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A man with a beard, wearing a blue life vest and a cap, is paddling a bright yellow kayak through a large, dark hollow formed by the massive, gnarled roots of a tree. The scene is set in a lush, green forest. The text "Feed your soul." is written in a white, handwritten-style font across the upper middle of the image.

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ON THE COVER

Santa Maria Golf Course in Baton Rouge, a member of the Audubon Golf Trail.



Warmest Greetings!

I am thrilled you are interested in playing golf in Louisiana. You are in for a treat -- from the scenic wetlands and river basins in the south to the rolling hills and lakes of north Louisiana, a golf experience awaits as diverse as Louisiana itself!

The directory will give you an idea of the abundant golf courses that are located throughout Louisiana, including 15 golf courses that form our popular Audubon Golf Trail.

After your day's golf rounds, I invite you to feed your soul with Louisiana's foods, music and joie de vivre.

For more information about golfing and exploring our unique Louisiana courses visit AudubonGolf.com.

We hope you enjoy all that our state has to offer.

Billy Nungesser
 Lt. Governor



LOUISIANA'S Official Golf Guide

Contraband Bayou at L'Auberge Casino Resort

Louisiana boasts golf courses as unique as the state itself. The Audubon Golf Trail and the many other exciting world-class golf courses and golf resorts give new meaning to our nickname, “Sportsman’s Paradise.”

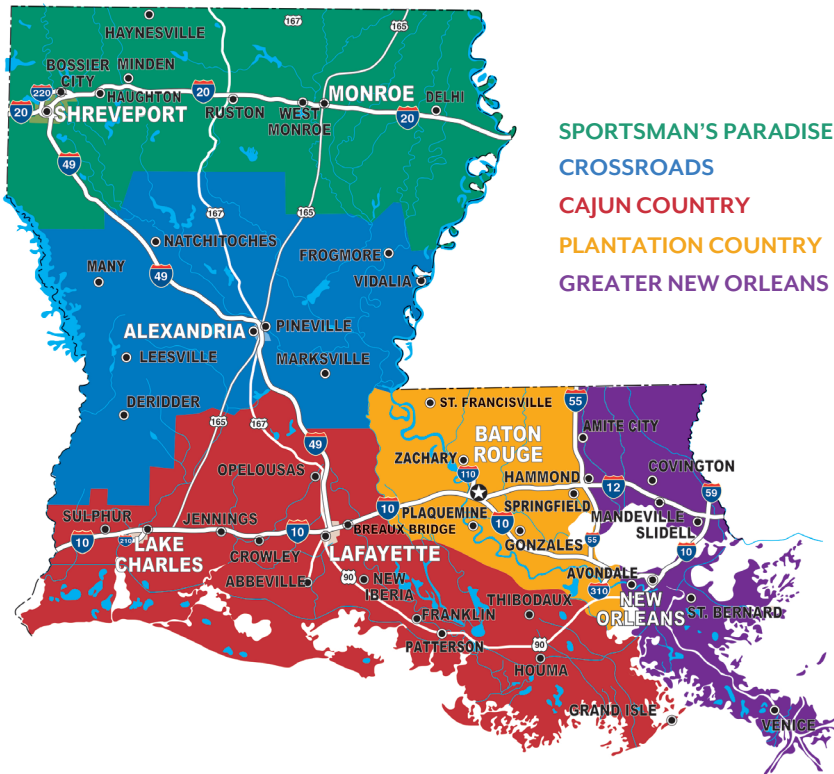
Mix a pinch of sand from the bunker, a divot from the fairway and the scent of pine from the air and you’ve got the makings of an intoxicating round of golf that can only be conjured in Louisiana. But it’s not voodoo or magic that makes this so, it’s that our roots run deep and our joie de vivre or “joy of life” comes naturally.

Golf addicts can get their fix in many places, but Louisiana offers so much more than the average golf destination. Off the course attractions include riverboat casinos and exciting racetracks, the Mighty Mississippi and the French Quarter, live music venues and Culinary Trails, world-class salt-water and freshwater fishing, historic plantations and Mardi Gras museums.

And just like so many of our outdoor activities, Louisiana golf courses are designed to show off the intrinsic natural beauty of our state while offering a variety of challenging and interesting experiences, all at a great value.

The vast variety of lodging options, from plantation homes and B&Bs to historic hotels and luxurious casino resorts, enable golf travelers to experience Louisiana like no other. And our golf resorts provide the best of both worlds.

In the end, Louisiana boasts golf courses as unique as the state itself. The Audubon Golf Trail and the many other exciting world-class golf courses and golf resorts give new meaning to our nickname, “Sportsman’s Paradise.”



LOUISIANA'S Audubon Golf Trail



TPC Louisiana on the Audubon Golf Trail

Only in Louisiana can you experience the courses of Arnold Palmer, David Toms, Robert Trent Jones, Sr., Pete Dye, and the most magnificent designer of all, mother nature. As home to the Audubon Golf Trail, Louisiana is more than great food, festivals and music - it's great golf too.

Louisiana's **Audubon Golf Trail** offers a truly unique golfing experience. Trail members have undergone a rigorous screening process to ensure a compilation of 15 first class courses with high standards of customer service and top quality maintenance. The Audubon Golf Trail was named for naturalist/artist John James Audubon who, enchanted by the natural beauty of Louisiana, painted a number of his famous bird studies here. And, many courses on the Trail are members of the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary for Golf Courses.

The Trail begins in North Louisiana with Louisiana State Park's only golf course, **Black Bear**. It's located off I-20 east of Monroe and offers both a 17-room lodge and state park cabins for on-site lodging.

Heading south, **Cypress Bend Resort** on the Texas-Louisiana border sits on the bluffs above Toledo Bend Lake. The resort offers an 18-hole course, accommodations, delectable dining and spa facilities. The Paragon Casino Resort, in Marksville, boasts the 18-hole **Tamahka Trails course**, table games, slots, poker, hotel and a spa. **OakWing Golf Club**, located at England Air Force Base in Alexandria, is one of the original courses on Louisiana's golf trail.





And in the southwest corner of the state, **Gray Plantation** is Lake Charles' Audubon Golf Trail offering. Moving east along I-10, is Lafayette's trail site, **The Wetlands**. The course showcases the bayou region's wetland areas. **The Atchafalaya at Idlewild** along U.S. Highway 90 is located southeast of there, deep in Cajun Country.

Greater Baton Rouge has become golf central for Louisiana, with five Audubon Golf Trail courses located within 45 minutes of the capital city. **Santa Maria** is Baton Rouge's home course and was designed by the world-renowned Robert Trent Jones, Sr. **Copper Mill** is in the suburb of Zachary north of the airport. **The Bluffs on Thompson Creek** is located in the historic town of St. Francisville. **The Island**, is an 18-hole course 10 minutes southwest of the capital in the charming and quaint community of Plaquemine. And just east of Baton Rouge in Springfield is Louisiana native, David Toms' first design, **Carter Plantation**.

Louisiana's most visited city, New Orleans, is home to the historic **Golf Club at Audubon Park** and

the Audubon Golf Trail is welcoming its newest member, **Bayou Oaks at City Park – South Course**, designed by renowned golf course architect Rees Jones, the par 72 layout can be stretched from 5,100 – 7,300 yards and has been designed to accommodate players of all skill levels. And on the west bank of the Mississippi River, just outside New Orleans, is **TPC Louisiana**. Pete Dye designed the course, which annually hosts the PGA TOUR'S Zurich Classic.

Only in Louisiana can you experience the courses of Arnold Palmer, David Toms, Robert Trent Jones, Sr., Pete Dye, and the most magnificent designer of all, Mother Nature. As home to the Audubon Golf Trail, Louisiana is more than great food, festivals and music - it's great golf too.

Take a tour of the 15 unique, hand-picked Audubon Golf Trail courses on the next few pages, and when you're ready to challenge the Trail, check out our custom golf packages at **AudubonGolf.com**.



BLACK BEAR

DELHI

Set atop Macon Ridge and winding down through wooded creek bottoms in Northeast Louisiana, Black Bear's 7,200-yard championship layout spans a varied topography. The result is a championship design appealing to golfers of all skill levels. Expansive greens, lush fairways, plus affordable pricing make Black Bear a must play.



CYPRESS BEND

MANY

Cypress Bend Resort, on the Texas-Louisiana border, is situated along the 186,000-acre Toledo Bend Lake. The 18-hole course features 10 holes along the water and six with shots across hidden coves and inlets. Surrounding hardwood forests, undulating greens and dramatic elevation changes add to Cypress Bend's challenge and beauty.



OAKWING

ALEXANDRIA

OakWing Golf Club offers a unique Jim Lipe design interwoven throughout its beautiful England Air Force Base location. This 7,043-yard links-style course blends the natural beauty of Louisiana bayous, lakes and towering treelined fairways with the challenge of rolling hills and undulating greens.



TAMAHKA TRAILS

MARKSVILLE/ALEXANDRIA

At Paragon Casino Resort's Tamahka Trails Golf Club, natural beauty cloaks an endless series of surprising challenges. Course architect Steve Smyers coupled his "new school" design with a passionate appreciation of Scotland's legendary courses. The layout's numerous and often massive bunkers always require keen strategy.



THE ATCHAFALAYA AT IDLEWILD PATTERSON

The Atchafalaya at Idlewild is surrounded by the rich wildlife and incredible beauty found only in the heart of the Atchafalaya Basin. Designed by Robert von Hagge, the 7,533-yard course contains five lakes and 10 native wetland areas that encompass nearly 40 acres. Dramatic changes in elevation create breathtaking vistas and challenges.



GRAY PLANTATION LAKE CHARLES

Gray Plantation is an artfully landscaped 18-hole, 7,000-yard course designed to challenge the pro and amateur alike. Sixty acres of lakes come into play on 12 holes. Particularly impressive are the club's four dynamic par 3s, two of which feature island greens. The clubhouse is a raised plantation house surrounded by scenic marshland.



THE WETLANDS LAFAYETTE

The Wetlands Golf Club was designed by architect Frank Burandt, formerly of Nicklaus Design. The course not only showcases the region's many lakes and wetland areas, it also features abundant native grasses and wildflowers. The challenge of the golf course presents itself with well-bunkered greens and water hazards that affect 11 of its 18 holes.



THE BLUFFS ON THOMPSON CREEK SAINT FRANCISVILLE

The Bluffs is an Arnold Palmer signature design, located in the wilderness of Thompson Creek that was revered by the painter, John James Audubon. The layout traverses a dense forest and sandy creek shores, with shots over hills, off bluffs and into hollows. You'll find elevation changes, flowing creeks and rolling bluffs along the course.



CARTER PLANTATION

SPRINGFIELD

Carter Plantation is home to PGA Champion and Louisiana native David Toms' design. The spectacular course plays through three distinct Louisiana landscapes—live oaks, cypress wetlands and upland pine forests. Great effort has been made to preserve the plantation's native wildlife habitats, with water coming into play on 11 of the holes.



COPPER MILL

ZACHARY/BATON ROUGE

Copper Mill is a "links-style" course reminiscent of those found in Scotland. The course, which features the native terrain of Louisiana, weaves its way through grasses, wetlands and marshes, and features more than 50 strategically placed bunkers and water hazards on 13 of the holes. You'll find that each hole at Copper Mill is truly memorable.



THE ISLAND

PLAQUEMINE

The Island is a semi-private golf club located 10 miles southwest of Baton Rouge and boasts some of the best golf course conditions, facilities, and amenities in the area. The Island offers a challenging 18-hole championship golf course, carved out of a sugar plantation. Designed by Mike Young, the layout stretches a total of 7,040 yards.



SANTA MARIA

BATON ROUGE

Designed by Robert Trent Jones, Sr., the course is built on 150 acres of rolling terrain, featuring 15 lakes and two natural waterways. Sand and grass bunkers, Bermuda fairways and ancient oaks provide the perfect setting for a memorable test of golf. Santa Maria has consistently received *Golf Digest's* highest ratings for a municipal course.



AUDUBON PARK NEW ORLEANS

The Golf Course at Audubon Park is a par-62 layout, located on St. Charles Avenue in historic uptown New Orleans. It's the only golf course accessible by streetcar and it features contoured fairways, manicured greens, four lagoons and exquisite landscaping set among hundred-year-old oak trees. Golf has been played here since 1898.



BAYOU OAKS AT CITY PARK SOUTH COURSE NEW ORLEANS

A championship level golf course comprised of a 250-acre footprint. The layout of the 18-hole course incorporates portions of the former East and West courses and features many of the historic oak trees and existing lagoons that are characteristic of City Park. Designed by Rees Jones, the par 72 layout has been designed to accommodate players of all skill levels.



TPC LOUISIANA AVONDALE/NEW ORLEANS

TPC Louisiana brings world-class, daily-fee golf to New Orleans. Pete Dye created a challenging course that utilizes the natural vegetation, water features and many cypress trees found on site. Located just 15 minutes from the French Quarter, TPC Louisiana is home to the state's only PGA TOUR event, the Zurich Classic of New Orleans.





SPORTSMAN'S Paradise

There are several sides to **North Louisiana**. For the outdoor enthusiast, you can find some of the best mountain biking in the South. Various kinds of museums will satisfy history buffs. If it's stars you have in your eyes, navigate the universe at **Sci-Port: Louisiana's Science Center** in **Shreveport**, or spend the day at the **Duck Commander Tour** in **Monroe-West Monroe**. If it's treasure you seek, find it at **Antique Alley**, or try your luck at one of the many exciting casinos in the area.



Black Bear Golf Club on the Audubon Golf Trail

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Black Bear Golf Course, located at **Poverty Point State Park**, just off I-20 in the far eastern part of the region, was named a "best new affordable course" by *Golf Digest* when it opened and *Golfweek's* "best in state" for seven years in a row. This **Audubon Golf Trail** site takes advantage of the rolling hills and offers great views of the surrounding countryside. The TifEagle greens are large, fast and well-protected by immense bunkers. The adjacent 17-room **Black Bear Lodge** or state park cabins provide a great place to stay and unwind after your day on the links.

Querbes Park Golf Course is Shreveport's home course, located near downtown and all the casino hotels. Beauty and value make the 18-hole course a great experience for golfers.

Squire Creek, in the quaint town of **Choudrant** near **Ruston**, is one of the region's most desirable private country clubs and features on site golf cottages. A Tom Fazio signature design, the course was listed in *Golf Digest's* "best new private courses" when it opened. The greens have been compared to Augusta, but the open layout means you'll rarely have a bad lie.

Calvert Crossing is located halfway between Monroe and Ruston. It challenges with well-placed hazards throughout and undulating greens. This private club is available for play through the Troon Privé reciprocal program.

With so many exciting golf courses and a variety of lodging options, finding a stay and play option is easy in **Louisiana's Sportsman Paradise**.

Monroe-Ruston Area Shreveport-Bossier City Area



Top Left Photo: Bass Pro Angler Homer Humphries fishing Lake Bistineau;
Top Right Photo: Red River Revel; Top Right Photo: Great barbecue in Shreveport;
Bottom Right Photo: Great Raft Brewery

GOLF COURSES	PHONE/WEBSITE	TYPE	HOLE	YDG	RTG	SLP	PAR
MONROE/RUSTON/NORTHEAST AREA							
Trails End Golf Course 400 Trails End Rd., Arcadia, LA 71001	(318) 263-7420 www.trailsendgolfcourse.com	PU	18	6,759	72.5	128	72
Morehouse Country Club 1729 Gladney Dr., Bastrop, LA 71220	(318) 281-9959	P	18	6,540	70.0	114	72
Meadow Lake Golf & Country Club 152 Par Rd. 4458, Bernice, LA 71222	(318) 285-7425	SP	9	3,157	–	–	36
Calvert Crossing Golf Club 515 Hodge Watson Rd., Calhoun, LA 71225	(318) 397-0064 www.calvertgolfclub.com	P	18	6,842	73.1	141	72
Squire Creek Country Club 289 Squire Creek Pkwy., Choudrant, LA 71227	(318) 242-7900 www.squirecreek.com	P	18	7,105	75.4	146	72
Springhill Country Club 26746 U.S. Hwy. 371, Cullen, LA 71021	(318) 994-3134	P	9	3,256	–	–	36
AGT Black Bear Golf Club 253 Black Bear Dr., Delhi, LA 71232	(318) 878-2162 www.blackbear-golf.com	PU	18	7,276	75.1	136	72
Lake D'arbonne Country Club 180 Country Club Dr., Farmerville, LA 71241	(318) 368-2474	SP	9	3,122	34.8	117	36
Caldwell Parish Country Club US Hwy. 165 South, Grayson, LA 71435	(318) 649-5035	SP	9	2,887	–	–	36
Homer Country Club 515 W Main St., Homer, LA 71040	(318) 927-9502	SP	9	3,150	–	–	36
Jackson Parish Golf Course 524 Clubhouse Dr., Jonesboro, LA 71251	(318) 259-7247	PU	9	3,281	35.1	110	36
Lake Providence Country Club 190 Hwy. 134, Lake Providence, LA 71254	(318) 559-2650	P	9	2,938	–	–	35
Pine Hills Country Club 100 Birdie Alley, Minden, LA 71055	(318) 644-5370 www.pinehillscminden.com	SP	9	2,988	33.9	110	36
Bayou DeSiard Country Club 3501 Forsythe Ave., Monroe, LA 71201	(318) 322-2127 www.bayoudesiardcc.com	P	18	6,867	75.0	127	72
Chennault Park Golf Course 8475 Millhaven Rd., Monroe, LA 71203	(318) 329-2591 www.ci.monroe.la.us/golf.php	PU	18	7,042	73.5	121	72
Frenchman's Bend Golf & Health Club 1484 Frenchmans Bend Rd., Monroe, LA 71203	(318) 387-2363 www.frenchmansbend.com	SP	18	6,947	73.3	121	72
Oakland Plantation Country Club 2220 LA Hwy. 2, Plain Dealing, LA 71064	(318) 326-5555	P	15	5,827	–	–	70
Little Creek Golf Club 10 Country Club Dr., Rayville, LA 71269	(318) 728-5005	PU	9	3,396	34.3	113	36
Louisiana Tech University Golf Course 1419 W Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., Ruston, LA 71272	(318) 247-8331	PU	9	2,723	–	–	35
Ruston Country Club 2000 S Vienna St., Ruston, LA 71270	(318) 255-1307 www.rustoncountryclub.com	P	9	3,063	–	–	36
Lake Bruin Golf & Country Club 1893 LA Hwy. 606, St. Joseph, LA 71366	(318) 766-4303	SP	9	3,030	–	–	36
Monterey Country Club 114 Monterey Country Club Rd., Vivian, LA 71082	(318) 375-3043	P	9	3,200	–	–	36
Twin Oaks Golf & Country Club 8239 LA Hwy. 17, Winnsboro, LA 71295	(318) 435-6426	P	9	3,076	–	–	36
SHREVEPORT/BOSSIER CITY AREA							
Fox Run Golf Course 180 Bossier Rd., Barkdale AFB, LA 71110	(318) 456-2263	M	18	5,913	68.6	122	70
Golf Club at StoneBridge 301 StoneBridge Blvd., Bossier City, LA 71111	(318) 747-2004 www.gcstonebridge.com	SP	18	6,954	73.8	142	72

GOLF COURSES	PHONE/WEBSITE	TYPE	HOLE	YDG	RTG	SLP	PAR
Crooked Hollow Golf Club 8667 Elysian Fields Rd., Greenwood, LA 71033	(318) 938-5060 www.crookedhollowgolf.com	SP	18	6,703	72.1	126	72
Eastland Country Club 4851 Hwy. 80, Houghton, LA 71037	(318) 949-0161	SP	9	3,133	–	–	35
Olde Oaks Golf Club 60 Golf Club Dr., Houghton, LA 71037 Cypress/Meadow Meadow/Oak Oak/Cypress	(318) 742-0333 www.oldeoaksgolfclub.com (under renovation)	PU	27				
				7,319	75.3	140	72
				7,303	75.6	141	72
				7,260	75.1	141	72
Haynesville Golf Course 1100 Price Dr., Haynesville, LA 71038	(318) 624-0022	PU	9	3,000	–	–	35
Meadow Lake Golf Club 5730 Meadowlake Dr., Keithville, LA 71047	(318) 925-9547	PU	18	6,284	70.5	113	72
Mansfield Golf & Country Club 1629 Hwy. 513, Mansfield, LA 71052	(318) 872-2959	P	9	3,149	35.5	127	36
East Ridge Country Club 1000 Stewart Dr., Shreveport, LA 71106	(318) 868-6571 www.eastridgecc.com	P	18	6,831	72.9	131	71
Huntington Golf Course 8300 Pines Rd., Shreveport, LA 71129	(318) 673-7765 www.shreveportla.gov	PU	18	7,254	74.0	124	72
Jerry Brooks Golf Course/The First Tee 2200 Milam St., Shreveport, LA 71103	(318) 673-7782 www.thefirstteenwouisiana.org	PU	9	2,562	–	–	33
Northwood Hills Golf Club 5000 Northwood Hills Dr., Shreveport, LA 71107	(318) 929-2322 www.northwoodhillsgolfclub.com	SP	18	6,805	72.1	130	72
Querbes Golf Course 3500 Beverly Pl., Shreveport, LA 71104	(318) 673-7773 www.shreveportla.gov	PU	18	6,241	69.2	108	71
Southern Trace Country Club 200 Southern Trace Pkwy., Shreveport, LA 71106	(318) 798-8300	P	18	7,015	74.4	139	72

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Calvert Crossing Golf Club



Crossroads

Louisiana's heritage runs deep in this region. The Creole, French and Indian influences are so strong you can taste them. Eat the meat pies in **Natchitoches** and you'll see for yourself. **Lea's in Lecompte** has served daily specials, plus sweet pies since 1928. Looking for something more than food? Several plantations in the region showcase agricultural roots. And make sure to visit the previously-named number one bass lake in the nation at **Toledo Bend** on the Texas border.



Cypress Bend Golf Course on the Audubon Golf Trail



Tamahka Trails Golf Club on the Audubon Golf Trail

Central Louisiana's **Crossroads** region is a unique splice of Louisiana which feels much like the rest of the South. It offers quaint inns, historic hotels and exciting resorts at which to stay for a one-of-a-kind Louisiana golf vacation.

The first is **Cypress Bend Golf Resort** in the far western town of **Many**. The resort sits majestically along the shores of **Toledo Bend Lake**, which separates Louisiana and Texas and is the largest man-made lake in the country at 186,000 acres. It's also been named the number one bass lake in the country. Cypress Bend Resort features 95 guest rooms, including luxurious two-bedroom golf suites; a variety of dining options; state-of-the-art conference facilities; a full service spa; and an 18-hole golf course, known as the crown jewel of the **Audubon Golf Trail**. The design utilizes the natural terrain and creates elevation changes with breathtaking views of the lake. The elevated tee boxes and greens create visual challenges, but strategically placed bunkers, small well-guarded greens, grass bunkers, and, of course, water on 11 holes force the golfer to really think his way around this course.

The historic and scenic town of **Natchitoches** is just minutes away from Cypress Bend, providing a variety of unique restaurants, shops and other outdoor attractions for the visiting golfer. Plus it's home to two golf courses, the private **Natchitoches Country Club** and **Northwestern Hills Golf Club**. This course has wide fairways on rolling hills and would make a nice complement to a round at nearby Cypress Bend Resort.

The **Alexandria** area is home to six golf courses and **Paragon Casino Resort** leads the way as home to the **Tamahka Trails Golf Club** in **Marksville**. Open to the public, Tamahka boasts Central Louisiana's most distinctive golf experience. The course has hosted many prestigious events, such as a U.S. Open Qualifier and the Louisiana Senior Four-Ball Championship. The layout of the course is fair, but it's also challenging with lots of sand, doglegs, water hazards, native grasses and trees. Adding to the stay and play experience at Paragon Casino Resort is an upscale hotel; live entertainment; movie theatre; large casino floor with table games, slots and poker rooms; plus nine restaurants and bars.

Toledo Bend-Lake Country Area Natchitoches-Winnfield Area Alexandria-Vidalia-Marksville Area



Left Bottom Photo: Bass fishing at Toledo Bend; Top Right Photo: Roulette at Paragon Casino Resort, Marksville; Middle Right Photo: Cypress Bend Golf Villas, Many; Bottom Right Photo: Natchitoches Meat Pies

Jim Lipe designed Alexandria proper's **Audubon Golf Trail** entry, **OakWing Golf Club**. The 18-hole course, located on the former England Air Force Base, is a links-style layout. The undulating greens and rolling fairways are well-maintained year round.

Central Louisiana boasts three unique nine-hole golf courses as well. **The Golf Club at Timberline Trails** in **Pineville** is home to the area's First Tee program; LSU of Alexandria operates a beautiful nine-hole golf course, the **Oakland Plantation Golf Course**, which is nestled among pine and oak trees on campus; and **Bringhurst Golf Course** is located in the heart of City Park next to the Alexandria Zoo. This course weaves through the surrounding oak trees and was recently renovated. Most notably, it's the oldest Par 3 course in the country.

Links on the Bayou rounds out Alexandria's great golf offerings. Conveniently located near the Alexandria International Airport, the course is a beautiful and challenging 18-hole Mike Young design. *Golf Digest* has rated the championship course the number one municipal golf course in Louisiana. Additionally, the full-service facility offers a unique three-hole Par 3 golf course.

The Crossroads region, as the name implies, is a great hub for a Louisiana golf trip. It's home to three **Audubon Golf Trail** courses, two of which are at very distinctive golf resorts.

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GOLF COURSES	PHONE/WEBSITE	TYPE	HOLE	YDG	RTG	SLP	PAR
Beauregard Country Club 295 Cecil Doyle Rd., DeRidder, LA 70634	(337) 463-4444 www.beauregardcountryclub.com	P	18	6,343	70.3	128	72
Panola Woods Country Club 266 Country Club Rd., Ferriday, LA 71334	(318) 757-2301	P	9	3,020	34.6	113	36
Warrior Hills Golf Course 1321 Corps Rd., Fort Polk, LA 71459	(337) 531-1982	M	18	6,350	71.0	120	72
La Salle Golf & Country Club 260 Country Club Rd., Jena, LA 71342	(318) 992-4283 www.lasallegc.com	P	18	5,836	67.8	111	71
Leesville Municipal Golf Course 331 Country Club Rd., Leesville, LA 71446	(337) 239-2526 www.leesvillela.gov	PU	9	2,821	—	—	35
Tallulah Country Club 762 Old Hwy. 65 S., Tallulah, LA 71282	(318) 574-4173	P	9	3,112	34.8	110	36
ALEXANDRIA/MARKSVILLE AREA							
Bringhurst Golf Course 2822 Masonic Dr., Alexandria, LA 71301	(318) 448-9021	PU	9	968	—	—	27
Links on the Bayou 271 Vandenburg Dr., Alexandria, LA 71303	(318) 473-1331 www.linksonthebayou.com	PU	18	6,842	73.6	136	72
Oakland Plantation Golf Course at LSU 8100 US Hwy. 71 S., Alexandria, LA 71302	(318) 473-6507	PU	9	3,003	33.8	110	37
AGT OakWing Golf Club 2345 Vandenburg Dr., Alexandria, LA 71303	(318) 561-0260 www.oakwinggolf.com	PU	18	7,043	73.9	129	72
AGT Tamahka Trails at Paragon Casino Resort 711 Paragon Pl., Marksville, LA 71351	(318) 240-6300 www.paragoncasinoresort.com	R	18	7,019	73.1	132	70
The Golf Club at Timber Trails/The First Tee 427 Western Hills Dr., Pineville, LA 71360	(318) 308-7169	SP	9	2,870	34.0	116	36
NATCHITOCHESES/TOLEDO BEND AREA							
AGT Cypress Bend Golf and Conference Resort 2000 Cypress Bend Pkwy., Many, LA 71449	(318) 590-1500 www.cypressbend.com	R	18	6,707	72.9	141	72
Natchitoches Country Club 955 Hwy. 3191, Natchitoches, LA 71457	(318) 352-5538	P	9	2,847	33.3	115	35
Northwestern Hills Golf Course 955 Hwy. 3191, Natchitoches, LA 71457	(318) 357-3207	PU	18	6,107	68.8	115	72
Pine Ridge Country Club 239 Pine Ridge Dr., Winnfield, LA 71483	(318) 628-7739	SP	9	3,086	34.5	114	36

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Gray Plantation on the Audubon Golf Trail

The **Cajun Country** region, which stretches from **Lake Charles** near the Texas border east to **Lafayette** along I-10 and then southeast along U.S. 90 towards the Gulf of Mexico, has fast become a golfing mecca thanks to the world-class facilities, which have sprung up over the last decade.

Lake Charles, in particular, has been welcoming golf travelers to the region for several years, first as the home of one of the most sought after stops on the **Audubon Golf Trail**, **Gray Plantation**, and then as a result of the completion of a couple of casino resort courses that provide guests with truly upscale courses at a fair price.

Gray Plantation has been named one of the top 100 courses in the United States by *Golf Digest*. Its layout was designed for the thinking golfer as 12 of the holes are laced among 670 acres of lakes and a total of 94 bunkers await throughout the course.

Contraband Bayou Golf Club at L'Auberge Casino Resort is the only public Tom Fazio signature design in the state. The course routing takes advantage of the lowland marsh features and eight spectacular lakes. *Golf Digest* has listed it as one of Louisiana's "top courses in state" and one of the "best casino courses" in the country. Golfers, who have played it, consider it the second best course in the state, according to *Golf Advisor*. Plus, **L'Auberge Casino Resort** is ranked number four on *USA Today's* "10Best" readers poll for casinos in the U.S.

The Country Club at the Golden Nugget opened a few years ago, just a long par 5 away from Contraband Bayou. In fact, the two casino resorts have a waterfront boardwalk connecting them. After being named a "top new course" by *Golf Digest* and ranked in the top ten in the state by both *Golfweek* and *Golf Digest*, the course has matured into perhaps the best-conditioned course in the state. Water is ever-present, both in view and in play, so driving well is key.

Located between **Lake Charles** and **Lafayette**, **Koasati Pines at Coushatta Casino Resort** in **Kinder** uniquely has a 19th hole for the golfing gambler.

In **Lafayette**, the heart of **Cajun Country**, you'll find **The Wetlands**, an **Audubon Golf Trail** member. **The Wetlands** offers a link-style design that wraps around inland lakes and marshlands. The wide open

Lake Charles Area Lafayette Area New Iberia-Morgan City Area Houma-Thibodaux-Grand Isle Area

fairways and subtle rolling terrain provide a fair challenge for all. It's ranked eighth on the *Golf Advisor* list for the state.

The **Atchafalaya at Idlewild** is also an **Audubon Golf Trail** course in the region. Located near **Morgan City**, the Robert von Hagge design features dramatic elevations with spectacular views of the **Atchafalaya Basin**. Notably, **The Atchafalaya** was named a "top ten new course" by *Golf Digest* when it opened and golfer submissions on *Golf Advisor* have it ranked second in Louisiana.

Cajun Country combines good food, fun times and exciting golf courses to create a great escape.



Top Left Photo: Swamp Tour on Bayou Lafourche; Middle Left Photo: Cajun Jam Session
Top Right Photo: Lucky day at the casinos; Bottom Right Photo: Fresh seafood from the Gulf of Mexico

GOLF COURSES	PHONE/WEBSITE	TYPE	HOLE	YDG	RTG	SLP	PAR
St Mary Golf & Country Club 585 Fairview Dr., Berwick, LA 70342	(985) 384-8500	PU	9	3,050	35.5	124	36
The Belleview Golf & Country Club 157 Belleview Ln., Franklin, LA 70338	(337) 828-2572	SP	9	3,207	—	—	36
Tidelands Country Club 944 E 94th St., Galliano, LA 70354	(985) 632-3915	SP	9	3,167	34.9	118	36
Ellendale Country Club 3319 LA Hwy. 311, Houma, LA 70360	(985) 876-4394 www.ellendalecountryclub.net	P	18	7,165	74.2	131	72
Southern Oaks Golf Club 923 Bayou Black Dr., Houma, LA 70360	(985) 851-6804	SP	9	3,122	35.0	122	35
LaTour Golf Club 300 LaTour Blvd., Mathews, LA 70375	(985) 532-7111 www.latourgolfclub.com	P	18	7,170	74.1	129	72
BayouSIDE Golf Club 5085 LA Hwy. 1, Napoleonville, LA 70390	(985) 369-7676	SP	18	6,080	68.0	114	70
AGT The Atchafalaya at Idlewild 400 Cotten Rd., Patterson, LA 70392	(985) 395-4653 www.atchafalayagolf.com	PU	18	7,533	76.9	145	72
Sugarland Country Club 812 Forty Arpent Rd., Raceland, LA 70394	(985) 537-6436	SP	18	6,751	72.4	124	72
Bayou Country Club 900 Country Club Blvd., Thibodaux, LA 70301	(985) 447-9987 www.bayoucc.com	P	18	6,154	70.1	122	70
LAFAYETTE AREA							
Vermilion Oaks Golf Course 10924 Veterans Memorial Dr., Abbeville, LA 70510	(337) 893-5203 www.vermilionoaks.com	SP	18	6,050	69.1	116	72
Cajun Pines Golf Club 106 Cajun Pines Ct., Branch, LA 70516	(337) 334-9904	PU	9	2,822	33.5	112	36
Le Triomphe Golf & Country Club 100 Club Dr., Broussard, LA 70518	(337) 856-9005 www.letriomphe.com	P	18	7,061	74.3	138	72
Farm d'Allie Golf Club 1235 Beau Bassin Rd., Carencro, LA 70520	(337) 886-2227 www.farmdalliegolfclub.com	PU	18	7,038	73.9	133	72
Bayou Bend Golf & Health Club 427 W Hoyt Ave., Crowley, LA 70526	(337) 783-3214	SP	18	6,095	68.5	113	71
Eunice Country Club 226 Country Club Dr., Eunice, LA 70535	(337) 457-3273	SP	9	2,574	33.5	114	35
Hebert Municipal Golf Course 1121 Mudd Ave., Lafayette, LA 70501	(337) 291-5557 www.hebertpark.com	PU	18	6,426	71.6	122	72
Oakbourne Country Club 3700 East Simcoe Rd., Lafayette, LA 70501	(337) 235-6426 www.oakbournecc.com	P	18	6,898	73.2	129	72
AGT The Wetlands Golf Course 2129 N. University Ave., Lafayette, LA 70507	(337) 291-7151 www.wetlandsgc.com	PU	18	7,293	74.9	130	72
Sugar Oaks Golf & Country Club 4002 Sugar Oaks Rd., New Iberia, LA 70563	(337) 364-7611	SP	18	6,827	71.0	123	72
Squirrel Run Golf Club 500 Darby Ln., New Iberia, LA 70560	(337)367-0863 www.squirrel-run.com	SP	18	6,625	72.1	134	71
Indian Hills Country Club 1141 Prudhomme Ln., Opelousas, LA 70570	(318) 948-6536	P	18	6,535	71.0	123	71
Spanish Trail Golf Club 1655 Old Spanish Trail, Saint Martinville, LA 70582	(337) 364-2263	SP	18	6,042	69.9	118	71
Ville Platte Golf & Country Club 2767 Chicot Park Rd., Ville Platte, LA 70586	(337) 363-4116	P	9	3,125	35.0	124	36
Les Vieux Chenes Golf Course 340 Rue de Vieux Chenes, Youngsville, LA 70592	(318) 837-1159 www.lesvieuxchenesgolfcourse.com	PU	18	6,870	72.6	120	72

GOLF COURSES	PHONE/WEBSITE	TYPE	HOLE	YDG	RTG	SLP	PAR
LAKE CHARLES AREA							
Jennings Golf Club	(337) 824-1274	SP	18	6,437	70.7	124	72
602 S. Louise St., Jennings, LA 70546							
Koasati Pines at Coushatta Casino Resort	(337) 738-4777	R	18	7,617	76.0	131	72
300 Koasati Dr., Kinder, LA 70648	www.coushattacasinoresort.com						
Contraband Bayou at L'Auberge Casino Resort	(337) 395-7220	R	18	7,077	74.0	130	71
777 Ave. L'Auberge, Lake Charles, LA 70601	www.lakecharles.com						
AGT Gray Plantation	(337) 562-1663	PU	18	7,191	74.6	140	72
6150 Graywood Pkwy., Lake Charles, LA 70605	www.grayplantationgolf.com						
Lake Charles Country Club	(337) 477-5511	P	18	6,656	72.7	133	72
3350 Country Club Rd., Lake Charles, LA 70605	www.lakecharlescc.net						
Mallard Cove Golf Course	(337) 491-1204	PU	18	6,968	73.2	128	71
4300 Mallard Cove Dr., Lake Charles, LA 70615							
The Country Club at the Golden Nugget	(337) 508-4653	R	18	7,000	73.4	120	72
2550 Golden Nugget Blvd., Lake Charles, LA 70601	www.goldennugget.com/lakecharles/amenities/golf						
Frasch Park Golf Club	(337) 527-2515	PU	18	6,007	69.4	118	71
400 Picard Rd., Sulphur, LA 70663	www.sulphurparks.com						
The National Golf Club of Louisiana	(337) 433-2255	PU	18	6,946	73.3	139	72
1400 National Dr., Westlake, LA 70669	www.nationalgcla.com						

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Carter Plantation on the Audubon Golf Trail

The **River parishes**, as they are known, boast beautiful plantation homes and gardens built along the Mississippi River leading to **New Orleans**.

Five of the courses on the **Audubon Golf Trail** are within an easy drive from **Baton Rouge**, making the capital city a great hub for a golf vacation to this part of Louisiana. **Santa Maria** is a municipal course in Baton Rouge proper and an original Robert Trent Jones Sr. design. The course was built on 150 acres of rolling terrain, featuring 15 lakes and two natural waterways. Strategically placed sand and grass bunkers, rolling Bermuda fairways and ancient oaks provide the perfect setting for a memorable test of golf. **Santa Maria** is one of the Baton Rouge Recreation Department's six courses. **Beaver Creek** is another and it's the number one golf course in Louisiana for playability, customer service and all around value according to golfer reviews at *Golf Advisor*.

Copper Mill is an **Audubon Golf Trail** site, located in the suburb of **Zachary** near the Baton Rouge Metropolitan Airport. The course weaves its way through indigenous grasses, wetlands and marshes. And it's unique in that each nine is made up of an equal combination of three par 3 holes, three par 4 holes and three par 5 holes.

A bit further north is one of the most exciting additions to the **Audubon Golf Trail**, **The Bluffs on Thompson Creek**. Located in **St. Francisville**, near the Mississippi border, this Arnold Palmer signature design is a scenic and challenging gem. The course has received numerous awards and accolades since its debut, including currently being named at the top of the list of *GOLF Magazine's* "best courses you can play" in Louisiana; ranked fourth among all Louisiana courses, both public and private, by *Golf Digest*; and listed at fifth, based on golfer's reviews submitted to *Golf Advisor*. The on-site lodge, planned golf cottages, and full service clubhouse restaurant create a perfect stay and play option in the region.

One of the Trail's firmest tests is found at **The Island**, a Robert von Hagge layout with five lakes and ten native wetland areas in play. It's located ten minutes south of Baton Rouge in **Plaquemine**. The course was named the fifth "best new course under \$75" in the entire country by *Golf Digest* when it opened.

Baton Rouge Area Great River Road Area



The Pelican Point Golf Community, east of Baton Rouge along I-10 in **Gonzales**, has been a local favorite for many years. This unique facility offers the 18-hole Links Course with generous fairways and large Champion Bermuda greens and the 9-hole Get Golf Ready Course, which, as the name implies, is great for both beginners or seasoned golfers looking to get in a quick round.

Located between Baton Rouge and New Orleans is **Belle Terre** in **Laplace**, a top ten Louisiana course, according to player reviews on *Golf Advisor*. Carved out of the swamplands of **St. Charles Parish** in **Luling** lays the challenging **Grand Ridge**. Its fairways are lined with moss-covered Cypress and Oak trees, and ten holes are guarded by water. Both tracts are accessible from New Orleans and Baton Rouge.

Another exciting destination on the Audubon Golf Trail is **Carter Plantation** in **Springfield** north of **LaPlace** and due east of Baton Rouge. This course is LSU alum David Toms' first signature design. The PGA TOUR player designs like he plays – tough but fair. It's the 86 strategically-placed bunkers and water hazards on 11 holes that make for a challenging round of golf. Plus, the **Villas at Carter Plantation** offer 42 spacious rooms and suites within six fully-furnished villas to provide the perfect overnight accommodations for **Audubon Golf Trail** guests.

Plantation Country courses are an intrinsic part of the landscape in this exciting part of Louisiana.

GOLF COURSES	PHONE/WEBSITE	TYPE	HOLE	YDG	RTG	SLP	PAR
The Prison View Golf Course Louisiana State Penitentiary, Angola, LA 70712	(225) 655-2978 www.prisonviewgolf.com	PU	9	3,086	—	—	36
AGT The Bluffs on Thompson Creek 14233 Sunrise Way, St. Francisville, LA 70775	(225) 634-6400 www.thebluffs.com	R	18	7,005	74.4	142	72
AGT Carter Plantation Golf & Villas 23475 Carter Trace, Springfield, LA 70462	(225) 294-7555 www.carterplantation.com	R	18	7,104	74.2	133	72
BATON ROUGE AREA							
Baton Rouge Country Club 8551 Jefferson Hwy., Baton Rouge, LA 70809	(225) 925-2433 www.batonrougecc.org	P	18	7,013	74.1	134	72
Dumas Memorial Golf Course 13350 Hwy. 19, Baton Rouge, LA 70714	(225) 775-9166 golf.brec.org	PU	18	6,403	69.8	122	72
Historic City Park Golf Course 1442 City Park Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 70808	(225) 387-9523 golf.brec.org	PU	9	2,300	31.2	107	32
J.S. Clark Park Golf Course/The First Tee 2301 Thomas Rd., Baton Rouge, LA 70807	(225) 775-9008 golf.brec.org	PU	9	1,861	29.5	95	31
LSU Golf Course Nicholson at Burbank, Baton Rouge, LA 70803	(225) 578-3394 www.golf.lsu.edu	PU	18	6,362	72.7	130	72
Webb Memorial Park Golf Course 1351 Country Club Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70805	(225) 272-9200 golf.brec.org	PU	18	6,349	69.7	118	72
AGT Santa Maria Golf Club 18460 Santa Maria Pkwy., Baton Rouge, LA 70810	(225) 752-9667 golf.brec.org	PU	18	6,969	73.5	130	72
The Country Club of Louisiana 18400 Blvd. Louisiana, Baton Rouge, LA 70810	(225) 755-0680 www.ccofla.com	P	18	7,106	74.5	139	72
The University Club 15333 Memorial Tower Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70810	(225) 819-0800 www.universityclubbr.com	P	18	7,700	78.3	148	72
West Side Golf Club 5351 Country Club Rd., Brusly, LA 70719	(225) 749-8832 www.westsidgolfclub.com	SP	18	6,506	70.2	117	72
Denham Springs Country Club 9852 Country Club Dr., Denham Springs, LA 70726	(225) 665-6437	PU	9	2,837	33.4	112	35
Greystone Golf & Country Club 9461 St. Andrews Ct., Denham Springs, LA 70726	(225) 667-6744 www.greystonecountryclub.com	SP	18	7,054	73.8	144	72
AGT The Island Country Club 23550 Myrtle Grove Rd., Plaquemine, LA 70764	(225) 685-0808 www.theislandgolf.com	P	18	7,010	74.4	135	72
False River Golf & Country Club 13875 Patin Dyke Rd., Ventress, LA 70783	(225) 638-6309	P	18	6,297	70.2	118	72
Beaver Creek Golf Course 1100 Port Hudson Plains Rd. Zachary, LA 70791	(225) 658-6338 golf.brec.org	PU	18	6,950	73.3	129	72
AGT Copper Mill Golf Club 2100 Copper Mill Blvd., Zachary, LA 70791	(225) 658-0656 www.coppermillgc.com	PU	18	6,866	73.3	134	72
Fennwood Hills Country Club 6003 Fennwood Dr., Zachary, LA 70791	(225) 654-8586 www.fennwoodhills.com	SP	9	3,250	35.1	123	36
GREAT RIVER ROAD AREA							
Cypress Lakes Country Club at Ormond 10 Villere Dr., Destrehan, LA 70047	(985) 764-6868 www.cypresslakescc.com	SP	18	6,556	71.9	126	72
Pelican Point Golf Club 6300 Championship Ct., Gonzales, LA 70737	(225) 746-9900 www.golfthepoint.com	P	27				
Links Course				6,931	73.3	129	72
Get Golf Ready Course				3,192	33.9	116	35
Fashion Golf & Country Club 223 Joe Louis Ln., Hahnville, LA 70057	(504) 783-6486 www.fashiongolfcourse.com	SP	9	3,164	—	—	36

Golf courses are listed in alphabetical order by city. AGT = Audubon Golf Trail course.
 Course Type: PU = Public, SP = Semi-Private, P = Private, M = Military, R = Resort

GOLF COURSES	PHONE/WEBSITE	TYPE	HOLE	YDG	RTG	SLP	PAR
Belle Terre Country Club 111 Fairway Dr., LaPlace, LA 70068	(985) 652-5000 www.belleterregolf.com	SP	18	6,849	73.6	133	72
Riverlands Golf & Country Club 500 Fairway Dr., LaPlace, LA 70068	(985) 652-6316 www.riverlandscountryclub.com	P	18	6,900	73.1	128	72
Grand Ridge Golf Club 500 Willowdale Blvd., Luling, LA 70070	(985) 785-2478 www.grandridgegolf.com	SP	18	6,853	73.1	137	72

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The Bluffs on Thompson Creek on the Audubon Golf Trail

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Audubon Park on the Audubon Golf Trail



TPC Louisiana on the Audubon Golf Trail



Greater New Orleans beckons visitors to experience all that the region has to offer - from exciting nightlife, river cruises and historic sites to creative cuisine, unique watering holes and craft breweries. But it's the sub-sea level topography tied to surprising elevation changes that will have golfers bragging when they return home.

Starting on the **north shore** of the vast **Lake Ponchartrain** is the Ron Garl-designed **Money Hill in Abita Springs**. Garl did very little earth moving, feeling that "Mother Nature did the real work here." Constant elevation changes through-out the course and a 150-acre artesian spring-fed lake that comes into play on the final five holes, create a challenging, yet scenic layout. As with most private clubs, they offer reciprocal play to other clubs' members. **Oak Harbor in Slidell** boasts generous landing areas framed by mounds, native grasses, lakes and greens framed by railroad ties.

The Big Easy golf scene is big, but not necessarily easy. The booming 7,400-yard **TPC Louisiana** leads the challenge in **New Orleans** as the annual host to PGA TOUR players in the **Zurich Classic**. The breathtaking scenery on the Pete Dye designed golf course stretches 250 acres along the western Mississippi River delta. The course features more than 100 bunkers and five ponds, which come into play. TPC Louisiana was named the fourth "best new upscale golf course" by *Golf Digest* when it debuted in 2004 and it's consistently included in *Golfweek's* "best courses you can play," plus it's the **Audubon Golf Trail's** most requested golf course.

Also on the west bank of the Mississippi River outside New Orleans is **English Turn**, designed by Jack Nicklaus. The course hosted a PGA TOUR event for many years and its 18th hole was ranked the hardest hole on tour many times. The layout is memorable for its challenging greens, water in play on 17 of the 18 holes and the signature fifteenth island green. Most notably, an on-site golf villa can be rented and comes with playing privileges at this private club.

In the historic Uptown neighborhood across from Tulane and Loyola Universities, is the **Golf Club at Audubon Park**. The course opened in 1898 and recently underwent an extensive renovation under the guidance of Denis Griffiths, a past president of the American Society of Golf Course Architects. Even though it's a Par 62, the layout rolls beside majestic oaks, encounters many water hazards and

Northshore Area New Orleans Area



boasts booming Par 5s, intricate Par 4s and certainly some unique Par 3s. It's definitely worth the trip Uptown for a quick, yet challenging round of Big Easy golf.

Finally, **Bayou Oaks at City Park – South Course** is the newest member of the Audubon Golf Trail. The much anticipated South Course opened in 2017 and rejoined the **North Course** to complete the City Park golf complex and get back to its pre-Katrina glory. The South Course is a championship level golf course comprised of a 250-acre footprint. The course is a Rees Jones design and winds among lagoons and century old oaks. The well-contoured layout has water on 13 holes. The North Course, open since 2009, offers a challenging yet fun round for all levels of golfers. Water comes into play on eight of the holes and adds to the challenge.

All of these courses have put the spotlight on New Orleans, and Louisiana as a whole, as an exciting golf destination for groups to consider.

GOLF COURSES	PHONE/WEBSITE	TYPE	HOLE	YDG	RTG	SLP	PAR
NEW ORLEANS AREA							
AGT TPC Louisiana 11001 Lalapco Blvd., Avondale, LA 70094	(504) 436-8721 www.tpc.com/louisiana	PU	18	6,931	73.7	137	72
Stonebridge Golf Club of New Orleans 1500 Stonebridge Dr., Gretna, LA 70056	(504) 394-1300 www.stonebridgegolf.com	SP	18	6,939	73.3	123	72
Timberlane Country Club/The First Tee 1 Timberlane Dr., Gretna, LA 70056	(504) 367-5010 www.timberlanecc.com	SP	18	6,676	71.4	128	72
Chateau Golf & Country Club 3600 Chateau Blvd., Kenner, LA 70065	(504) 467-1351 www.chateaugolf.net	P	18	6,775	72.8	132	72
Metairie Country Club 580 Woodvine Ave., Metairie, LA 70005	(504) 833-4671 www.metairiecc.org	P	18	6,485	72.3	134	72
AGT Audubon Park Golf Course 6500 Magazine St., New Orleans, LA 70118	(504) 212-5290 www.audubonnatureinstitute.org/golf	PU	18	4,220	61.2	102	62
AGT Bayou Oaks at City Park 1051 Filmore Ave., New Orleans, LA 70124	(504) 483-9410 www.cityparkgolf.com	PU	36				
North Course				5,737	67.3	114	68
AGT South Course				7,302	74.7	128	72
English Turn Golf & Country Club One Clubhouse Dr., New Orleans, LA 70131	(504) 392-2200 www.englishturngolf.com	P	18	7,078	75.0	142	72
Joseph M Bartholomew Golf Club 6514 Congress Dr., New Orleans, LA 70126	(504) 658-3387 www.playnolagolf.com	PU	18	6,665	72.2	123	72
Lakewood Golf Club 4801 General De Gaulle Dr., New Orleans, LA 70131	(504) 373-5926 www.lakewoodgolf.com	SP	18	7,002	74.1	139	72
New Orleans Country Club 5024 Pontchartrain Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70118	(504) 482-2145 www.neworleanscountryclub.com	P	18	6,654	71.9	130	71
NORTHSHORE AREA							
Abita Springs Golf Club 73433 Oliver St., Abita Springs, LA 70420	(985) 893-2463 www.abitagolf.com	PU	18	6,447	70.3	127	72
Money Hill Golf & Country Club 100 Country Club Dr., Abita Springs, LA 70420	(985) 892-3300 www.moneyhill.com	P	18	7,131	74.4	136	72
Bogalusa Country Club 1003 Mississippi Ave., Bogalusa, LA 70427	(985) 735-6546	P	9	2,783	32.8	111	36
Covington Country Club 200 Country Club Dr., Covington, LA 70433	(985) 892-1900 www.covingtoncountryclub.com	P	18	6,328	71.1	123	71
Tchefuncta Country Club 2 Pinecrest Dr., Covington, LA 70433	(985) 892-4739 www.tchefuncta.com	P	18	6,447	71.8	132	71
Franklinton Country Club 46402 Poplarhead Rd., Franklinton, LA 70438	(985) 839-4195	SP	18	6,470	69.8	118	72
Gemstone Plantation Country Club 266 Gemstone Dr., Franklinton, LA 70438	(985) 795-8900 www.gemstonegolf.com	SP	18	6,657	72.5	128	72
Oak Knoll Country Club 45246 Country Club Rd., Hammond, LA 70401	(985) 345-2430 www.oakknollcountryclub.com	P	18	6,145	69.5	123	72
Hammond Golf Center 15592 West Club Deluxe Rd., Hammond, LA 70403	(504) 542-7908 www.hammondgolfcenter.com	PU	9	2,695	–	–	29
Beau Chene Country Club 602 N. Beau Chene Dr., Mandeville, LA 70471	(985) 845-3571 www.beauchenec.com	P	36				
Magnolia Course				6,518	72.1	133	72
Oak Course				6,550	72.0	132	72
Oak Harbor Golf Club 201 Oak Harbor Blvd., Slidell, LA 70458	(985) 646-0110 www.oakharboregolf.com	SP	18	6,897	73.6	143	72
Pinewood Country Club 405 Country Club Blvd., Slidell, LA 70458	(985) 643-6893 www.pinewoodcc.net	SP	18	6,470	70.7	124	72
Royal Golf Club 201 Royal Dr., Slidell, LA 70460	(985) 643-3000	PU	18	6,655	70.7	121	72

Greater New Orleans beckons visitors to experience all that the region has to offer - from exciting nightlife, river cruises and historic sites to creative cuisine, unique watering holes and craft breweries.



Top Photo: French Quarter Carriage Tour; Middle Left Photo: Char-grilled Oysters; Middle Right Photo: Classic Cocktails
Bottom Left Photo: Beignets; Bottom Right Photo: Fishing on the Northshore

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- Alexandria International Airport (AEX) 
- Baton Rouge Metropolitan Airport (BTR)
- Lafayette Regional Airport (LFT)
- Lake Charles Regional Airport (LCH)
- Monroe Regional Airport (MLU)
- Louis Armstrong NO International Airport (MSY)
- Shreveport Regional Airport (SHV)

GENERAL AVIATION AIRPORTS NEAR AGT COURSES

- Delhi Municipal (0M9) near Black Bear
- Hammond Regional (HDC) near Carter Plantation
- Hart Airport, Many (3R4) near Cypress Bend
- Marksville Municipal (MKV) near Tamahka Trails
- False River Regional, New Rds. (HZR) near The Bluffs
- Natchitoches Regional (IER) near Cypress Bend
- Harry P. Williams Memorial Airport, Patterson (PTN) near The Atchafalaya at Idlewild



SPORTSMAN'S PARADISE REGION**Black Bear Lodge at Poverty Point State Park**

231 Black Bear Drive, Delhi, LA 71232
(318) 878-2681 | www.LaStateParks.com

The 17-room Black Lodge is perfect for golf packages with Black Bear Golf Course. The state park features lake-front cabins, onsite restaurant, RV park, a swimming pool and tennis courts.

CROSSROADS REGION**Cypress Bend Resort, BW Premier Collection**

2000 Cypress Bend Pkwy., Many, LA 71449
(318) 590-1500 | www.CypressBend.com

Choose between traditional hotel rooms or spacious golf suites. The lakeside resort also offers golf, restaurants, swimming pool, hot tub/sauna, tennis courts, fitness center and full service spa.

Paragon Casino Resort

711 Paragon Place, Marksville, LA 71351
800-946-1946 | www.ParagonCasinoResort.com
Play Tamaha Trails Golf Club. Stay in the 500-room luxurious hotel or bring your RV. Try your luck at slots, table games or poker. Enjoy the spa or the indoor or outdoor pool. Take in the live entertainment or the latest movie in the cinema.

CAJUN COUNTRY REGION**Coushatta Casino Resort**

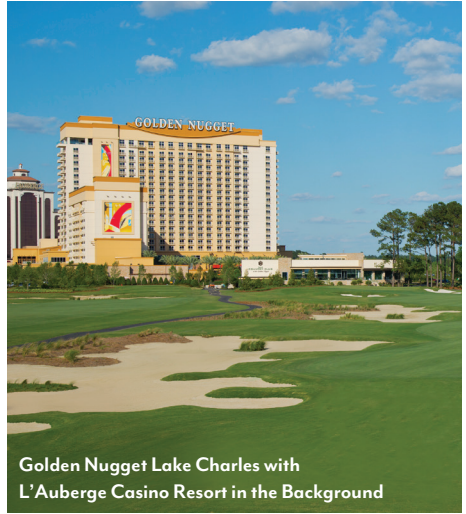
777 Coushatta Drive, Kinder, LA 70648
800-584-7263 | www.CoushattaCasinoResort.com
Features Koasati Pines Golf Course, 3 hotels plus an RV park, many dining options, slots, table games and live bingo, plus lazy river, heated pool and gym.

Golden Nugget Lake Charles

2550 Golden Nugget Blvd., Lake Charles, LA 70601
844-777-4653 | www.GoldenNugget.com/lakecharles
Golf at The Country Club at GN. Stay in the 740-room hotel. Choose from 18 restaurants/bars. Play in the casino with slots, table games and live action poker. Enjoy the luxurious spa, opulent pool deck and live entertainment.

L'Auberge Casino Resort

777 Avenue L'Auberge, Lake Charles, LA 70601
866-580-7444 | www.LLakeCharles.com
Play a round on the Tom Fazio-designed Contraband Bayou. Stay in the 995-room casino hotel. Dine in one of 8 restaurants/bars. Enjoy all the slots, table games and poker at the casino. Relax at the impressive spa. Bask in the sun by the pool or swim up to the bar on the lazy river.



Golden Nugget Lake Charles with L'Auberge Casino Resort in the Background



The Lodge at The Bluffs, St. Francisville

PLANTATION COUNTRY REGION**The Villas at Carter Plantation**

23475 Carter Trace, Springfield, LA 70462
(225) 414-0680 | www.CarterPlantation.com
Each of the six villas contains seven guest rooms that may be reserved either individually or in varying combinations, with fully-equipped kitchens and great rooms. Breakfast and lunch are available at the clubhouse.

The Lodge at The Bluffs

5903 Magnolia Lane, St. Francisville, LA 70775
(225) 634-5222 | www.TheLodgeAtTheBluffs.com
This is an all-suite facility located a block away from the Arnold Palmer-designed course at The Bluffs on Thompson Creek. The club itself offers a full service restaurant/bar, a fitness room and outdoor pool.

GREATER NEW ORLEANS REGION**The Villa at English Turn**

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FROM NEW ORLEANS TO THE BAYOU - 5 DAYS/4 NIGHTS

- Day 1 Arrive in New Orleans in time to play ***The Golf Course at Audubon Park**. Home to more than 1,300 restaurants, New Orleans is truly an epicurean delight. French cuisine blends with local cooking styles and creates distinctive Creole and Cajun dishes that are original to the city, such as gumbo and po'boys. Dine at any number of great spots from fine dining to a hole-in-the-wall. Stay in a historic hotel in the French Quarter or a convenient hotel along Canal Street for two nights.
- Day 2 After breakfast in the French Quarter, head north across Lake Pontchartrain to play 18 holes at ***Carter Plantation**, a David Toms' signature design. Spend the afternoon back in New Orleans exploring the oldest and most visited neighborhood in New Orleans, the French Quarter, then enjoy dinner at a local New Orleans restaurant and savor the romance of New Orleans.
- Day 3 Play a morning round at Pete Dye's masterpiece, ***TPC Louisiana**. Relax in the afternoon and travel through the Louisiana bayous on a swamp tour and experience and explore the flora and fauna up close where the gators are waiting. Head further down the bayou to Morgan City and tempt your taste buds with some great Cajun favorites at any of the area's seafood restaurants. Stay overnight.
- Day 4 Play 18 holes in the heart of the Atchafalaya Basin, ***The Atchafalaya at Idlewild** in Patterson then head back to the big easy for a dinner cruise and one more night of musical entertainment.
- Day 5 Play 18 holes at the newest member of the Audubon Golf Trail – ***Bayou Oaks at City Park – South Course**.

CAJUN HEARTLAND AND PLANTATION EXPERIENCE - 4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS

- Day 1 Arrive in Lake Charles and play 18 holes at ***Gray Plantation Golf Club**. After golf, visit one of the area's casinos, world-class spas, high-end shopping and exciting entertainment then dine in any of the nearby restaurants and savor the bold spices and flavorful cuisine that makes a dining experience in Lake Charles so memorable. Stay overnight.
- Day 2 Head to Lafayette to play ***The Wetlands Golf Course**. Your night in Lafayette will be an evening to remember, dine where homegrown chefs put a fresh spin on time-honored Cajun recipes, which mesh perfectly with unique live music venues that showcase Cajun and zydeco music.
- Day 3 Continue east and play 18 holes at the "Sweet Spot of the South," ***The Island Golf Club** in Plaquemine. Explore, dine and overnight at a plantation in the area ripe with stories of life on a plantation and picturesque with live oaks dripping with Spanish moss.
- Day 4 Play 18 holes at ***The Bluffs on Thompson Creek Golf** and Conference Resort, located just off the banks of the Mississippi River in St. Francisville.

*Denotes Audubon Golf Trail (AGT) golf course

CAPITAL CITY GETAWAY - 2 NIGHTS/3 DAYS

- Day 1 Arrive in Baton Rouge and play 18 holes at ***Santa Maria Golf Course**, a Robert Trent Jones, Sr. signature design. Stay, relax and dine in Baton Rouge with dynamic cuisine, upscale shopping, great live music, casinos, eclectic museums, and the excitement of big-time college football, there's enough action to keep you coming back again and again.
- Day 2 Play 18 holes at ***Copper Mill Golf Course** in Zachary then head north to St. Francisville. Soothing to the soul, St. Francisville is the perfect getaway just north of Baton Rouge. After golf, visit antebellum homes, gardens, galleries and antique and gift shops. Enjoy the abundant nature, wildlife and rolling hills in the picturesque countryside. Dine on classic southern dishes at a local restaurant and relax after a full day at The Lodge at The Bluffs.
- Day 3 Play 18 holes at Arnold Palmer's handiwork, ***The Bluffs on Thompson Creek**, located just off the banks of the Mississippi River in St. Francisville.

CENTRAL LOUISIANA RESORT QUEST - 3 NIGHTS/4 DAYS

- Day 1 Arrive in Many and go bass fishing in Toledo Bend Lake. This 186,000-acre lake provides fishermen with record lunker bass (more than 10 pounds) and an abundance of great freshwater fish. Dine and stay at Cypress Bend Resort where stunning views of the golf course and Toledo Bend Lake will keep you immersed in the beauty of Louisiana even when you're just waking up or winding down or enjoying the restaurant's southern cuisine.
- Day 2 Play 18 holes at ***Cypress Bend Golf Course**. Swing through Natchitoches, the oldest settlement in the Louisiana Purchase, and famous for the Natchitoches meat pies, a must when in the Natchitoches area. Dine and overnight at the Paragon Casino Resort in Marksville.
- Day 3 Play 18 holes at ***Tamahka Trails Golf Course** at Paragon Casino Resort in the morning and visit the spa at the resort in the afternoon. Dine in the Marksville area, known for its joie de vivre, French heritage, and magnificent Cajun cuisine.
- Day 4 Play 18 holes at ***OakWing Golf Club** in Alexandria which offers a unique Jim Lipe design interwoven throughout its beautiful England Air Force Base location.

SPORTSMAN'S PARADISE ADVENTURE - 3 NIGHTS/4 DAYS

- Day 1 Arrive in Shreveport and spend the afternoon either zip-lining over alligators at Gator and Friends or taking your chance at the horseracing track or one of the Shreveport-Bossier riverfront casinos. These venues lend themselves to 24-hour excitement, world-class cuisine and nightlife. Overnight in a casino or local hotel.
- Day 2 Play 18 holes at local favorite, **Querbes Park Golf Course** in the morning and then head east towards Monroe. In Monroe, "Follow the Beards" – The stars of A&E's hit show Duck Dynasty call this area home, and you can follow their adventures throughout Monroe-West Monroe with the new Official Duck Commander Hometown Tour. Visit locations featured on the show as well as the store at the Duck Commander Warehouse in West Monroe. Continue east to Delhi to stay two nights at Black Bear Lodge, located by Poverty Point Reservoir State Park, the park includes a 2,700 acres man-made reservoir offering watersport activities, swimming, hiking, and fishing.
- Day 3 Rent a boat or hire a guide for early morning fishing on the reservoir then visit the Poverty Point UNESCO World Heritage Site, a story 3,400 years in the making, considered one of the most significant archaeological finds in the country with Native American ceremonial mounds built between 1700 and 700 B.C. Make time to embark on a journey of historical proportions to this ancient city.
- Day 4 Play 18 holes on Louisiana's number one public golf course, ***Black Bear Golf Club**.

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