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## WEST ALABAMA

From the storied halls of the University of Alabama and the ancient city of Moundville; from the free-flowing Cahaba River and the Ironworks of Brierfield and Tannehill State Parks, from BBQ and sweet coconut pie, West Alabama awaits.



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## Discover Your Spirit

Meet West Alabama head on. There's Alabama Crimson Tide football and the beautiful campus of the University of Alabama. There's also the largest prehistoric city north of Mexico you'll find in North America, a free-flowing river that holds aquatic rarities such as the Cahaba Lily, walkable downtowns, fine dining, the best fishing and hunting around, bird-watching along the Alabama Birding Trail and Civil War & Civil Rights history.

## Close by, but miles away from it all

Just a short drive from Birmingham, the Mississippi state line and Mobile, there's so much to see and do.

## Don't Miss These Highlights

Moundville Archaeological Park  
UA Arboretum  
Pickensville Campground  
West Blocton Coke Ovens  
Cahaba River National Wildlife Refuge  
Safehouse Museum  
Sipsey River  
Fayette Aquatic Center  
Talladega National Forest

Historic Downtown Northport  
Nationally Acclaimed BBQ  
Pie Lab  
Kirkwood Mansion  
Backstreet Opry  
Sharktooth Creek Outdoor Adventures  
Auburn Rural Studio  
Aliceville POW Museum  
Mercedes-Benz Factory Tour & Museum



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# THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

## MUSEUMS

As objective, trustworthy sources of scientific and historical information, museums are one of the most important resources for educating the public. The University of Alabama Museums strives to provide hands-on learning resources to UA graduate and undergraduate students, faculty members, researchers and the community at all of its sites.

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### The Alabama Museum of Natural History

Established in 1821, AMNH is the third oldest museum in the United States. Among the items on display there is the Hodges Meteorite, the only documented meteorite in the world to have struck a human.



### Moundville Archaeological Park

At its peak around 1300 A.D., the site of Moundville was America's largest city north of Mexico. Here 3,000 people lived and produced beautiful works of art, many of which are now exhibited in the park's museum. Moundville continues to be the focus of important archaeological research by scientists from UA and other institutions.



### The Gorgas House Museum

The Gorgas House is one of four buildings to survive the burning of UA's campus by Union troops in 1865, seven days before the Civil War's end. The 1829 structure has served as a dining hall, post office, infirmary, private residence and now a museum.



### Mildred Westervelt Warner Transportation Museum

Once the Queen City Bath House and Pool, this museum is Tuscaloosa's only remaining Art Deco architecture. Architect Don Buel Schuyler, an apprentice of Frank Lloyd Wright, and Mildred Westervelt Warner built the structure in the late 1930s, and it reopened in 2011 as Tuscaloosa's own local history museum, illustrating the story of this industrious town alongside the Black Warrior River.



*Find the entire UA Museums Family on Facebook!*



# Visit West Alabama to Discover Your Spirit!

## Bibb

- Brierfield Ironworks Historical Park
- Cahaba National Wildlife Refuge
- West Blocton Coke Oven Park
- Tannehill Ironworks Historical Park
- Bibb Glades Birding

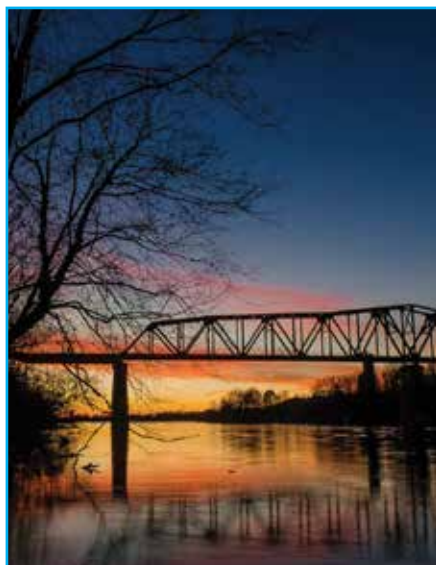
## Hale

- Pie Lab
- Moundville Archaeological Park
- Auburn's Rural Studio
- Magnolia Grove
- The Safehouse Museum
- HERO Bike Shop



## Greene

- Courthouse Antiques
- Kirkwood Mansion
- Everhope Plantation
- Vaughn-Morrow House
- Forkland Recreation Area and Campground



## Tuscaloosa

- Black Warrior River
- Tuscaloosa Riverwalk
- The University of Alabama
- Bryant Museum
- Lake Lurleen State Park
- Historic downtowns of Northport & Tuscaloosa
- Kentuck
- Tuscaloosa Museum of Art



## Pickens

- Aliceville POW Museum
- Carrollton Courthouse's "Face in the Window"
- Tom Bevil Lock and Dam Visitor Center
- Sharktooth Creek Adventures

## Fayette

- Fayette Aquatic Park
- Art Museum
- Sam's Smokehouse
- Downtown shopping
- Lisa's BBQ
- Multipurpose Complex



## Lamar

- Backstreet Opry
- Quail Valley Hunting Lodge
- Lamar Public Lake
- Fellowship Baptist Church Cemetery



# Sample Visit to West Alabama

## DAY ONE: Arrive and Explore

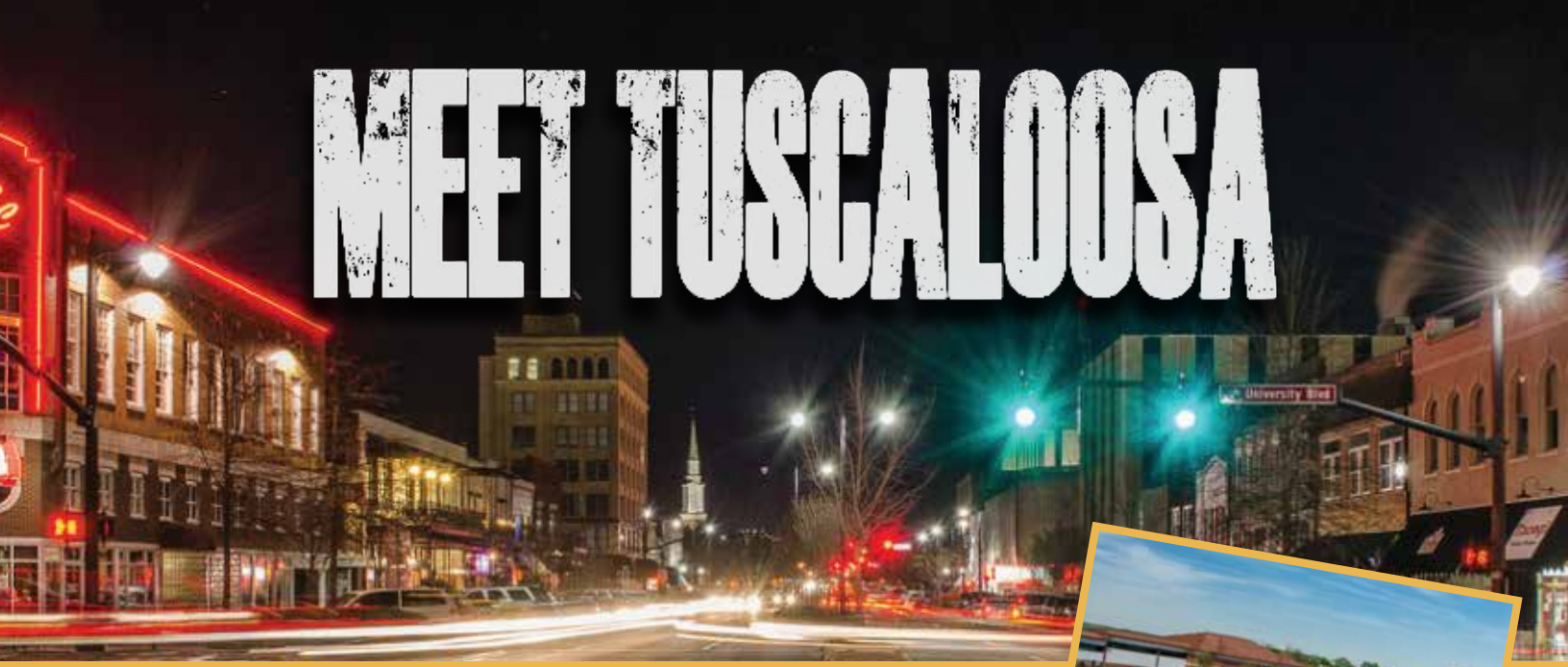
11:30 AM	Arrive in Tuscaloosa – Lunch at the Original Dreamland Barbecue where the description of the award winning ribs is “Ain’t nothin’ like ‘em nowhere!”
1:00 PM	Depart Dreamland for Tuscaloosa Riverwalk/Visitor Center <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Walk off that delicious barbecue lunch alongside the beautiful Black Warrior River with a stop to the Tuscaloosa Visitor Center for all the latest information, and a warm welcome to Tuscaloosa!</li> <li>Enjoy frozen yogurt at Orange Leaf</li> <li>Tour Mildred Westervelt-Warner Transportation Museum</li> </ul>
3:00 PM	Depart for Downtown Northport <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Walking Tour and shopping in Historic Downtown Northport. Visit to Kentuck Art Museum &amp; Gallery, the Northport Historic Depot and Northport Heritage Museum</li> <li>Stop at Billy’s Sports Bar for a refreshing cocktail before departing Northport!</li> </ul>
4:00 PM	Check in to hotel/freshen up for dinner
5:00 PM	Enjoy a catfish dinner at the legendary Cypress Inn overlooking the Black Warrior River
6:30 PM	Shop til you drop at Mid-town Village, The Shoppes at Legacy Park or University Mall!

## DAY TWO: History and Heroes

8:00 AM	Enjoy breakfast at Another Broken Egg Café – overlooking the beautiful Black Warrior River.
9:00 AM	Depart Tuscaloosa for a day in Moundville, AL/Greensboro, AL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Moundville Archaeological Park – 15 minutes from downtown Tuscaloosa lies a National Historic Landmark and one of the South’s most important historical sites. From 1000 AD to 1450 AD Native Americans formed what one day would become America.</li> </ul>
11:00 AM	Continue on to Greensboro, AL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lunch at the famous Pie Lab in downtown Greensboro and visit HERO Bike Shop.</li> <li>Tour Magnolia Grove, a Greek Revival mansion, circa 1840.</li> <li>Tour the Safe House Museum, where Martin Luther King spent a night in hiding just two weeks before his assassination.</li> </ul>
3:00 PM	Back to Tuscaloosa for a campus tour of the University of Alabama! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bryant-Denny Stadium and the Walk of Champions – where the legendary Crimson Tide football team plays.</li> <li>President’s Mansion – a beautiful antebellum mansion that has been home to the University of Alabama Presidents since 1831. Only four structures were not burned to the ground during the Civil War – and this was one! The others that remained were The Little Round House, The Gorgas House Museum which are just across the Quad from the President’s Mansion and Maxwell Hall.</li> <li>The Quad and Denny Chimes – the focal point of activity on the campus</li> <li>Foster Auditorium/Hood-Malone Plaza featuring the Authurine Lucy Clocktower – the site where Civil Rights history was made as Gov. George C. Wallace blocked the doors attempting to prevent two African-American students from enrolling.</li> <li>Bryant Museum – where the tale of American style football is unfolded in all its glory</li> </ul>
5:30 PM	Return to hotel to refresh for an evening in downtown T-town (that’s what the locals call Tuscaloosa!)
6:30 PM	Experience nightlife Downtown Tuscaloosa! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Savor the local beer at the Black Warrior Brewing Company</li> <li>Dinner at one of our outstanding local eateries</li> <li>Take in the sights and sounds of the Temerson Square Entertainment District</li> </ul>



# MEET TUSCALOOSA



## Hip & Historic

The City of Tuscaloosa may be known for its 15 national championships and the spirit of the Alabama Crimson Tide, but step outside of Bryant Denny Stadium and the beautiful campus of the University of Alabama, and enter a city thriving with culture and eclectic nightlife. From the Civil War to Civil Rights, Tuscaloosa's roots run deep in American history.



## Ttown Highlights

- Nationally acclaimed BBQ
- 2 Regional Art Festivals (DCAF & Kentuck)
- Outdoor Amphitheater overlooking Black Warrior River
- 4 Lakes within the county lines
- Walkable Downtown with multiple restaurants & bars
- 9 art galleries (including the Paul W. Bryant Museum)
- Mercedes-Benz Visitor Center
- Moundville Archaeological Park
- Foster Auditorium (location of the “stand in the schoolhouse door”)
- Bama Theater
- Riverwalk & Farmer’s Market
- Live music scene
- 3 local breweries (Druid City Brewing, Band of Brothers, & Black Warrior Brewing)
- 3 colleges (University of Alabama, Stillman College (HBCU), & Shelton State Community)
- Multiple collegiate, athletic national championships (including 15 UA football national championships)

## Easy to Find

Nestled next to the Black Warrior River, and 45 minutes away from Birmingham, Tuscaloosa is a contemporary history lesson waiting to be discovered.



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