

Spouse Activities

2013 E&P Winter Standards Meeting

January 21-23, 2013 * InterContinental New Orleans * New Orleans, Louisiana

New Orleans Culinary Tour Monday, January 21, 2013

Two Departures: 1:30 pm and returning 4:30 pm or 2:00 pm and returning 5:00 pm



Tasting Tour of the French Quarter will immerse you in the history of New Orleans while learning how its unique cuisine evolved. You tour select historic restaurants while discussing their culinary contributions – including the two oldest (Antoine's and Tujague's, established in 1840 and 1856, respectively).

You will learn to appreciate the differences between Creole and Cajun cuisine, and will hear of the varied ethnic influences that contribute to New Orleans cuisine. Also, enjoy a Roux cooking demonstration by a creole chef.

New Orleans Swamp Tour Tuesday, January 22, 2013

Picks up at 10:30 am and returns at 3:45 pm



Experience the Honey Island Swamp like no other. Owned and operated by New Orleans natives, Cajun Encounters scouts out the best experts in the field to give you an authentic, safe, personal, and hands on tour of the swamp. They are a local company, whose mission is to give you a REALISTIC view of the swamp.

Using smaller, 22 passenger covered and uncovered boats, (never airboats), they are able to get you closer to wildlife and give you a chance to not only see and smell the swamp, but touch the flora and fauna around you.

New Orleans City Tour Wednesday, January 23, 2013

Picks up at 11:00 am and returns around 1:30 pm



New Orleans city tours begin at the birthplace of New Orleans - the French Quarter! As you ride through the Quarter, the tour guides will tell you the history of the city, pointing out many locally known and loved highlights along the way including Jackson Square, the Saint Louis Cathedral, and the famous French Quarter balconies.

Leaving the French Quarter, you'll be taken down creole Esplanade Avenue to the City of the Dead. See the graves of St. Louis Cemetery up close as you walk through the well-known and highly visited New Orleans landmark. City Park and its dueling oaks are your next stop. Along the way, you will also shown some of the **devastation caused by Hurricane Katrina in 2005** and the **rebuilding efforts** that have taken place since this time.

From there you head to the "American Sector", the New Orleans Garden District. Alive and well with its live-oak tree lined St. Charles Avenue, you will get a great sense of the luxury and extravagance of old New Orleans. This is a true step back into the antebellum era, with highlights including the former homes of author Anne Rice.

The New Orleans Warehouse & Arts District is the final leg of your New Orleans overview which includes the D-Day Museum, now known as the National World War II Museum, the New Orleans Contemporary Arts Center, and sites from the movie "JFK" and other box office hits.