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# Tangipahoa PARISH

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## TANGIPAHOA PARISH CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

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### Tangipahoa Parish Convention & Visitors Bureau

13143 Wardline Road, Hammond, (985) 542-7520/(800) 542-7520, [www.tangitourism.com](http://www.tangitourism.com). Open daily 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Take a step back into yesteryear while shopping in "America's Antique City"; join us for our popular Strawberry Festival each April; take a walk on the wild side at Global Wildlife; experience the annual Italian festival or visit the hometown of Britney Spears. Visiting for a week or a day, Tangipahoa Parish offers a variety of options to satisfy your quest for adventure. Full-service CVB offering meeting planning, info on attractions, lodging and area information. I-55 N. Exit 32.

### Camp Moore Confederate Museum & Cemetery

70640 Camp Moore Road, Tangipahoa, (985)229-2438. [www.campmoore.com](http://www.campmoore.com). Tues.-Sun., 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The site of a major Confederate training ground from 1861-1864. The plantation-style museum building houses relics of the Civil War; the cemetery encases the graves of more than 500 soldiers. Be sure to visit during annual reenactment or arrange a specialized tour. The complex is located off Interstate 55 at Exit 57 - Tangipahoa.

### Festivals of Tangipahoa Parish

(800) 917-7045, [www.tangitourism.com](http://www.tangitourism.com). Antique Trade Days, March 5-7; Sicilian Heritage Festival, March 12-14; Oyster Festival, March 19-21; Smokin' Blues and BBQ, March 26-27; Strawberry Festival, April 9-11; Italian Festival, April 23-25; Strawberry Jam N Toast, May 7-8; Tangipahoa Parish Fair, Sept. 29-Oct. 3; Old Farmer's Day, Oct. 16-17; Sweet Home Folklife Days, Oct.; Fanfare, Oct.; Louisiana Renaissance Festival, every weekend of Nov. 6-Dec. 12.

### Florida Parishes Arena

1301 NW Central Ave., Amite, (985) 748-5914, [www.fparena.com](http://www.fparena.com). The Florida Parishes Arena is located approximately 45 minutes northeast of Baton Rouge in Amite. Events include, but are not limited to: arts & crafts festivals, monster truck shows, AWA Pro Wrestling, concerts, livestock shows and events, and Barrel Racing Series. The arena is also available for private rentals. HC

### Global Wildlife Center

26389 Highway 40, Folsom, (985) 796-3585, [www.globalwildlife.com](http://www.globalwildlife.com). Get eye to eye with giraffes, wiggle a camel's bump or feel the woolly fur of bison on safari as you feed the animals on our 900-acre free-roaming wildlife preserve. Guided wagon tours daily. MC, V; HC

### Independence Italian Settlement

473 W. Railroad Ave., Independence, (985)878-4145, [www.tangitourism.com](http://www.tangitourism.com). Hours vary by establishment. Independence, located just off Interstate 55, is home to the largest concentration of Italian American immigrants in Louisiana. Italian culture may be seen throughout the community, from the water tower painted with the traditional Italian flag, to the Independence Bakery, Italian Cultural Museum, Gina's Café, and Amato's Winery.

### Louisiana Children's Discovery Center

(985) 340-9150. The Louisiana Children's Discovery Center is the perfect place for children, toddler to age 12, and their families to learn and explore together in a safe and

fun hands-on environment. With over 40 exhibits in our open and interactive floor plan, each exhibit is designed to have an educational value that allows children to have fun while learning about the culture of our area. We encourage imagination, curiosity, questioning and realism. Patti Tregle, Executive Director.

### Louisiana Treasures Museum

10290 Highway 22 West, Ponchatoula, (225) 294-8352/(225) 294-2863, [www.louisianatreasuresmuseum.com](http://www.louisianatreasuresmuseum.com). By appointment only; call in advance. Located just off Interstate 12 at Pumpkin Center Exit, is the Louisiana Treasures Museum. This museum provides patrons with unique visual and hands-on exploration of long-ago Louisiana. Artifacts that have been collected and gently restored provide a view into centuries past. Examples of items showcased: arrowheads, historic tools, medicine bottles and a fallen officers memorial.

### Tangipahoa Parish African American Museum

1600 Phoenix Square, Hammond, (985) 542-4259, [www.africanamericanheritagemuseum.com](http://www.africanamericanheritagemuseum.com). Mon.-Fri., 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sat., by appointment only. Tangipahoa African American Heritage Museum boasts over 8,000 square feet of exhibit space, eight exhibition rooms, 26 permanent murals, a restaurant and dinner theater, along with recording studio, banquet facilities, heritage garden and planned Vietnam Memorial wall. HC

### Ponchatoula, "America's Antique City"

160 SE Railroad Ave., Ponchatoula, (985) 386-0026, [www.ponchatoulachamber.com](http://www.ponchatoulachamber.com), [www.tangitourism.com](http://www.tangitourism.com). Located just south of Interstate 12 off Interstate 55 is the quaint town of Ponchatoula. Home to the Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival and known as "America's Antique City," downtown Ponchatoula boasts over 40 antique stores, specialty shops, boutiques, restaurants and clubs. HC

### Tangipahoa Parish Campground Owners Association

13143 Wardline Road, Hammond, (800) 617-4501, [www.tangitourism.com](http://www.tangitourism.com). Mon.-Sun., 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Located at the intersection of Interstates 55 and 12, 35 miles east of Baton Rouge, Tangipahoa Parish is home to eight unique campgrounds. Whether you are interested in upscale or primitive accommodations, you're sure to find a campground that suits your family's needs. Kayaking, fishing, swimming, horseback riding, special events and more ... HC