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## **New Orleans Plantation Parade**

Créole. Greek Revival. Neoclassical. Steamboat Gothic. Architecture that reflects the personalities of the wealthy sugar planters who lived along Louisiana's Great River Road, between Baton Rouge and New Orleans, over a 150 years ago, dividing their time between the expansive, lucrative farms and opulent townhouses in New Orleans' French Quarter. The stories of the people who lived and worked here, both free and enslaved, still echo beneath painted ceilings and towering oaks, in grand houses and in humble slave cabins only an hour from the city in New Orleans Plantation Country.

Oak Alley Plantation

From its beginnings as a mere land claim on a map,

Oak Alley has been many things in it's over 200 year history. Those who walked the grounds were French Creole, African, Portuguese, German, Irish, Italian and American. They were sugar planters, slaves, agricultural tycoons, real estate speculators and immigrant laborers.

Today, Oak Alley is a historic site, dedicated to preserving and interpreting its history. With an emphasis on its time as a sugar plantation, visitors walk under its iconic alley, experience the exhibits, interact with staff, and leave with a richer, more powerful understanding of what a plantation is. Completely immerse yourself in the culture and dine on Cajun/Creole cuisine and stay the night in cottages adjacent to the historic grounds.

## **Houmas House**

A short drive from New Orleans is Houmas House Plantation and Gardens, This historic estate boasts 38 acres of the South's most beautiful gardens, three restaurants, a luxurious Inn and a historic mansion open daily for tours. The guided mansion tour leads guests through the architectural evolution of the mansion and details how a succession of owners and the Mississippi River grew this manor house to today's grand estate. Period antiques, artwork and artifacts help the costumed guides tell the story of plantation life. Once sprawling over 300,000 acres, Houmas House has survived wars, floods, abandonment and the test of time. Spend the day or night and experience the Antebellum South.

Plan your visit today!