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From the storied halls of the University of Alabama and the ancient burial mounds of Moundville; from the free-flowing Cahaba River and the Ironworks of Brierfield and Tannehill State Parks, from BBQ and sweet coconut pie, West Alabama awaits.





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Discover Your Spirit

Meet West Alabama head on. There's Alabama Crimson Tide football and the beautiful campus of the University of Alabama. There's also the largest prehistoric city north of Mexico you'll find in North America, a free-flowing river that holds agautic rarities such as the Cahaba Lily, walkable downtowns, fine dining, the best fishing and hunting around along with bird-watching, and Civil War & Civil Rights history.

Don't Miss These Highlights

Moundville Archaeological Park **UA Arboretum** Pickensville Campground West Blocton Coke Ovens Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge Safehouse Museum Sipsey River **Fayette Aquatic Center** Talladega National Forest

Historic Downtown Northport Dreamland BBQ Pie Lab Kirkwood Mansion **Backstreet Opry** Sharktooth Creek Outdoor Adventures **Auburn Rural Studio** Aliceville P.O.W. Museum Mercedes-Benz Factory Tour & Museum

Close by, but miles away from it all

Just a short drive from Birmingham, the Mississippi state line and Mobile, there's so much to see and do.



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Back Roads. Big Adventures. Better Stories

FLIGHTS OF FANCY – Achieve your dream of a Deep South bobwhite quail hunt at two of the finest hunting plantations in the Southeast USA. Westervelt Lodge and Cameron's Quail Plantation provides a variety of options for bagging the feathered dynamite while serving southern-style dishes at every meal. Pheasant and Chukar available, too.

ALABAMA BIRDING TRAILS - a birder's sanctuary and photographer's haven awaits the passive outdoor enthusiasts. Explore the Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge for canoeing and observing the rare Cahaba Lily or the ancient ruins of the Moundville Archaeological Park as well as Hale County's catfish ponds and the old Cattle Ranch for seasonal viewing of migratory birds.

ALABAMA SCENIC RIVER TRAIL - paddle your way through nature on the Sipsey, Cahaba, and Black Warrior Rivers. Fully guided trips allow you to float gently or take on Class I - III rapids for an adrenaline rush! All within easy access to pull-offs and charming, small towns.

SMOKIN' QUE – five famed barbeque pits featured in the Alabama Barbeque – Delicious Road Trips book are located in the West Alabama Region: Archibald's, Archibald and Woodrow's Bar-B-Que, Lisa's BBQ, Moe's Original BarBQue, and the Original Dreamland Bar-B-Que.

TAKE A BITE OUT OF YOUR DAY and dig for buried sharks teeth and fossils at Shark Tooth Creek which was underwater and part of the Gulf of Mexico almost 70 million years ago. Sharktooth Creek Outdoor Adventures provides a fun seek and find excursion for 16 different species. Half-day canoe trips through the vast Sipsey Wilderness to observe birds and wildlife is an added bonus.

SPORT FISHING – cast your reel on the many rivers, lakes, and streams found in abundance in West Alabama. Fish where pro anglers have hooked lunker bass and slab crappie for tournament championships. Guide service available.

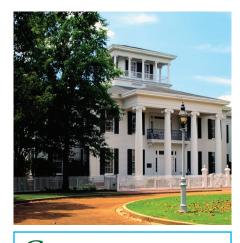
Visit West Alabama to Discover Your Spirit!

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- **Brierfield Ironworks Historical Park**
- Cahaba National Wildlife Refuge
- West Blocton Coke Oven Park
- Tannehill Ironworks Historical Park
- **Bibb Glades Birding**

Hale

- Pie Lab
- Moundville Archeological Park
- Auburn's Rural Studio
- Magnolia Grove
- The Safehouse Museum
- **HERObike**



Greene

- Courthouse Antiques
- Kirkwood Mansion
- **Everhope Plantation**
- Vaughn-Morrow House
- Forkland Recreation Area and Campground



Tuscaloosa

- **Black Warrior River**
- Tuscaloosa Riverwalk
- The University of Alabama
- **Bryant Museum**
- **Black Warrior River**
- Historic downtowns of Northport & Tuscaloosa
- Kentuck
- Dreamland BBQ



Pickens

- Aliceville POW Museum
- Carrollton Courthouse's "Face in the Window"
- Tom Bevil Lock and Dam Visitor Center
- Sharktooth Creek Adventures

Fayette

- Fayette Aquatic Park
- Art Museum
- Downtown shopping
- Lisa's BBQ



Lamar

- **Backstreet Opry**
- Quail Valley Hunting Lodge
- Lamar Public Lake
- Fellowship Baptist Church Cemetery



Sample Visit to West Alabama

DAY ONE: Arrive and Explore

12 Noon Arrive in Tuscaloosa - Lunch at the Original Dreamland Barbecue where the description of the award

winning ribs is "Ain't nothin' like 'em nowhere!"

1PM Depart Dreamland for Tuscaloosa Riverwalk/Visitor Center

> Walk off that delicious barbecue lunch alongside the beautiful Black Warrior River with a stop to the Tuscaloosa Visitor Center for all the latest information, and a warm welcome to Tuscaloosa!

Frozen Yogurt at Orange Leaf

Tour Mildred Westervelt-Warner Transportation Museum

3:00PM Depart for Downtown Northport

> Walking Tour and shopping in Historic Downtown Northport. Visit to Kentuck Art Museum & Gallery, the Northport Historic Depot and Northport Heritage Museum

Stop at Billy's Sports Bar for a refreshing cocktail before departing Northport!

4:00PM Check in to hotel/freshen up for dinner

5:00PM Catfish dinner at the legendary Cypress Inn overlooking the Black Warrior River

Shop til you drop at Mid-town Village, The Shoppes at Legacy Park or University Mall! 6:30PM

DAY TWO: History and Heroes

8:00AM Breakfast at Another Broken Egg Café - overlooking the beautiful Black Warrior River.

9:00AM Depart Tuscaloosa for a day in Moundville, AL/Greensboro, AL

> Moundville Archaeological Park – 15 minutes from downtown Tuscaloosa lies a National Historic Landmark and one of the South's most important historical sites. From 1000 AD to 1450AD Native Americans formed what one day became America.

11:00AM Continue on to Greensboro, AL

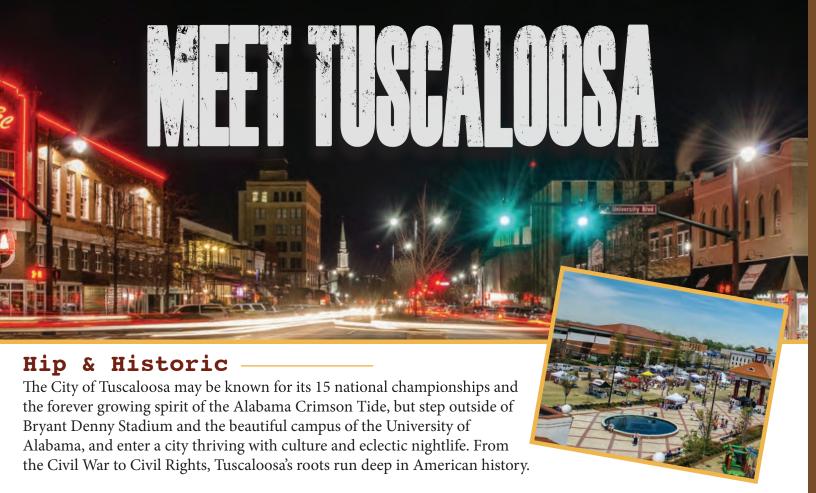
- Lunch at the famous Pie Lab in downtown Greensboro and visit H.E.R.O Bike Shop.
- Tour Magnolia Grove, a Greek Revival mansion, circa 1840.
- Tour the Safe House Museum, where Martin Luther King spent a night in hiding just two weeks before his assassination.

3:00PM Back to Tuscaloosa for a campus tour of the University of Alabama!

- Bryant-Denny Stadium and the Walk of Champions where the legendary Crimson Tide football team plays.
- Presidents Mansion a beautiful antebellum Mansion that has been home to the University of Alabama Presidents since 1831. Only three structures were not burned to the ground during the Civil War - and this was one! The others that remained were The Little Round House and The Gorgas house which are just across the Quad from the Presidents Mansion
- The Quad and Denny Chimes the focal point of activity on the campus
- Foster Auditorium/Hood-Malone Plaza featuring the Authurine Lucy Clocktower the site where Civil Rights history was made as Gov. George C. Wallace blocked the doors attempting to prevent two African-American students from enrolling.
- Bryant Museum where the tale of American style football is unfolded in all it's glory

5:30 Hotel to refresh for an evening in downtown T-town (that's what the locals call Tuscaloosa!) 6:30 Experience nightlife Downtown Tuscaloosa!

- Savor the local beer at the Black Warrior Brewing Company
- Dinner at one of our outstanding local eateries
- Take in the sights and sounds of the Temerson Square Entertainment District



Ttown Highlights

- Nationally acclaimed BBQ
- 2 Regional Art Festivals (DCAF & Kentuck)
- Outdoor Amphitheater over looking Black Warrior River
- 4 Lakes within the county lines
- Walkable Downtown with multiple restaurants & bars
- 9 art galleries (including the Paul W. Bryant Museum)
- Mercedes-Benz Visitor Center
- Moundville Archaeological Park
- Foster Auditorium (location of the "stand in the schoolhouse door")
- Bama Theater
- Riverwalk & Farmer's Market
- Live music scene
- 2 local breweries (Druid City Brewing & Black Warrior Brewing)
- 3 colleges (University of Alabama, Shelton State Community College & Stillman College)
- Multiple collegiate, athletic national championships (including 15 UA football national championships)

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Easy to Find

Nestled next to the Black Warrior River, and 45 minutes away from Birmingham, Tuscaloosa is a contemporary history lesson waiting to be discovered.



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