

Spend 4  
Nights Here!



A Hit Mystery Tour Revealed!



# Gulf Getaway to Galveston

February 18 - 23, 2024 (6 days)



Take in Galveston's working harbor while we dine

## HIGHLIGHTS

4 Nights at Tremont House in Galveston

Galveston Railroad Museum

Moody Mansion Tour

Tour Galveston via 1908 Ford Model-T Prototype

Historic Harbor & Dolphin Watch Cruise

Clay Cup Studios Make n' Take

The Bryan Museum

Tall Ship Elissa Visit

Galveston's Seawall

NASA Space Center in Houston

Lone Star Flight Museum

## MAP AT A GLANCE



Swinging in the Texas sun!

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Galveston



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All sorts of creations wait to be made at Clay Cup Studios

## Day 1 – Home to Galveston, TX

As we escape Minnesota's cold and fly into Houston, we'll make our way to the Tremont House in Galveston with a stop at Buc-ee's along the way. Have fun picking out any items you may need for the next week in this unique convenience store. Then we check into the beautiful, luxurious Tremont House, an elegant hotel located inside an 1879 building in the Strand Historic District of Galveston! After you get settled into your lovely room, we will depart for our Welcome Dinner at Fisherman's Wharf, where we'll savor the scrumptious cuisine as well as the views of the bay!

**Included Meals: Dinner**

**Hotel: Tremont House (4 Nights)**

## Day 2 – Galveston

This morning after breakfast we'll visit the Galveston Railroad Museum, which traces its roots back to the 1896 depot and headquarters built by the Gulf, Colorado, and Santa Fe railroad. The depot and facility grew with the railroad, and by 1932 the company built the current art deco depot. Lunch will be served at a great deli right in the heart of historic Galveston. As we continue to learn about Galveston, we will visit Galveston's 28,000 square-foot, four-story Moody Mansion. This historic home was completed in 1895 and has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1994 and a Recorded Texas Historical Landmark since 1967. The Moodys established one of the great American financial empires. Based on cotton, it grew to include banking, ranching, insurance, newspaper publishing, railroading, and hotels. As we tour the Mansion, we'll explore 20 rooms depicting the home life of this powerful Texas family. This afternoon we will tour this historic and vibrant city via a prototype of the famed 1908 Ford Model-T. This golf cart vehicle truly pays homage to Henry Ford, retaining much of his noble and charming vision – what fun! Dinner and the evening are on your own.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch**



## Day 3 – Galveston

After breakfast we will take a short drive to Sea Wolf Park which is the home of the Galveston Naval Museum. We will enjoy a guided tour and learn about the submarine and crew of the USS Seawolf (SS-197), which was lost at sea during WWII. Three years later, the USS Stewart (DE-238) joined USS Cavalla to create a unique pair of warfighting vessels. Lunch today will be at Katie's Seafood. We will get the opportunity to eat the fresh catch of the day as the fisherman will catch it in the morning and we will enjoy it for lunch! Our reservation is right on the water, overlooking the very boats that went out to get our fish. We will then get out on the water ourselves and see Galveston Harbor up close aboard the Seagull II during our Historic Harbor Tour and Dolphin Watch cruise. Fast, stable, and sheltered, she was built specifically for harbor sight-seeing excursions and education and is a perfect platform for waterborne experiential learning. Returning, we will visit the Tall Ship *Elissa* for a self-guided tour. Launched in 1877, this three-masted barque is one of the oldest ships still sailing. Dinner tonight will be a hidden gem that R&J just loves, and you will too, before we head to Clay Cup Studios. Paint your own pottery or an Art'ini Wine Glass...or maybe you want to experience candle making! How about paint-



What fun we'll have touring around historic Galveston in our 1908 Ford Model T prototypes - seeing beautiful places like The George Manor below and the colorful home above!



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ing a sand dollar or creating a canvas painting? This is truly a fun night to enjoy with our fellow travelers.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner**

### Day 4 – Galveston

Our morning starts off with a visit to The Bryan Museum, where the history of Texas and the American West comes to life. Through world-class collections and exhibitions, we'll experience the stories of yesterday. Next, we are off to lunch at Galveston's Historic Star Drug Store... "The Oldest Drug Store In Texas." We then have time to experience downtown Galveston, which is called The Strand, where we'll find great shops - from vintage candy stores to boutiques, from great restaurants to unique finds. Next we take time to visit & browse the Seawall, returning to the hotel afterwards. The evening and dinner will be on your own.

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch**

### Day 5 – Galveston to Houston

Today we will depart Galveston and make our way Houston for a day of aviation. Our first stop will be at the NASA Space Center, a science museum that serves as the official visitor center of NASA Johnson Space Center. We are then off to Cracker Barrel, which is a favorite, before we head to the Lone Star Flight Museum for a self-guided tour of historically significant aircraft and artifacts related to the history of flight. We check in at the Drury Inn & Suites and enjoy their wonderful Kickback Reception, which is a complete light meal. Evening entertainment is planned!

**Included Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Drury Kickback**

**Hotel: Drury Inn & Suites**

### Day 6 – Houston to Home

Breakfast is served at the hotel before we make our way to airport for our flight home. Return home filled with grand memories of our Gulf Getaway to Galveston!

**Included Meals: Breakfast**



Tour Moody Mansion - completed in 1895



See ruins during our Historic Harbor & Dolphin Watch Cruise



The Historic Strand District



Explore Houston's NASA Space Center



Galveston Railroad Museum



Touring the Galveston Naval Museum



Bryan Museum

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### 2024 DATES & PRICES



DATES:	February 18 - 23, 2024 (6 Days)	
PRICE PER PERSON:	\$2,899 Double \$2,749 Triple	\$3,399 Single \$2,679 Quad
PRICE INCLUDES:	Roundtrip Airfare from MSP including baggage fees, taxes & surcharges, 11 Meals & 1 Kickback, Hotels & Activities as stated in brochure, Luxury Motorcoach	
DEPOSIT DUE PER PERSON:	\$200 deposit per person at time of reservation. Full payment due 60 days prior to departure.	
OPTIONAL TRAVEL PROTECTION P/P:	\$200 Double p/p	\$235 Single
TRAVEL BUCKS:	\$40 per person on future travel with R&J	
NEEDED TRAVEL DOCUMENTS:	A valid driver's license, government issued photo id, or a valid passport.	
TOUR PACE:	Moderate Walking	(See page 9 for description)

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