True Blues

Days: 2
Nights: 1
Riffs: Just enough

There’s Chicago Blues, Texas Blues, Memphis Blues… but there wouldn’t be any Blues at all if there was not first THE Blues—The Mississippi Delta Blues. In Greenville and Washington County, you’re standing at the epicenter for the Blues. Tune up the six-string and dust off your traveling shoes. Here’s a brief tour to get the beat going.

DAY ONE

8:30-9:25 a.m.
Washington County Convention & Visitors Bureau
Pick up a harp and a map and tour these Blues sites:
Historic Nelson Street, St. Matthew AME Church, Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church,
The Flowing Fountain (closed) and the Nelson Street Blues Marker

9:45 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Highway 61 Blues Museum, Leland, MS
Tour the Downtown Leland Murals and visit the Son Thomas Blues Marker.

11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Lunch at Connie’s Kitchen or Cicero’s on Deer Creek

1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.
Jimmy Reed Blues Marker, Dunleith, MS

1:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.
Freedom Village Blues Marker, Ruby’s Night Spot,
Tyrone Davis Blues Markers, Greenville, MS

2:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.
Sam Chatmon Blues Marker, Hollandale, MS

5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Dine at any Doe’s Eat Place for a truly unique experience

6:30 p.m. - until
Hit the blues bar, Walnut Street Blues Bar, for live blues music. You’ll hear a new story or two about the Blues. Ask who’s in town and where they’re playing. Are you feeling the blues yet? Change your luck at any of the local casinos.

DAY TWO

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
The Walnut Street Blues Walk Foundation has worked very hard to get a stone on Walnut Street for each artist who contributed to the Blues in the Delta. Take a walk down Walnut Street and read all about it!

10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
Tour the 1927 Flood Museum to see why many were inspired here to sing the blues. The lyrics of many famous blues songs were inspired by historic events.

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Tour the William Alexander Memorial Library and read about the stories of blues in the Delta.

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Lunch at Jim’s Cafe or Max and Erma’s will take you back to a simpler time.

2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.
Explore the cemetery where Holt Collier (Teddy Roosevelt’s Mississippi hunting guide) and other African-Americans are laid to rest at the Live Oak Cemetery.

3:00 p.m.
Free time to shop, dine, or visit our many parks. To request a shopping guide, call the number below.

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