

DOWNTOWN BATON ROUGE

Fun Facts

MISSISSIPPI RIVER



- + The Indian Mounds on the campus of Louisiana State University were constructed 450 years before the first Egyptian pyramid was built.
- + Eight flags have flown over Baton Rouge since its naming by Iberville in 1699. American forces captured Baton Rouge from the British in the only Revolutionary battle fought outside the 13 original colonies.
- + The Old Governor's Mansion, built by Huey Long, was reputedly built as an exact replica of the White House so that Long would not have to learn where the light switches were when he became President.
- + The Louisiana State Capitol is the tallest in the nation, at 34 stories and 450 feet high.
- + The Exxon refinery at Baton Rouge is the largest oil refinery (in capacity) on the North American continent.
- + Tiger Stadium, known as "Death Valley" has been the site of an actual earthquake. Thousands of cheering fans rocked the stadium so hard against SEC rival Auburn in 1989, the movement was recorded on a Richter scale.
- + The Mississippi River pours 308 billion gallons of water per day past Baton Rouge.
- + Greater Baton Rouge Port is the farthest inland deep-water port of the Gulf of Mexico.
- + Louisiana Wildlife inhabits more than 1.5 million acres of nearby swamp which serves as a wildlife refuge.
- + The Atchafalaya Basin serves as home to a large portion of the 103 bald eagle nesting territories throughout the state.
- + The USS KIDD is semi-dry docked in a uniquely engineered frame that is featured in Ripley's Believe It or Not.

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Baton Rouge Area Convention and Visitors Bureau

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| 1 Hollywood Casino Baton Rouge | 9 St. Joseph Cathedral | 17 Old State Capitol - LA Center For Political & Governmental History |
| 2 Louisiana State Capitol - Visitor Information Center | 10 Main Street Market | 18 Baton Rouge River Center |
| 3 Old Arsenal Museum | 11 St. James Episcopal Church | 19 Baton Rouge River Center Performing Arts Theater |
| 4 Louisiana Governor's Mansion | 12 Shaw Center for the Arts LSU Museum of Art | 20 Old Governor's Mansion and Museum |
| 5 Pentagon Barracks | 13 Louisiana Art & Science Museum Irene W. Pennington Planetarium | 21 Baton Rouge Area Convention and Visitors Bureau |
| 6 Capitol Park Visitor Info Center | 14 USS Kidd DD-661 Louisiana Veterans Memorial and Museum | 22 Odell S. Williams Now & Then African-American Museum |
| 7 Louisiana State Museum | 15 Belle of Baton Rouge Casino | |
| 8 Louisiana State Library | 16 Riverfront - Red Stick Plaza/ Public Dock | |

LEGEND

- Louisiana attraction
- Theater/Gallery
- Cemetery
- Church
- Historical site
- Hotel/Motel
- Information
- Parking
- Shopping
- Trolley Stops

ACCOMMODATIONS

- 41 Sheraton Baton Rouge Convention Center Hotel
102 France Street
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- 42 Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center
201 Lafayette Street
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