VISIT JACKSONVILLE Nature, Outdoors & History Group Tour Itinerary

Ranked as one of the nation's most value-friendly travel destinations, Jacksonville is home to 22 miles of relaxing beaches, unforgettable eco-adventures, world-class public art, deep rooted history, exciting attractions and the best dining scene in the region. Allow us to customize an exciting yet cost-effective itinerary packed with local experiences for you!



With 1,100 miles of navigable water, Jax has more shoreline than any other city in the nation. We are home to 22 miles of beaches, 40 miles of the Intracoastal Waterway, 50 public boat ramps, and the longest stretch of the St. Johns River in the state of Florida. Jacksonville is the birthplace of the Salt Life movement and Florida's best watersports getaway! These are not your grandparents' beaches. Come surf, kayak, paddleboard, swim, dive, boat, fish and explore Jacksonville's unique coastal shores. The city's main beaches are Jacksonville Beach, Neptune Beach, Mayport Beach and Atlantic Beach.



Visit the **Timucuan Ecological & Historic Preserve**, where groups can enjoy views of the nearly 46,000 acres of wetlands, waterways and wildlife. This national park has historical sites like the Fort Caroline National Memorial and the Kingsley Plantation, offering guided group tours and nature outings.

Tour Groups can explore the grounds at **Kingsley Plantation**, which include the slave quarters, barn, waterfront, plantation house, kitchen house, and interpretive garden. The visitor contact station/bookstore is located in a 1920s building adjacent to the plantation buildings. Plan to spend a minimum of two hours touring this attraction. Be sure that groups bring their cameras! 904-641-7155 12713 Fort Caroline Road, Jacksonville FL 32225



Adventure Kayak Florida's half day guided tours are 2-3 hours in duration and are offered at several locations around Jacksonville. Along your tour, your river guide will point out the variety of wading birds and birds of prey that you will see. History of the local area and creeks will be discussed, as well as plenty of stories of fun river adventures.

904)404-6177 www.adventurekayakflorida.com

Jacksonville offers a large array of activities from Nature & Outdoors, History & Culture to Science & Technology. To receive your complimentary customized group itinerary, e-mail Lorrie Allen at Lallen@visitjacksonville.com or call 904-421-9182

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The Jacksonville Arboretum & Gardens is a 120-acre urban woodland full of trails for you to explore and enjoy. From the trailhead next to the parking lot, a stabilized walkway encircles a beautiful two-acre lake. This trail gently descends about 25 feet from to the foot of the lake and then returns up a gentle slope on the opposite side to the trailhead. Interpretive signs and over 100 labeled plants enhance the loop. For detailed group tour questions please e-mail info@jacksonvillearboreturm.com

www.jacksonvillearboretum.org 1445 Millcoe Road, Jacksonville, FL 32225



After a hard day of historical sights and hands on activities your students can enjoy a relaxing sunset boat tour with the **St. Johns River Taxi** through downtown Jacksonville's riverbanks, while discovering city sights and its historic neighborhoods from the water. Listen to live music by local musicians, enjoy a guided nature talk and delight in the marine life that can only be found along the St. Johns River in downtown Jacksonville.

904-860-TAXI www.jaxrivertaxi.com



Catty Shack Ranch Wildlife Sanctuary is a non-profit organization with a mission: "to provide a safe, loving, forever home for endangered big cats, and to educate the public about their plight in the wild and captivity". Our primary focus is in the rescue of cats from serious situations. Once an animal is taken in at Catty Shack Ranch, they have a loving, forever home for life. Daytime Tours and Night Feeding tours are available for groups to see the big cats. 904-757-3603 www.cattyshack.org



Escape to the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens for the only walking safari in Northeast Florida. A true family adventure, the Zoo has something for everyone with over 2.400 rare and exotic animals and 1,000 varieties of plants. Whether you are a visitor to Florida's First Coast or a lifetime resident, we invite you to experience the Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens through interactions with people, wildlife and the environment.

904-757-4463 www.jacksonvillezoo.org