New Orleans

featuring the African American Experience

**Inspiriting Moments**
- Feast on **Irresistible cuisine, full of Cajun and Creole flair**, at NOLA's famed restaurants and a cooking school.
- Experience the haunting and powerful stories of enslaved people at the **Whitney Plantation**, a museum focused exclusively on slavery.
- Take in the Old World ambience and infectious **joie de vivre** of New Orleans' **French Quarter**.
- Delight in the bright, brassy improvisations of **New Orleans jazz**.
- Learn about the collections on African American history, race relations and civil rights at the **Amistad Research Center**.
- Visit an array of museums that illuminate facets of **African American culture**.
- Explore vibrant **Tremé**, the nation’s oldest African American neighborhood.
- Contemplate **Studio Be's moving art** on social justice issues and Black history.

**Included Features**

- **Accommodations** (with baggage handling)
  - 5 nights in New Orleans, Louisiana, at the first-class Royal Sonesta New Orleans.

- **Extensive Meal Program**
  - 4 lunches and 2 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

- **Your One-of-a-Kind Journey**
  - Discovery excursions highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
  - Expert-led Enrichment programs enhance your insight into the region.
  - **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit.
  - **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
  - Free time to pursue your own interests.
  - Welcome Reception.
  - A personal VOX headset.
  - Tipping of guides and drivers.
  - Complimentary travel mementos.

**Itinerary**

- **Day 1** Depart gateway city, arrive in New Orleans and transfer to hotel.
- **Day 2** Donaldsonville | Wallace
- **Day 3** New Orleans
- **Day 4** New Orleans
- **Day 5** New Orleans
- **Day 6** Transfer to the airport and depart for gateway city.

**Note:** Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

**Activity Level:** We have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program’s physical expectations. Please call or visit our website for full details.

**Flights and Transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.**

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Discovery

**AHI Connects: New Orleans School of Cooking.** Get tips and insights as a chef shows you how to whip up tasty Louisiana-style cuisine at a fun private demonstration. Then grab a fork — it’s lunchtime!

**AHI Connects: Reconcile New Orleans.** Learn how Reconcile transforms the lives of young adults through its life skills and job training program at its bustling café.

**AHI Connects: Studio Be.** Witness the convergence of art and activism in the bold murals of visual artist Brandon “B’Mike” Odums and others at a warehouse gallery.

**Plantation Country, Louisiana.** Visit the River Road African American Museum in Donaldsonville for an intimate portrait of the history and culture of south Louisiana’s sugarcane parishes along the Mississippi. Its treasure trove of artifacts sheds light on the struggles and achievements of the region’s enslaved and free people of color. Next, travel to the Whitney Plantation, the state’s only museum focused solely on telling the story of slavery. Take a guided walk within this former sugarcane plantation, featuring restored buildings, memorials and artwork, for a deeply affecting perspective on the lives of Louisiana’s enslaved people.

**New Orleans’ French Quarter.** Stroll in this romantic area to see Jackson Square, St. Louis Cathedral, Café du Monde and the French Market, while learning about its multicultural influences.

**New Orleans Jazz Museum.** Get a historical perspective of this innovative art form that was born in the Crescent City. Then tap your feet to the upbeat rhythms at a jazz concert on-site!

**Research, Reconciliation & Remembrance.** The Amistad Research Center collects, preserves and offers open access to a vast collection of original items related to U.S. racial history, the African Diaspora and civil rights. Tour their exhibition gallery and reading room and gain insights on their research objectives and holdings.

**Tremé.** Explore the rich history of the oldest African American neighborhood in the U.S. See Congo Square and visit St. Augustine Church, the nation’s oldest African American Catholic church, founded in 1841 by free people of color. Admire beautiful Creole architecture and delve into Black cultural contributions in Tremé’s unique museums.

**Bayou Road.** Walk through the lively community of Black-owned shops and restaurants lining this historic road that began as a portage route to the Mississippi more than 300 years ago. Enjoy a short performance of Opera Creole afterward.

Enrichment

**New Orleans, America’s Most African American City**

**AHI Sustainability Promise**

We strive to make a positive, purposeful impact in the communities we visit, whenever possible.

**Environmental Impact** | Thoughtful choices to minimize our environmental footprint: eco-friendly transportation, guided walks in lieu of bus tours and less plastic waste.

**Social Impact** | Ongoing initiatives to support local businesses that employ and benefit people in the community. Curating meaningful experiences by staying in intimately sized locales instead of cities affected by overtourism.

**Economic Impact** | Community-based tourism using expert local guides and lecturers, plus program scheduling during quieter, “shoulder seasons.”

AHI Travel Expertise

**Passenger Service Representative** | Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

**Travel Director** | Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

**Travel Information** | Prepares you fully for your journey.

**Expert Local Guides and Lecturers** | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service and share their passion for their country.

Let us arrange your flights!

**AHI FlexAir** | Our personalized air program features transfers, assistance and flexibility.

DATES & PRICES

**April 3-8, 2022**

| From Price | $2,845
| Special Savings | $250
| Special Price | $2,595

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated). Single accommodations are an additional $495 (limited availability).

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