

Thank you for inquiring about Dunleith Historic Inn. We are delighted that you have considered our beautiful property as a host location. Dunleith is the ideal spot for weekend travelers, weddings, corporate retreats or special events. Our staff will customize any occasion to meet your needs.

Nestled at the edge of the historic district on 40 acres of wooded bayous and terraced lawns, Dunleith is Natchez's only full service inn offering a fabulous restaurant, *The Castle Restaurant & Pub*, a swimming pool, turn-down service and special guest room amenities. Our main house guestrooms are impeccably decorated with exquisite antique beds and period furnishings. Most of our rooms feature modern whirlpool tubs, gas burning fireplaces and luxurious bathrobes.

The talented staff at The Castle Restaurant has combined experience of over 55 years in creating Southern specialties. Together, they strategically coordinate all the food & beverage arrangements for the restaurant and all catered functions. Having received the *Wine Spectator*, "Award of Excellence" since our opening in December of 2000, The Castle Restaurant has a wine selection compared to no other establishment in our area. Located in an original 1790's carriage house and stables, The Castle is the perfect setting for a wonderful dining experience.

Dunleith, also referred to as "one of the most photographed homes in America", is privileged to have been featured on the front cover of *Southern Bride Magazine*, Arrington's, *Inn Traveler*, and *Bluffs & Bayous*. Most recently, Dunleith was selected as one of nine select properties to be featured on the cover of the 2005 *Conde' Nast Johansen* Invitation booklet, The World's Finest Recommended Hotels Guide. Other featured articles include *Southern Living Magazine*, *Country Roads*, *At Home in Memphis*, *Premier Bride*, *In Register*, *Mississippi Magazine* and *National Geographic* as well as many local and regional newspaper articles.

In addition to the main property, Bowie's Tavern, overlooking the bluffs of the mighty Mississippi River, is another historic property to enjoy while visiting. Bowie's Tavern, located in an original cotton warehouse, has four beautiful river suites with oversized Jacuzzi tubs and separate showers. Downstairs, there is plenty of action featuring pub – style cuisine and the largest selection of import and domestic beers in town.

Having hosted over 300 weddings, receptions and special events, our experienced banquet staff is available to assist you with one of the most memorable events that you will ever plan. The entire Dunleith Staff takes tremendous pride in setting an example of being the most professional and friendly staff that you will ever encounter. It is our goal to greet and leave you with gentile Southern hospitality.

Below are a few comments about our staff and hosted events. A list of referrals is available upon request.

“The dinner at The Castle at Dunleith was one of the most pleasant evenings for my group and me during our visit to Natchez. I am fortunate enough to travel throughout the world and have eaten at many of the top restaurants as well as those with Michelin stars in many large cities. The food at the Castle was equal to, if not surpassing, many of those. The setting, service, menu and presentation were each superb.” **Ken Ward, Ken Ward Travel, Inc.- Atlanta, GA**

“My daughter's wedding was a flawless experience for the entire wedding party and me. The staff was extremely professional, courteous and committed to make the customer comfortable and pampered. The wedding coordinators were timely and experienced in their directions and guidance for our wedding party and rehearsal as well as the wedding day. I am a professional meeting planner and I know the behind the scenes work it takes to pull every detail together and make an event perfect. You have a top-shelf staff and they worked very hard to make my experience positive and memorable.” **Debi Mallette, Memphis, TN**

“We want to thank you for one of the MOST splendid weekends of our lives. There are simply not enough words to convey the heartfelt thanks that we want to express. Dunleith is really a remarkable place in which to hold an event. The setting is magical and the staff is incredible.” **Jim and Cathy Crawford – Orlando, FL**

Whether business or pleasure, our goal is to deliver excellent service and go beyond your expectations. Please let us know if we may assist you with your special occasion. We look forward to the opportunity to work with you.

Sincerely,

Lyn Fortenbery
Director of Sales and Marketing

Property Overview

Dunleith Historic Inn owns and operates three separate properties in Natchez

1. **Dunleith** – The Inn located at 84 Homochitto Street at the edge of the historic district on 40 acres features 21 guest rooms. Dunleith is also the main location site for all weddings, large receptions, corporate retreats and special events. Check – In and Check - Out for all properties is at the main Front Desk, located in the original Poultry House. The Poultry House is the first building on your left as you enter the main property. Open 7 days a week from 7:00 am to 10:00 pm, offers general information, coffee, soft drinks, wine, beer and houses The Dunleith Gift Shop.
2. **The Castle Restaurant & Pub** – located at 84 Homochitto Street in an original 1790's carriage house and stables is the setting for the perfect dining experience. The Castle offers excellent regional favorites and the largest wine selection in the area. Breakfast Buffet is offered 7 days a week from 7:30 am to 10:00 am. Lunch is served Monday through Friday featuring fabulous daily specials and “heart happy” favorites. Dinner is offered 5 days a week (Closed Sundays-available for private bookings). The Pub opens at 4:00 pm Monday through Saturday (Closed Sunday) and has an excellent selection of fine wines, liquors, and cigars. A special Pub menu is perfect for an afternoon appetizer. Poolside seating is available.
3. **Bowie's Tavern and Inn** – 100 Main Street overlooking the Mississippi River in the heart of the historic district. An original cotton warehouse, Bowie's Tavern is home to a unique, beautiful mahogany bar (1880) that was once referred to as “the largest bar West of the Mississippi” and was signed by Kit Carson. Our tavern boasts the largest selection of domestic and imported beers around. Offers live music on weekends. For a schedule of events and daily specials, check out our monthly calendar on the web-site, www.bowiestavern.com.

Bowie's offers 5 guest rooms, a corporate board room, and a banquet facility perfect for rehearsal dinners and private meetings. Four of the rooms are luxurious suites offering oversize Jacuzzi tubs, separate tile showers, and a magnificent view of the Mississippi River.

Also, located at 100 Main is **Bowie Outfitters**, which offers an incredible selection of outdoor apparel and sports gear. Specializing in firearms and archery equipment, Bowie Outfitters carries Orvis, Browning, Mossy Oak, and Drake apparel. Offering a large selection of hunting boots such as Rocky and LaCrosse, Bowie Outfitters is the place to find the perfect gift for every outdoorsman. Items can be seen at www.bowieoutfitters.com.

The Dunleith Food and Beverage department offers 3 types of catering menus to choose from. There is a motor coach menu for groups traveling on large buses, a group dinner menu for groups of 15 or more, and a special reception menu for cocktail buffets and receptions. *Please note that any menu may be customized to meet the needs of your group.*

Possible event location sites:

1. Dunleith Main House and Courtyard – available for private dinners, tours, weddings, receptions and special events. Minimum number to host an event is 25 / maximum capacity is 500 guests. A tent is required for numbers over 125 for inclement weather conditions.

The Main House double parlors make an impressive boardroom, meeting facility or unique setting for rehearsal dinners for up to 75. Minimum number for the main house rental is 25 or more. The double parlors are a perfect for setting private luncheons.

2. The Castle Restaurant and Pub – Seats 80 in the upstairs main dining area and 20 in each side “turret room”. The Turret Rooms are perfect for private dinners or meetings up to 18 to 20 guests. If doing a presentation, the room is better for up to 15. The entire restaurant is available for private parties.

The Pub can be utilized during the day for private meetings or as a gathering location.

3. Bowies Barrel Room – located downstairs at Bowie’s Tavern is perfect for birthday parties, private meetings or parties, rehearsal dinners for up to 50 people or cocktail parties for up to 75.
4. Bowies Upstairs Conference Room – the ultimate board meeting facility for up to 30 participants with a spectacular view of the mighty Mississippi River, downtown Natchez and the Vidalia, Louisiana’s riverfront. Offering balcony access, the upstairs room is an intimate setting for cocktail parties and dinners for up to 50 guests.