

**Day 1**  
**Sunday, March 21**  
**Home - Chicago**

Welcome aboard as we are off to the southern hospitality of **NEW ORLEANS** and its antebellum plantation homes and moss-draped cypress trees that represents its southern culture and beauty. Discover the “**Lone Star State**” of **TEXAS**, where cowboys, oilmen, space pioneers and legends are born. Getting acquainted with our fellow travelers we motorcoach to **Chicago** arriving just in time to board the 8:00 pm train to **New Orleans**.

**Day 2**  
**Monday, March 22**  
**Chicago - New Orleans (19 1/2 hrs)**

8:00 pm train departs Chicago arriving in New Orleans at 3:30 pm. Today we enjoy all the amenities of Amtrak’s comfortable reclining seats. a spacious lounge car to enjoy socializing and cocktails, dining car, not to mention the panoramic views in relaxing comfort. Arriving in New Orleans at 3:30 pm we check into our hotel, the Sonesta Hotel, located in the French Quarter. Your afternoon and evening are free to enjoy.

**Day 3**  
**Tuesday, March 23**  
**New Orleans**

This morning we meet our local guide for a full day tour of this beautiful French-Spanish City of elegance and old world charm. Our tour begins at the birthplace of New Orleans, **The French Quarter**. Here we visit **Jackson Square** and the **St. Louis Cathedral**. Leaving the French Quarter we drive down famous Esplanade Avenue to the “**City of the Dead**” – the cemetery. A highly visited New Orleans Landmark. From here we head to the **Garden District** and experience first-hand the luxury and extravagance of New Orleans antebellum era. Before returning to our hotel we drive by some of the devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina in 2005. This evening New Orleans comes alive as we board the authentic **Natchez Steamboat** and cruise the Mighty

Mississippi enjoying a live jazz band and a lavish Creole buffet.

**Day 4**  
**Wednesday, March 24**  
**New Orleans - San Antonio (15 hrs)**

Our morning is free to sleep in or perhaps stroll the French Quarter one last time before boarding our private motorcoach to the train station. 12:00 noon train departs New Orleans arriving in San Antonio at 3:00 pm (Thursday, March 25th). On arrival we check into our hotel, the Riverwalk Plaza Hotel, a full-service property located in the heart of San Antonio’s attractions and famous **Riverwalk**. (3 nights)

**Day 5**  
**Thursday, March 25**  
**San Antonio, Texas**

This morning we sleep in a bit before exploring **San Antonio’s** old-Spanish flavor and its multicultural heritage. Following lunch we are off to the #1 rated attraction, the **Alamo**, where the fight for Texas freedom began. Next we visit the **Spanish Governor’s Palace**. Its adobe-walled structure was the original seat of government in the 1700s. Our evening is free to enjoy the Riverwalk, which anchors side-walk cafes, cabarets, boutiques and country music clubs, where you can dance the Texas 2-step.

**Day 6**  
**Friday, March 26**  
**San Antonio, Texas**

Today we board our private motorcoach and visit San Antonio’s surrounding attractions beginning with **Mission San Jose** founded in 1720 and is known as “Queen of Missions”. The domed church has one of the finest examples of stone carving in America, known as the Rose Window. From here we can visit **San Fernando Cathedral**, the oldest parish in Texas built in 1731. Next it’s **Market Square**. Here we see artists at work, visit the many specialty shops and find a great place to enjoy lunch. After lunch we tour the **Buckhorn**

**Saloon & Museum**, a step back to the Old West with artifacts from Texas history. Adjacent to the Museum is the **1881 Lone Star Brewery** where we enjoy a tour and refreshments. After a full day we return to our hotel. Sleep well.

**Day 7**  
**Saturday, March 27**  
**San Antonio - Chicago (31 hrs)**

Following breakfast we depart for the train station. 7:00 am train departs. Sit back, relax and enjoy your traveling family along with all the amenities of Amtrak.

**Day 8**  
**Sunday, March 28**  
**Chicago**

2:00 pm welcome to **Chicago**. On arrival we check into the beautiful Seneca Hotel & Suites located on Michigan Avenue, known as the **Magnificent Mile**. This evening we enjoy an included dinner at the **Cheese Cake Factory**.

**Day 9**  
**Monday, March 29**  
**Chicago - St. Cloud (10 1/2 hrs)**

Following a leisurely morning we depart for the 110 story **Sears Tower**. A 2 minute ride takes us to the top where we enjoy spectacular views of the city and Lake Michigan. 2:15 pm it’s homeward bound to St. Cloud.

**Day 10**  
**Tuesday, March 30**  
**St. Cloud**

12:40 am arrival into St. Cloud. Here we claim our luggage and say goodbye to our newly made friends. LaVerne’s Travel thanks our traveling family for joining our Amtrak/motorcoach tour to the **Deep South**.

*Sleeper accommodations on board Amtrak are available at an additional cost of \$250.00 per person. Price is based on 2 people per sleeper. All meals are included to passengers occupying a sleeper. Anyone interested in sleeper accommodations is encouraged to make your reservations ASAP..., as sleepers are limited.*

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### TO RESERVE A SPACE

A deposit of \$100.00 per person is required to reserve a seat. Full payment is due February 1, 2010.

### ACCOMMODATIONS

Tour members will be expected to pay for the accommodations that they receive. If you change the type of accommodations due to cancellation of roommate(s) (i.e. Single, Double, Triple, Quad), you will be required to pay the accommodations cost that applies.

### DEPARTURE POINT

The tour will begin in Little Falls, however, pick up points enroute may be arranged through LaVerne's Travel.

### TOUR DOCUMENTS

Tour members will receive their tour documents about two weeks before departure. The documents will include boarding instructions, departure point, pre-tour information, a luggage tag, and a name tag.

### TOUR ESCORT

LaVerne's Travel will be on board to ensure that you have a pleasant and memorable time.

### INSURANCE

Although every effort is made to handle passengers' luggage as carefully as possible, LaVerne's Travel cannot assume liability for loss or damage to luggage due to breakage, fire, water, theft, pilferage, etc. Purchase of additional luggage insurance is available through LaVerne's Travel. Accident and trip cancellation insurance is also available.

### CANCELLATIONS

A full refund of all monies paid by the tour participant will be made in the event you find it necessary to cancel the tour, provided that you cancel by February 1st. Cancellations after that date will be assessed a \$350.00 charge.

### CLOTHING AND LUGGAGE

Dress is casual . . . comfortable walking shoes are a must. Sunglasses, rain wear, camera, and a sweater or light jacket will make your trip more comfortable. One large suitcase plus one small carry-on handbag is allowed per passenger. Additional luggage will be charged a handling fee of \$50.00 per bag.

### RESPONSIBILITY

This tour has been arranged and operated by LaVerne's Travel. Our motorcoach chauffeur is licensed and insured according to ICC regulations for Interstate Motorcoach travel. LaVerne's Travel is not liable for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay, irregularity, or complications suffered by participants which may be occasioned by reason of defect in any vehicle, or for failure to carry out such arrangements as mentioned. No revisions of printed itineraries or their included features are anticipated, however, the right is reserved to make changes if necessary.

## Your Trip Includes

- \* Motorcoach From Little Falls to Chicago and all Areas as Mentioned in Brochure
- \* Amtrak from Chicago returning to St. Cloud
- \* All Admissions as Listed in the Brochure
- \* New Orleans Dinner Boat Cruise
- \* Cheese Cake Factory Dinner in Chicago
- \* 3 Breakfast
- \* Fully Escorted by LaVerne's Travel
- \* Handling of One Large Piece of Luggage (not to exceed 50 lbs)
- \* Name Tag and Luggage Tags
- \* All Taxes and Service Charges
- \* And Much, Much More!!!



### TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate any special needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you celebrating a birthday or anniversary during your vacation? If so, please indicate:

Event: \_\_\_\_\_

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