



Biloxi, Mississippi

Gulf Seafood & Coastal Entertainment

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Welcome to Biloxi

Biloxi balances sandy Gulf beaches, casino resorts, charter fishing, seafood traditions and a history shaped by Indigenous communities, European settlement, shrimping and hurricanes. Beach Boulevard links the lighthouse, museums and resorts, while Point Cadet preserves a working-waterfront atmosphere. This guide is designed for travelers who want context as well as recommendations: how the city developed, which districts fit different travel styles, how to group sights efficiently, and where evenings feel most active. The practical strategy is to choose one primary district for lodging, reserve the few experiences that matter most, and leave room for discoveries. In Biloxi, the most useful visitor zones are Downtown & Vieux Marche, Beach Boulevard, Point Cadet, West Biloxi. Each offers a different pace, so the best trip does not require seeing everything; it requires matching the itinerary to the traveler.

At a glance

LOCAL FACTS & HISTORIC CONTEXT

- The Gulf Coast is part of the ancestral homeland of Biloxi and other Indigenous peoples
- French colonists established a settlement near present-day Biloxi in 1699
- Fishing, shrimping, tourism and military activity shaped the local economy
- Hurricanes Camille and Katrina brought immense destruction, followed by determined rebuilding

BILOXI VISITOR ORIENTATION MAP

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Downtown & Vieux Marche

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Beach Boulevard

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Point Cadet

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West Biloxi

SCHEMATIC MAP - NOT TO SCALE. Use a live navigation app for driving and walking directions.

This orientation diagram identifies visitor districts and relative relationships; it is not a navigation map.

How the city became what it is

The city's modern personality makes more sense when its transportation, geography and migration stories are considered together. The Gulf Coast is part of the ancestral homeland of Biloxi and other Indigenous peoples. French colonists established a settlement near present-day Biloxi in 1699. Fishing, shrimping, tourism and military activity shaped the local economy. Hurricanes Camille and Katrina brought immense destruction, followed by determined rebuilding. These layers remain visible in architecture, street patterns, museums, markets and local traditions. Visitors should treat historic districts as living neighborhoods rather than stage sets: look upward at facades, notice old industrial buildings in new uses, and support independent businesses that sustain the character travelers came to experience.

Visitor districts

1. Downtown & Vieux Marche

Downtown & Vieux Marche is a useful itinerary zone for historic streets, restaurants and cultural sites. Plan several nearby stops together, then move to another district only when the change supports a clear priority. This cluster-based approach saves time, reduces parking friction and creates room for spontaneous discoveries.

2. Beach Boulevard

Beach Boulevard is a useful itinerary zone for lighthouse, beaches, resorts and scenic driving. Plan several nearby stops together, then move to another district only when the change supports a clear priority. This cluster-based approach saves time, reduces parking friction and creates room for spontaneous discoveries.

3. Point Cadet

Point Cadet is a useful itinerary zone for marinas, seafood, museums and casino entertainment. Plan several nearby stops together, then move to another district only when the change supports a clear priority. This cluster-based approach saves time, reduces parking friction and creates room for spontaneous discoveries.

4. West Biloxi

West Biloxi is a useful itinerary zone for resorts, convention facilities and family attractions. Plan several nearby stops together, then move to another district only when the change supports a clear priority. This cluster-based approach saves time, reduces parking friction and creates room for spontaneous discoveries.

Top attractions

Use this list as a planning menu rather than a race. Confirm hours, timed-entry requirements, accessibility and special-event closures on official websites.

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCES
• Biloxi Lighthouse
• Ohr-O'Keefe Museum of Art
• Beauvoir
• Biloxi Beach
• Maritime and Seafood Industry Museum
• Ship Island excursion
• Hurricane Katrina Memorial
• charter fishing cruise

Biloxi Lighthouse

Biloxi Lighthouse can serve as one of the day's anchor experiences. Check the official calendar before travel, decide how much time the group realistically wants to spend, and pair it with dining or sightseeing in the same part of Biloxi. Advance reservations are worthwhile when the experience is central to the trip.

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Biloxi Beach

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Ship Island excursion

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Hurricane Katrina Memorial

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Where to stay

Where you sleep shapes the trip. Downtown & Vieux Marche is usually the simplest choice for a first visit because it offers historic streets, restaurants and cultural sites. Beach Boulevard works well for travelers prioritizing lighthouse, beaches, resorts and scenic driving. Point Cadet appeals to visitors seeking marinas, seafood, museums and casino entertainment, while West Biloxi is strongest for resorts, convention facilities and family attractions. Compare parking, breakfast, resort or destination fees, cancellation rules and late-night noise—not only the advertised room rate. Families may value a pool, connecting rooms and easy breakfast more than a fashionable lobby; couples may prefer walkability and a quieter room; groups should ask about room blocks and motorcoach or multi-car logistics before committing.

HOTEL SHORTLIST
• Beau Rivage Resort & Casino - full-service waterfront resort
• Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Biloxi - music-themed entertainment
• White House Hotel - historic boutique property
• Hotel Legends - modern lodging near Point Cadet
• Palace Casino Resort - smoke-free gaming resort

Beau Rivage Resort & Casino

Full-service waterfront resort. Compare the room type, total price, parking and cancellation terms for your exact dates. Ask about construction, event noise, breakfast and connecting-room availability when those details could affect the Biloxi stay.

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Biloxi

Music-themed entertainment. Compare the room type, total price, parking and cancellation terms for your exact dates. Ask about construction, event noise, breakfast and connecting-room availability when those details could affect the Biloxi stay.

White House Hotel

Historic boutique property. Compare the room type, total price, parking and cancellation terms for your exact dates. Ask about construction, event noise, breakfast and connecting-room availability when those details could affect the Biloxi stay.

Hotel Legends

Modern lodging near point cadet. Compare the room type, total price, parking and cancellation terms for your exact dates. Ask about construction, event noise, breakfast and connecting-room availability when those details could affect the Biloxi stay.

Palace Casino Resort

Smoke-free gaming resort. Compare the room type, total price, parking and cancellation terms for your exact dates. Ask about construction, event noise, breakfast and connecting-room availability when those details could affect the Biloxi stay.

Restaurants and local flavor

Dining is part of the destination, not simply a break between attractions. Build variety into the schedule: one signature reservation, one market or food-hall meal, one neighborhood favorite and one flexible choice near an attraction. In Biloxi, local identity appears through long-running institutions as well as new kitchens. Verify days of operation and reservation policies directly, especially on Sundays, Mondays, holidays and event weekends. Travelers with allergies should speak with the restaurant rather than relying only on an online menu. A sensible evening pairs dinner and nightlife in the same district, reducing parking changes and allowing the group to walk or rideshare responsibly.

DINING SHORTLIST
• Mary Mahoney's Old French House - historic seafood and steaks
• Half Shell Oyster House - Gulf oysters and seafood
• The Reef Biloxi - casual waterfront dining
• Shaggy's Biloxi Beach - colorful family-friendly beach spot
• White Pillars - seasonal coastal fine dining
• Taranto's Crawfish - casual local seafood

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Colorful family-friendly beach spot. Menus, chefs, hours and reservation systems may change, so use this as a starting point and verify directly. Build extra time around weekend dinner and communicate dietary needs before arrival.

White Pillars

Seasonal coastal fine dining. Menus, chefs, hours and reservation systems may change, so use this as a starting point and verify directly. Build extra time around weekend dinner and communicate dietary needs before arrival.

Taranto’s Crawfish

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Nightlife, bars, clubs and live music

Biloxi offers evenings ranging from breweries and cocktail lounges to live music, sports, theater and dance venues. The right recommendation depends on age, music taste, desired dress level, mobility and tolerance for crowds. Check age restrictions, cover charges, bag policies, ticket requirements, dress codes and last-entry rules before leaving the hotel. Weekend entertainment may require advance tickets, while early evening is usually calmer. Groups should agree on a meeting point and transportation plan; never assume everyone will have reliable cell service in a crowded venue. Choose a designated driver or use a reputable transportation service, and avoid walking unfamiliar routes late at night merely because two places appear close on a map.

EVENING SHORTLIST
• Ground Zero Blues Club Biloxi - live blues and Southern food
• Hard Rock Live - major concerts
• Eight75 at Beau Rivage - cocktails and nightlife
• Biloxi casinos - gaming and late-night entertainment
• Mississippi Coast Coliseum - touring shows
• Adventures Pub & Spirits - neighborhood bar and music

Ground Zero Blues Club Biloxi

Live blues and southern food. Review the current event listing and entry rules for the travel date. For a smoother night, keep dinner and entertainment in one district and arrange transportation before the venue becomes busy.

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Eight75 at Beau Rivage

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Biloxi casinos

Gaming and late-night entertainment. Review the current event listing and entry rules for the travel date. For a smoother night, keep dinner and entertainment in one district and arrange transportation before the venue becomes busy.

Mississippi Coast Coliseum

Touring shows. Review the current event listing and entry rules for the travel date. For a smoother night, keep dinner and entertainment in one district and arrange transportation before the venue becomes busy.

Adventures Pub & Spirits

Neighborhood bar and music. Review the current event listing and entry rules for the travel date. For a smoother night, keep dinner and entertainment in one district and arrange transportation before the venue becomes busy.

Three-day suggested itinerary

Day 1 - Orientation and signature sights

Begin in Downtown & Vieux Marche with a walk that establishes the city's geography. Choose one major attraction from the shortlist, allow an unhurried lunch, then continue with a riverfront, lakefront or downtown experience. Return to the hotel before dinner if the evening includes a ticketed show or club.

Day 2 - Neighborhood character

Explore Beach Boulevard and Point Cadet. Visit a market, museum or historic district in the morning, schedule a relaxed lunch, and leave time for independent shops or public art. Make the evening reservation in the same district whenever possible.

Day 3 - Flexible finale

Use the final day for West Biloxi, a family attraction, a regional side trip or any priority missed earlier. Keep departure logistics in mind and avoid a nonrefundable last-hour activity. End with one locally distinctive meal rather than another long checklist.

Getting around, weather and timing

Gulfport-Biloxi International Airport serves the coast. A car is useful along Highway 90, though casino shuttles and rideshares cover many visitor needs. Monitor hurricane-season forecasts, beach advisories and excursion weather. Photo: Woodlot/Wikimedia Commons, cropped for layout. Weather can change quickly in Mississippi, especially around exposed waterfronts, plains and mountain areas. Pack layers, comfortable walking shoes and a compact rain option. Reserve high-priority attractions first, then place meals and secondary sights around them. Event calendars can transform hotel rates and traffic, so check professional sports, festivals, conventions and concerts for the exact dates. Keep confirmation numbers accessible offline, allow buffer time for parking, and avoid scheduling every hour. A well-paced Biloxi trip normally feels richer with two or three anchor experiences per day than with a checklist of rushed stops.

Families and multigenerational groups

Families visiting Biloxi should alternate high-stimulation attractions with parks, meals and rest. Confirm height rules, stroller policies, sensory accommodations and re-entry procedures before visiting large venues. Choose lodging that shortens the most demanding travel day. For multigenerational groups, discuss walking tolerance and seating needs before tickets are purchased. A flexible afternoon can protect the entire trip when weather, fatigue or enthusiasm changes the plan. Keep snacks, water and a simple indoor backup available, and assign one adult to hold confirmations while another manages the group.

Accessibility planning

Accessibility varies among historic buildings, entertainment venues, sidewalks and transit. Contact each essential property directly to confirm step-free entrances, elevator access, accessible rooms, roll-in shower configuration, parking and seating. Ask specific questions instead of relying on a generic accessibility symbol. Travelers using mobility devices should allow extra time at crowded attractions and identify restrooms and rest points in advance. KalviTravel can help organize these questions before booking, but final needs should also be confirmed with the operating provider.

Budget and value strategy

The largest Biloxi expenses are normally lodging, major attractions, parking and evening dining. Save strategically rather than cutting every category: stay close enough to reduce repeated transportation costs, compare attraction bundles only

when the included sights match the real itinerary, and use markets or casual lunches to balance a special dinner. Hotel prices are dynamic, and taxes or fees may not appear in the first search result. Calculate the full trip total—including parking, tips, admissions and transportation—before deciding which option offers the best value.

Travel thoughtfully

Travel respectfully by following venue rules, using marked crossings, limiting noise near residences and leaving public spaces clean. Local districts thrive when visitors spread spending among independent shops, guides, restaurants and cultural organizations. Photograph people only with consideration, and never enter private property for a better view. Learn the story behind a neighborhood rather than reducing it to a backdrop. This approach produces a more meaningful visit and helps preserve the places that make Biloxi worth recommending.

Before you book

Prices, schedules, operating seasons, admission rules and businesses can change. Verify every time-sensitive detail with the provider. Travel protection may help with certain covered events; review the plan documents, exclusions and deadlines carefully.

Why plan with KalviTravel?

A search result can show a room or ticket; personalized planning connects the pieces. KalviTravel helps compare options, organize the traveler's priorities and build a Biloxi trip around the people taking it—not a generic checklist. Call 508-769-3808 or email KalviTravel@outlook.com to begin.

Research starting points

Official city and destination tourism websites; official attraction, hotel, restaurant and venue websites; National Park Service resources where applicable; Ohio History Connection; local transit and airport websites. Guide prepared August 2026. Recommendations are editorial starting points, not guarantees or paid endorsements.

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