

MISSISSIPPI BLUES TOUR

Route: Tunica – Clarksdale – Cleveland – Indianola, Mississippi

Widely considered the Birthplace of America’s Music, Mississippi is the one place where visitors can trace their roots back to the blues, rock ‘n’ roll and country music. Follow Highway 61, also known as the “Blues Highway,” through the Mississippi Delta, making sure to visit the iconic places that birthed the blues and shaped music as we know it today.

TUNICA

Begin your road trip in Tunica at the start of the [Mississippi Blues Trail](#). There, the U.S. Highway 61 marker sends visitors off on their journey along the world-famous Blues Highway. Don’t forget to check out the [Gateway to the Blues Visitors Center and Museum](#) to learn more about how the blues were born in Mississippi. Tunica is the perfect starting point for your Mississippi Blues Road Trip experience.

Must See:

Gateway to the Blues Museum, 13625 Highway 61 North, Tunica Resorts, MS (662)363.3800

Mississippi Blues Trail Markers (various locations)

CLARKSDALE

Home of the famed [Crossroads](#) and plenty of blues folklore, Clarksdale also boasts the [Delta Blues Museum](#), the oldest music museum in the state. The Delta Blues Museum has preserved, interpreted and encouraged a deep interest in the story of the blues. Get your first taste of the blues at [Ground Zero Blues Club](#). Co-owned by Academy Award-winning actor and Mississippi native Morgan Freeman, Ground Zero celebrates the region’s deep musical heritage with an authentic juke-joint vibe and offers some of the best live music in the state.

Must See:

Crossroads, Intersection of Highways 61 and 49, Clarksdale, MS

Delta Blues Museum, 1 Blues Alley, Clarksdale, MS (662)627.6820

Ground Zero Blues Club, 387 Delta Avenue, Clarksdale, MS (662)621.9009

Mississippi Blues Trail Markers (various locations)

CLEVELAND

In Cleveland, you must visit the first [GRAMMY Museum](#)® outside of Los Angeles to learn about the many connections Mississippi musicians have to the industry’s most prestigious award. Just down the Blues Highway, blues legends Charley Patton, Robert Johnson, Howlin’ Wolf and more called [Dockery Farms](#) home during the early 20th century, when blues music developed and spread across the region, and eventually, the world.

Must See:

GRAMMY Museum® Mississippi, 800 West Sunflower Road, Cleveland, MS (662)441.0100

Dockery Farms, 229 Highway 8, Cleveland, MS (662)719.1048

Mississippi Blues Trail Markers (various locations)

INDIANOLA

Well known as the home of B.B. King, Indianola attracts blues aficionados from around the world. The [B.B. King Museum and Delta Interpretive Center](#) tells the story of the blues' biggest star, as well as the culture and context in which he became a world-famous entertainer. During your stay, visit [Club Ebony](#) to experience the place where a young B.B. King was influenced and inspired by local music legends.

Must See:

B.B. King Museum & Delta Interpretive Center, 400 Second Street, Indianola, MS (662)887.9539

Club Ebony, 404 Hanna Avenue, Indianola, MS, (662)887.9539

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