

## WELKOM!

Funny how you remember some people with such clarity it's as if you saw them yesterday. Martha Duck was a good friend. She was almost ten years my senior, smart, worldly, and everlastingly fun. We shared in common our sons, born six weeks apart. I remember a chaotic moms' lunch out with the kids when Martha seemed lost in thought. Looking me straight in the eye (I don't remember which one) she began, 'I believe that every child should be. . . .' She paused when Robbie Duck threw his applesauce across the table, then took a deep drag on her Virginia Slim for emphasis and continued, 'Every child should be. . . .color coordinated.' *Color coordinated?* Egad! I glanced furtively at my toddler and for the first time was thankful that his mismatched Oshkosh B'Gosh bib overalls and Carter tee had been obliterated by spaghetti and applesauce. Martha had other words of advice. When we moved to Atlanta, she suggested that the best way to get to know a new area was to drive helter-skelter until you're completely lost. Of course, this was years before anyone had a floating Garmin Scotch-taped to the dash. And though this may have worked perfectly well for all those Hudson Valley villages strung like so many pearls along that majestic river, it was probably not the best advice for Mall City. I'm told that a young woman, who shall remain unnamed, got on 285 and, much like Charlie on the MTA, she wildly orbited the city, passing Hartsfield Airport twice before realizing something was amiss. So let's gently set aside Miss Martha's advice in lieu of a better way for our new neighbors to get to know the South, and in particular, the unabashed star of its constellation, our River City, Charleston.

This season, our highly trained, albeit grossly underpaid planning professionals have once again come up with a raft of SINHG outings to beat the band. We have many downtown tours in which the uninitiated can become intimately acquainted with the treacherous washboard sidewalks of old Charleston. Guide Carol Ezell-Gilson is back, as is Al Ray. New tours include *Slavery & Freedom, Hidden Alleys & Byways, Charleston Home & Gardens*, and *Uptown Charleston*. Also new is a wonderful day's outing in Beaufort with professional raconteur and guide, Leigh Handel. Last spring, we rediscovered beautiful Caw Caw and now have two superb nature walks scheduled, including a new one focusing on the cultivation of tea at Caw Caw more than a century ago. Activists can sign up for Bike Kiawah and four great kayaking adventures, including three just slightly used: Quenby, Penny and Awendaw creeks. For a good chuckle, read the description of *Blade & Bull Axe Throwing*—then come join the clash of the titans for a rowdy, fun afternoon. Aesthetes can paint the town red—or any color—at local artist and culinary tour guide Mimi Whaley's BYOB painting class (*State Street Painting Tour*). Or they can tantalize their palates at Chef Dani Manilla's *Secrets of Sicily* cooking demo and tasting at the lovely home of Seabrookers Tom and Linda Sivert (rescheduled from last spring); finally, you may choose to have an out-of-body, death-by-chocolate experience at Circa 1886's fabulous *Chocolate Dinner*. The holidays begin in early December with a splendid 4-course meal at a historic 1805 French Quarter dining room (*Historic Supper Club Dinner*); followed by our *Holiday Progressive Dinner* that progresses delightfully by horse-drawn carriage—the best way to see Charleston decked out in her finest; culminating in a festive tour of *Boone Hall at Christmas*. And to think that these are just the new trips!

Please take time to read through all of our offerings. If you're new to Seabrook, this is a wonderful way to meet your neighbors and get to know South Carolina. If you've lived here for years, come meet some new friends!

## Trip Descriptions Fall 2021

### **F202101 Kayaking – Penny Creek**

**Tuesday, Sept 14**

**8:15 – 1:15 PM**

**Leader: Steve**

Come paddle with our guides in the wonderful ACE basin. Enjoy a fun morning paddle through Penny Creek, a tributary of the Edisto River, which puts the "E" in the nationally recognized ACE Basin. This blackwater paddle winds through freshwater marshes, old rice canals, forests and some neighborhoods. The area will be shaded at times and full sun at other times. It is tidal but the current isn't generally too bad. The ACE Basin is home to a diverse group of plants and animals including endangered and threatened species. Remnants of the bygone era of the rice culture are in evidence with earthen berms, rice trunks and abandoned rice fields.

**Min: 15**

**Max: 18**

**Cost \$51.00**

### **F202102 Moonlight Sail on the Schooner PRIDE**

**Tuesday, Sept. 21**

**7:00-10:30 PM**

**Leader: Jim D**

Experience the wonder of sailing Charleston Harbor on a classic 84-foot-tall ship - sit back and watch the wind fill the sails, moving the Schooner PRIDE on a balmy evening under a full moon! If you've experienced our full moons at North Beach, now try the view on the water. We'll have a relaxing evening enjoying the lights in Charleston harbor and the stars above. A full no host bar is onboard for your selections. (Some steps are needed to navigate to the bathroom.) Schooner Pride is docked next to the Aquarium in downtown Charleston on the Cooper River; Aquarium parking garage is nearby. Boarding starts at 8:00 PM and schooner returns to dock at 10:00 PM.

**Min: 15**

**Max: 45**

**Cost: \$50.00**

### **F202103 Slavery and Freedom**

**Wednesday, Sept. 22**

**9:00 – 1:00 PM**

**Leader: Pat**

Some 200,000 captive Africans were processed at the port of Charleston, approximately 40% of all enslaved captives brought into the present-day United States. This tour explores capture in Africa, the Middle Passage, processing and sale at the docks in Charleston and the domestic trade up to 1865. We discuss the rise of Rice and Cotton as cash crops and their function in the expansion of slavery. Learn the roles of enslaved skilled workers, domestics and field hands in the context of antebellum culture, their lifestyles, survival strategies and handicrafts. Important personalities discussed include Robert Smalls, Denmark Vesey, Dave Drake and modern-day master ironworker Phillip Simmons, among others. (Al Ray, Tour Guide)

**Min: 10**

**Max: 15**

**Cost: \$30.00**

### **F202104 Blade & Bull Axe Throwing - James Island\***

**Tuesday, Sept. 28**

**12:15–3:45 PM**

**Leader: Lynn**

If you haven't heard about axe throwing, we're sorry! You're missing out on the coolest thing since sliced bread. Think darts mixed with bowling but you're actually Mel Gibson in the Patriot and the darts are actually hatchets. What could be more fun than hurling an axe down range to score points against your friends? Beats the hell out of cornhole and ring toss. Yawnnnn. The OBJECT is to throw a small axe (hatchet) down a designated lane into a wooden target. Points are scored based on sticking the axe into the painted rings on the target board. Bullseye is the most points. The outer rings count for fewer points. Sixty percent of the time it works every time. Everything is SUPERVISED and you have a coach to show you how it's done. We promise it's safer than it sounds. Once you get the basic throwing technique down, you will be ready to COMPETE with your friends in one-on-one matches or group style games. You're going to have a good time. We get some time to train, then we will break up into teams to compete. We will meet at Blade & Bull Axe Throwing - James Island, 1531 Folly Rd, Charleston, SC 29412 at the ticket window at 1:00 pm.

**Min: 10**

**Max: 20**

**Cost: \$41.00**

### **F202105 Kayaking – Awendaw Creek**

**Wednesday, Sept. 29**

**8:00 – 2:00 PM**

**Leader: Steve**

Awendaw Creek Kayak and Canoe Trail is the National Forests only saltwater paddling trail. Meandering through the "cliffs of Awendaw", we stop to search for Indian pottery and see an ancient shell midden on a salt flat with views of the Cape Romain National Wildlife Refuge. The beautiful brackish water paddle is alongside the Swamp Fox Passage of the Palmetto Trail. We can do a combination of hike and paddle for you as well

where you end up right back to your car! We'll also paddle some of the Intracoastal Waterway that is adjacent to the islands in the Refuge. Beginner kayakers welcome.

**Min: 15      Max: 18      Cost: \$49.50**

**F202106 Bird Banding on Cap'n Sams Spit      Friday, Oct. 1      6:45 – 9:15 AM      Leader: Jim D**

Calling all photographers and bird lovers—this is a trip you'll love! Every August, Aaron Given of the Kiawah Conservancy sets up twenty-five 40' mist nets on Captain Sam's Spit where, over the next couple of months, he collects birds for banding, measuring, and weighing. We scheduled our trip for early October, the peak migration time for all sorts of songbirds including vireos, warblers, catbirds, chickadees, etc. In prior years, we netted all of the above and even a beautifully-colored flicker (large woodpecker). The plan is to leave our cars at Beachwalker Park, then walk about a 1/2 +/- mile on the beach to the banding site. This last bit of walk may be wet. Wear boots or shoes you don't mind getting wet, long pants, and a long-sleeved shirt. Bring binoculars, bug spray, sun screen, water and of course your cell phone or camera to take photos. ***Your fee is a donation to Aaron's work at the Kiawah Conservancy.***

**Min: 12      Max: 12      Cost: \$20.00**

**F202107 Hunting for Shells & Fossils on Folly Beach      Tuesday, Oct. 5      11:00-2:00 PM      Leader: Roni**

We had so much fun trolling for fossils on Folly Beach last time that we've brought back paleontologist Ashby Gale to take us on another adventure. Paleontologist Ashby Gale is the founder of Charleston Adventures and he promises you fun at the beach. On this trip, we're more likely to find fossils of land mammals of the last Ice Age, including giant ground sloths, Columbian mammoths, American mastodons, saber-tooth cats in addition to sharks, rays, and fish to name just a few. During this 3-hour outing your guide will help you identify and learn about the fossils you find and keep.

We've selected an early Oct date because it's a good time in terms of the tides. This trip goes rain or shine unless there's lightning, exceptionally high tides, rough winds or flooding. Be sure to bring a cloth collection bag for shells and fossils (no plastic, please!), sunscreen, water shoes or strapped sandals, rain jacket, camera (cell phone), water, and snack, if you like. See you there! Lots of walking.

**Min: 10      Max: 15      Cost: \$55.00**

**F202108 Charleston Hidden Alleys and Byways      Wednesday, Oct. 6      9:00-1:00 PM      Leader: Roni**

Join us on a two-hour adventure on the back streets of old colonial Charles Town! Stroll ancient stone and brick pavements, often inaccessible by automobiles, following the footsteps of pirates and patriots! Along the way, our guide from Walled City Tours, Al Ray, will relate legend and fact, weaving a tapestry of life here in those long-ago times. Moderate walking

**Min: 5      Max: 14      Cost: \$32.00**

**F202109 Savory Secrets of Sicily: Cooking with Dani Manilla      Wednesday, Oct. 6      5:00-9:00 PM      Leader: Jean**

Join us for a cooking demonstration and tasting of Italian favorites at the home of Tom and Linda Sivert on Seabrook Island. Sicily is the largest island in the Mediterranean and has been inhabited for over 10,000 years. This fascinating cuisine evolved from Greek, Arab, Italian, and French influences. Chef Dani recently spent several weeks exploring Sicily and its cuisine and is thrilled to share some of the recipes she discovered on this captivating island. Dani Manilla has been involved in the culinary world for over 30 years. She has been a caterer, culinary instructor, and chef in California, the south of France, and Charleston. Bon Appétit has featured her as a great chef and her recipes have been published in several cooking magazines. Dani moved to Charleston from France in 2011 and currently divides her time between the two locations. Menu includes:

*Caponata*: traditional Sicilian sweet and sour antipasto with eggplant, fennel, capers and golden raisins

*Arancini*: rice balls stuffed with mozzarella and meat ragù then fried to a crisp.

*Pasta Trapanese*: Sicily's version of pesto from the charming city Trapani, this delicious sauce of tomatoes, almonds, and garlic gets an extra kick from sun dried tomatoes.

*Amaretti*: these tender almond cookies are the perfect ending to any meal.

Bring your own bottle of wine and enjoy the Italian cuisine while learning to make these Sicilian favorites.

**Min: 10      Max: 13      Cost: \$80.00**

**F202110 Kayaking Quenby Creek****Thursday, Oct. 7****8:30 – 1:30 PM****Leader: Steve**

Step back in time as you paddle along the highway of history. Once the main transportation artery for the region, the Cooper River in this area has changed little today. The Cooper River of Berkeley and Charleston Counties was once lined with plantations and rice fields. Remnants of this bygone era are still visible today. Wind through rice canals, past one of the best-preserved rice trunks, and view grand homes from the water. This 2-hour trip through the blackwater river will present unexpected beauty and satisfy the historian in all of us.

**Min: 15****Max: 18****Cost: \$51.00****F202111 Astronomy 101****Thursday, Oct. 7****6:45 – 9:45 PM****Leader: Lynn**

We have a fantastic view of the night sky here in Seabrook Island with minimum light pollution. Have you wondered what you are looking at in the night sky? How can you easily tell a star from a planet, a constellation from a galaxy? What can you see with a set of binoculars or your naked eye? Dr. Ashley Pagnotta, who is an assistant professor in the Department of Physics and Astronomy is coming to the Oyster Catcher Community Center to give a program on interpreting the night sky, with time to go out into the parking lot and experience your new knowledge. She will stay for the night observation and answer your questions as you identify different aspects of the night sky. Minimum walking required.

**Min: 15****Max: 20****Cost: \$22.00****F202112 Near Shore Fishing****Monday, Oct. 11****7:45 – 12:15 PM****Leader: Frank C**

Many SINHG members enjoyed our fishing trip earlier this year in March. We will be going out up to approximately 3-10 nautical miles on a 25' SeeVee to fish for red fish, trout, flounder, black sea bass, blue fish, sheepshead and sharks. All fuel, ice, bait, tackle and fishing licenses are included with the charter. You will need to bring food and drink. Sunscreen, sunglasses, and boat-soled shoes are recommended. Please note: there are no restroom facilities on the boats.

**Min: 6****Max: 12****Cost: \$170.00****F202113 Downtown Culinary Tour****Tuesday, Oct. 12****10:00-2:30 PM****Leader: Julia**

This culinary walking tour offers insight into Charleston's historical and culinary adventure and surrounding neighborhoods, showcasing four of Charleston's culinary innovators who exemplify cooking in the New South. The four restaurants featured are trailblazers in Charleston's culinary scene, edgy and innovative. A broad range of samples will provide insight into Low Country cuisine—enough food to make a meal for most! The price includes all food and non-alcoholic beverages tastings. This 2½-hour moderate walking tour will be on uneven sidewalks in historic Charleston.

**Min: 8****Max: 8****Cost: \$88.00****F202114 Charleston Home and Garden Tour****Wednesday, Oct. 13****9:00 – 1:00 PM****Leader: Pat**

Explore Charleston's history within the context of the built environment. Discover the how and the why Charleston evolved as it did. We tour a museum home and walk the streets discussing architectural styles and periods, garden design and plantings! (Al Ray, Tour Guide)

**Min: 10****Max: 15****Cost: \$40.00****F202115 Holy City Sailing****Thursday, Oct. 14****3:45 – 7:15 PM****Leader: Jim L.**

This hands-on sailing experience is just the ticket to enjoy the beauty of the low country and our barrier island. You're welcome to participate in the sailing of the Beneteau 373 boat or sit back and relax! Come dressed in layers. Don't forget the sunscreen and camera/binoculars. Boat sole shoes required. The waters around the North Edisto River are filled with life, dolphins are guaranteed. <https://holycitysailing.com>

**Min: 6****Max: 6****Cost: \$100.00****F202116 Beaufort Day Trip****Friday, Oct. 15****9:00 – 5:00 PM****Leader: Frank A**

This is a new SINGH offering to broaden our horizons to our southern neighbor, Beaufort, SC. Chartered in 1711, Beaufort is historic like Charleston and 77 miles south of Seabrook Island. We will be relying on the expertise of Leigh Handel, a professional raconteur, to drive and enlighten us on all that Beaufort presents during the colonial era through the Civil War. We will travel in a 13-seat van that lends itself to great conversation and insights of Beaufort's hidden treasures. Do you remember the movies from the late 1970's and early '80's when Beaufort was the backdrop of the Big Chill and

the Great Santini? You'll have time to stroll through Beaufort reminiscing about these movies while experiencing the historic sites. If we're lucky, we may even experience (but mostly HEAR), fighter jets practicing around the USMC Air Station in Beaufort.

**Min: 8                      Max: 13                      Cost: \$75.00**

**F202117 Caw Caw Nature Walk**

**Friday, Oct. 15**

**9:00-1:00 PM**

**Leader: Jean**

Caw Caw Interpretive Nature Center in Ravenel is managed by Charleston County Parks & Recreation Commission as a wildlife preserve rich in natural, cultural, and historical resources. In the spring of this year, we offered two trips to Caw Caw which were well attended and so enjoyed by our members that we have decided to return this fall. For our first tour of Caw Caw this fall we'll return to the swamp area and search for a variety of wildlife, including large salamanders like the Two-toed Amphiuma! On this walk, a Caw Caw naturalist will guide us through the swamp in search of flora and fauna that thrive in this bottomland and the water that collects there. This forested wetland once served as a reservoir for several rice plantations, but is used today as a place for wildlife viewing and nature/history education. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. Bring binoculars, sunblock, camera or cell phone, water. Also, bug spray, although bugs should be minimal since water runs continually through the swamp.

**Min:10                      Max: 12                      Cost: \$19.00**

**F202118 Kayaking Upper Wambaw Creek\***

**Monday, Oct. 18**

**8:00 – 2:00 PM**

**Leader: Steve**

Wambaw Creek is a beautiful blackwater creek which is a tributary to the Santee River and was paddled by the Santee and coastal Plain Indians for thousands of years. The creek is surrounded by a seasonal floodplain swamp where giant old growth Bald Cypress trees as well as, Water Tupelo, Water Oak, Water Ash, Red Maple and Swamp Dogwood shade the banks of its pristine black waters. It offers spectacular birding and wildlife viewing. This paddle will take you through the upper section of the creek into the Francis Marion National Forest. This is pristine, undeveloped forest with 1,000-year-old Cypress trees.

**Min: 12                      Max: 12                      Cost: \$50.50**

**F202119 Charleston Earthquake**

**Tuesday, Oct. 19**

**9:00 – 1:00 PM**

**Leader: Jim L.**

On August 31, 1886, at 9:51 pm, a magnitude 7.3 earthquake devastated Charleston. The quake was felt as far south as Cuba and as far north as Boston where church bells rang with the force of it. Countless brick structures and buildings on landfill suffered great damage. The waterfront wharves of the port city were in ruins. This two-hour walking tour will take you back to the devastation through old photos and eye-witness accounts. You will learn of the City's remarkable recovery after such a disaster under the inspiring leadership of William Ashmead Courtney, one of Charleston's most admirable mayors. (2-hour tour) Moderate walking on uneven sidewalks. (Carol Ezell-Gilson, Tour Guide)

**Min: 10                      Max: 13                      Cost: \$28.00**

**F202120 State Street Painting Tour\***

**Thursday, Oct. 21**

**4:30 - 9:00 PM**

**Leader: Julia**

Join local artist and Charleston Culinary Tours guide, Amelia "Mimi" Whaley for artistic, after-hours fun in a historic Charleston home! Mimi will lead this 2.5-hour, B.Y.O.B, painting class. No experience necessary – ALL skill levels welcome. Guests will be instructed while painting a provided Lowcountry subject. (Advanced artists are welcome to bring their own photographs for subject material.) All artistic supplies and materials are provided – just bring your own wine, beer, or other drink of choice. Come have some fun in our gorgeous, 19th century space and create a fantastic work of art to take home!

**Min: 6                      Max: 6                      Cost: \$54.00**

**F202121 Bike Kiawah\*   Monday, Oct. 25 (Rain Date: Nov. 2)   10:00-2:30 PM   Leader: Melodie/Pat G.**

Do you enjoy a 25-mile bike ride on a flat, paved bike route? Do you enjoy observing nature? Join us Biking Kiawah. We will visit all three observation towers; Marsh View, Marsh Island Park, Blue Heron Pond. We will traverse a combination of paved dedicated bike paths and low traffic roads, offering lovely Lowcountry scenery and wildlife viewing.

Participants must:

- Provide their own bikes and meet up at the Seabrook Island Lake House
- Wear a bicycle helmet – NO EXCEPTIONS!
- Bring water to drink
- Be able to ride 20 miles on a flat terrain, maintain a speed of approx. 12 MPH
- Optional side trip for lunch at the Town Center Market

**Min: 6                      Max: 12                      Cost: None**

**F202122 Caw Caw Nature Walk 2                      Friday, Oct. 29                      9:00-1:00 PM                      Leader: Jean**

Our second tour of Caw Caw this fall we'll step back into history and explore the remnants of an old tea plantation. Over a century ago a small tea plantation made an attempt to become established on what is now part of Caw Caw Interpretive Center property. While the plantation didn't survive for long, the tea plants still persist in the understory. We'll visit forested areas thick with Camellia sinensis that are not open to the public with hopes of finding a variety of flora and fauna. Please dress for the weather and wear comfortable walking shoes. Bring binoculars, sunblock, camera or cell phone, water. Also, bug spray, although bugs should be minimal since water runs continually through the swamp.

**Min: 10                      Max: 12                      Cost: \$19.00**

**F202123 Uptown Charleston Tour                      Wednesday, Nov. 3                      9:00–1:00 PM                      Leader: Pat**

On this tour we venture north to see the sites in Charleston's early suburbs. We start from the Charleston Visitor Center at Ann Street and work our way through historic Wraggboro, Marion Square, the College of Charleston, Harleston Village, Ansonborough and end at the Charleston City Market. See the Hunley, the Joseph Manigault House Gardens, Wragg Square, Temple Beth Elohim and Colonel William Rhett's House (1712), along with so many others! (Al Ray, Tour Guide)

**Min: 10                      Max: 14                      Cost: \$30.00**

**F202124 Chocolate Dinner \*                      Thursday, Nov. 4                      4:30-8:30 PM                      Leader: Julia**

Join Circa 1886 on November 4th for their Annual Chocolate Dinner. Give into all temptation and spoil yourself with their 4-course chocolate dinner experience. Each course (and bite) delights with rich flavors inspired by chocolate. Experience the unforgettable combination of chocolate and the award-winning talents of Chef Collins. Most non-alcoholic beverages are included with your dinner; wine, beer, alcohol, and sodas are charged separately.

**Min: 10                      Max: 16                      Cost: \$128.00 (tips and tax included)**

**F202125 Nailed it!                      Friday, Nov. 5                      9:30– 4:00 PM                      Leader: Julia**

We had so much fun last year that we decided to bring this trip back. Our art guide will help us in a fun do-it-yourself workshop experience, transforming our project materials into one-of-a-kind wood signs and specialized home décor all homemade by you, and in your style. Due to the various sized projects payment will be the day of the trip. Visit the website [www.naileditDIY.com](http://www.naileditDIY.com) We will be stopping for lunch at the Five Loaves Café before we start our projects.

**Min: 10                      Max: 45                      Cost: TBD by Project (\$32 – 200.00)**

**F202126 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Charleston Scottish Games                      Saturday, Nov. 6                      8:00 - 6:00 PM                      Leader: Linda**

Visit Scotland for a day! Immerse yourself with the friendly Scots in their traditional clan kilts after the Parade of the Tartans, visit with representatives from Scotland, enjoy the many traditional Scottish competitions: bagpipe teams, male Highland dancing, Scottish fiddling, and heavy athletic competitions (in kilts!) including Stone Put, Hammer Throw, Sheaf Toss, and Caber (massive tapered pole) Toss. Feast on Scottish haggis or scotch eggs to the sounds of live Celtic music by Albannach. Purchase authentic Scottish wares. Test your taste buds at a Scotch whisky tasting (ticket must be purchased separately).

**Min: 10                      Max: 30                      Cost: \$25.00**

**F202127 Lady Lore****Tuesday, Nov. 9****9:00AM -1:00PM****Leader: Jim L.**

Our tour guide Carol Ezell-Gilson will introduce us to a group of courageous, innovative women which includes civil rights activists, social reformers, preservationists, suffragists, an historical diarist, an artist, a planter, an actress, a pirate, and a mystery. In changing their world of feminine stereotypes, they opened doors and provided important opportunities for women that followed them. Specifically, you'll learn about the connection of Charleston's suffragist movement to the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment allowing women the right to vote. Through Carol's discussion, we will learn how our own Susan Pringle Frost and Anita Pollitzer along with her sisters, were part of that. This two hour walking tour begins and ends at Washington Park next to City Hall on Broad Street. Moderate walking on uneven sidewalks

**Min: 10****Max: 13****Cost: \$28.00****F202128 Upper King Culinary Tour****Tuesday, Nov. 12****2:00-6:30 PM****Leader: Julia**

This culinary walking tour offers insight into Charleston's Upper King Street district and surrounding neighborhoods, showcasing four of Charleston's culinary innovators who exemplify cooking in the New South. We will meet at the Charleston Visitor Center. The tour will feature four restaurants that are trailblazers in Charleston's culinary scene, edgy and innovative, and the afternoon combines elements of a historical tour with a culinary adventure. A broad range of samples will provide insight into Lowcountry cuisine—enough food to make a meal for most! The price includes all food and non-alcoholic beverages tastings. This 2½-hour moderate walking tour will be on uneven sidewalks in historic Charleston.

**Min: 8****Max: 8****Cost: \$86.00****F202129 Historic Charleston Supper Club Dinner\*****Thursday, Dec. 2****6:00-9:30 PM****Leader: Julia**

Transport yourself through time on this unique tour where you never have to leave your seat. You'll enjoy an opulent four-course meal in the historic French Quarter dining room that dates to 1805. Each course covers a different period of Charleston's history, with food authentic to the times. Fully narrated by licensed Charleston tour guides, you'll not only taste Charleston's history, but you'll also learn about domestic life, the walled city of Charlestowne, the

Revolution, slavery, and the Civil War. This is an experience guaranteed to leave lasting memories.

**Min: 10****Max: 16****Cost: \$86.00****F202130 Holiday Progressive Dinner****THIS EVENT CANCELLED****F202131 Boone Hall at Christmas\*****Saturday, Dec.11****11:30–4:00 pm****Leader: Lynn**

And as the Christmas holidays roll through these giant oaks, Boone Hall comes alive with festivities, decorations, and good ole southern holiday hospitality, that is only befitting America's Most Photographed plantation. This time of year, re-emphasizes how Boone Hall Plantation & Gardens is truly "Unlike Any Other" as one of the leading tourist attractions in the Charleston, S.C. Lowcountry. The plantation mansion and grounds are decorated with beautiful Christmas decorations of every kind. But there's something special about this plantation home's holiday attire. Yes...there's plenty of beautiful Christmas trees in every room of the plantation's main floor...adorned with a variety of Christmas ornaments and decorations. But if you look closely, you will see some things that are very unique about the decorations that are distributed all around. We will have a guided tour through the mansion and then you are welcome to walk the grounds on your own. We will meet at Boone Hall Plantation, 1235 Long Point Rd, Mt Pleasant, SC 29464 at the ticket window at 12:30 and walk to the mansion together for our tour to start at 1:00 pm.

**Min: 15****Max: 20****Cost \$26.00**