

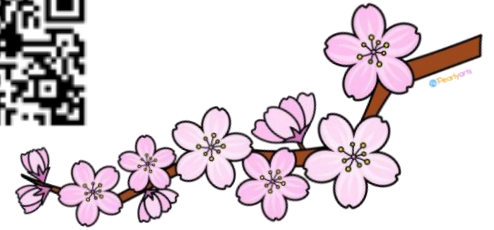
BLOSSOMS OF THE SOUTH, HISTORIC MACON, ZOO ATLANTA & MORE!!!

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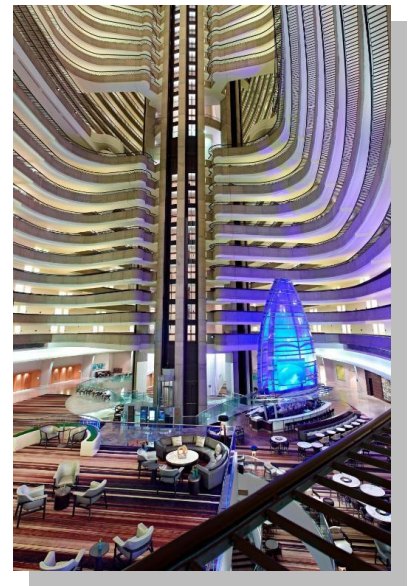
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March 14-18, 2024 5 DAYS

Includes: 7 Meals (4B, 3D), 2 nt. stay (Hilton Garden Inn) in Macon during Cherry Blossom Festival with 100 times more Cherry Blossom trees than Washington DC!, with guided tour and visit to the Hay House, Two Drury Nights, Drury Atlanta Airport & Drury Valdosta. Each area we visit will be in full bloom with flowers indigenous to that region. Plus, a day at world famous ZooAtlanta to see the Pandas (While they are still here) And much more!

Day One – On this first day together, we travel to the **Drury Inn Atlanta Airport** Location, a smoke-free property. This is to be our home for one night, with full **breakfast included** in the morning. Drury Inns are offering their guests an incredible array of amenities, including: arrival refreshments, complimentary in-room coffee, deluxe continental breakfast (hot & cold), free long-distance calls (60 minutes per room, per night) also, evening beverages and the FREE 5:30 **KICKBACK** from 5:30 – 7:00 PM. Drury has increased their evening food offerings to always include salad and baked potato bar, nacho bar, snack mix, chips, carrots, celery and dip. There will also be items such as broccoli cheddar soup, macaroni and cheese, breaded chicken strips, boneless chicken wings, and chili-dogs offered on a rotating basis. We will call this our “Drury Dinner”. The delicious, very deluxe continental breakfast Drury has always offered includes eggs, sausage, self-serve waffle maker, yogurt, fresh fruit, juices, milk & cereal, bagels, biscuits and gravy and more. After the Drury Dinner we’ll take an evening driving tour of Downtown Atlanta to take in the lights & a short stop at the fabulous **Marriott Marquis** with its 52 story Atrium as seen in film and television and drop by the Pulse Bar for a quick cocktail if you wish before heading back for a good night’s rest.



Day Two – After our delicious, included breakfast, we will be checking out and on to a Day of Adventure – We will be visiting the World-Famous **Zoo Atlanta!** Home to one of the very few families of **Chinese Pandas** living in the US. Come see them before they return to their homeland at the end of 2024! The Zoo is home to more than 1,000 animals representing more than **200 species** from around the world, many of them endangered or critically endangered. Highlights include giant pandas; one of North America’s largest zoological populations of **great apes**; and a global center of excellence for the care and study of reptiles and amphibians. Recent transformations include the **African Savanna**, featuring new and expanded habitats for African elephants, giraffes, zebras, ostriches, warthogs, meerkats, and rhinos! Lunch will be on your own at Zoo Atlanta. We will depart this afternoon for Macon!



Our home for the next two nights will be the delightful **Hilton Garden Inn** Located walking distance from **Mercer University** on the Mercer University Campus. Football and baseball games at Five Star Stadium and Claude Smith Field are a two-minute walk away, and Downtown Macon is a 10-minute drive. Enjoy included breakfast at the Garden Grille & Bar, our outdoor pool, and our fitness

center featuring a Peloton® Bike with toe cages. WIFI's on us. After we check in we will enjoy a delicious, included dinner at the nearby S&S Cafeteria. Customers can choose their favorites from a flexible menu that includes Southern classics like fried chicken and mac 'n cheese, desserts such as lemon pie and peach cobbler, as well as holiday staples like roasted turkey breast and sliced ham. After dinner we'll take a scenic route back to the hotel to enjoy Macon!

Day Three – After a delicious Included Breakfast we will board our coach for a guided tour of Macon. Our knowledgeable local guide will make sure we see plenty of beautiful cherry blossoms while learning about this historic Southern city. The tour will also include the Cherry Blossom Riding Trail where the highest concentration of Macon's Yoshino Cherry Trees are found. Enjoy the magnificent beauty of over 300,000 flowering trees during the **Pinkest Party on Earth!** Our tour of Macon will also include a visit to the **Hay House** known as "**The Palace of the South**". This historic residence was built 155 years ago atop Coleman Hill in downtown Macon. The 18,000 square-foot, 24 room home designed by the New York architect T. Thomas and Son has four levels and is crowned by a three-story cupola. Commissioned by imaginative owners and constructed by the most skillful workers of the time, its technological amenities were unsurpassed in the mid-nineteenth century: hot and cold running water, central heat, a speaker-tube system connecting 15 rooms, a French lift equivalent to today's elevator, in-house kitchen, and an elaborate ventilation system. The ongoing restoration of the **Hay House** is a labor of love by The Georgia



Trust, who received the home in 1977. The work is always done with care to maintain the home's historic integrity. After our memorable visit to Hay House, we will have free time to explore the **Cherry Blossom Festival grounds** & maybe see the Wiener Dog Races, Trash Can Trot & Bed Races! After a day of sights & adventure it's back to the Hilton. Dinner is on your own tonight. Choose from the hotel restaurant conveniently located in the lobby or one of several local restaurants a short Uber ride from our hotel.



Day Four – After our full, hot breakfast we will take some time to enjoy the beautiful scenery of Macon in full bloom! Next Stop Tifton for a late lunch. You'll have your choice of a Golden Corral, Southern Buffet or several other restaurants. After Lunch we will get a shopping stop at a Travel Is Fun Favorite – Adcock Pecans! Finally, we will head to Valdosta, GA for a good night's rest at the Drury Inn Valdosta. Enjoy your 5:30 Kickback and reminisce with your new friends about all the wonderful things you've seen!!!

Day Five - After our included, hot breakfast, we will begin our journey home. Stops will include Cracker Barrel for lunch and Russel Stover Candy Outlet. After our scenic ride, with appropriate stops, we arrive back in St. Petersburg with our gorgeous memories of the many **Blossoms of the South**. Thank you for traveling with Travel Is Fun Tours!

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