

ARKANSAS MEETING PLANNER GUIDE

MEET US IN THE NATURAL STATE



FORT SMITH



To give your meeting attendees an unforgettable visit to an American treasure, you can count on Fort Smith. Once the gateway to the American West, Fort Smith keeps a frontier flavor that earned the honor of “Top 10 True Western Towns” from *True West* magazine. The major convention center downtown is only a few blocks from the Fort Smith National Historic Site. There, you’ll find a bucket-list living history experience as you walk through frontier-era buildings, including the courtroom of “Hanging” Judge Parker.



Fort Smith is nestled in the foothills of the Ozarks, providing scenic outdoor activities such as a ride on the vintage Arkansas & Missouri Railroad through the mountains, beginning in nearby Van Buren. With dining and shopping convenient to meeting venues, Fort Smith provides all amenities and plenty of space. Located just off I-40 near the Oklahoma border, the city allows quick and easy driving access from surrounding states.

FORT SMITH QUICK FACTS

HOTEL ROOMS: 2,750+

MILES TO NEAREST AIRPORT: 3

MEETING VENUES: 7

**LARGEST VENUE: FORT SMITH
CONVENTION CENTER**

SQUARE FOOTAGE: 116,800

**LARGEST CONTIGUOUS
SPACE: 40,000 s.f.**



EUREKA SPRINGS



Tucked away in the Ozarks, Eureka Springs is famous for stunning beauty, historic streets, and a lovable quirkiness that has made visitors fall in love with the town since it was a Gilded Age resort. The hilly streets are filled with scores of one-of-a-kind shops and galleries. For uniqueness, craftsmanship and variety, this little town packs in more fun shopping per square foot than you can imagine. But your meeting attendees will have many more choices after they drive in on scenic highways. You can take a ghost tour at the historic Crescent Hotel & Spa, tour the respected Turpentine Creek Wildlife Refuge, or marvel at celebrated Thorncrown Chapel. Hiking and biking trails, zip lines and nearby caves and caverns offer something for every outdoor lover too. The town is a convenient drive from Little Rock, Dallas, Tulsa, and Kansas City, and has a reputation for fun that will have your guests eagerly anticipating their upcoming meeting.



EUREKA SPRINGS QUICK FACTS

HOTEL ROOMS: 2,500

MILES TO NEAREST AIRPORT: 48

MEETING VENUES: 19

**LARGEST VENUE: BEST WESTERN
INN OF THE OZARKS
CONVENTIONS CENTER**

SQUARE FOOTAGE: 18,000

**LARGEST CONTIGUOUS
SPACE: 18,000 s.f.**





HOT SPRINGS

For over a century, Hot Springs National Park has been the site of national meetings for visitors drawn to its wonderful blend of historic beauty, relaxation and recreation. Al Capone visited the bathhouses and hotels that still stand on Bathhouse Row, and Babe Ruth hit home runs in major-league baseball's first spring trainings here. A delight for nature-lovers, Hot Springs is set in scenic hills with premier hiking and biking trails and surrounded by lakes with world-class fishing and boating. Your attendees will have scores of memorable dining choices including the historic Ohio Club that hosted gangsters as well as the Superior Bathhouse Brewery, the first craft brewery in a national park. Fun downtown shopping and a lively arts scene add to the entertainment value for guests, along with top local attractions such as Oaklawn Racing Casino Resort and Garvan Gardens. Venues of all sizes can match any meeting needs.

HOT SPRINGS QUICK FACTS

HOTEL ROOMS: 4,000
MILES TO NEAREST AIRPORT: 5

MEETING VENUES: 7

LARGEST VENUE: HOT SPRINGS CONVENTION CENTER
SQUARE FOOTAGE: 360,000

LARGEST CONTIGUOUS SPACE: 103,000 s.f.



CONWAY

Conway's ample dining offerings and lodging choices as well as its easy access from the highway make it a perfect site for multi-state gatherings. The "City of Colleges" is located along Interstate 40 approximately 30 miles from Little Rock and is the northwestern entryway to the Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway metro region. Arts events hosted by the three local colleges include national touring companies and musical performances for a fun group outing at night.



CONWAY OFFERS THE CHARM OF A SMALL TOWN WITH THE AMENITIES OF A LARGER CITY FOR YOUR MEETING ATTENDEES.

Conference centers, meeting rooms, and event space are located in every corner of the city. The spacious Conway Expo and Event Center boasts a convenient central location close to many hotels, restaurants, and shopping opportunities. The Event Center includes full audio/video throughout as well as a fully equipped catering kitchen.

CONWAY QUICK FACTS

HOTEL ROOMS: 1,400
MILES TO NEAREST AIRPORT: 35

MEETING VENUES: 12

LARGEST VENUE: CONWAY EXPO CENTER
SQUARE FOOTAGE: 40,000

LARGEST CONTIGUOUS SPACE: 40,000 s.f.

