
About Charleston

Charleston, a city known for its history and traditions, is located on the shores of the Atlantic Ocean at the juncture of the Ashley and Cooper Rivers. Founded by English colonialists in 1670, Charleston ranks as South Carolina's second largest city with nearly 108,000 inhabitants. Its sunny beaches, vibrant night life and enchanting architecture make the city a top year round destination spot for tourists. Charleston has also been noted as one of the best cities to live in America. *Forbes*, *Travel & Leisure*, *Conde Nast*, *Entrepreneur*, and *American Style* magazines have all consistently praised Charleston for its excellence and charm.

Charleston is home to many special events and festivals that highlight the culture and spirit of the Lowcountry. The Piccolo Spoleto and MOJA Arts Festivals are two of the many festivals held annually in Charleston that attract visitors and residents alike due to their rich artistic and cultural programs. The nation's largest wildlife art and nature event, the Southeastern Wildlife Exposition, is also held in Charleston and features exhibits and outdoor fun for the whole family.

Highlighted by its great history and warm Southern hospitality, Charleston remains one of the nation's best places to work, live and visit!

