Things to do in Charleston

Charles Towne Landing State Historic Site 1500 Old Towne Road, Charleston, SC 29407
The Charles Towne Landing State Historic Site sits on the original location where colonizers first attempted to establish a colony in what would become the current city of Charleston. The site offers 80 acres to explore, with opportunities to see part of the old plantation that was there, a small zoo of local animals, and the chance to bike through all of the park’s natural scenery.
Hours: 9am-5pm, every day

Festival of Houses and Gardens, March 16 - April 9 2022
The Historic Charleston Foundation is currently offering a number of rotating tours which are available to attend. These include:
- Food for Thought Luncheon Lectures
- Live Like a Local Event
- Morning History Walks
- Festival Tours
- Splendor Tours
- Virtual Programs
Be sure to visit HistoricalCharleston.org for more information

Gibbes Art Museum 135 Meeting St., Charleston, SC 29401
The Gibbes Art Museum has been a staple of high art and culture in Charleston for more than 150 years.
Hours: 10am-5pm Mon.-Sat., 1pm-5pm Sun.

Restaurants on Upper King Street
The complete eight block stretch from Septima P. Clark Parkway to Calhoun Street, is home to some of the best restaurants in Charleston. These include:
- Barsa 630 King St.
  - Hours: 3pm-9pm Tues.-Thurs., Fri. 3pm-10pm, Sat. 12pm-10pm, Sun. 12-9pm, Closed Mon.
  - Spanish tapas with outdoor seating, and a versatile wine menu.
- Callie’s Hot Little Biscuit 476 ½ King St.
  - Hours: 8am-2pm Thurs.-Tues.
  - A takeout shop which specializes in a variety of biscuits great for breakfast or a quick snack.
- Charleston Beer Works 480 King St.
  - Hours: 11:30am-2am Sun.-Sat.
  - A sports bar with a sizeable beer menu, as well as live music
- Halls Chophouse 434 King St.
  - Hours: 4pm-11pm Mon.-Thurs., 4pm-12am Fri., 11am-12am Sat., 10am-11pm Sun.
- Charleston’s staple fine dining restaurant, well known for its steak and seafood options.

- **John King Grill & Dueling Piano Bar** 428 King St.
  - **Hours:** 11am-2am, Sun.-Sat.
  - A two story restaurant with several televisions, and a great brunch and bar menu.

- **Pink Bellies**
  - **Hours:** 5pm-9pm Thurs.-Sun. Closed Mon.-Wed.
  - Vietnamese cuisine with a contemporary twist.

- **Prohibition** 547 King St.
  - **Hours:** 5pm-2am Mon.-Fri., 11am-2am Sat.-Sun.
  - American style cuisine with an excellent cocktail menu, with a 1930's speakeasy aesthetic.

- **Virginia’s on King** 412 King St.
  - **Hours:** 8am-3pm Mon.-Wed., 8am-8:30pm Thurs.-Sun.
  - A restaurant with a quintessentially Southern style breakfast menu.

**McLeod Plantation Historical Site** 325 Country Club Dr., Charleston, SC 29412
McLeod Plantation on James Island is one of many plantations available to visit in the Charleston area, however this particular site focuses on the history of the African American people who lived and worked on the land before, during and after the Civil War. **Hours:** 9-4 M-Sat. Closed Sun.

**Old Exchange Building and Provost Dungeon** 122 E Bay St, Charleston, SC 29401
The Old Exchange Building is one of the oldest buildings in Charleston, and is a tour story museum of South Carolina’s colonial period, and also offers a 25 minute tour of the buildings cellar, popularly known as the “Provost Dungeon.” **Hours:** 9-5, M-Sat., 11-4 Sun.

**Old Slave Mart Museum** 6 Chalmers St, Charleston, SC 29401
The Old Slave Mart Museum once was a prominent auctioning sight for the transaction of enslaved people throughout the American Southeast, but today is a historical sight and museum dedicated to the education of the history of slavery in the Trans-Atlantic, American, South Carolinian contexts. **Hours:** 9-4:30 M-Sat.

**South Carolina Aquarium** 100 Aquarium Wharf, Charleston, SC 29401
Dedicated to educating the public of the wildlife of South Carolina, The South Carolina Aquarium boasts one of the largest deep water sea tanks in North America, an aviary for rescued and developmentally inhibited seabirds, a sea turtle rehabilitation center, and the option pet stingrays and starfish. **Hours:** 9-3:30, every day