

Regina's list of "Over101 Things to do in Natchez"

Welcome to my hometown, I have put together a list so you will learn to love Natchez as much as I do. We are often referred to as "The little easy" or a small New Orleans. For a town this size we have an amazing array of "uniquely Natchez" restaurants, bars, a distillery, brewery and winery, historic homes and points of interest, shops and so much more. Whether you like to bike or kayak, scout for birds or antiques, take a cooking class, visit a historic site or home there is something for everyone. In Spring there is Pilgrimage, biking, bird watching and Natchez weddings, Summer is a time to lay back with a mint julep and enjoy the historic sites and our famous Food & Wine Festival, Fall is time for Antiques Forum, Fall Pilgrimage and Balloon Races while Winter celebrates Christmas in Natchez, the City of lights. There are so many things to do in Natchez, we cannot even charge for all of them so we hi-lighted our **free events in Natchez green for you. Restaurants are in purple.**

As you know may already know, my family owns Twin Oaks, Kings Tavern, Charboneau Distillery, Biscuits and Blues. I also write cookbooks and have cooking class weekends here at Twin Oaks. I am proud of our contributions to Natchez but I am equally proud of everyone else in business in Natchez. With that said, I have tried to be all inclusive- and give you an overview of all Natchez has to offer. I know I have not covered it all but I tried!

For more information on Natchez go to www.visitnatchez.org to purchase tickets in advance go to www.natchezpilgrimage.com don't forget that Natchez celebrates its tri-centennial in 2016!!! Go to www.natchezms300.com

Where to begin.... The Natchez Visitor Center for information, accommodations, and tour & event tickets.

- 1) **"All the assistance you need"** with the National Park Service, Natchez Pilgrimage Tours and our friendly city employees all here to help you plan your time in Natchez.
- 2) **"View the Mississippi River"** from the Visitors center is a spectacular experience.
- 3) **"Free Coffee & Sodas"** to enjoy while you take in the view.
- 4) **"A glimpse of Natchez History"** takes in the written history on the walls inside the visitor's center and learn about all of our rich literary history and our Natchez authors from our contemporary, NY Times best selling author Greg Iles to American icon, Richard Wright. Learn about steamboats, slavery, the civil war, and the rise and fall of cotton. You can read or listen to the oral history with headsets.
- 5) **"The Natchez Story"**, a twenty-minute film on the history of Natchez-it will be the best \$3. You will spend.
- 6) **"Natchez Logo" shop** features T-shirts and other Natchez treasures. Get your friends a GRITS (Girls Raised In The South) t-shirt or one of Robert St. John's "Southern Sayings" T-shirts.
- 7) **"The Eastern National Book store"** features books on the civil war and antebellum south as well as regional and local gifts.

Natchez hit the "Trifecta" with a Distillery, Brewery, and Winery!

Old South Winery 65 S. Concord Street tours Monday-Friday this Natchez institution run by the Galbreath family does everything possible with Muscatine grapes since 1979 www.oldsouthwinery.com

Natchez Brewing Company 413 Franklin www.natchezbrew.com Patrick and Lisa Miller are just wonderful and we are so proud to have their quality product in Natchez! The bluff city blond has already put Natchez on the map!

Charboneau Distillery

Jefferson Street at North Rankin

- 8) **King's Tavern and Charboneau Rum Distillery 613 Jefferson at Rankin** 601-446-5003 Since you found my list on my website- many of you have visited me before so, you already know **King's Tavern** (my restaurant) with our wood fired flatbread, wood-fired fresh fish, flatiron steak with bacon demi Glacé, and crème Brulee ice cream. Do not forget the craft cocktails and the fabulous **Mixology classes**, under the direction of Ricky Woolfolk. Then there is **Charboneau Rum Distillery** (my son, Jean-Luc and husband, Doug's award winning distillery) a tour that is not to be

missed. Open Thursday-Friday at 5 open Saturday and Sunday all day noon- close. I started Biscuits and Blues in San Francisco and we are 20 years strong- be sure and visit my brother, Peter Trosclair at his Natchez **Biscuits and Blues on Main Street** his chicken gumbo and ribs are great.

Cooking Classes

- 9) Cooking Classes with **"Chef Regina Charboneau" @ Twin Oaks** on Homochitto-601-445-0338 Chef Regina owner of Twin Oaks, cookbook author and columnist for The Atlantic web site with a weekly food column has been written up in Gourmet Magazine, Better Homes and Gardens and many other publications. After a tour of Twin Oaks. You prepare a four-course meal with Chef Regina followed by dinner in the main dining room of Twin Oaks. For more info go to www.reginaskitchen.com or www.twinoaksnatchez.com
- 10) Cooking Classes with **"Chef Esther Carpenter" @ The Elms** on MLK-601-445-5979 Chef Esther named one of the 20 best women chefs by *USA Today*, would be most happy to arrange a class to fit your specific needs. Go to www.theelms-natchez.com

Hip and New

High Street between Canal and Broadway

- 11) **Steam punk Coffee** – the best coffee in the South!!! Owners Dub and Linda are great- as is their entire staff. You will not want to leave Natchez. You will be looking to purchase a home in Natchez.
- 12) **"Smoots"** – Dub is opening late fall of 2015 with an authentic blues venue right next door to Steam punk.

Touring Natchez – the houses, the history

- 13) **"Touring our Historic Homes"** the largest collection of pre-Civil War antebellum homes in the South with over ten homes and many other attractions that are opened all year round. During spring and Fall Pilgrimage, over thirty historic houses are on tour. All tickets are available at the Visitors Center- Natchez Pilgrimage Tour counter.
- 14) **"Carriage Rides"**- take a charming horse-drawn carriage tour of historic downtown Natchez the carriages are available on the corner of Canal & Washington Street
- 15) **"Natchez History Tours"** make your reservation for a one-hour driving tour with Eric Williams – this is a great way to quickly become informed about Natchez, history, sites, and eateries. www.natchezhistorytours.com
- 16) **"Natchez Heritage Tours"** this one-hour driving tour stops at historic Melrose for photos as well as other historic sites. Tickets available at NPT in the visitors center.
- 17) **"Natchez Historic Photographs"**, located at 405 State Street inside the Stratton Chapel, located in the First Presbyterian Church downtown, features a collection of photographs taken from as early as 1840. Taken as a whole the photos offer a grand depiction of life in Natchez over the course of its early history. Over 500 photographs.
- 18) **"The Old South Winery"** is where you can sample a variety of Muscatine wines and add your favorites to your collection 65 South Concord Avenue. If you do not have GPS just ask for directions as it is off the beaten path. The people of Natchez are warm and friendly and never mind helping our visitors.
- 19) **"Auburn"** circa 1812- Located in Duncan Park, designed by Architect Levi Weeks, it show cases a fabulous, 360 degree, spiral, free standing staircase.
- 20) **"The Briars"** circa 1845- located way up on the bluffs of the Mississippi River is where you can ramble through the lush grounds where Jefferson Davis was married. You access this home through the back of the **Vue Hotel** across Hwy. 84 from the Visitors Center. You definitely want to have a meal at the restaurant at the Vue.
- 21) **"Dunleith Plantation"** circa 1856- Located on Homochitto Street. It is said to be one of the most photographed houses in America, and do not miss a chance to eat at the Castle at Dunleith whether you have breakfast, lunch, or dinner. The pleasant Pub downstairs offers a cozy fire and good appetizers and drinks. There are several guest rooms on this property.
- 22) **"House on Ellicott Hill"** circa 1797- Located on Jefferson & N. Canal. This historic property is where Andrew Ellicott raised the flag of the United States in defiance of the Spanish authorities, who could see from their position at Fort

Rosalie on the southern end of the bluff promenade. It is quite significant for it is regional architecture. A true Natchez jewel. Tours are by appointment only.

- 23) ******“Longwood”** circa 1860- Located on Lower Woodville Road, just minutes from the Visitors Center- this is the most visited house in Natchez, view the largest and most captivating octagonal house in America, this “Oriental Villa” called Longwood and learn about its melancholy history.
- 24) **“Magnolia Hall”** circa 1858-Located on Washington & Commerce Streets. Unlike many of the Natchez mansions, the staircase is located in the center hall. This elegant mansion also houses a period costume collection.
- 25) **“Melrose”** circa-1845. Located on Melrose Blvd. This Greek revival home is one of the best-preserved and significant historic sites in the South. This is one of the few properties that remain intact as it originally was, with most of the out buildings. The National Park Service now owns it.
- 26) **“Monmouth Plantation”** circa 1818. Located on Quitman Blvd. this is the place to sip an authentic Mint Julep served in a silver cup while viewing some of the most beautiful gardens in Natchez or enjoy an elegant dinner at the Chefs table in the main mansion. Natchez is proud of the consistently high rating of this small luxury hotel.
- 27) **“Rosalie”** circa 1823. Located on the bluffs on Broadway Street. This home is owned and maintained by the DAR and it is where General Grant made his headquarters during the Civil War. It is built where the Spanish first settled. This home has a rich history and the story is well told on this tour.
- 28) ******“Stanton Hall”** circa 1857. Located on High Street and Pearl Street. This is one of the most beautiful and palatial homes in Natchez with many of the original furnishings of the Stanton family. After your tour, be sure to sample the tiny biscuits that have helped Natchez gain the title of “Biscuit Capital of the World” and the famous Carriage fried chicken for lunch at the oldest restaurant in Natchez – the Carriage House.
- 29) **“The Towers”** circa 1859. Located on Myrtle Avenue. This is the “Jewel of Natchez” at Christmas time with its incredible Jeweled Christmas Tour with every room decorated with collections of costume jewelry, beads and crystals and thousands of lights inside and out. *Tours at the Towers are by appointment only other times of the year.* The rich Italian Italianate facade adds to the uniqueness of this historic property. 601-446-6890
- 30) **“Linden”** circa 1790 located 1 Linden Place off Melrose Avenue. The beauty of Linden was so well known that the front door was copied for Tara in the movie Gone with the Wind. Tours by appointment. 601-445-5472
- 31) **“The Burn”** circa 1834 located on North Union this was the home of the John Walworth family for over 100 years. This house was occupied by the Union Army and served as a hospital during the war. This fascinating home has a Southern hospitality tour on Friday & Saturdays with wine on the gallery at 5:30 by appointment 601-442-1344
- 32) **“Historic Churches”** Trinity Episcopal Church –circa 1822, located at 305 S. Commerce, the oldest church building in Natchez, Federal Style with a gilded dome. Directly across the street stands Temple B’Nai Israel circa 1905 originally 1872, there is a rich Jewish history in Natchez (tour by appointment) Another Federal Style church is First Presbyterian – circa 1829, located at 405 State Street the adjoining Stratton Chapel is where Natchez Historic photographs are located. For a complete guide to historic Churches go to www.visitnatchez.org
- 33) ******“Spring Pilgrimage”** is a cherished tradition for over 75 years. March & April over 30 historic houses with hosts in historic costumes open their doors. Evening entertainment includes the Pageant which is an entertaining view of days gone by, a stage comedy-Southern Exposure and a musical tribute-Southern Road to Freedom. For more information go to www.natchezpilgrimage.com
- 34) ******“Fall Pilgrimage”** offers historic house tours with living history and special events in the homes after the tours, such as Jazz and Juleps. Evening entertainment includes “Voices of Hope” Gospel Choir www.natchezpilgrimage.com
- 35) **“Christmas in Natchez”** offers holiday events from the day after Thanksgiving lighting of the Tree and Turkey Gumbo Cook-off to the festive New Years Celebrations all over town, The Towers Jeweled Christmas Tour, many historic homes in lights with special activities for the entire family.
- 36) **“The Best View of the River”** is from the new portion of the National Cemetery on Cemetery Road.

African American History & Culture

- 37) **"William Johnson House"** The Natchez National Historical Park offers a free self-guided tour of the William Johnson House 210 State Street. William Johnson, a barber and diarist who left behind a fascinating history of a free man of color.
- 38) **"NAPAC Museum"** - the Natchez Museum of African American History and Culture houses "The Finley Collection" of West African Art & Artifacts. Located on Main Street & Wall Street. Donation appreciated
- 39) **"The Mississippi Blues Trail"** find the markers located on the bluff, at the NAPAC Museum and MLK & St. Catherine. Pay your respects at this marker memorializing the 209 lives lost in the Rhythm Club fire, the second deadliest fire at a night club in the United States
- 40) **"The Forks in the Road"** site of the South's second largest slave market in the 19th century. Enslaved people were also once sold on city streets and at the landing at Natchez Under the Hill. Natchez slaves were freed in July 1863, when Union troops occupied the city. The Forks of the Road market then became a refuge for hundreds of emancipated people. The marker is at the intersection of Liberty Road and St Catherine Street and Devereaux Drive (Business U.S. 61), on the left when traveling north on Liberty Road
- 41) **"Rose Hill Baptist Church"** was organized before the Civil War and is the oldest organized black Baptist congregation in Mississippi. The church is located on Madison Street between Rankin and Martin Luther King, Jr. Streets.
- 42) **"St. John's"** Located on Martin Luther King, Jr. at the intersection of High Street, this is one of the oldest African-American church buildings in Natchez, and this brick church has served as a place of worship for its congregation since about 1886.
- 43) **"Zion Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church"** is located at Martin Luther King, Jr. and Jefferson Streets. Built in 1858 as Second Presbyterian Church, it was sold to the AME church in 1866. Hiram R. Revels was the pastor when this church was secured and left to become the first African American to serve in the U.S. Senate. The Gospel Choir is under the direction of Mr. Tony Fields with Sunday service at 10:30
- 44) **"Holy Family Catholic Church"** circa 1894 Located on the corner of St. Catherine Street and Orange Avenue, was built as the first Catholic Church for a black congregation in the state of Mississippi. The Gospel Choir is under the direction of Mr. Alvin Shelby on Sundays at 8:30 Mass.
- 45) **"Richard Wright"** exhibits at the Natchez Visitors Center on his life, a Natchez native, one of our great American writers, his work helped redefine discussions of race relations in America in the mid-20th century.
- 46) **"Southern Road to Freedom"** The history of African Americans in Natchez told through the songs and narration of the award-winning Holy Family church Gospel Choir. During Spring Pilgrimage Tuesday, Thursdays and Saturday evenings 8p.m.
- 47) **"Amos Polk's Voices of Hope"** During Fall Pilgrimage this stirring performance of Gospel music is a dinner theater setting at the Carriage House restaurant. Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Saturday is at 8p.m.

Natchez Indian History

- 48) **"Emerald Mound"** on the Natchez Trace - about 10 miles northeast of Natchez. Natchez Trace Parkway milepost 10.3. Exit parkway at Rte. 553 intersection. Open daily. Built between 1250 and 1600 A.D. this was a ceremonial center for the local population, which resided in outlying villages. These were the ancestors of the Natchez Indians.
- 49) **"Fort Rosalie"** built in 1716 on the bluffs of Natchez by the labor and material from the Natchez Indians. Growing tension between the French and Natchez Indians was the demise and ruin of the Natchez Indian Nation. (This is now part of Natchez Historical Park).
- 50) **"Grand Village"** of the Natchez Indians 400 Jefferson Davis Blvd. off Hwy. 61 South just South of Natchez Regional Hospital. This 128-acre Grand Village site features a museum, a reconstructed Natchez Indian house, and three ceremonial mounds. Open 9-5 daily and 1:30-5 on Sundays.

Ghost Tours & Cemetery Tours

Ghost Tours, Cemetery tours and house tours with Downtown Carla Brown can be arranged through Natchez Pilgrimage Tours 601-446-6631

- 51) **"Kings Tavern"** not only the oldest Inn in Natchez but the only haunted restaurant in town. Do not be afraid because the cocktails and wood fired brisket flatbread keeps everyone coming back.
- 52) **"The Natchez Cemetery Tour"** Visit "The Turning Angel" at The Natchez City Cemetery and see if her head turns to follow as you pass. The Cemetery Office offers books, art, and a cemetery tour booklet. A tour of the Natchez City Cemetery is a glimpse back in time to the early days of historic Natchez, revealing the rich and colorful tapestry of this early Southern city and its residents. (CD is for a self-guided tour may be rented at the Visitors Center)
- 53) **"1891 City Jail"** located on State Street & Wall Street- This is where 56 people were hung over a sixty year period. Where death row overlooked the hanging booth.

Music & Entertainment

- 54) **"Natchez Little Theater"** take in a production at Natchez Little Theatre for a schedule of plays go to www.natchezpilgrimage.com calendar of events
- 55) **"Karaoke"** Sing karaoke Wednesday at Bowies Thursdays at Andrews Bar
- 56) **"Live Music"** Friday & Saturday nights kick up your heels at the music scene Under the Hill, Bowies, Doc Big Loves & Bobby J's. Rolling River Bistro has music Thursday thru Sunday! Biscuits and Blues Friday and Saturday.
- 57) **"Trivia"** Bowies Tavern on Tuesday evenings 7pm
- 58) **"Natchez Blues Festival"** last of April first of May, the real deal.
- 59) **"Natchez Festival of Music"** In May take in a total celebration of music from blues to opera performances at the Festival of Music for schedule and tickets www.natchezfestivalofmusic.com or www.natchezpilgrimage.com
- 60) **"Gospel"** during Spring and Fall Pilgrimage there are Gospel performances, all of our churches welcome visitors on Sundays Holy Family 8am mass with a choir under the direction of Alvin Shelby is uplifting!
- 61) **"Second Saturdays"** Downtown Natchez offer a great evening to visit the downtown shops and Natchez Art Gallery where you can meet the local artists and see a free movie on Main & Commerce

Main Street from Rankin to the River

- 62) **"Eccentricities"** 707 Main and Rankin Gigi Johnson's shop is the anchor of the beginning of Main Street shopping with specializing in retail and consignment items. Ready, set, shop.
- 63) **"Memorial Park"** located at the corner of Main and Rankin, a beautiful park to take a break and sit under the grand oaks of Natchez.
- 64) **"St. Mary's Basilica"** circa 1843 located on Main & Union is a minor basilica, once the cathedral for the state diocese. The oldest Catholic building still in use in Mississippi, the church received its first blessing in 1843. Today, recently restored, the interior of the church is stunning
- 65) **"Raspberry Alley"** 515 Main Street Made in the South jewelry, bath salts, and candles. Trendy tops and even plus sizes.
- 66) **"Soirée"** 505 Main Street finer fashion and accessories for the fashion forward. Lovely things!
- 67) **"Fine Art and Framing" Gifts** Natchez Fine Framing & Art- 518 Main Street-One of our best artists is the owner and offers art lessons at this fine shop.
- 68) **Mon Amie- Children's Shop** 421 Main Newborn to girls and boys 14-16, Melissa and Doug Toys- but the best part for visitors with children- they have a "fun lab" where from \$5-\$10 children can make their own soaps and lotions. This is a great place to visit! Lots to keep your children busy while you shop. A grandmother's must do list!
- 69) **"Furniture, Light Fixtures and Rugs"** 427 Main Street D. Short is an extension of Darby's, her husband Dennis has a great collection of imports, fine furniture and rugs.

- 70) **"Home made Fudge**, classic gifts and trendy clothes" Darby's -410 Main Street all these fun things under on roof- the jewel of Main Street and so is her store...always a must do in Natchez.
- 71) **"Over the top BLT"and Live Music"** Rolling River Bistro" 408 Main Street café with live music venue to see menu www.rrbistro.com
- 72) **"Signature Natchez Gifts, Pewter"** One of a Kind -409 Main Street this is the best place to find unique Natchez gifts, they carry gifts you wont find anywhere else.
- 73) **"Browse through old and new"** 401 Main Street Uniquely yours – consignment, gifts, antiques.

Turn the corner at Main and Pearl- to the left is Pearl Street Pasta to the right is Slick Ricks

- 74) **"Creative and delicious Sandwiches"** Slick Ricks lunch only- great sandwiches made with his spice rubs- you must buy some while you are there, great gifts!
- 75) **"Crawfish Pasta, Chicken Picatta or Seafood Lasagna"** Pearl Street Pasta (Pearl & Main Street) A Natchez institution serving up Italian classics with a bit of Southern style hospitality. Good wine list and bar as well.
- 76) **"Kayak Trips"** Everyday Adventures 334 Main Street – Lena is amazing and if you like the outdoors- a kayak trip with Lena is a must! She is also a personal trainer. She can take you on bike tours or Kayak tours. Fun!!! 601-392-3079 or email her at lena@everydayadventure.net
- 77) **"Local Flavor & Characters"** Andrews Tavern -325 Main Street this is a local favorite where every hour is a happy hour. Chances are you will meet some local characters.
- 78) **"Antique Shop" 327** Main – finer antiques and collectibles
- 79) **"Gumbo, Poboy, Smoked Ribs and Hot Biscuits"** 315 Main Street Biscuits & Blues famous for their flakey biscuits with apricot butter is the real deal with Catfish Poboy to Marinated Steaks. Do not forget to try the Natchez Beignet floating in a Praline sauce! Full Bar. Open Lunch and Dinner closed Monday
- 80) **"Natchez-Made Hot Sauce"** D'Evereux Hot Sauce -312 Main Meet Ashley Aldridge and learn all about her family business- you can buy the sauces and jams and jellies there! Get one for everyone!
- 81) **"Cash"** to do more shopping cash machines Home Bank @ 500 Main Street. Concordia Bank @ corner of Main and Wall Street
- 82) **"Fishing Lure's and Hunting Gear"** Bowies Outfitters -100 Main Street a paradise for the outdoors lover.
- 83) **"Cold Beer and a Hot Sandwich"** Bowies Tavern -100 Main Street a local favorite spot to watch the river roll by. A great selection of regional beer and just about anything else behind the bar you might want. Opens at 4pm. Live Music on weekends.
- 84) **"Cotton Alley"** 208 Main Street The original owners of Pearl Street Pasta, they now have Cotton Alley which is popular with the locals.
- 85) **"Photo Op with a View"** Bridge of Sighs- a must see!!!The Bluff at the foot of Main Street is a great place for your photo op...with the Mississippi River Bridge as a backdrop. Walk down to Rosalie for more photos

Franklin Street "Antiques Row and More" from Canal to Rankin

- 86) **"Conner Burns Pottery"** 209 Franklin Meet the artist and purchase a piece of his award winning pottery. Call for appointment 601-446-6334 open Saturdays at 1pm
- 87) **"Local Art"** Natchez Art Gallery -407 Franklin This is where you can see the work of most of our local artists and find the perfect piece to remember your trip by.
- 88) **"Hand Painted Furniture"** Sun, Moon & Stars -409 Franklin Street- unique gifts and hand painted furniture and gift items by local artist Erin
- 89) **"Natchez Brewing Company"- 411 Franklin Street** so proud to have a local Brewery!
- 90) **"Natchez Antique Mall"** 413 Franklin and Pearl Street several dealers in one location- a great place to start!
- 91) **"Primitives Ltd. Antiques"** 505 Franklin- This store has several rooms all filled with quality collections and collectables.

- 92) **"Cappuccino, Latte or Smoothie"** Natchez Coffee Company – 509 Franklin St. Great Coffee and Real Southern Breakfast, Lunch and amazing desserts to go with your afternoon coffee.
- 93) **"Pick up a Page Turner"** Turning Pages 520 Franklin Pick up an autographed copy of a book by Natchez writer Greg lles and go across to Natchez Coffee to begin a page turner that you won't want to put down. Great selection of local authors as well as best sellers.
- 94) **"Addies Antique Mall"** 631 Franklin-A great place to browse and find hidden treasures.
- 95) **"H.Hal Garner Antiques"** 610 Franklin-A tasteful selection of fine crystal and china as well as antique and reproduction pieces of furniture and fine jewelry books and art.
- 96) **"Mrs. Holder Antiques"** 636 Franklin-Known for her lovely antique linens, serving dishes, art and furnishings. Also a great source for lampshades.
- 97) **"Wilson-Holder Drug Store"** 636 Franklin-this old fashion drug store has all your modern day needs but has a feel of the past, you can still get a shoe shine there and even a lucky candle.
- 98) **"Towers Collection"** 708 Franklin- Many ornate period pieces, antique perfume bottles and other treasures and contemporary gifts.
- 99) **"175 different Natchez Jams, Jellies, Relishes" and Pralines!" Old South Trading Post** 712 Franklin-. – It would be easier to say what they do not have. Southern gifts galore and a selection of candy including home made pralines.

Detour to "Commerce Street Shops located between Franklin and Main Street- Turn off Franklin onto Commerce street and find several other notable shops, Cornerstone Antiques, South Union Interiors with original art by Kevin Brodeur and a few other shops worth visiting.

- 100) **"Sushi or Thai Curries"** 116 North Commerce Escape to Planet Thailand Commerce between Main & Franklin for authentic Thai food or hand rolled sushi
- 101) **"Local Painter and craftsmen"** 119 North Commerce towards Main St. Artist Kevin Brodeur Gallery – from his cotton fields, river view and latest show- Vera's flowers- his paintings are a must for art collectors. His partner Kev does upholstery and draperies. There is a whole lot of talent under this roof!

Main Street @ Canal Street

- 102) **"Pulled Pork Sandwich"** Pig Out 116 South Canal Street- Pick up a sandwich or BBQ Ribs from our most famous BBQ joint and have a picnic right there or take it to go and walk up to the bluff and watch the river flow.
- 103) **"Knock You Naked Margarita"** Fat Mamas Tamales 300 South Canal Street- Finish that margarita as you devour a half-dozen tamales and finish with their peanut butter pie. You can bring home some of their gifts to your friends everyone loves their t-shirts and margarita mix.
- 104) **"Pizza by the Slice or a Muffaletto"** Uptown Grocery 513 South Canal Street-Pick up some fresh pizza by the slice, homemade chicken salad or other gourmet items from Uptown Grocery, eat there or take it for a picnic on the Natchez Trace.

Natchez Under the Hill

- 105) **"The Rivers Edge"** Drive down Silver Street and stand at the water's edge of the mighty Mississippi River and look to the other side where Jim Bowie entered into his infamous duel on the sandbar.
- 106) **"Spectacular Sunsets"** The best place to absorb the ambience of Natchez Under The Hill
- 107) **"Burgers and Brews"** The Camp- serious about their burgers- even have house-made buns and they have the largest selection of brews in Natchez with a River view!
- 108) **"The most historic Bar in Natchez"** Under the Hill Saloon 25 Silver Street You almost feel the presence of the River Boat Gamblers and the Wild Women of a time when Cotton was king. While sipping a beverage or cocktail at sunset ask somebody about the history of the place and then just listen to the stories!
- 109) **"Saucy Shrimp or a Sandwich"** Magnolia Bar & Grill 49 Silver Street Whether you want fancy fish or a basic burger the menu satisfies all.

110) **"Slots or Black Jack"** Magnolia Bluffs Casino is at the foot of Main Street Try your luck at our riverboat casino.

Natchez Classics –

111) **"The Malt Shop"** Homochitto Street @ MLK- serving classic burgers and malts and soft serve ice cream for several generations. This is a genuine classic.

112) **"The Donut Shop"** Hwy 84 & Homochitto- as seen on the Food Network. The best donuts and they even have tamales.

It is good to know that we have no chain restaurants downtown. We pride ourselves in our locally owned and operated restaurants. Other Natchez originals on this list- Fat Mama's, Pig Out, The Carriage House, Biscuits&Blues, Pearl Street Pasta, Planet Thai, Breaud's, Slick Ricks, Cotton Alley, Kings Tavern, Rolling River Bistro.

The Natchez Mall & Highway 84 west

113) **"Oops, you forgot to pack something"** Not to worry our Mall has a department store- Belk and a few other shops in between. We even have an Office Depot...but we hope you left your work at home.

114) **"Walking in the Rain"** If it is raining and you want to get your exercise...just take your walk inside the Mall. You will run into lots of locals.

115) **"Catch a Movie"** We have the UA Natchez Mall Cinema 4 if you want to take time out for a movie.

116) **"Natchez Movie History"** A self guided tour to see Natchez film history Natchez has been the "back drop" of many movies

The door of Linden was used to create the door of Tara in "Gone with the Wind", Jefferson College was used in filming of John Wayne's "The Horse Soldiers" and was used for the Disney production of "Huck Finn" Stanton Hall was used for the series "North & South" and Melrose for the mini series "Beulah Land". Now there is a tour of local writer-director Tate Taylor's filming of the James Brown biopic "Get on Up" brochures at the Visitors center.

117) **"Breakfast to Blizzards"** Dairy Queen-245 John R. Junkin Drive (84 west)

118) **"Picture Perfect"- Dianne's Frame & Gift Shop-** Another Natchez original- wonderful gifts as well as expert framing,243 John R. Junkin Drive (84 west)

119) **"Fried Dill Pickles" Jughead's-** A classic- fried catfish and much more...the best fried pickles in three counties
217 John R. Junkin Drive (84 west)

Hwy. 61 North- Washington and The Natchez Trace

120) **"Historic Jefferson College"** in 1811, Jefferson College, the only chartered educational institution prior to the statehood of Mississippi opened; and in 1817, Mississippi's state constitution was drafted there in a small Methodist Church, which later became part of Jefferson College. Many of Mississippi's early political leaders were associated with Jefferson College. Perhaps the most famous student was the young Jefferson Davis, who in 1861 became president of the Confederate States of America.

121) **"The Natchez Trace"** from Natchez, the boatmen would begin the long walk home. They traveled the Natchez Trace to Nashville, Tennessee. From there, they used more established roads to take them to their homes further north and east. Research indicates that more than 10,000 Kaintucks (boatmen from the flat boats that brought goods to Natchez on the Mississippi River) traveled the Old Trace in the year 1810 alone. The 500-mile trip on foot typically took about 35 days. Lucky travelers that rode horses could expect to cover it in 20 to 25 days.

The first 16 miles of the Natchez Trace starting in Natchez provides numerous opportunities to get out of your car and learn more about the history of the area. From prehistoric American Indian mounds, to a town abandoned in the early 1900's, there are thousands of years of history along the Natchez Trace.

122) **"Emerald Mound"** Emerald Mound, at milepost 10.3, is the second largest Mississippian period ceremonial mound in the United States, and the largest mound along the Natchez Trace Parkway. The mound provides a glimpse into the story of the Mississippian period people who lived along the Natchez Trace.

- 123) **"Mount Locust"**, at milepost 15.5, is the only remaining inn, or "stand" on the Parkway. This contact station is open from February to November each year, and rangers are available from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm to share information on the historic structure. Mount Locust allows you to see what the "Kaintucks" or the boatmen of flatboats may have experienced at the roadside stands.

Hwy. 61 South

- 124) **"Fast and not too Fast Food"** Trace town Mall has Ruby Tuesdays, McDonalds and tucked in the back corner is a popular local BBQ joint E&Ts BBQ Heaven.
- 125) **"Grand Village"** of the Natchez Indians 400 Jefferson Davis Blvd. off Hwy. 61 South just South of Natchez Regional Hospital. This 128-acre Grand Village site features a museum, a reconstructed Natchez Indian house, and three ceremonial mounds. Open 9-5 daily and 1:30-5 on Sundays.
- 126) **"Mammy's Cupboard"** this vintage Americana building is where you dine under the replica of a southern mammy's skirt. Some of the best desserts in the South, Banana Caramel Pie, hummingbird cake, homemade pies. Daily specials and sandwiches on home made bread. Take your camera. This is a Kodak moment! Closed Sundays and Mondays. Lunch only.
- 127) **"St. Catherine Wildlife Refuge"**-the Magnolia Trail is a three-mile walking trail for outdoor enthusiasts of all ages. The trailhead at St. Catherine Creek National Wildlife Refuge headquarters is three miles off Highway 61 South, part of the Great River Road State Scenic Byway. The trail provides an opportunity for byway travelers to experience Mississippi's scenic and natural features.

Spa's, Sports & Special Interests

Salons & Spa's

- 128) **"Pamper Me Please"** – 151 Franklin Street 601-445-0206 a Salon
- 129) **"Anruss"** 212 N. Commerce 601-445-2007 a Salon
- 130) **"Riverfront Royale Salon"** and Med Spa 100 Front Street 318-336-8898 a Spa located across the river.

Golf & Tennis

- 131) **"Duncan Park Golf Course"** - 57 Duncan Park Rd in Duncan Park (601) 442-5955a golfers hidden treasure near downtown Historic Natchez. An elegant 6300-yard. Par 71 golf course that is in a class of its own, Duncan Park Golf Course was first established in 1928 as a traditional style course featuring narrow fairways and small greens winding through a virgin hardwood forest. It features dwarf Bermuda grass greens, along with the tiff way 419 Bermuda grass fairways enhanced by an abundance of azaleas, dogwoods, and half a century old crepe myrtles. Also included in the course is the largest Shumard Oak tree in the United States, located on hole 3. Spanish moss droops from almost every limb of our countless oak trees. Duncan Park signature hole (hole 6) is a captivating attraction and contribution to the course. In addition to a picturesque course, Duncan Park features a practice range and golf shop.
- 132) **"The Natchez City Park Tennis Courts"** offer as many as 10 tennis courts to challenge the active player. These tennis courts are fully lighted and available to the public upon their desire. Our Tennis Pro, Henry Harris and staff provides tennis lessons, tournament play, league play, group tennis programs, and a tennis shop for the public. Tourists are welcomed. Tennis racket restringing is offered. Duncan Park Tennis Courts: phone 601-442-1589
- 133) **"Beau Pre Golf Course"** - Located 3 miles south of Natchez off Highway 61 South. For tee times call: (601) 442-8181 An 18-hole championship layout designed by Mike Young presents a variety of tees challenging golfers of all levels. Situated on the banks of Second Creek, Beau Pre' features a 90 foot sheer clay bluff, vast canyons with feeder creeks, abundant wildlife, rolling terrain and expansive sand areas

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Yoga & Health Clubs

- 135) **"Satya Yoga Studio"**– Main and MLK - www.satayogaclass.com
136) **"Perfect Fit"** across from Twin Oaks in Margaret Martin Building email them to schedule a class perfectfit@gmail.com
137) **"Snap Fitness"**347 D'Evereux Drive – Call about a daily pass -601- 442-5454

There are Adventures and then there are Redneck Adventures...

- 138) **"Everyday Adventures"** 334 Main Street – Lena is amazing and if you like the outdoors- a kayak trip with Lena is a must! She is also a personal trainer. She can take you on bike tours or Kayak tours. Fun!!! 601-392-3079 or email her at lena@everydayadventure.net
139) **"Redneck Adventures"** – Jimmy "jimbob" Algood is a great host of the outdoors when in Natchez! He can take you hunting, fishing; he can even get you up close and personal with an alligator. 601-597-6658
140) **"Natchez State Park"**- The best place for Sports fishing near Natchez, just 10 miles north of Natchez off Hwy 61 N. The largest bass a18.5lb largemouth bass was caught in the man made lake. Boat rental, boat ramp, cabins and lots more. 601-442-2658

Walking Trails & tours

- 141) **"Walk above the River"** Go to the foot of Main street and walk along the high bluffs of the Mississippi River- Follow the Natchez Trails project- Start at Broadway near the old train Depot- the best walking tour ever!!!
142) **"The National Park Service free Walking tours"** downtown Walking tours Saturdays at 10a.m they begin in front of the William Johnson House, 210 State Street and last about an hour. For more info call 601-446-5790 or go to www.nps.gov/natc
143) **"Walking Tour of the historic Natchez Cemetery"** The Cemetery Office offers a cemetery tour booklet to help guide you on your tour.