Lovingly restored by family members – the plantation is just one way we have preserved our family's heritage.

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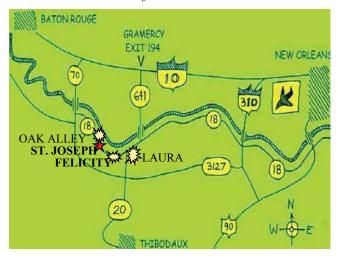
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A LOUISIANA SUGAR CANE FAMILY

Take a walk through time as you enjoy a fascinating glimpse into the lives of the many interesting people who have called this plantation "home."

Many tours are guided by family members themselves.

A Creole Plantation



This large manor house was built by Louisiana Creoles of French descent—circa 1830.

Rich Heritage



- This 1000 acre plantation is the birthplace of H.H. Richardson, one of America's most important architects of the 19th century.
- The maison principale was acquired by a French doctor, who was hired to care for the plantation masters, their families, and slaves.
- Using a wedding dowry given by her father Valcour Aimé, "The Louis XIV of Louisiana," Josephine Ferry purchased the plantation, including furnishings and a full staff of slaves.

The History Lives On

Joseph Waguespack purchased this plantation after it was sold at a sheriff's sale following the Civil War.





Joseph's descendants, the Waguespack and Simon families, have kept this sugar plantation thriving for 130 years.



The Stories



The lives of these families were deeply intertwined with neighboring plantations, Oak Alley, Laura, "Le Petite Versailles" and still to this day, Felicité Plantation.

The Sugar Cane



Learn about the sugar cane industry in South Louisiana. From its beginnings in 1795, through the years when sugar was white

gold to the present day, sugar still plays a vital role in the economy of Louisiana.

Slave Quarters

Explore original buildings: slave cabins, detached kitchen, blacksmith shop and many other dependencies, all necessary to sustain life during these early years.



View exhibits such as the tokens that were used by freed slaves to purchase needed goods in the commissary.