

MEETING TOURS

MONDAY SEPT. 19TH TOURS:

TOUR #1 HOT SPRINGS ARKANSAS

Fordyce Bath House and Bath House Row

Bathhouse Row is not quite as old as the hills or the hot springs that supply the water, but most of the beautiful bathhouses still on the row date back to the early 1900s. Hot Springs National Park was actually the first bit of land set aside for recreation in the United States, pre-dating Yellowstone by almost exactly four decades, and you can learn all about that on stunning Bathhouse Row.



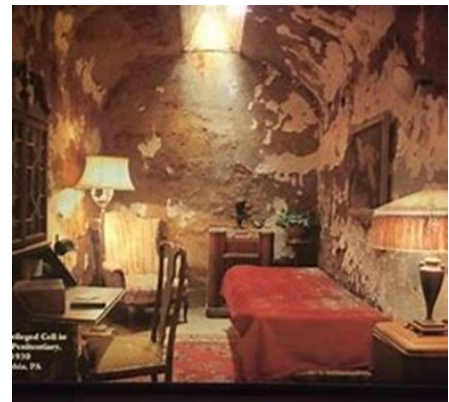
Mountain Water Valley



Mountain Valley Spring Water has been naturally free-flowing inside our heartland for 1000s of years. Its sacred source is tucked deep in the pristine wilderness of the Ouachita's, where we've been bottling it in glass to preserve its award-winning, mineral-rich taste, and the planet, since 1871.

Gangster Museum of America

Take yourself back to the days of the 20's, 30's, and 40's when mineral water, gambling, bootlegging, and other extreme pleasures brought visitors from all over the world to Hot Springs, Arkansas. The Gangster Museum of America is an historic and entertaining account of how some of the most notorious criminals in America co-existed with the quaint population of this little valley town in the mountains of central Arkansas.



Bath House Row Winery (Wine Tasting)

Come taste the finest native wines in Arkansas at both of our wineries!

We have all kind of grapes! Come try our tasty muscadine wines as well as our strawberry wine!



MONDAY TOUR #2

LITTLE ROCK ARKANSAS

The Clinton Presidential Library and Museum features exhibits, special events, and educational programs. The museum includes replicas of the Oval Office and the Cabinet Room. Permanent exhibits utilize documents, photographs, videos and interactive stations. A timeline and alcoves highlight domestic and foreign policy, as well as life in the White House.



One of only three purse museums in the world, **ESSE Purse Museum & Store** is the culmination of owner Anita Davis' dream of exploring concepts of art, history, and the feminine. The name ESSE comes from the Latin infinitive for "to be," which embodies what visitors will find in the museum: that a purse is not just a utilitarian bag in which a woman carries her necessities, but an extension of her personal space, her essence, and of the things that make her "her." Visitors will discover that the choice of purse tells much about the woman and her evolving position in the public sphere.

Bring an extra suit case for all the items you will be bringing home, because you will also be treated to South of Main Shopping. Now who won't enjoy this (well maybe the hubbies). I am sure there are shady places to rest.



TUESDAY SEPT. 20TH TOUR LITTLE ROCK ARKANSAS



Historic Arkansas Museum is home to an historic city block including the oldest building in Little Rock, an 1850s Farmstead, galleries of Arkansas Made art and history ranging from indigenous Arkansans to contemporary artists and artisans.

The museum was created as part of the Arkansas Territorial Capitol Restoration Commission, by Act 388 of the 1939 Arkansas General Assembly.

The Museum opened on July 19, 1941.

The Old State House, formerly called the Arkansas State House, the oldest surviving state capitol building west of the Mississippi River. It was the site of the secession convention, as well as the fourth constitutional convention when delegates agreed to ensure voting rights for freedmen and establish public education.

As the Old State House inches closer to being 200 years old, we recall the many uses for this historic facility: the first capitol building for Arkansas, the Arkansas War Memorial, home of the Arkansas State Police, medical school, and now, of course, museum. The Old State House continues to play a vital role in preserving, sharing, and celebrating the history of Arkansas and its people.



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The MacArthur Museum of Arkansas Military History was created to interpret our state's military heritage from its territorial period to the present.

Located in the historic Tower Building of the Little Rock Arsenal --the birthplace of General Douglas MacArthur--the museum preserves the contributions of Arkansas men and women who served in the armed forces.

Exhibits feature artifacts, photographs, weapons, documents, uniforms and other military items that vividly portray Arkansas's military history at home and abroad.

Rock Town Distillery (Whiskey tasting)

located in downtown Little Rock, is the first legal distillery of any kind in Arkansas since prohibition. We are an artisan craft distillery that uses grains from Arkansas to distill award winning spirits. Rock Town is a true grain-to-glass distillery. Our spirits are carefully distilled from corn, wheat and rye that are grown within 125 miles of the distillery. Our passion is our spirit and our dedication is to our craft.



WEDNESDAY SEPT. 21ST TOUR SCOTT & KEO ARKANSAS



Located in Scott, **Plantation Agriculture Museum** preserves Arkansas's farming history. Housed in a series of buildings is the main museum originally built as a general store in 1912, the Dortch Gin Exhibit containing a 1916 cotton gin, Seed Warehouse #5 which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and a Historic Tractor Exhibit completed in 2018. Live demonstrations include water pumping and cotton ginning. At the Plantation Agriculture Museum, kids and adults alike can explore where and how crops were grown and harvested in Arkansas from the time of statehood in 1836 through World War II. It's a highly interactive park where kids and adults alike can explore where and how crops are grown, harvested, and processed into foods we eat and products we use.

Toltec Mounds Archeological State Park

Also known as Knapp Mounds, Toltec Mounds Site or Toltec Mounds, is an archaeological site from the Late Woodland period in Arkansas that protects an 18-mound complex with the tallest surviving prehistoric mounds in Arkansas. The site is on the banks of Mound Lake, an oxbow lake of the Arkansas River. It was occupied by its original inhabitants from 600 to 1050 CE. The site is designated as a National Historic Landmark.



Diamond Bear Brewery

Beer produced in the traditional methods of European brewers, using only two-row malted barley, hops, yeast and Arkansas water. Being brewed locally means the beer is fresh while still capturing some of the world's most famous styles of beer without the use of adjuncts or preservatives. Diamond Bear features an on-site restaurant, the Arkansas Ale House, serving European pub fare with a Southern twist.