ARC Activity & Recreation Center presents...

Southern Charm

February 23 – March 1, 2026







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7 Days • 9 Meals: 6 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Historic Charleston, Choice on Tour: Walking Tour or Fort Sumter Cruise in Charleston, Boone Hall Plantation & Gardens, Savannah, Choice on Tour: Savannah Trolley Tour or Haunted Savannah Walking Tour, St. Simons Island, Jekyll Island

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

- Days 1, 2 Emeline Hotel Charleston, Charleston, South
- Days 3, 4 Cambria Savannah Historic District, Savannah,Georgia
- Days 5, 6 Jekyll Island Club, Jekyll Island, Georgia

 On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Monday, February 23, 2026 Charleston, South Carolina Experience warm Southern hospitality in America's southeast. Come to know its rich history and deep traditions on this tour highlighted by stays in Charleston, Savannah, and Jekyll Island. Arrive in Charleston, a city that has defied all odds. Charleston has survived the Civil War, major fires, an earthquake, and hurricanes

– and still exudes elegance, charm, and grace. If arriving early in the day, perhaps you'll venture out on your own to Patriot's Point Naval Museum or the Aiken-Rhett House before settling into your accommodations in the Historic District.

Day 2: Tuesday, February 24, 2026 Charleston Decide how to see the city because it's your choice! Stroll through Charleston's historic center with a local guide, exploring hidden alleys and quaint areas that are only accessible by foot -OR- take a harbor cruise to Fort Sumter, where the first fired shots of the Civil War were fired, and chat with a ranger before exploring on your own. Later, make your way to bustling City Market, one of the country's oldest public markets and the central hub for Gullah sweetgrass basketry – an intricate handicraft of African origin. Explore Boone Hall Plantation and Gardens, where you'll experience Southern living as you come to know one of America's oldest plantations. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 3: Wednesday, February 25, 2026 Charleston - Savannah, Georgia Enjoy a morning at leisure to explore Charleston on your own. Perhaps you will join an optional horse-and-carriage tour with lunch. Then, travel down the coast through South Carolina's Low Country to historic Savannah. This evening, spend some time exploring Factors Walk and River Street, where old cotton warehouses have been converted into trendy shops, taverns, and restaurants. Tonight, gather at a popular local restaurant on Savannah's famous River Street for a cooking demonstration and dinner showcasing regional specialties. (B, D)

Day 4: Thursday, February 26, 2026 Savannah This morning, it's your choice! Take in the southern charm of Savannah's Historic District on a nostalgic, narrated trolley ride -OR- on a walking tour highlighting Savannah's haunted side. Either way, lively, informative commentary brings the city to life as you travel along the cobblestone-paved streets and beneath moss-draped oaks. Allow the stately mansions, beautiful squares, and romantic riverfront promenades to capture your heart. Both tours will end at the Mercer Williams House, where you will receive a guided tour of the famed home from Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil. The rest of the afternoon and evening is yours to do as you wish. (B)

Day 5: Friday, February 27, 2026 Savannah - St. Simons Island - Jekyll Island Before saying so long to Savannah, stop at the Pin Point Heritage Museum to learn about the Gullah Geechee people. Then journey to Georgia's legendary Gold Coast and visit the quaint St. Simons Island. Enjoy time to explore the area on your own, meandering along the unique shops and restaurants in the village. Continue on to the exclusive Jekyll Island Club hotel, your home for the next two nights. (B)

Day 6: Saturday, February 28, 2026 Jekyll Island Situated grandly in the middle of the Golden Isles, Jekyll Island was once the beloved vacation spot for prominent families, including the Rockefellers, Vanderbilts and J.P. Morgan. With a morning at leisure, enjoy the old-world atmosphere of this iconic resort. Gather for a tram ride that brings you on a tour of the island and the Jekyll Island Historic Landmark District – one of the nation's largest restoration projects. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner at the Jekyll Island Club hotel. (B, D)

Day 7: Sunday, March 1, 2026 Jekyll Island - Jacksonville, Florida - Tour Ends As your tour draws to a close, leave for home with memories of a trip well-traveled. Your days spent experiencing true southern charm and gracious hospitality will stay dear to your heart for years to come. (B)







Book Now & Save \$350 Per Person:

Double \$4,049; Double \$3,699* Single \$5,049; Triple \$3,649

For bookings made after Sep 23, 2025 call for rates.

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from OHare Intl Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers **Not included in price:** Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$429 per person

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from ORD

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is guaranteed once deposit is received and booking confirmed by Collette. Your price is not subject to increase after the deposit is received and booking confirmed, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. (See registration form for consent.)

PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Sep 23, 2025, valid on air inclusive packages only.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour, covering up to two miles (with included breaks). You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. There may be 1 to 2 days on this tour when walking tours can cover 3 to 4 miles over uneven terrain. Expect some full days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

Travel with an average of 37 people (maximum of 44).

Should you choose the walking tour in Charleston, expect to walk up to two and a half miles with few included stops.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

Due to flight schedules, a pre-night in Charleston may be required (at an additional cost). Please inquire at the time of booking.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your

own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Due to tour scheduling, return flights should be booked after 12:00 p.m.

IDENTIFICATION

Travel within USA

For travel completed by May 6, 2025, all airlines will ask for identification when you check in. It is recommended that you carry a passport if you have one. A driver's license (with a photo I.D.) is also acceptable for domestic flights.

Effective for travel May 7, 2025 forward, the REAL ID Act standards for identification while travelling will be in effect. This means a standard issued driver's license used as a form of identification will no longer be accepted for domestic air travel within the United States. Instead, a Real ID compliant form of identification must be presented both at the time of booking air travel with Collette and upon checking in at the airport to board any flight. Any fees associated with changing a reservation resulting from a non-compliant identification will be the responsibility of the guest. For more information on Real ID, please visit the Department of Homeland Security website: https://www.dhs.gov/real-id

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

Experience It! Jekyll Island

Situated in the Atlantic Ocean off the Georgia coast lies Jekyll Island, the smallest of Georgia's barrier islands. In 1886, Jekyll Island was transformed from a quiet little island into an exclusive winter retreat for America's rich and famous and became known as the Jekyll Island Club. The Rockefellers, Morgans and Pulitzers were a few of the families that vacationed here in its heyday. Today, the island is owned by the State of Georgia which has implemented restrictions on development that leaves one third of the island to nature preserves. Its open spaces, pristine beaches, quaint shopping and dining district, and a fascinating historical museum have made this island flourish over the recent decades.

For more information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1301560

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the seat reduction date of September 16, 2025 are based upon availability. Final payment due by November 25, 2025. Deposits are refundable up until September 23, 2025.	
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BOOKING NUMBER: 1301560 TOUR: Southern Charm featuring Charleston, Savannah

& Jekyll Island

DEPARTURE DATE: February 23, 2026 GROUP NAME: ARC Activity & Recreation Center

Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.



Historic Charleston Carriage Ride & Southern BBQ Lunch \$119 USD

Discover beautiful Charleston on a horse-drawn carriage ride followed by a Southern barbeque lunch. First, take your seat for a carriage tour of Charleston and settle into the relaxed pace as you absorb the timeless charm of this enchanting city. Your carriage driver will bring stories of Charleston to life with commentary as you pass by mansions, churches, and parks. Afterward, enjoy a hearty lunch of traditional Southern barbeque. Experience the flavors and hospitality that go hand in hand with this staple of Southern culture. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 15 passengers is required. Transportation is included.



Special Needs Form

Please complete this form, sign and return it to us within 14 days of receipt.

Email: <u>TravelOperations@collette.com</u>

Fax: 401.727.4745

Mail: Collette: Travel Operations

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TRAVELERS NEEDING SPECIAL ASSISTANCE

You must report any disability requiring special attention to Collette at the time the reservation is made. *Collette will make reasonable efforts to accommodate the special needs of tour participants. Such participants, however, should be aware that the Americans with Disabilities Act is inapplicable outside of the United States and facilities outside the United States for disabled individuals are limited. It is strongly recommended that persons requiring assistance be accompanied by a companion who is capable of and totally responsible for providing the assistance. Neither Collette nor its personnel, nor its suppliers, may physically lift or assist clients into transportation vehicles. If a traveler thinks he or she might need assistance during a trip, he or she should call Collette to determine what assistance might reasonably be given. Collette cannot provide special individual assistance to tour members with special needs for walking, dining, or other routine activities. Internationally, a great deal of walking may be necessary to fully enjoy the destination. Travelers should be in good health and must be able to walk reasonable distances. In some areas, travelers may be required to walk on uneven ground, cobblestone streets or raised thresholds.

*To request a wheelchair accessible room on a cruise, the traveler or person sharing the room must have a recognized disability that alters a major life function and requires the use of a mobility device and the use of the accessible features provided in the wheelchair accessible stateroom. The cruise company may take appropriate action against someone who has reserved or purchased such a stateroom fraudulently. Action may include but is not limited to removal from the stateroom to a non-accessible accommodation up to denial of boarding.

Reservation #	
Name:	Male or Female (circle one)

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 Walk-in shower 	Yes N	No		
 Grab bars 	Yes No)		
 Raised toilet seat 	Yes	No		
Please provide any details in l	reference to t	he nature o	f your request.	

Most hotel rooms that can accommodate the request will be equipped with only 1 bed.

Do you understand and accept? Yes No

Collette cannot guarantee the availability of such rooms as many hotels have a limited number of rooms that are equipped with the above accommodations.

Are you traveling with an oxygen tank? Yes No

If you answer "YES"

I have read and understand the above:

- You must contact the airline directly to arrange transportation of the oxygen on the plane. Oxygen requests vary by airline and location and can take up to 2 weeks to request.
- You are responsible for supplying your own electrical cords, and converters as needed.

This form must be remitted within 14 days of receipt for any special needs accommodation request.

Collette cannot provide special individual assistance to tour members with special needs for walking, dining, or other routine activities and motorized scooters are not permitted on tour.

The Americans with Disabilities Act only applies in the United States. Many international destinations cannot accommodate passengers' requests. Collette will make all reasonable efforts to accommodate the special needs of tour participants, but we cannot guarantee that all requests will be honored on international destinations. Collette also regrets that it cannot provide individual assistance to a tour member with special needs for walking, dining, or other special personal needs. It is strongly recommended that persons requiring assistance be accompanied by a companion who is capable and totally responsible for the assistance.