

## Forest Industry & History Tour

**\$95 per person**  
**June 26 & June 28**  
**8AM - 5:30PM**

Start by heading south to the RoyOMartin Ply-wood & Solid Wood Plant at Chopin, to watch the production of timbers. From there, we will go to the Southern Forest Heritage Museum at Longleaf where lunch will be provided. This museum features the only complete early (1884-1957) sawmill site in the USA as well as several sub-museums on historical and geographically relevant topics. Included is also a historical train ride which provides an overview of the entire site. The return trip to Shreveport will feature a drive through historic Natchitoches, TX, and a visit to International Paper's containerboard mill at Campti, LA, where we will learn how raw material from the forest is converted into paper.

**Must be able to climb up and down ladders at manufacturing facilities for this tour.**

## Coffee in the Gardens

**\$65 per person**  
**June 26, 27 or 28**  
**8AM - 12PM**

Start your afternoon by visiting local coffee shop Rhino Coffee then cross the street to Visit the Norton Art Gallery Botanical Gardens. After you sip and stroll go inside and tour the extensive art collection of the Norton family. End your tour by visiting the Rose Garden at the American Rose Center. Cost of coffee included.

## Barksdale Airforce Base Tour

**\$65 per person**  
**June 26 or 27**  
**9AM - 12PM**

Take a journey through the past and discover the history of Strategic Bombardment at the home of the 2nd Bomb Wing, the mighty 8th Air Force, and the new Air Force Global Strike Command at the Barksdale Global Power Museum. Then take a tour of Barksdale Air Force Base home to the world's most versatile bomber fleet.

**Must register prior to May 31, 2025.**



### Legalities

The 74th NSDC is not liable for any claims, damages, actions or causes of actions to person or property arising from or connected with the use of any services or facilities. All participants of activities do so at his or her own risk. This includes acts of active or passive negligence by agents or volunteers of the 74th NSDC. Additionally, the 74th NSDC and any volunteers are not responsible to any person for loss of time or money due to a change or delay beyond our control.



## Convention Tours

### Dance on the Wild Side!

Tour reservations will open as of January 1, 2025! Please book ahead so that we can make sure we have a spot for you.

Beginning May 15, 2025 the 74th NSDC will have to cancel any tour that does not meet the minimum number of people. If we cancel your tour, we will give you a call to rebook or offer you a full refund. If you book a tour and have to cancel, a \$10 per person fee will be charged unless we can rebook your tour.

**After May 15, 2025, no refunds offered.**

Remember: the tour time is the time the bus leaves. Please arrive at least 15 min. prior to tour time.

For more info visit: [74nsdc.com/tours](https://74nsdc.com/tours)



## Wicked Shreveport

**\$80 per person**  
**June 25, 26 or 27**  
**9:30AM - 12:30PM**  
**2PM - 5PM**

Madams, dueling mayors and Yellow Fever all called Shreveport their home- at least for a time. Delve into the rougher, rowdier, seedier side of life on this entertaining tour of Shreveport with Dr. Cheryl White.

## Discover Downtown

**\$80 per person**  
**June 25, 26, or 27**  
**9:30AM - 12:30PM**

The "Discover Downtown Shreveport Tour" is a captivating exploration of the heart of Shreveport, designed to immerse you in the rich history, vibrant culture, and unique charm of this historic city. It's a great way to experience it all – and leave wanting more!

## Rockin' Roots Tour

**\$80 per person**  
**June 25, 26, 27 or 28**  
**9:30AM - 12:30PM**

Learn all about the roots of Shreveport's music history with local, Winston Hall. He will guide you to the musical hotspots of Shreveport while engaging you in the stories of Elvis Presley, Hank Williams, and more. Tour the historic Municipal Auditorium where Elvis preformed at Louisiana Hayride and the famous words "Elvis has left the building" were first uttered.



## Gators: Friend or Food?

**\$100 per person**  
**June 25, 26, 27 or 28**  
**8AM - 1PM**

Explore "Gators and Friends", an exciting and family-friendly attraction located in Greenwood, just outside of Shreveport. It offers visitors a unique opportunity to get up close and personal with a variety of wildlife, including alligators, exotic animals, and more. You can even grab a ride on a zip line for an additional fee. After MEETING a gator, try EATING gator at Beaujax Crafthouse, a local favorite restaurant in the East Bank District for lunch. Cost of lunch included.



## Nature & History Blitz Tour

**\$90 per person**  
**June 25 & 27**  
**8AM - 5:30PM**

Enjoy a boat tour through a cypress forest swamp on the unique and picturesque headwaters of Caddo Lake at Karnack, TX. From there, we will head to historical Jefferson, TX, an early boom town. We will tour railroad magnate Jay Gould's railroad car as well as the townsite. After that, we will stop in Oil City, LA, at the Louisiana State Oil & Gas Museum to learn the intriguing history of northern Louisiana's early oil industry. Tour wind-up will be visiting the Red River Crossroads Museum in Gilliam, LA, which offers a history of the state from the time of the early Native Americans though to today.



## Downtown Culture Crawl

**\$100 per person**  
**June 25, 26, 27 or 28**  
**9:30AM - 2PM**

Start your day at the Spring Street Museum, Shreveport's oldest building. It offers visitors a glimpse into Shreveport's past through a diverse collection of artifacts, photographs, and exhibits showcasing the city's cultural and architectural heritage. Afterwards walk down the street to local restaurant favorite, The Blind Tiger for a classic Cajun lunch. Cost of lunch included. Then head on over to the Shreveport Waterworks Museum that features well-preserved steam-driven water pumps, filtration equipment, and interactive exhibits that showcase the technological advancements that revolutionized waterworks in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Finish your tour with a trip to the Shreveport Aquarium where you can see sharks, exotic fish, and touch stingrays!

## A Day at the Races

**\$105 per person**  
**June 25 or 27**  
**10AM - 2PM**

Tour the facilities at Louisiana Downs, a thoroughbred and quarter horse racetrack. You will also see where the horses are kept and taken care of. Then have lunch in one of the track restaurants. Cost of lunch included. (There is a possibility of seeing live horse racing when racing schedule releases, Timing of tour will change if horses are racing.)