

One Day Itinerary

Spend your day in downtown Baton Rouge! Start with a tour of Louisiana's Old State Capitol, where you'll travel through the state's storied political history. And don't forget to look up at the beautiful gothic staircase and stained glass ceiling.

Then head over to Louisiana's current State Capitol, a magnificent 34-story art deco-style structure standing proud as the nation's tallest capitol building. Get a birds-eye view of the entire city and Mighty Mississippi from the 27th floor observation deck.

Next, you'll stroll across the intricate Capitol gardens for a chance to experience true Louisiana at the Louisiana State Museum. Here you can step onto a real Mardi Gras float, discover the difference between Cajun and Creole, feast your eyes upon a massive shrimp boat and lose yourself in historical multimedia presentations.

Before your next stop, grab lunch at the Main Street Market where choices include down-home Southern cooking, Greek and Lebanese, healthy sandwiches, salads and jambalaya — a Louisiana favorite. Don't forget to pick up some authentic Louisiana souvenirs while you're there!

After that, head to the Old Governor's Mansion, a White House replica, which was once home to legendary Governor Huey P. Long.

For your last stop downtown, choose between the USS Kidd, Louisiana Art & Science Museum or the LSU Museum of Art. For the military enthusiast, the USS Kidd provides a unique experience. Take a tour of this restored WWII Fletcher-class destroyer and then stroll through the historic exhibits in adjoining Veterans Memorial Museum. A group with a mix of tastes may want to stop at the Louisiana Art & Science Museum. With fine art exhibitions, a hands-on gallery, art activities for children, a state-of-the-art planetarium and more, there's something for everyone! For the art lovers, choose the LSU Museum of Art, located inside The Shaw Center for the Arts and featuring a diverse art collection.

Wrap up your day at Boutin's Restaurant as you enjoy delicious Cajun cuisine, listen to music and dance the night away!

