans, or NOLA as the locals call it. Upon arrival, head to your historic hotel right in the middle of the French Quarter to check in for the next five nights! This evening, enjoy a special Welcome to New Orleans toast in the hotel lobby. The rest of the evening is free for you to explore the area. Maybe take a horse drawn carriage ride through the French Quarter!

INCLUDED: Welcome Toast

HOTEL: Place d'Arms Hotel

DAY 2 | TOURING NEW ORLEANS & STEAMBOAT NATCHEZ CRUISE

Enjoy breakfast on your own, perhaps at the famous Cafe 'du Monde! Then head with the group to board the last authentic steamboat on the Mississippi River - The Steamboat Natchez. The steam calliope plays as you board the ship. You will then enjoy some New Orleans Jazz Music while enjoying a wonderful lunch. After the cruise, the evening is free for you to explore on your own

INCLUDED: Lunch

DAY 3 | TOURING NEW ORLEANS & ST. PATRICK'S DAY!

This morning it's time to dress in green and head out to enjoy breakfast on your own. Meet back at the hotel and depart as a group for a tour of the New Orleans Historic District. See the sights you've heard about for years such as the historic French Quarter, the beautiful Garden District, the colorful River Walk along the Mississippi and famous Bourbon Street. This evening, enjoy The Patrick's Day Parade from a restaurant in the French Quarter, and an included dinner. The Grand Parade starts at 7:00 PM right in the French Quarter. Watch out as they not only throw beads, but cabbages at this parade!

INCLUDED: Dinner



Day 4 | TOURING A SOUTHERN MANSION & MARDI GRAS WORLD

After breakfast, journey beyond the city limits of New Orleans and discover Oak Alley Plantation at the end of a long road surrounded by live oaks. Discover what it is like to live in another time as you are guided through the lovingly restored main house and its exhibits by a costumed guide. Wander among the other authentic buildings on the plantation grounds, see daily demonstration, or browse through authentic gifts in the Gift Shop. Enjoy some time to eat lunch here. Then depart for a stop at New Orleans in the Spring with St Patrick's Day! one of the most famous cemeteries in the world - St. Louis Cemetery No. 1. The oldest cemetery in the city, dating back to 1789. It's renowned for its above-ground tombs, and is a fascinating place to take a stroll and contemplate the meaning of life. Continue on to Mardi Gras World where you will learn what goes into the making of the Mardi Gras parade floats. Since 1947, the artists of Blaine Kern Studios have been bringing Mardi Gras to life, creating many of the parade floats, from concept through completion. The colors, the lights, the music, the "joie de vivre" is all in one magical place. You'll get a behind the scenes look at the world's largest fleet of carnival floats and everything that goes into making Mardi Gras such an international phenomenon. Enjoy a free sample of King Cake, a traditional Mardi Gras Treat!

DAY 5 | THE NATIONAL WWII MUSEUM AND ST. JOSEPHS DAY PARADE

This morning, head to the National WWII Museum.



This remarkable attraction illuminates the American experience during the WWII era. Celebrate the American Spirit as you experience moving personal stories, historic artifacts and powerful interactive displays, from the Normandy invasion to the sands of Pacific Islands, the museum salutes the optimism, courage and sacrifice of those who won the war and changed the world. Delight in St. Joseph's Day Parade later on in the evening. The Italian-American Community hosts this annual event with the gentlemen handing out roses to all the ladies in the crowd, and sometimes dipping them for a kiss on the cheek! The floats are filled with the young ladies of the Italian community all dressed in white. A lovely parade! Enjoy an included last night dinner in the area, but don't stay out too late as you must pack for home!

INCLUDED: Dinner

DAY 6 | FLIGHT HOME

Depart your hotel for the airport in the morning for the airport. You will depart New Orleans at around noon for home with wonderful memories of a fantastic fun tour to NOLA

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- Airfare
- Tour of Mardi Gras World
- 5 nights lodging in the French Quarter area
- 2 included dinners and 1 lunch
- Guided Tour of a Louisiana Plantation
- Jazz Cruise on the Mississippi River
- St Patrick's & St. Joseph's Day Celebrations
- Visit to the National World War II Museum
- Ground transportation in New Orleans
- Tour of the French Quarter with a local guide.

NOT INCLUDED:

- Transportation to and from the MSP Airport
- Optional sightseeing
- Non included meals
- Phone calls
- Tips to adventure Guide, Motor-coach Driver, or Local Guides
- Any other items not specifically mentioned as included in the itinerary.

PER PERSON RATES:

\$1,998 Double \$2,398 Single

Deposit: \$300 per person at time of booking

Final payment: January 2, 2026

Cancellation Policy: Full refund up to two months before departure without Insurance. After that date, refunds are based on recoverable expenses. With trip insurance, full refund anytime!

Travel Insurance:

\$164 Double \$197 Single

Due at booking. Travel insurance cost is Non-Refundable. Purchase anytime on our website.



Level THREE - GO GO GO Traveler: 5-7 plus Miles walking per day ~ These tours are Strenuous in their Difficulty Level and **require 5-7 plus miles of walking plus day.** Travelers who require the use of a cane, walker or wheelchair or are in need of physical assistance to walk are encouraged to sign up for our **Level ONE Difficulty Tours.**

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