



THE ATCHAFALAYA HERITAGE AREA

UPPER ATCHAFALAYA

HOW DO YOU SAY IT? IT'S LIKE A SNEEZE: ah•CHA•fa•lie•ah

Concordia, Avoyelles, and Pointe Coupee Parishes

The upper access point of the heritage area, this region is home to the Old River Control Structure. In times of high water, flood control starts here with water diversion to the Atchafalaya River. At almost every turn, one is greeted by a wateryway: rivers, bayous, streams, lakes and canals abound! Vidalia offers one of the best accesses to the mighty Mississippi River in the state, and New Roads beckons boaters to beautiful False River.

Plantations, historic buildings, miles of cotton fields and lush countryside make the drive a memorable one. An abundance of state and national wildlife refuges and management areas provide many opportunities to enjoy the great outdoors. One of the most diverse regions, there are communities with strong French Creole ties, the home of the Tunica Biloxi tribe and the home of the famed musicians Jerry Lee Lewis and Mickey Gilley!

For visitor Information:

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<http://www.cityofvidalia.com> | 866-558-8222
 US 84 Welcome Center in Vidalia 318-336-7008

MARKSVILLE - MANSURA - BUNKIE AREA
<http://www.travelavoyelles.com> | 318-253-0585 or 800-833-4195

NEW ROADS - MORGANZA - JARREAU AREA
<http://www.pctourism.org> | 225-638-3998

