

**CENTRAL
Classic Club**

Includes
Cooking
Demonstration
with
Chef Darin



**2021
UPDATED
DEPARTURE
DATE**

Charleston, Savannah and Jekyll Island

featuring Two Nights at the Jekyll Island Club Hotel

Departure Date: March 26 – April 1, 2021

Mayflower
CRUISES & TOURS

Charleston, Savannah and Jekyll Island

7 Days • 11 Meals

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ 11 Meals (6 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 4 dinners)
- ✓ Round trip airport transfers
- ✓ Spend 2 nights in the heart of Charleston's Historic District
- ✓ Included Whispers headset
- ✓ Guided tour of Charleston, regarded as one of the most beautiful cities in America
- ✓ Touring and lunch at Middleton Plantation with its beautiful gardens
- ✓ Stop at Beaufort, known for its southern hospitality and historic homes
- ✓ Spend 2 nights at the historic Jekyll Island Club Hotel, once the playground of the Rockefeller and Vanderbilt families
- ✓ Narrated tram tour of Jekyll Island, a Golden Isle rich with majestic oak trees, Spanish moss and palmetto
- ✓ Visit St. Simons Island, the largest of the Golden Isles
- ✓ Spend 2 nights in the Historic District of Savannah, the "Belle of the South"
- ✓ Guided trolley tour of Savannah, the city deemed "too beautiful to burn" by General Sherman during the Civil War
- ✓ Visit the birthplace of Juliette Gordon Low, founder of the Girl Scouts of America
- ✓ Live cooking demonstration and Low Country Shrimp & Grits dinner at Chef Darin's Kitchen Table
- ✓ Visit Tybee Island including the historic lighthouse and enjoy free time in Savannah
- ✓ Dinner at Mrs. Wilkes' Boarding House, steeped in Savannah history
- ✓ \$35 in Mayflower Money



HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days One and Two – Hilton Garden Inn, Charleston, South Carolina

Days Three and Four – Jekyll Island Club Hotel, Jekyll Island, Georgia

Days Five and Six – The Desoto, Savannah, Georgia



DAY 1 – Arrive in South Carolina

Welcome to beautiful Charleston, South Carolina with a transfer to your hotel. Tonight, get to know your Tour Manager and fellow traveling companions during a welcome dinner at 6:00 p.m. in the hotel.

Meal: D

DAY 2 – The Charm of Charleston

Don your Whispers headset as a local guide shows you Charleston, widely regarded as one of the most beautiful and historic cities in America. Through the stories of those who founded Charleston, the local guide makes history come alive along these antebellum home-lined streets. See the Old Market and Exchange and the famous "Battery at the Harbor," which overlooks Fort Sumter. At Middleton Place Plantation enjoy a taste of the Old South with a traditional Low Country Plantation lunch before a tour of the grounds. Home of Henry Middleton, President of the First Continental Congress, Middleton Place Plantation is a National Historic Landmark featuring a richly decorated home and 65 acres of meticulously designed gardens. Meals: B, L

DAY 3 – Beaufort and Jekyll Island

Depart Charleston for one of Georgia's "Golden Isles" Jekyll Island.



Savannah's River Street

En route, a stop is made at charming Beaufort, one of only a handful of towns in the nation that has had its entire downtown designated an historic district by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Beaufort is known for its southern hospitality, scenic waterfront charm, quaint shops and historic homes. Later, arrive at the romantic Victorian-style Jekyll Island Club Hotel, originally built as an exclusive island getaway for the Rockefeller and Vanderbilt families. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 4 – Jekyll Island and the Golden Isles

Begin the day with a narrated tram tour of Jekyll Island's National Landmark Historic District and hear the fascinating stories of the island's beginnings and development by the "rich and famous" of the late 1800s. In the afternoon, visit the largest of the Golden Isles, St. Simons, where Spanish moss-draped oaks line the island's charming streets. See St. Simons Lighthouse, in operation since 1872, and Bloody Marsh, where British and Scottish soldiers defeated the Spanish. The balance of the day is free to relax and enjoy the natural beauty of the Jekyll Island Club. **Meal: B**

DAY 5 – Savannah Touring and Private Cooking Demonstration

Travel to Savannah, the "Belle of the South" and discover why General Sherman found this city much too beautiful to burn during the

Civil War. On a narrated trolley tour your driver-guide recounts the tales and secrets of the stately mansions of the lovely squares of Savannah's Historic District. Pass the squares and streets where movies such as *Forrest Gump* and *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil* were filmed. Visit the 1820 birthplace of Juliette Gordon Low, founder of the Girl Scouts of the USA. Tonight, head to the kitchen of Chef Darin for a live cooking demonstration where some of you will help in the preparation of tonight's Low Country Shrimp & Grits dinner. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 6 – Tybee Island and Free Time in Savannah

This morning it's off to Tybee Island to visit the lighthouse that has been the guardian of the Savannah River since 1736. Visit the museum that features exhibits of early life on the island, and if you are feeling adventurous, take the exhilarating walk up the 154-foot-tall lighthouse. Later, feel free to discover the many shops along River Street and enjoy the beauty of the quaint squares perfect for relaxing. Tonight, dinner is served family-style at Mrs. Wilkes' Boarding House, a Savannah legend. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 7 – Home

Bid a fond farewell to Savannah and leave with wonderful memories of the South's most beautiful cities. **Meal: B**



Historic waterfront of Savannah

2021 DEPARTURE	PER PERSON TWIN ROOM	SINGLE ROOM
March 26	\$3,565	add \$1,089

Pricing includes local round trip Geneseo transfers, round trip Chicago airfare, transfers, baggage handling, professional tour manager, gratuities to professional tour manager, guides & drivers and Travelers Protection Plan.

**\$400 per person deposit is due at the time of booking.
Final payment is due January 21, 2021**

Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group. Seat changes can only be attempted upon receipt of tickets and documents at which time availability may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking air with the group.

TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



EASY

ENERGETIC



Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) – Included

This nonrefundable fee waives all cancellation fees when we are notified of cancellation one day before the tour departs. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness, illness or death of a member of your immediate family, TPP guarantees full refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line, and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included ONLY if your air tickets were provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours. If you purchase the optional Travelers Protection Plan (TPP), you will be refunded all payments, including deposit amount, less the TPP premium amount.

Cancellation Charges Without Traveler's Protection Plan (TPP)

- 61 days and more – deposit amount
 - 60 – 31 days – 20% of the tour cost
 - 30 – 15 days – 30% of the tour cost
 - 14 – 1 day prior – 40% of the tour cost
 - Day of departure or early departure from tour – 100% of the tour cost
- No refund on unused portion

Exclusions: Mayflower Cruises & Tours reserves the right to alter its refund and cancellation policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Cruises & Tours.

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