



# Forest Gump Shrimp Festival

September 30 – October 6, 2027

7 Days / 6 Nights

## Day #1 – Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>:

- 6:00 AM** Depart Peoria from Peoria Charter, 2600 NE Adams Street  
**6:25 AM** Depart Morton from Wal Mart, 155 E Courtland Street (behind Culvers)  
**7:00 AM** Depart Normal from Schnuck's off Raab Road, 1750 Bradford Lane  
**8:00 AM** Depart Urbana from Peoria Charter, 1910 N. Federal Drive traveling southeast to our overnight stop in Corbin, KY. We'll make rest & meal stops along the way as needed. *Note: Don't forget to set your watches ahead an hour as we enter the Eastern Time Zone.*
- 5:30 PM** We arrive in Corbin at our hotel (TBD) for the night. Dinner is on your own tonight.

## Day #2 – Friday, October 1<sup>st</sup>:

**Breakfast\*** is included at the hotel. We check out and depart for our destination in Beaufort, South Carolina. We'll make rest & meal stops along the way as needed. We'll spend 4 nights at the hotel. **Dinner\*** is included at a local restaurant.

## Day #3 – Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>:

**Breakfast\*** is served at the hotel this morning before we depart for the **Beaufort History Museum for a tour\***. Located inside The Arsenal, built in 1798, the Beaufort History Museum features exhibits on its history & culture. Next, we'll spend "free time" at the **Shrimp Festival\***. Lunch is on your own at the Shrimp Festival. **Dinner\*** is at a local restaurant.



## Day #4 – Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>:

**Breakfast\*** is included this morning before we depart for Savannah, Georgia. Upon arrival, we'll **tour The Savannah History Museum\***. This museum showcases the city's history from its founding in 1733 to the present day, and has everything from an interactive component about Native American cultures to a

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1902 Crestmobile, a car that pre-dates the Ford Model A. Next, we'll visit **Chippewa Square\***. General James Edward Oglethorpe founded Savannah in 1773. He designed his new capital as a series of neighborhoods centered around 24 squares. Chippewa Square is at the center of the downtown historic district. The square is also at the center of Savannah's nightlife and entertainment, largely in part because of the Historic Savannah Theatre. The Savannah Theatre is the oldest theatre in the U.S. and still produces shows nightly. The square is also known for the famous park bench scenes from the critically acclaimed Forrest Gump film. Tom Hanks, who plays Forrest, sits on this park bench for 80% of the film telling his life story to anyone who will listen. The bench that Hanks/Forrest sat on was actually a movie prop that has since been placed in the Savannah History Museum. But the location of the bench for the movie in Chippewa Square is still a popular spot for photographs. Lunch is on your own today. Later, we'll enjoy a 1-1/2 hour **Sightseeing Cruise\***. Here the Captain's intriguing tales and historic facts about Savannah's modern port and the ships that visit from all over the world. Then make your way down river to Old Fort Jackson, home of one of the largest and oldest original artillery pieces in the country! **Dinner\*** is included at a local restaurant.

#### **Day #5 – Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>:**

**Breakfast\*** is included this morning before heading out for our **Hunting Island Dolphin Cruise\***. We begin at Coastal Expeditions. During your time there, not only will you have the opportunity to see dolphins, you will see a lot of wildlife! This rich habitat attracts bald eagles, ospreys, pelicans, blue crabs, herons, ibises and more. Their guides will deepen our understanding of the area's ecology by sharing about the local islands and waterways, how they were formed, and what unique features make for an ideal wildlife habitat. You'll also learn from their guides about the shrimping history of Beaufort. Next, we'll enjoy a **Shrimp Boatdock Tour\***. You'll visit Gay's Seafood Market and Shrimp Docks on Saint Helena Island. Here you will meet a direct descendent of John H Gay Sr., founder of Gay Fish Company in 1948. You'll have the opportunity to view the receipts for shrimp purchased by Paramount Pictures for the filming of Forrest Gump. You'll learn how shrimp are caught, sorted, and readied for sale. **Lunch\*** is included at a local restaurant. This afternoon we'll meet our **local guide\*** and begin our **tour in Lucy Creek\***, which can be seen in several scenes in the film with Forrest's shrimp boat, Jenny. While in Lucy Creek, you'll also see Bubba's Mama's House and Forrest's Mama's House. **Dinner with Forrest Gump\*** is included this evening.



**Day #6 – Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup>:**

**Breakfast\*** is included at the hotel before we check out and depart for home. We make our way back to Corbin, Kentucky for our overnight stay. We'll make rest & meal stops along the way as needed. Upon arrival, we'll check into our hotel (TBD) for the night.

**Day #7 – Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>:**

**Breakfast\*** is included at the hotel before we check out and depart for home. We'll make rest & meal stops along the way as needed. *Note: Don't forget to set your watches back an hour as we re-enter the Central Time Zone.*

**4:00 PM** Approximate return time in Urbana.  
**5:00 PM** Approximate return time in Normal.  
**5:45 PM** Approximate return time in Morton.  
**6:15 PM** Approximate return time in Peoria.

**Cost Per Person:**

**Single: \$2950.00 Double: \$2275.00 Triple: \$2045.00 Quad: \$1930.00**

**Tour Includes: Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation, Professional Driver & Tour Hosts, Hotel Accommodations, All Attractions & Meals in bold print and marked with an asterisk\*.**

**If you feel the Driver & Tour Hosts have done a good job, it is appropriate & appreciated if you tip them. We suggest \$4 per customer per day for the Driver & \$4 per customer per day for the Tour Hosts on this trip.**

**Hotels:  
To be determined**

