

# 9-Day South & North Carolina Tennessee Tour (Atlanta Airport Pick Up) ( APGAS9 )

**Departure Date : Saturday**

**Price List: buy two get one free**

1st & 2nd Person	3rd Person	4th Person	Single
1278/person	0	708	1928

**Airport pickup information**

1. Complementary airport pickup is provided 9:00AM - 9:00PM at ATL Airport. You may have to wait for other guests.
2. Paid 24-hour pick-up and drop-off service is also available for \$120 for first two persons with \$20 for each additional person.

**Airport drop-off information**

Departure Date (Airport Pick-up)	Airport Drop-off Note	End Day
Saturday	Please book ATL Airport after 7:00PM flight	Sunday

**Itinerary Highlights**

- I. Exclusive tour! Official recommended! Visiting south & North Carolina and Tennessee.
- II. Visit the City of Atlanta, the most populous city in the Southeast of the US, and its popular attraction such as CNN headquarter, Georgia Aquarium, and World of Coca Cola.
- III. Visit historic city Charleston, experience the early history of colonial America.
- IV. "Gilded Age" Biltmore Estate, the biggest private estate in North America.
- V. Experience stunning views of natural wonders in South U.S.
- VI. Be in the National Park with most visitors in US -- Great Smoky Mountains.
- VII. Southern dinner show Dixie Stampede featuring America's civil war
- VIII. Tour in Lookout Mountain: Rock City, Ruby Falls, Incline Railway.
- IX. Adventure underground in gold mine.

# Itinerary

## Day 1 Home - Atlanta

Hotel : Wyndham Garden Duluth or equivalent

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Fly from home to Atlanta. For passengers arriving with domestic flights, please wait at Baggage Claim area (North Terminal may meet tour guide at gate N3, and South Terminal may meet tour guide at gate S4); for passengers taking International flight, please wait at the Gate A2 after retrieving your luggage.

## Day 2 Atlanta - Charleston

Hotel : Quality Inn Charleston Gateway or equivalent

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In the morning, we head to east and will arrive the oldest and largest city in South Carolina, Charleston. Charleston is known for its rich history, well-preserved architecture, distinguished restaurants, and mannerly people, Charleston is a popular tourist destination and has received many accolades, Charleston was ranked the "World's Best City" by Travel + Leisure.

First, we will visit an American heroine— **The USS Yorktown** (60 minutes), which is the tenth aircraft carrier to serve in the US Navy. And participated world war II and Vietnam. Climb aboard the **Carolina Belle Cruise** (90 minutes) to enjoy the beauty of the Charleston Harbor and learn the rich history of the Holy City. During the scenic and relaxing tour, you will see lots of landmarks and points of interest! The one-hour **Carriage tour** (60 minutes) of Charleston's historic district areas is an interesting blend of history combined with the witticism and humor of the tour guides.

## Day 3 Charlotte - Asheville

Hotel : Baymont by Wyndham Asheville/Biltmore or equivalent

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After departing from hotel, we will visit **Magnolia Plantation and Gardens** (90 minutes), which is selected as one of "America's Most Beautiful Gardens" (Travel + Leisure Magazine). Magnolia Plantation has survived the centuries and witnessed the history of our nation unfold before it from the American Revolution through the Civil War and beyond. It is the oldest public tourist site in the Lowcountry, and the oldest public gardens in America.

Later we will head for Charlotte, which is the largest city in North Carolina. Charlotte is home to the corporate headquarters of Bank of America and the east coast operations of Wells Fargo, which along with other financial institutions made it the second-largest banking center in the United States from 1995 to 2017 and the third-largest from 2017 to present.

In Charlotte, we will visit **NASCAR hall of Fame** (60 minutes), it wasn't just built to be a museum. It was built to be a shrine to the history, heritage, and future of the sport we love. And then we will stop by City Hall, bank of America headquarters.

## Day 4

### Asheville

Hotel : Baymont by Wyndham Asheville/Biltmore or equivalent

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Asheville is a city in western North Carolina's Blue Ridge Mountains. In the morning, we explore the city by foot, **walking tour** (80 mins) will provide lots of information about its vibrant arts scene and historic architecture.

We depart around noon to visit **Biltmore estate** (240 minutes), the main residence, is a Châteauesque-style mansion built by George Washington Vanderbilt II between 1889 and 1895 and is the largest privately-owned house in the United States. It stands today as one of the most prominent remaining examples of the Gilded Age. Also, we have a chance to visit Biltmore Winery which is the most visited winery in the country. ( Wine tasting MUST be 21+ years old)

Later we head to downtown Asheville, after enjoying this artc area we will go back the resort. In the evening, we will start our **Omni Grove Park Inn night tour** (90 minutes), The Grove Park Inn is an historic resort hotel on the western-facing slope of Sunset Mountain within the Blue Ridge Mountains. It has been visited by many United States' presidents and many other notable personages. Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the hotel is an example of the Arts and Crafts style.

## Day 5

### Great Smoky Mountain – Dixie Stampede

Hotel : Howard Johnson Pigeon Forge or equivalent

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The Great Smoky Mountains are a mountain range rising along the Tennessee–North Carolina border in the southeastern United States. With over 9 million visits per year, it is the most-visited national park in the United States.

In the morning we will visit **Titanic Museum** (60 minutes) in Pigeon Forge, and after having lunch in Gatlinburg, we will start to visit **the Great Smoky Mountain** (120 minutes), explore in Sugerlands Visitor Center, With the innovative itinerary, everyone has this unique chance to visit the most popular National Park. It is the major tourist attraction in the Eastern United States. From the platform, it allows visitors to see a 360-degree panorama of the surroundings, giving visitors a spectacular view and fresh air of the mountains. Open areas in the park offer some best opportunities to see wildlife, for example black bear, elk, white-tail deer, as well as over 1,500 kinds of wildflowers!

After a stop in Gatlinburg, TN, we will continue to Pigeon Forge, which is a family-friendly mountain town within the Smokies. Here you can attend the most visited dinner attraction in America (at your own expense): **Dixie Stampede** (180 minutes), dine in a dinner theatre where you can watch a brilliant show with 32 horses and a cast of top-notch riders plus a mouth-watering four-course feast complete with a delicious dessert! They will thrill you with daring feats of trick riding and competition, pitting North against South in a friendly and fun rivalry. You will also enjoy music, dancing, special effects and family friendly comedy along the way.

## Day 6

### Nashville

Hotel : Ramada Murfreesboro or equivalent

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From its very beginnings, Nashville grew from a foundation built on music. Music has been the common thread connecting the life and soul of the city and its people. And visitors have ventured here to experience the music that weaves such a fundamental pattern in its cultural, business and social fabric.

First, we will visit **Madame Tussauds Nashville** (60 minutes), the world's most famous wax attraction celebrating American music, is coming to Music City. This attraction focused solely on the lyrical legends that have shaped the musical landscape of America. Later we will visit **Musicians Hall of Fame and Museum** (60 minutes), is a premiere Nashville attraction and the one and only museum in the world that honors the talented musicians who played on the greatest recordings of all time.

We also have chance to visit **Tennessee State Capitol** (15 minutes) (exterior only) and stop by **John Seigenthaler Pedestrian Bridge** (15 minutes), the greatest spot to see the city.

After hotel checking in, we will start the **Nashville Night Tour** (120 minutes), before enjoying downtown Nashville, we will visit **The Parthenon** (15 minutes) which is a full-scale replica of the original Parthenon in Athens.

## Day 7

### Chattanooga - Atlanta

Hotel : Wyndham Garden Duluth or equivalent

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We will spend the day exploring Chattanooga, and the surrounding area. Our day includes heading to Lookout Mountain to take the Lookout Mountain Incline Railway, see the Ruby Falls as well as visit the Rock City

**Lookout Mountain Incline Railway** (30 minutes) -- This historic hilltop on the southern border of Tennessee has a colorful history as a place of importance during wartime. Most notably, it was the centerpiece of the Battle of Lookout Mountain during the American Civil War. This tram has been running almost continually since 1895 and except for an engine update in 1911, it hasn't changed very much in more than 100 years of operation. The ride stretches about one mile up the mountain and the incline reach a breathtaking 72.7% grade – almost straight up! Enjoy the “America’s Most Amazing Mile” aboard!

**Ruby Falls** (60 minutes) - a breathtaking 145-foot underground waterfall, is a natural wonder. It is located over 1,120 feet below the surface of Lookout Mountain. It is fed by rainwater and underground springs and the water from the falls eventually flows into the Tennessee River.

**Rock City** (60 minutes) - On the top of the Rock City, it is said seven neighboring states might be seen from Lover's Leap - you can find out whether it is true or not. However, we are sure you will be amazed by the breathtaking panoramic views of natural landscape, massive ancient rock formations, and gardens with over 400 native plant species.

## Day 8

### Atlanta City Tour

Hotel : Wyndham Garden Duluth or equivalent

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In the morning, we will visit **Georgia Institute of Technology** (40 minutes) which is one of the best institute of technology in the world. And in the one-day tour, we also will visit **Georgia State Capitol** (15 minutes) , **Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historical Park** (20 minutes) and **Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum** (30 minutes).

In the afternoon, we first visit Atlanta Olympic Park, **CNN Studios** (60 minutes) is right next to it, Journey behind the scenes of “The Worldwide Leader in News” to see how a news broadcast is put together and aired. Inside CNN Studios offers an exclusive look at the headquarters of one of the largest and most venerable news organizations in the world.

**Georgia Aquarium** (90 minutes) houses more than a hundred thousand animals and represents several thousand species. It was the largest aquarium in the world from its opening in 2005 until 2012. Later we will experience the history of the world's most famous soft drink at the dynamic, multimedia home of the 125-year-old secret formula for **Coca-Cola** (90 minutes). Get closer than ever before to the vault containing the secret recipe and see the fully functioning bottling line that produces a commemorative glass bottle of Coca-Cola for every guest.

## Day 9

### Gold Mine —Stone mountain

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In the morning, we head to north to Dahlonega which is a site of the first major U.S. Gold Rush.

**Dahlonega gold mine** (90 minutes) is the largest hard rock gold mine in east of the Mississippi. Head 200 feet underground and over 100 years back in time to experience life as a turn of the century gold miner. Tour guide will demonstrate how miners blasted quartz veins to uncover huge deposits of gold. After underground tour, our miners will teach you how to pan for gold.

At last, we arrive **Stone Mountain Park** (120 minutes), which is Georgia's most popular attraction and features a wide variety of activities. Located on 3,200 acres of natural beauty, adventure awaits as you discover interactive friendly attractions and many natural and historic sights.

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# Special Remarks

### Scenic Spots Notes:

1. Itinerary will be subject to traffic and weather. The sequence of the attractions might be changed according to actual and practical situation for better service.
2. In case of attraction closures (due to holidays or construction etc.), tour guide may make some necessary changes to the itinerary accordingly.

3. This tour doesn't accept any City Pass or your own tickets for the attractions. Guests must purchase admission tickets from tour guides.

**Refund Policy:**

1. If the weather condition, war, general strikes and other unforeseen circumstances interrupt the journey, our company reserve the right to rearrange the journey without refunding the tour fee.
2. If visitors cannot join the tour because of personal reason, the fee for hotels and transportation is not refundable.

**Tour fee notes:**

1. Tour fee only includes transportation & hotel.
2. Tour fee excludes the meals, attractions tickets, service fee (\$10/person/day), and any private expenses (such as hotel telephone charges, laundry etc.).

**Attraction Admission List**

Attraction	Adult	Senior (65+)	Children (3-12)
CNN Studio Tour	\$16.34	\$15.25	\$15.25(13-18) \$13.07(4-12)
Georgia Aquarium	\$43.15	\$39.91	\$36.67
World of Coca Cola	\$18.51	\$16.34	\$14.16
Jimmy Carter Museum	\$8.00	\$6.00	\$8.00
Dahlonega Consolidated Gold Mine	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$11.00 (4-14)
The USS Yorktown	\$22.00	\$17.00 (62+)	\$14.00 (6-11)
Historic Charleston Harbor Tour	\$27.56	\$25.97	\$20.14 (4-11)
Carriage Tour	\$27.56	\$27.56	\$16.96 (4-11)
Magnolia Plantation & Gardens	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$10.00 (6-12)
NASCAR Hall of Fame	\$25.00	\$22.00	\$18(8-12) \$12(3-7)
Asheville Walking Tour	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00
Biltmore Estate	\$69.55	\$69.55	\$34.77 (10-16)

Omni Grove Park Inn Night Tour	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00
Titanic Museum Pigeon Forge	\$24.00	\$24.00	\$15(5-12)
Great Smoky Mountain In-depth Tour	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$15
Dixie Stampede	\$66.84	\$66.84	\$41.46 ( 2-12 )
Madame Tussauds Nashville	\$20.76	\$20.76	\$15.30
Musicians Hall of Fame & Museum	\$24.00	\$20.00	\$14.00 (6-17)
Nashville Night Tour	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00
Ruby Falls	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$13.10
Rock City	\$22.00	\$22.00	\$13.10
Lookout Mountain Incline Railway	\$16.40	\$16.40	\$7.65

Price and schedule are subject to seasonal change without notice