

# EPWORTH BY THE SEA

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**3 DAYS NOVEMBER 13 -15, 2022**

**INCLUDES: 6 meals (2B, 2L & 2D) Two-night stay at 100% Smoke Free Turner Lodge at Epworth By The Sea. Turner Lodge is located on the banks of the scenic, historic Frederica River on St. Simon's Island in Georgia's beautiful Golden Isles. During this tour we pass through Brunswick GA, home of the Port of Brunswick, one of the busiest for car import and export in the country. We will visit Jekyll Island & Christ Church where famous author Eugenia Price is buried in the church cemetery. A guided tour of St. Simons Island, with local step-on guide.**

Day One - On this first day together, we travel to **Epworth by the Sea**, a beautiful retreat located on the banks of the historic Frederica River. On our way to Epworth, we will take a driving tour of **Jekyll Island** – southernmost of the **Golden Isles**. Jekyll Island is home to a splendid, restored Historic District, known as "Millionaires Village". Jekyll Island became an exclusive, secluded resort for millionaires such as J.P. Morgan, William K. Vanderbilt, Marshall Field, William Rockefeller (younger brother of John D.), John Jacob Astor, Andrew Carnegie, Frank Henry Goodyear. Continuing, Epworth By The Sea is a ministry owned and operated by the South Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church, built on the site of the Hamilton Plantation. The property was purchased on October 29, 1949, and the gates opened in 1950. This beautiful, riverfront property is home to many destination weddings. Tonight's **Dinner is included at Epworth By The Sea** as well as **all three meals on Day Two and Breakfast and Lunch on Day Three**. Our home for two nights will be in **Turner Lodge**. This is **Epworth's** newest and most popular accommodation. The rooms have a private balcony with unrestricted views of the historic Frederica river and *Marshes of Glynn*. "The **Marshes of Glynn**" is one of Sidney Lanier's poems featured in Hymns of the Marshes, an unfinished set of lyrical nature

poems that describe the open salt **marshes of Glynn** County in coastal Georgia. The poem describes a marsh in detail, while evoking senses of patience and common decency.

Day Two – After **Breakfast**, this will be an action-packed day. **St. Simons Island** offers up more historic touring and we'll be picking up a local, professional guide to enhance the experience. There is much to see here including: Avenue of the Oaks and Christ Church where docents may be available for tours. In 1736 John and Charles Wesley, chaplains to Gen. James Oglethorpe's settlers at Ft. Frederica, held services under the oak trees at the location of the present church. **Christ Church** was erected in 1883 by Anson Phelps Dodge, Jr. as a memorial to his first wife. The famous author **Eugenia Price**, best known for her historical novels set in the American South, is buried in the church cemetery. We will stop for some free time today at St. Simons Town Center with many shops and it's original, working 1872 lighthouse. Today's lunch and dinner are also included and will be enjoyed at beautiful, tranquil **Epworth By The Sea**.

Day Three – We will spend more time enjoying the gorgeous St. Simon's Island and Epworth By The Sea with **Breakfast and Lunch** included before departing to return to Florida and our homes. You may wish to spend our final morning here taking in the different features at the expansive property. You'll have great opportunities for taking beautiful photos. You'll find nice fishing piers, a museum and a chapel as well as lovely walking trails along the river. Thank you for choosing **Travel Is Fun Tours** for your visit to beautiful **Epworth By The Sea**.

**COST: \$529 Per Person Twin / \$639 Per Person Single**

Please pay deposit of \$100 to secure a seat, balance due 8-8-2022

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