## THERE'S SOMETHING FISHY ABOUT THIS TOUR...



## **MORNING MOMENTS:**

- Visit the Harry K. Dupree National Aquaculture Research Center in Stuttgart. Arkansas is considered the birthplace of warm water aquaculture in America. You'll find the delectable catfish and hybrid striped bass on numerous menus around the South. That was not the case not too long ago. Thanks to research at Harry K. Dupree Stuttgart National Aquaculture Research Center, they are now readily available to purchase around the globe. Research at this facility aided in breeding fish for disease resistance, finding better feeds and working to reduce contaminants. Here you will see what goes into perfecting fish farming and keeping our food safe and regulated. You might even get to feed massive catfish in a holding pond.
- Break for lunch at Open Season Bar and Grill. This restaurant is known across the Delta for its food and atmosphere.

## **AFTERNOON ADVENTURES:**

- Learn about the importance of seeds and agriculture at Stratton Seed Company. This plant is the largest and newest of the Stratton Seed family and is the largest soybean and wheat seed conditioning plant in the southern United States. It's home to a solar farm system with a rotating axis panel system. The panels track the sun through the day, collecting sunlight and energy that power the company's facilities.
- In Little Rock, you can wet your whistle at Rock Town Distillery, Arkansas's first legal distillery since prohibition. Get a chance to discover how Bourbon, vodka and gin are made and take a taste to discover your favorite. Learn how Stratton Seed Company has a hand in making Rock Town's spirits shine.
- Dine at Soul Fish Café where southern specialties are served up right in the heart of downtown Little Rock. The catfish is fantastic, but the locals will tell you that you can't leave without sampling the restaurant's incredible desserts, including the award-winning pecan pie.

## **OPTIONAL ADD-ONS:**

- Dale Bumpers National Rice Research Center, Stuttgart The largest rice research center in the U.S. focuses on developing a better understanding of rice genes and physiology that control economically important traits like yield, pest resistance and cooking quality. Museum of the Arkansas Grand Prairie, in Stuttgart The Museum was created to preserve Arkansas County's heritage as a center for rice production and duck hunting. It has various replica exhibits featuring home living, settlers' entertainment and education and early farm life.
- Plantation Agriculture Museum, Scott Explore where and how crops were grown and harvested in Arkansas from the time of statehood in 1836 through World War II. This highly interactive park explores where and how crops are grown, harvested, and processed into foods we eat and products we use.
- Historic Arkansas Museum, Little Rock The Historic Arkansas Museum campus includes the oldest building in Little Rock and connects visitors with material artifacts and on-site historic homes. You can hear real, first-person stories of Arkansas's early days in a house where trappers, boatmen and surveyors once walked, or take in an exhibit that follows the path of Arkansas's first people: the Caddo, Osage and Quapaw tribes.

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