

Flanders' Road Trip through Deep South – Spring 2004

All Itinerary Details Subject to Change without Notice

Friday, April 30

- heather gray t-shirts/ running shorts
- note to self: set trip odometer to 000, pray, check gas
- **Tyler, TX → Vicksburg, MS** – 275 mi
- **Vicksburg, MS → Montgomery, AL** – 280 mi
- Hotel check-in: need tote #1, crib
Embassy Suites Conference Center/ 300 Tallapoosa St/ 334-269-5055
1 2-room suite, 2 dbl beds + sofa sleeper, non-smoking
\$94.05 + tax, includes cooked-to-order breakfast
Confirmation # 85802606

Saturday, May 1

- red polos/ khaki shorts
- note to self: pray & check gas
- **Montgomery, AL → Hilton Head, SC** – 300 mi
- Afternoon conference – mandatory registration at 1:00 pm (out at 7 pm)
- Hotel check-in: need bag #1, tote #2, + crib
Crowne Plaza Resort/ 130 Shipyard Dr/ 843-842-2400
2 rooms, 2 dbl beds, non-smoking
does NOT include breakfast
Confirmation #: 66692435/ 66692058. Cancel by 6 pm on April 28.

Sunday, May 2

- white polos/ khaki shorts
- Morning conference mandatory sign-in at 7:30 am (out at 1:15 pm)
- Visit Coastal Discovery Museum (100 William Hilton Pkwy/ 843-689-6767)
free for 4? with DSP card
- Kayaking trip? Spend afternoon at beach/ playing tennis?

Monday, May 3

- blue polos/ stripes
- Rent bicycles for the day?
- Afternoon conference mandatory sign-in at 1:30 pm (out at 7 pm)

Tuesday, May 4

- army green polos
- Morning conference mandatory sign-in 7:30 am (out at 1 pm)
- Jennifer and kids pack up/ load van/ check out while Dad's in class
- note to self: switch bag #1 for bag #2, pray and check gas
- **Hilton Head Island, SC → Columbia, SC** – 165 mi
- Visit Riverbanks Zoo & Gardens (free with Dallas Zoo card) and/or Edventure (211 Gervais Street/ 803-779-3100)- free w/ DSP card
- **Columbia, SC → Winston Salem, NC** – 135 mi
- Hotel check-in: need bag #2 + crib
Hampton Inn University / 5719 University Pkwy/ 336-767-9009
2 rooms w/ 2 dbl beds each: 1 adult/ 4 children per room (computer limit)
\$73 per night (government rate: show military ID) – includes breakfast
Confirmation # 84993072. Cancel by 6 pm day of arrival.

Wednesday, May 5

- colonial costumes
- Visit Old Salem
admission: \$21 per adult, \$10 per children age 6-16

Thursday, May 6

- orange polos
- note to self: switch bag #2 for bag #3, pray & check gas
- **Winston Salem, NC → Asheville, NC** – 145 mi
- Tour Biltmore Estate
- Visit Friends of WNC Nature Center (free w/ DSP card)
- **Asheville, NC → Atlanta, GA** – 200 mi
- Hotel check-in: need bag #3, tote #2, + crib
Embassy Suites Downtown Atlanta/ 267 Marietta Blvd/ 404-223-2300 – p. 256
2 adjoining suites, each with 2 queen beds + sofa sleeper, for 2 adults + 9 children
\$123 per room per night, hot cooked-to-order breakfast included
confirmation # 88071191, cancel by 4 pm day before arrival

Friday, May 7

- yellow polos
- Visit Imagine It! Children's Museum?
- lunch
- Visit Stone Mountain ("Mt. Rushmore of the South") + tour houses?
- dinner at DOWN THE HATCH + shop underground Atlanta

Saturday, May 8

- Old Navy T-shirts/ khaki shorts

- note to self: pray & check gas
- **Atlanta, GA → Meridian, MS** – 285 mi
- take bathroom break in Birmingham at McWane Center (show DSP card)
- Lunch in Meridian at Weidmann's – 210 22nd Ave. 601-693-1751
(family operated since 1870 –show AAA card)
or at D T Grinders – 1600 24th Ave. 601-693-1988
(in a converted Victorian home)
- Ride Carousel (one of country's oldest) – 50 cents each from 1-5 Sat-Sun
- **Meridian, MS → Jackson, MS** – 95 mi
- Visit Jackson Zoological Park (show ZooCard)
- or Mississippi Museum of Natural Science (free w/ DSP card)
- Hotel check-in: need tote #1 + crib
Hampton Inn & Suites/ 320 Greymont Ave./ 601-352-1700 – p. 381
2 adjoining rooms/ 2 double beds/ for 2 adults + 9 children
continental breakfast included. also, give AA # at checkout for miles
\$62 per room per night (government rate – show military ID)
confirmation #82569719, cancel before 6 pm day of arrival

Sunday, May 9

- Jamaica T-shirts
- note to self: pray & check gas
- **Jackson, MS → Shreveport, LA** – 220 mi
- RW Norton Art Gallery or Sci-Port Discovery Museum in Shreveport?
- **Shreveport, LA → Tyler, TX** – 100 mi

Don't forget to pack:

tennis rackets & balls, bicycle helmets, wet suit & life jackets, swimsuits, sunscreen, sunglasses, camera, film, tripod, ziplock bags, scrapbook supplies w/ extra glue, phones & chargers, snacks & drinks, quarters, bubbles, activity books, ponytail holders (Rachel)

Tote #1

red polos/ khaki shorts for Saturday 5/1
Jamaica T-shirts for Sunday 5/9
2-2-2 diapers-pull ups-overnights + wipes
socks & underwear for 2 days

Tote #2

swimsuits
life jackets
plastic waterproof bag

Tote #3

red jersey jackets

Bag #1

white polos
blue striped polos
army green polos
fresh jeans or shorts
socks & underwear for 3 days
9-6-3 diapers-pull ups-overnights + wipes
Samuel's scrapbook supplies

Bag #2

fresh pajamas
colonial costumes w/ full length pants
orange polos w/fresh jeans or shorts
socks & underwear for 2 days
4-2-2 diapers-pull ups-overnights + wipes

Bag #3

yellow polos
Old Navy T-shirts
fresh jeans or shorts
socks & underwear for 2 days
4-2-2 diapers-pull ups-overnights + wipes
snacks for return trip home
Jonathan's scrapbook supplies

Port-a-Crib

stow blanket, pajamas, feather pillow, and toiletries in ends of case