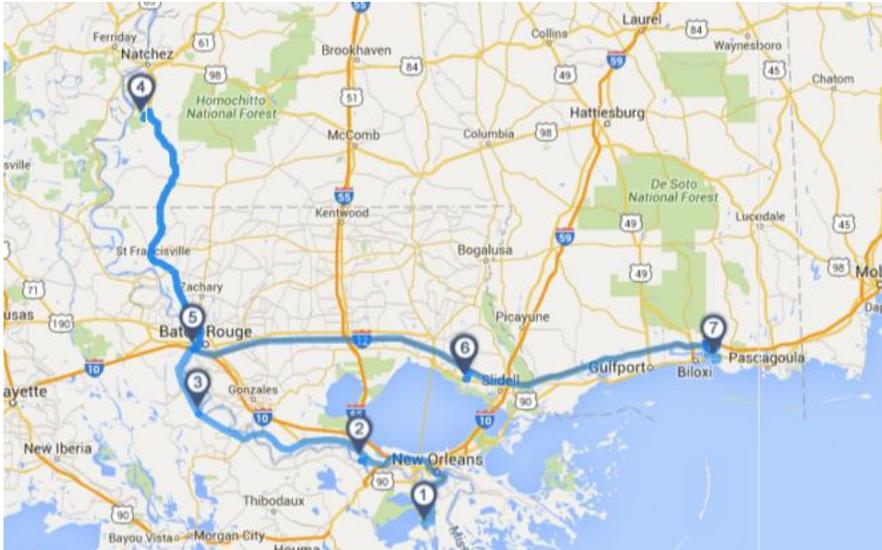




## New Orleans Roundabout

*Historic sites, abundant wildlife, picnic areas and more*



### HIGHLIGHTS

Within two hours of New Orleans, and even within city limits, you may be surprised to find abundant wildlife, spectacular views and historic attractions.

### KEY POINTS OF INTEREST

- Nesting grounds for hundreds of bird species
- Thousands of acres of cypress-tupelo swamp habitat and bottomland hardwood forests
- Fishing, bird-watching and sightseeing
- Intriguing historic sites

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### Historically Important and Loads of Outdoor Recreation

Spread over six separate areas, the [Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve](#) provides visitors with a sense for the lives and culture of entire New Orleans area. Located along the Mississippi River, the [Bonnet Carre' Spillway](#) is an important area for flood control and has also become a popular recreation destination for off-highway vehicles, hiking, hunting, camping, fishing and more.



Jean Lafitte National Historic Park and Preserve (National Park Service)



OHV rider at Bonnet Carre' Spillway (US Army Corps of Engineers)

### Magnificent Antebellum Mansion

Step back in time as you experience the history and hospitality at the [Nottoway Plantation and Resort](#). With original antiques and furnishings, this stunning hotel located just outside of New Orleans is surrounded by colorful gardens and complete with luxurious resort amenities.

Nottoway Plantation and Resort  
(Historic Hotels of America)



### Big Trees and Grand Lodging!

The [Cat Island National Wildlife Refuge](#) is located about 30 miles (48 km) north of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and is home to the largest tree of any species east of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. After a day of viewing wildlife and big trees at the refuge, spend an evening in luxury with a night at the historic [Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center](#) overlooking the mighty Mississippi River.



National Champion Bald Cypress Tree  
(Cat Island National Wildlife Refuge)



Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center  
(Historic Hotels of America)

### Unique Wildlife and Tranquil Camping

The [Bogue Chitto National Wildlife Refuge](#) is one of the least disturbed southern swamplands in the USA. Visitors may hike along bluffs to scenic vistas, encounter the gopher tortoise and ringed-sawback turtle or even catch a Gulf sturgeon. The [Davis Bayou Campground](#) is part of the [Gulf Islands National Seashore](#) and is nestled among live oaks and pine trees and is adjacent to a saltwater marsh. This quaint campground is open year-round and features 52 campsites with electric and water hookups.



Gulf sturgeon, Bogue Chitto National Wildlife Refuge  
(US Fish and Wildlife Service)



Davis Bayou Campground, Gulf Islands National Seashore  
(National Park Service)



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