

My Trip to the Southeast

This is a map of the Southeast Region.



Everglades



Today I went to the **Everglades** in **southern Florida**. There are a lot of animals in the Everglades. I saw most of the animals like **lemon sharks** and **Florida panthers**. If you don't know what the Everglades are I will tell you it is a **wetland** and **swamp**. However, the Everglades was shrinking because some humans were chopping down trees and not planting new ones but over all it was fun to see this area!

Kennedy Space Center

Today I went to the **Kennedy Space Center**. I got to go on the space shuttle **simulation** It felt like I was Actually on a space shuttle. One thing that surprised me was to see the **Atlantis space shuttle** It was fascinating. My favorite part was I got to have lunch and I got to ask a real **Astronaut** a question about space.





Jamestown, Virginia

Today I visited the **Jamestown colony museum**. It was great but it wasn't always that way in 1607 they had **drought**, **mosquitos** that had malaria in it that made the colonists sick. They also had enemy's They were **starving** because they had no food some colonists died of **starvation**. Then in 1614 the drought ended, and they sold **tobacco** and that's how Jamestown is better today.

A Coal Mine In Appalachia

Today I went to a coal mine in Appalachia. The mountain area is located in the southern part of the Appalachian mountain range it covers West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia. Coal is used for homes and produce electricity some coal comes from strip mines. Strip mines are found on the surface it was amazing.





Tennessee

Today I experienced the wonders of Tennessee. I am at the CMA music festival country music stars perform on three different outdoor stages like Elvis Presley performed they hold the festival every June. More than 400 artists and celebrity's go to the festival. My next day in Tennessee I went to the Craighead caverns some visitors see cave flowers it also has the Lost Sea which is an underground river. My last day in Tennessee I went to Memphis more than half million people go to Memphis a year southern farmers sent cotton crops to Memphis now they have a cotton crop museum. Memphis, Tennessee is the second most popular city. That is what I did in Tennessee.

Mardi Gras

Today I went to New Orleans to celebrate **Mardi Gras**. It was amazing I had the best king cake if you don't know what **king cake** is I will tell you king cake is very big in new orleans when Mardi Gras is coming when baker's, are baking king cake's they put a **plastic baby** in the cake and whoever finds the baby buys the king cake next year. I also went to the Mardi Gras parade it was so fun there are tons of **floats** and when you say give me something mister to a person on the float, they will give you candy or **beads**. I also wore a colorful mask people wear **colorful masks** to hide their identity because they want people to guess who they are that is what I did in New Orleans celebrating Mardi Gras





A Cotton Plantation

Today I visited a **Cotton Plantation** in Natchez, Mississippi it was sad because people were kidnapped from Africa and had to work as slaves. **Cotton planters** became very rich they had a lot of money by growing cotton and they could build really big houses. The author stated, "they filled their homes with the best things money could buy". The cotton planters had people pick the cotton for them **cotton** doesn't weigh anything, so the slaves had to pick lots and lots of cotton.



Civil Rights Memorial

Today we were in Montgomery, Alabama. We visited the Civil Rights Memorial. Black people were treated unfairly and were segregated in schools, jobs, and other parts of daily life. Some white people thought they were superior, superior means that they think that they were better than other people. People began fighting for equal rights through boycotts, peaceful protests, sit-ins, and the March on Washington. It was here that Martin Luther King gave his famous "I have a dream" speech. In 1964, the Civil Rights Act was passed.

Natural Resources of the Southeast Region



Cotton



Coal



Corn



Citrus



Rice



Wood



Sugar



Tobacco