

New Orleans for Culture Vultures

9am - The beautiful St. Louis Cathedral, the iconic structure that presides over Jackson Square, beckons you inside. Stop in the gift shop and pick up a St. Christopher token to give you good luck on your travels.

9:30am - There are some amazing artists displaying their work around Jackson Square. Stop and chat with them as you admire their work.

10am - Beckham's Book Shop is just as a bookshop should be -- complete with a resident shop cat. Pore over the shelves and find some wonderful gems of Southern literature.

11:30am - With big plans for the afternoon, fuel up on giant (and delicious) muffuletta sandwiches at [Napoleon House](#).

1pm - Take a marathon tour of New Orleans museums and stop by the [Ogden Museum of Southern Art](#), where you'll be carried away by the abstract paintings of Southern landscapes by Will Henry Stevens.

4pm - Make the nearby [National World War II Museum](#) your next stop. Visitors love how it focuses on telling the personal stories of the war, which are even more poignant in the presence of the veterans who volunteer at the museum. The 4D movie will knock your socks off -- and give your weary feet a much-needed break.

8pm - After a nap and rejuvenating dinner, go to [Preservation Hall](#), a bastion of true New Orleans jazz. Man, can those guys play.

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Hop on board the St. Charles Avenue streetcar and snuggle close while gazing out at the gorgeous houses along the avenue.

2pm - On a self-guided walking tour of the old mansions in the Garden District, pick out which ones you'd choose to live in.

5pm - At the Swizzle Stick Bar in [Cafe Adelaide](#), toast to a great day and sip on some of the best cocktails in town.

6:30pm - Indulge in a perfectly sumptuous dinner at [Muriel's Jackson Square](#). You'll have dreams about the seafood au gratin. Mmmm! Try their house wine.

9pm - Wander down Frenchmen Street, where music spills out from the jazz clubs. A street poet for hire will type up a few verses for you right there on his little typewriter.

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