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For over 300 years, visitors have traveled to New Orleans from near and far to explore the city's food, music, art, and culture. On any given day, you can hear the melodic sounds of performers in the French Quarter, a trumpet pulsating into the open air or Mardi Gras Indians participating in an authentic New Orleans style second line. You'll replace morning donuts with beignets and indulge in some of the best food that you've ever had.

No matter your plans, you'll be sure to have a fantastic story to tell. New Orleans is ranked regularly as a top global destination, and GayCities listed New Orleans as the second Most Welcoming City for the second straight year. More than 18 million visitors traveled to the city in 2018 alone. Visitors fall in love with the city's unique culture that is steeped in LGBTQ history with events that date back over 70 years.

During your stay, we hope that you'll delve into the rich and diverse culture that has made New Orleans an American treasure and create stories you will tell for generations to come. We believe that if you spend any amount of time in New Orleans, you'll have memories to last a lifetime.

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Flame Magazine is a New Orleans nightlife, entertainment and travel guide for the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community.

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gaynola.com



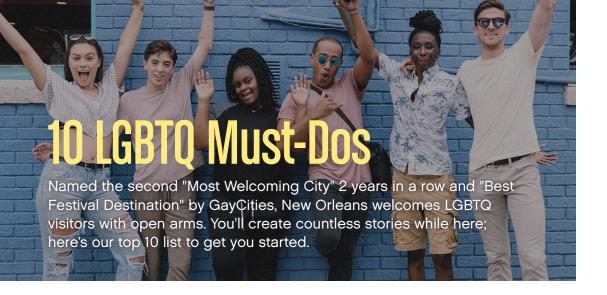
GrrlSpot is a monthly pop-up queer & lesbian bar in New Orleans. The events are held at a different venue each month and are open to all regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity.

grrlspot.net



Together We NOLA is the most extensive and inclusive resource for LGBTQ events in the city focused on visitors and guests to New Orleans.

togetherwenola.com





The Corner of Bourbon and St. Ann Streets

Known as the dance and party center for both local and visiting LGBTQs, Bourbon at St. Ann offers a vibrant club scene. The Bourbon Pub & Parade and Oz are both multi-level bars with dance floors, wraparound balconies and drag shows.



Elizabeth's

One of our favorite neighborhood brunch spots is a short walk from beautiful Crescent Park. Elizabeth's has an eclectic and uniquely New Orleans vibe, which only adds to its charm. They serve sassy drinks and will fill you up with great food.



Paddleboarding on the Bayou

Explore the wonders of Bayou St. John via paddle board. Rent your board from NOLA Paddleboards and paddle your way up the bayou towards Lake Pontchartrain. You can also get your vinyasa on with yoga by Bayou PaddleSports.



Monkey Board

A trendy rooftop bar with breathtaking views of the city, Monkey Board is the ideal spot for casual cocktails. The bar is located atop The Troubadour Hotel, which is also a great place to stay while here.



Good Friends

Drink a few beers at Good Friends - a favorite hangout among gay locals. Definitely enjoy at least one of your drinks on the balcony which overlooks a beautiful part of the French Quarter.



Drifter Hotel

Mid City's Drifter Hotel has become an unexpected hotspot in recent years. Pool guests have access to the bars, a local food truck or two, and great music.



Magazine Street Art Galleries and Shops

New Orleans is a fantastic place to discover fine art and antiques, and with over six miles of local shops, Magazine Street is perfect just for that. The art galleries carry a wide range of different art styles, from classical fine art to eclectic modern art to rare local finds.



The AllWays Lounge & Theatre

The AllWays Lounge is home to weekly performances by some of the best burlesque, cabaret and drag performers in the city. AllWays is also the de facto home venue of the New Orleans Drag Workshop, run by storied drag performer and musician Vinsantos.



LGBTQ French Quarter Walking Tour

The French Quarter is home to a long history of LGBTQ people and culture, and Frank Perez's Gay New Orleans Walking Tour covers places and stories relevant to the LGBTQ community. Perez is an accomplished and well-read historian and author who is the perfect guide if you're looking to learn more about the French Quarter's deep-rooted LGBTQ history.



The Café Lafitte in Exile

Our final pick for LGBTQ must-dos is America's oldest gay bar, rich with LGBTQ history. The Café Lafitte in Exile dates back to 1933 (the end of Prohibition) and boasts famous, frequent patronage of icons like Tennessee Williams and Truman Capote throughout the years.



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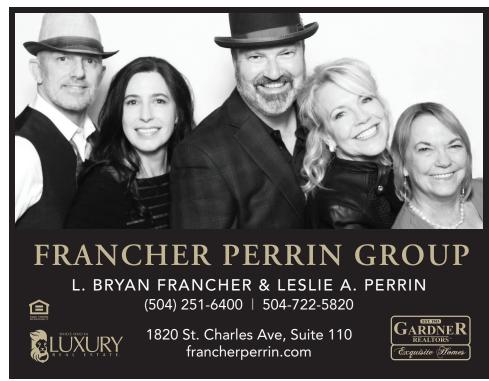
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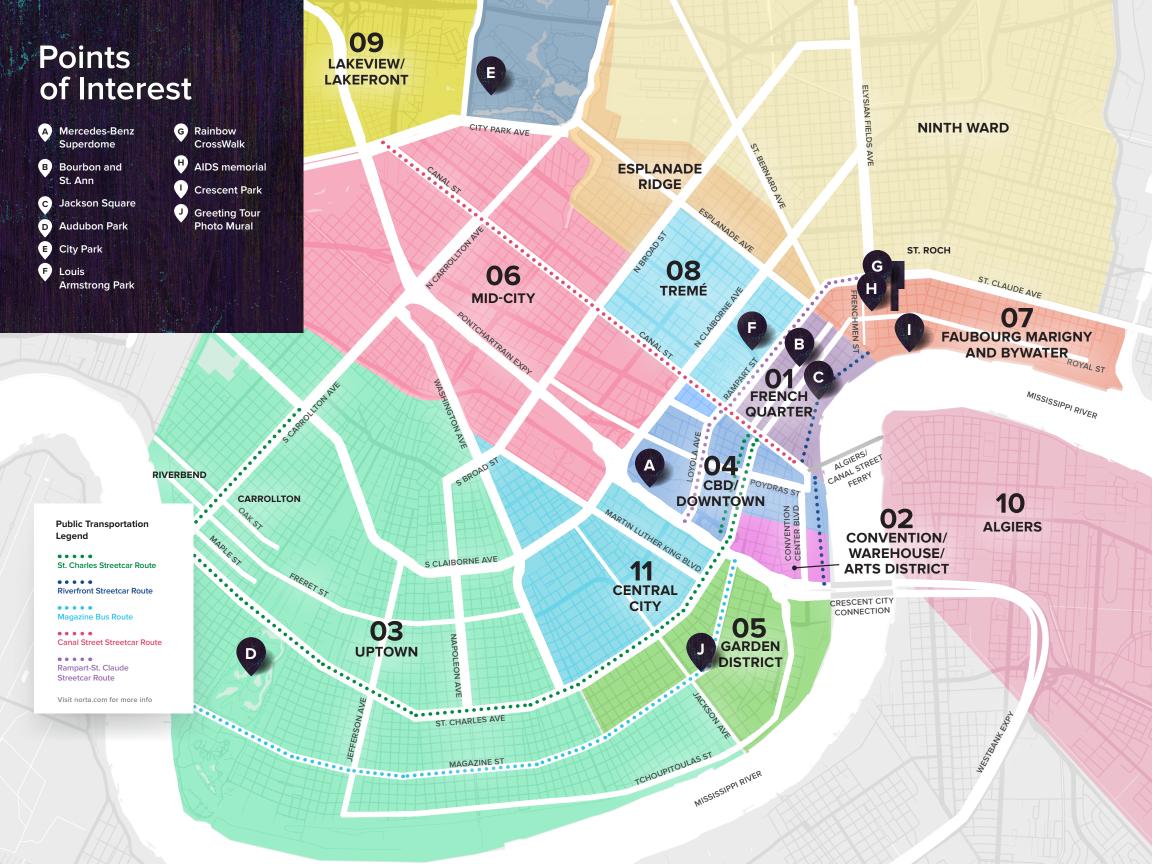
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The Laid-Back Crowd

Phillips Bar 733 Cherokee Street

Not up for the craziness of the Quarter? Phillip's is the city's only gay bar located by Tulane and Loyola. Technically, this bar doesn't label itself as a gay establishment, but does draw a pretty big gay crowd on Friday nights. Other fun nights to check out are Wednesdays for steak night and Thursdays for taco night. Besides drinks that will loosen you up, they've got a great assortment of snacks to munch on if hunger should strike. If you're thinking of wearing flip-flops and a tank top, think again. This bar is more upscale than the gay bars downtown.

Napoleon's Itch 734 Bourbon Street

Located on St. Ann and Bourbon, Napoleon's Itch is a tiny bar that helps make up the eclectic mix of gay bars in one area. Unlike Oz and Pub, they don't have a cover and aren't too crowded. If you're here during Decadence or Pride, this is the perfect spot to pop in, and grab a quick drink.

Cafe Lafitte in Exile 901 Bourbon Street

Cafe Lafitte is the longest continually operating gay bar in the United States. So, raise a glass and grab a drink and toast to the history of the LGBTO community and you're good sense to come here. And because it has a more relaxed atmosphere, you can chill and unwind and carry on a conversation without having to shout. Also, head back here on Sundays for their "Love is in the Air" napkin toss and \$12 bottomless mimosas from 1pm – 4pm.

The Dancing Crowd

Oz 800 Bourbon Street

One of the hottest clubs in the city, Oz is New Orleans' #1 dance club (and this is not just amongst gay bars). Whether a burlesque show, a strip tease, or just a good old fashioned drag show, Oz always has something fun going on, even mid-week. The typical crowd ranges from 18-50 with many Oz-goers dancing the night away or hanging out on the balcony people watching with a cocktail in hand. Best of all, most weeknights, there's no cover

Bourbon Pub & Parade 801 Bourbon Street

Simply referred to as Pub, Bourbon Pub & Parade is a cornerstone establishment for the best of LGBTO nightlife in New Orleans. Located directly across from Oz, the two help form the most happening and gayest intersection in the city. The layout of the bar is similar to Oz, with strippers dancing on tables downstairs, and a more laid back balcony area upstairs. On certain days, you can catch a drag show upstairs and hopefully watch some bargoers sing karaoke.







Looking To Be Entertained?

The Corner Pocket 940 St. Louis Street

This unique dive bar, which is a little off the beaten path, caters to a different aged crowd than do some of the other gay bars – think 35 to 55 – and is a great place to hang if you're into boys dancing on the bar. The Corner Pocket has cheap drinks every night of the week. And the cover? Just \$5. The two hot nights to head to The Corner Pocket would have to be Friday and Saturday nights.

The Country Club 634 Louisa Street

The renovated Country Club is a hip hangout in the Bywater known for two things: an incredible drag brunch and its amazing, salt-water pool. Each Saturday, the brunch features 4 drag queens that dance and perform to fun favorites that will put a smile on your face as much as the food. Be forewarned: If you want to go, make sure to book far enough in advance to get a table. Oh! And bring cash for tips because the show's so incredible you'll wanna drop some green, for sure.

Allways Lounge and Cabaret 2240 St. Claude Ave.

If you're looking for something a little different than your traditional gay bar, there's no better place to head than the Allways Lounge. Some of their non-mainstream events include: strip roulette, jockstrap lube wrestling, and local comedy shows. Heading over here is also a great excuse to check out in one of the city's most hip neighborhoods, the St. Claude Corridor.

The Leather Crowd

RawHide 2010 740 Burgundy Street

One of New Orleans' raunchier bars, RawHide is quite a different experience than some other bars on this list. You might be thinking it's too stereotypical to walk into a leather bar and see a bunch of older bears sporting leather chaps, but that's what you're likely to encounter here. So be prepared to experience a little more of the wild side of New Orleans' gay scene when you're there. Known for its monthly "blackout" party the second Thursday of the month.

Phoenix Bar 941 Elysian Fields Ave

The second of the two leather bars in the city, this bar has everything. The downstairs bar is a little more conventional, meaning you might see some guys in leather, or even a bear crowd. Overall, it's a pretty PG experience. What makes this bar extra fun, they boast the most beers on tap of any gay bar in the city, and there's no cover – ever!

The Local Crowd

The Golden Lantern 1239 Royal Street

The Golden Lantern is a popular dive bar located in the French Quarter, just a stone's throw from the Marigny. With affordable drinks, especially during happy hour, (which, by the way, is daily from 8 am – 8 pm including weekends) this small but bustling space has amazing drag shows every Friday and Saturday night at 10 pm and every Sunday night at 5 pm.

Big Daddy's 2513 Royal Street

Big Daddy's is one of the city's few gay bars not located in the French Quarter. Yet, that's not the only reason it stands out from the others. This Marigny hotspot is a late night, neighborhood hangout that draws a crowd ranging from lesbian and gay to straight and bi-sexual. So, if you're going to make the most of your Big Daddy's experience, you have to check out the bar from 2 am – 8 am when it's really hopping.

700 Club 700 Burgundy Street

This bar is one of the city's go-tos. Popular not only among locals but also tourists in the know. And on Friday and Saturday night, you're bound to meet a long lost best friend you haven't met yet. And if you're one of those people who likes to be out until the wee hours of the morning – or, just want to hang for a drink or two – this bar is the perfect place to kick off your night. Cheap drinks. Quick, tasty bites. And music videos that will take you on a trip down memory lane. If you're in town on Sunday, head over here for their "Drink and Drown", where \$10 gets you unlimited well drinks and domestic beer.

Good Friends 740 Dauphine Street

Located a block from Bourbon, this two-bars-rolled-into-one draws a lot of tourists while still giving that off-the-beaten-path local vibe we all love. Good Friends, downstairs draws a laidback tourist crowd. Whereas Queens Head Pub, located upstairs, is where all the locals meet to grab a tasty beverage and catch up. Not to mention, if you're into pool, get your cue ready because downstairs there's bound to be a game or two waiting to be played. In addition, the balcony upstairs is literally the perfect place for people watching. If you're looking to find cute boys in their 20s and 30s - this is the place to go.











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