




EXPERIENCE TOP CHEF LOUISVILLE

Spend 48 Hours with Us!


Welcome to a region that produces more than 95% of our country's Bourbon. A city with more than 2,500 restaurants. A city with numerous James Beard nominated chefs and restaurants. Welcome to the Urban Bourbon Trail. Welcome to Farm to Table, not as something new, but as the way it's always been. We welcome you to Louisville – the Culinary Capital of Bourbon Country.


Day One

Breakfast-PLEASE & THANK YOU*-Start your day with a locally baked pastry in the NULU district. This hip coffee/music shop combo is known for its chocolate chip cookies and wide selection of vinyl records. 

MUHAMMAD ALI CENTER—Stroll through the award-winning, multicultural center dedicated to the life and legacy of Louisville native son, Muhammad Ali. Learn the story behind Ali's incredible life and the core principles that fueled his journey become the "Greatest of All Time." You can even step into the boxing ring and take on the Champ, see a replica of the infamous red bike that started his boxing career, and get an up-close look at the Olympic torch he used to light the cauldron at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics.


FRAZIER HISTORY MUSEUM -In partnership with the Kentucky Distiller's Association, the Frazier Museum is home to the Kentucky Bourbon Trail Welcome Center & *Spirit of Kentucky* exhibit. Located on the first floor of the museum, the Welcome Center is the official starting point of the Kentucky Bourbon Trail. *Spirit of Kentucky* provides an educational primer on the history of the Kentucky Bourbon industry-- sharing the people, places and events that have made Bourbon the Spirit of Kentucky.

LOUISVILLE SLUGGER MUSEUM & FACTORY -Located along Louisville "Museum Row," you can't miss the 120-foot-tall Louisville Slugger bat welcoming you to the museum and factory. See how the famous Louisville Slugger bats are made, and hold bats used by baseball superstars. Experience what it's like to face a 90-mile-per-hour fastball or take a swing with historic replica bats in the batting cages. 


Lunch-BUTCHERTOWN GROCERY*—Butchertown Grocery offers everyday food you'll want to eat every day. Chef Bobby Benjamin carefully crafts each dish with the best produce from around the region. 

SOUR MASH TOURS -Sour Mash Tours is Louisville's only guided, walking bourbon tasting experience. We offer an expansive and interactive tasting experience that no single distillery can provide, all while getting you acquainted with Louisville neighborhoods known for their unique bars and restaurants. Each bourbon tour features samples of at least nine brands across stops at three of Louisville's finest establishments for bourbon and whiskey lovers, all within easy walking distance.

CAVE HILL CEMETERY SELF-GUIDED TOUR-Built in 1848, this 296-acre cemetery/outdoor museum & arboretum is the final resting places for many of Louisville famous citizens from Bourbon Barons to J. Graham Brown (the inventor of the Hot Brown) to Colonel Sanders to Muhammad Ali.

Dinner-FEAST*-BBQ is the passion at Feast, where they strive to produce the most consistent smoked meats possible and made from scratch sides. Check out the loaded tots and the bourbon slushies! 



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Day Two

Breakfast-J. GRAHAM'S CAFE*—Home to the original “Hot Brown,” J. Graham’s has delighted generations of Louisvillians with its elegant, light-filled atmosphere and casual dining. Kick off your day with a generous breakfast in a historic location. Experience a traditional Hot Brown open-faced dish that originated at the Brown Hotel in the 1920s and was an immediate hit with the guests!

[KENTUCKY DERBY MUSEUM](#) -Experience the greatest 2-minutes in racing at the Kentucky Derby Museum. Be a part of the thrills and traditions of the race as you watch the “Greatest Race” in a 360-degree theatre. Step into the announcer’s booth and call the play-by-play for the race or try on the jockey silks and climb aboard a race horse to see who in the family has first place bragging rights. Tour the historic Churchill Downs to learn the history of the track and see up close the famous track itself.

HISTORIC OLD LOUISVILLE WALKING TOURS-Historic Old Louisville features the largest contiguous collection of Victorian mansions in the United States. This 60-minute guided tour will take you through the history of Old Louisville from the 1870s to present, talk about the architecture of the homes, and more!

OLD FORESTER DISTILLERY-Returning to Louisville’s historic “Whiskey Row,” Old Forester harkens back to the heritage and authenticity of America’s First Bottled Bourbon in a state-of-the-art facility that celebrates Old Forester’s origins, and the role of bourbon in Louisville’s history.

Dinner-MINT JULEP TOURS SOUTHERN SUPPER SERIES*-Delight in a well-rounded taste of Louisville’s culinary scene via a progressive dinner that will take you to three of Louisville’s top restaurants for specially themed dishes that are paired with cocktails.



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