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Antique Trail.com

by Maria Arnold

Follow AntiqueTrail.com to discover over a 2,000 antique shops, malls, and shows in 22 southern states! One will find numerous upscale antique galleries as well as a mélange of privately owned stores and multivendor malls with a mixture of antiques and vintage collectibles. However, the most delightful treasures one will find along the trail are the charming and knowledgeable people. Prepare for an experience in "southern hospitality."

It can be difficult to select which shops to visit when one sees the map, but AntiqueTrail.com helps in that selection. There is a map of shops/malls/shows for each state, section of state, city, and shop. There are thousands of photos and each business has their own website and some have their Facebook and Blog links too!

In 10 of the south eastern states, there are brochure, maps in the state welcome centers and member shops; brochures are scheduled to be printed this year for five other states.

The shows and shops are diverse in their housing and locations. The Round Top Show in Texas is in the middle of rural pastures; Scott Antique Market is in Atlanta; Renninger's Extravaganza is in a quaint Florida village. Some shops are in period houses; cottages, bungalow, farmhouses, log cabins, and antebellum homes. Other shops are in historical buildings that were once country stores, theatres, barns, banks or hardware stores. Some shops were built specifically to showcase the owners' collections. Some malls are in huge recycled textile mills and tobacco barns.

AntiqueTrail.com members offer advertising, architectural pieces, books, china, crystal, glassware, historical paper, kitchenware, military items, paintings, porcelain, pottery, prints, rugs, silver, tools, and 18th, 19th, and 20th century furnishings and decorative arts. The trail offers antiques, mantiques, junkies-painted, upcycled, recycled, repurposed.

The Cats Meow, on TxAntiqueTrail.com, is owned by Steven Porterfield who is a recognized expert in textiles and antiques. He appears on Antiques Roadshow, and some of his items have been used on shows like Mad Men and Boardwalk Empire. High Street Antiques in Dallas is a must visit on the Texas trail!

Each state has its own unique collection of stores, shops and shows. In Louisiana, visit Ponchartroula with its nine shops; Shreveport has eight; Covington, Lafayette, Slidell, and Baton Rouge each have five stores. Slidell and Covington have annual Antique Shows.

Stay the night on the highly recommended BandBTrail.com: Old Magnolia House on TxAntiqueTrail.com, The Guesthouse at Rosencorn Farm on KentuckyAntiqueTrail.com, The Garden Inn on TennesseeAntiqueTrail.com, the Audubon Cottages of The New Orleans Hotel Collection, and more.

AntiqueTrail.com is an online photo tour, description, and map of antique shops as well as annual state brochure/maps. AntiqueTrail.com enables one to find "THE" antique for which one is searching and many antiques for which one was not searching but could not resist!

Serendipitously, AntiqueTrail.com is an experience in southern hospitality, a visual treat of the architectural and geographical features of the United States and an opportunity to have a small town/city encounter.

