

Natchez, Mississippi, USA

Perched atop 200-foot bluffs above the Mississippi, Natchez packs more antebellum mansions per square mile than anywhere in America — plus tales of pirates, plantation wealth, and a riverfront that has barely changed in 200 years.

 Docked (pier/riverbank)  Typical call: 6–10 hrs  US Dollar  English  River cruise port

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date:	Arrive:	All aboard:
Excursion:	Notes:	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Ships dock directly at the Natchez riverfront (Silver Street / Harbor View Dr) — no tender required

Best For: Antebellum mansion tours, Civil War history, Southern food & live music

Walk to center: Flat riverfront 5 min walk; steep 0.3-mile hill climb to historic downtown (shuttles provided)

Don't Miss: Longwood octagonal mansion, Natchez City Cemetery Turning Angel, Fat Mama's Tamales

 Getting around:  Taxi  \$10–\$20 ·  Rideshare  Uber

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Antebellum Mansion Trail** — Tour Longwood (the largest octagonal house in the US, frozen mid-construction since 1861), Stanton Hall (Greek Revival...)
- **William Johnson House & NPS Sites** — Explore the National Park Service–run William Johnson House, home of a free Black businessman whose diary gives a rare...
- **Natchez Bluff Park Walk** — Stroll the paved bluff-top paths for unobstructed panoramas of the Mississippi River.
- **Natchez Trace Parkway Terminus** — Natchez is the southern end of the 444-mile Natchez Trace Parkway, a historic forest corridor used by Native Americans...
- **Southern Food & Riverfront Drinks** — Hit Under-the-Hill Saloon (one of the oldest bars on the Mississippi) right near the ship, then head uptown for Fat...

BEST WALKS

- **Riverfront to Downtown Natchez** 1.2 miles • Moderate (steep hill) • 25–40 min — Walk off the gangway along Silver Street, then climb the bluff road to Main Street and the historic downtown.
- **Historic Downtown Loop** 1 mile • Easy (flat on top) • 20–30 min — From the shuttle drop-off, walk along Main Street past Stanton Hall, St.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:37AM–7:34PM · Jun 6:00AM–8:12PM · Aug 6:31AM–7:48PM · Sep 6:50AM–7:10PM · Oct 7:09AM–6:32PM	
Apr	75°	58°	11d		
Jun	89°	73°	13d		
Aug	91°	75°	15d		
Sep	88°	71°	9d		
Oct	80°	62°	7d		

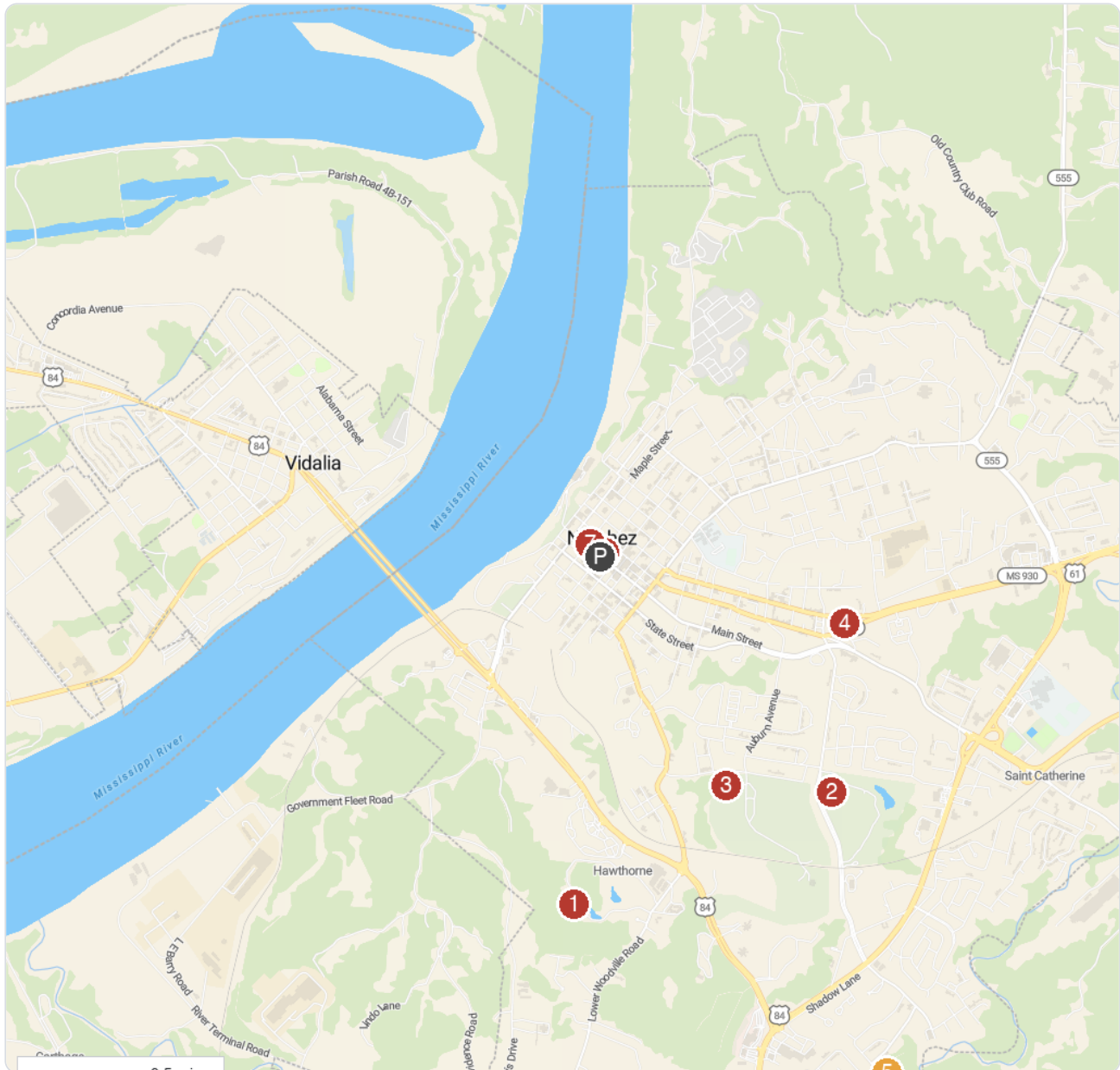
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Use the shuttle. The Silver Street climb is steep and exhausting in summer heat. Most river cruise lines provide free hop-on-hop-off shuttles — use them, especially on the way...
Summer heat is brutal. May–September is hot and extremely humid. Light clothing, a hat, and plenty of water are essential.

Natchez, Mississippi, USA — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 Longwood | Unfinished octagonal antebellum mansion, a unique architectural marvel. | 2 Natchez National Historical Park | Preserves Natchez history, including Melrose Estate and William Johnson House. |
| 3 Historic Auburn | Elegant 1812 antebellum mansion with original furnishings and gardens. | 4 Forks of the Road | Site of a major antebellum slave market. |
| 5 Grand Village of the Natchez Indians | Archaeological site and museum of the Natchez Indian culture. | 6 Natchez Ghost Tour | Guided walking tour exploring Natchez's haunted history and ghost stories. |
| 7 Natchez Museum-African American Culture | Museum preserving Natchez's rich African American history and culture. | P Cruise port / terminal | |