

Oklahoma City Three-Day Itinerary (Thursday – Saturday)

Day 1

You will start your tour of **Oklahoma City at the Myriad Botanical Gardens & Crystal Bridge**. The Crystal Bridge opened its doors to the public in 1988 and has recently undergone an extensive \$10.5 million renovation. This unique structure has garnered attention from the architectural community. Enjoy the 13,000 square feet display of tropical plants before departing for the **Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum**. The Memorial is a symbol of hope and a place of remembrance. Take a guided tour through the Memorial grounds then visit the museum to learn more about that fateful day that changed Oklahoma City forever. Just blocks from the Memorial is the **Oklahoma City Museum of Art**. A 55-foot glass sculpture by Dale Chihuly dominates the atrium entrance. Here you can find one of the largest Chihuly collections in the world along with artwork that spans over five centuries. Lunch will be served at the museum. Make your way to the **Bricktown Entertainment District** to explore the area. Now take a cruise down the **Bricktown Canal** and listen to a tour guide tell the history of this now vibrant district of Oklahoma City. Also in Bricktown is the **American Banjo Museum**. A tour guide will take you through the museum showing you the history of this mainstay of American folk music.

Day 2

Not far from downtown Oklahoma City is the **Skeletons: Museum of Osteology**. This 7,000-square-foot museum has over 300 skeletons on display including a huge whale skeleton that is suspended from the ceiling. This family run museum is sure to provide a unique experience to all that visit. Now travel toward downtown Oklahoma City to visit **Harn Homestead**. This homestead is an original Land Run Property, and the home was built in 1904. The Harn family donated 40 acres of the original 160 purchased to the state of Oklahoma, making it possible for the capital of Oklahoma to be moved from Guthrie to Oklahoma City. Not far from the Harn Homestead is the **Oklahoma History Center**. The Oklahoma History Center is a Smithsonian Affiliate museum that houses 215,000 square feet of Oklahoma's history covering everything from geology to aviation. Lunch will be served at the Oklahoma History Center. Now make your way to **Oklahoma City's Adventure District**. Your first stop here will be the **American Pigeon Museum and Library**. Here you will learn how this amazing bird has

helped fight wars, communicate and win races. Visitors can even hold and pet these special birds. This is truly a one of a kind experience. Close by is the **Oklahoma Firefighters Museum**. This museum houses a collection of antique fire trucks, a replica of an early 20th century fire station, modern day equipment and much more. Learn how techniques and firefighting equipment have changed over the last century. Just a little over a mile down the road is the **Oklahoma Railway Museum**. Take a ride on the rails and view the many train cars on site. A tour guide will give a talk about the history of the railroad and how it changed the west. After a busy day, take some time to relax at the hotel and enjoy dinner before heading to the **Civic Center Music Hall** for an evening of entertainment at a state-of-the-art facility.

Day 3

Start your day by having breakfast *with* champions at the **Oklahoma River** just south of downtown Oklahoma City. Here you will tour the **Boathouse District** and the **Olympic Training Center** for rowing, canoeing and kayaking. Oklahoma City has become a premier training center for these water sports. Just north of downtown is the **National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum**. This museum is America's premier institution of Western history, art and culture. The museum houses magnificent art, historical Western artifacts and exhibits that interpret the evolving history and culture of the American West. Lunch will be served at the **Museum Grill**. Now take the **Oklahoma River Cruise** from downtown Oklahoma City. On the cruise, reenactors will tell you stories from Indian Territory and the American west. (Availability dependent on the number of guests and time of year). Tour the **Historic Stockyard City**. Located in the heart of Oklahoma City's "Horse Show Capitol of the World," Historic Stockyards City offers warm hospitality to visitors from around the world. See Oklahoma cowboys working the livestock at the largest stocker/feeder cattle market in the world. Dinner will be served at **Cattlemen's Steakhouse**. Cattlemen's is the oldest continuously operated restaurant in Oklahoma City. The restaurant opened its doors in 1910. It has hosted US presidents, Hollywood actors and famous musicians. After dinner, take in a show at Oklahoma's own **Centennial Rodeo Opry**. The Centennial Rodeo Opry, Oklahoma's official country music show, has been providing the best in spectacular, family-friendly entertainment every Saturday night for nearly four decades.

Day 1 - Thursday

8:00 am Breakfast at Hotel
8:40 am Depart
9:00 am Myriad Botanical Gardens
10:15 am Depart
10:30 am Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum
12:00 pm Oklahoma City Museum of Art/Lunch
2:00 pm Bricktown Entertainment District
3:00 pm Bricktown Canal
4:30 pm American Banjo Museum

Day 2 - Friday

8:30am Museum of Osteology
10:00am Depart
10:30am Harn Homestead
11:30am Depart
11:45am Oklahoma History Center/Lunch
1:15pm Depart
1:30pm American Pigeon Museum and Library
2:00pm Depart
2:45pm Oklahoma Firefighters Museum
3:45pm Depart
4:00pm Oklahoma Railway Museum
5:00pm Depart for Hotel
7:00pm Civic Center Music Hall (or alternate evening performance)

Day 3 - Saturday

9:00am Breakfast/Oklahoma River, Boathouse District
11:00am Depart
11:30am National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum/Lunch
2:30pm Depart
3:00pm Oklahoma River Cruise
5:00pm Depart
5:30pm Stockyard City
6:00pm Cattlemen's Steakhouse
7:30pm Rodeo Opry