



# UH AT VANDERBILT NASHVILLE VIP TOUR ITINERARY

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Tour Escort



## ALOHA!

Nashville is a bucket list city, and it will be my first time there as well, so I want to really be sure we leave our mark on our time there. Food, music, culture— prepare to embrace and absorb it all all while representing for our University of Hawaii football team. Go Bows! —Wayne

## AIRPORT & HOTEL INFO

Call Wayne upon your arrival into Nashville Airport (BNA). Prepare to meet at Arrivals, Level 2, for curbside pick-up when you have all your luggage.

Our hotel in Nashville is *Homewood Suites by Hilton Nashville Vanderbilt*, conveniently located just one block from the site of our game.

Daily breakfast is available in the hotel. Your Studio Suite also comes with a full kitchen, a king-sized bed and high-speed internet.

Other amenities included an indoor pool, fitness center, and a free shuttle that goes Downtown.

The hotel is also located a quarter mile from Centennial Park, home of their famous Parthenon. Lots of places to explore by foot as well.

## WEATHER

Daytimes look to be HOT. Temperatures have a chance to hit 100 with nightfall bringing them back down to the upper 60s at night.

## SWAG

Handcrafted by East LA artist, Esteban Mercado, out of his love for our company, our official tour shirts are exclusively made for Tour VIPs. Just like all our tours, these shirts can't be purchased, featuring our new tour logo on the front.

## FIRSTBANK STADIUM POLICY

Fans may bring in one (1) clear bag no larger than 12" x 6" x 12" or a 1-gallon plastic storage bag. Fans are limited to one clear bag per person, along with

### *Approved Bags*

- Clear plastic, vinyl or PVC bags that do not exceed 12" x 6" x 12"
- A clear bag shall be clear from top-to-bottom and up to a 2" trim/border on the bag is generally acceptable.
- One-gallon, clear, re-sealable plastic storage bag
- Small clutch bags no larger than 4.5" x 6.5" with or without a handle or strap
- Medically necessary items (after inspection at designated location)

*Prohibited Bags* Include (but are not limited to):

- Purses
- Backpacks

One empty, disposable, plastic bottle per ticket holder may be brought in to refill at public water fountains.

## DA SCHEDULE

### THURSDAY, 8/24/23

Gather in the lobby to leave the hotel by 4:30 pm. We'll head out first to East Nashville, a beautiful neighborhood with a quirky vibe and a buzzing food and nightlife scene.

The Five Points area is known for its street art, upbeat bars and trendy fine-dining restaurants. **The Pharmacy Burger Parlor & Beer Garden**, a culinary staple of the area that uses fresh, locally-produced ingredients.

The Biergarten, full of picnic tables and string lights, a delightful setting to enjoy burgers and wash them down with a beer, specialty cocktail or root beer float since this place has its own soda shop, just like every Pharmacy should.

From dinner we'll head straight to the world-famous **Grand Ole Opry**. Seated in Section 5, Row F, we'll be in the perfect position just rows from the stage, slightly off-center on the ground floor.

Buckle up for the quite the night as we hear from Opry Members *Jeannie Seely & Mike Snider* as well as *T. Graham Brown, Becky Buller, Runaway June, Tyler Rich, Payton Smith* and more.

After we see Nashville's ultimate live show, we'll take a walk in the footsteps of superstars with a one-of-a-kind [backstage tour!](#)

### FRIDAY, 9/15/23

Grab some breakfast at the hotel and be prepared to be picked up at the hotel lobby by 10:30 AM.

We'll first do a tour of Downtown, pointing out landmarks and giving you a chance to get a sense of the bustle around you.

You'll get background of some of the major points of interest from the comfort of the van, like the *Parthenon, Ryman Auditorium* and the *Country Music Hall of Fame*, where you'll will disembark.

Explore “The District” strolling through *Walk of Fame Park*, the *Nashville Music Garden* and into the **Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame**, which is free.

At Noon we’ll gather at **Assembly Food Hall** for our *Nashville Hot Chicken “Taste Test”*, trying both Local staples **Hattie B’s** and **Prince’s** to see which you prefer. What spice level can you handle??

We’ll make a stop at **Goo Goo Chocolate Co.** to look for some delicious treats for now or to take home. We’ll try the *Premium Goo Goo*, a decadent treat combining the flavors of two Nashville staples, inspired by Puckett’s infamous Deep Fried Brownie Sundae.

We’ll stop into the **Nashville Farmer Market**, perusing stalls at the nationally-recognized food hall and garden center and sampling the moonshine. While there, we’ll also visit *Bicentennial Capital Mall State Park*, the *Tennessee State Museum*, and the *State Capitol*, all within walking distance.

We’ll return to the hotel for a break before departing from the lobby again at 6:30 PM.

Hailed by NPR and the NY times a “key stop” in Nashville, **Jane’s Hideaway**, was voted best new restaurant in 2021. Virtuoso players take the stage nightly here performing a modern twist on bluegrass and Americana. Enjoy reinvented Southern classics on their seasonal menu, including sharing plates, sandwiches and supper items like a personal pot pie or sweet tea pork chop.

After dinner, we’ll head to Broadway Street and take our first dive into the honky tonk nightlife, stopping into the famous **Robert’s Western World**.

### **SATURDAY, 9/16/23**

GAME DAY! Get some breakfast or just sleep in after a long Friday with another big day ahead.

You’ll have the morning and midday free if you want to explore on your own, a good time for that museum you really want to do.

We’ll leave the hotel at 2 pm to make our way to Lot 2 where we’ll **tailgate** alongside Vanderbilt fans as well as our Road Warrior Ohana for a true SEC pre-game.

In addition to a Kids Zone, Vanderbilt is encouraging fans to line the practice field and see the Star Walk.

We'll be seated on the UH sidelines in Section R - at about the 35-yard line - just 10 rows above our team and surrounded by dozens (at least) of other Hawaii fans. Plan to enter at the **Memorial Gymnasium** entrances 1 or 3.

After the game, we'll grab some pizza from a popular Local joint and make our way back out to the honky tonks if you got the energy!

### **SUNDAY, 7/9/23**

After breakfast, gather in the lobby by 10:30 AM.

Our day begins at **Nelson's Green Brier Distillery**, home of the Original Tennessee Whiskey. Journey through the generations of the distillery through on a history walk through the production floor and enjoy tastings of four seasonal offerings. Lunch will immediately follow. You'll enjoy elevated comfort food with Southern flair infused in local flavors.

From there, we'll head over to East Nashville to discover more parts of the artsy neighborhood, stopping at eclectic murals and vintage record stores, like **Grimey's New and Preloved Music**, along the way.

We'll also hit up **Donut Distillery**, where you can select from the "boozy menu" and sample their creative selection of donuts alongside mimosas, coffee cocktails, beer or whiskey on their pairing flights.

From East Nashville we'll head to the 12 South neighborhood. Look inside the flagship location of Reese Witherspoon's **Draper James** or one of the many other shops in this quaint part of town and take more photos with murals, like the "I Believe in Nashville".

We'll also try the famous **Five Daughters Bakery**, known for its 100-layer donuts & classic pastries.

We'll return to the hotel for a break before dinner pick-up at 6:45 PM.

**Puckett's** is a staple in Nashville, a top-rated BBQ joint in the country where with live music playing. Get ready for crispy southern fried chicken, beef brisket, cherrywood smoked pull pork, baby back ribs and sides. Try some of the famous cobbler to put a stamp on a perfect meal.

Get one last night to drop in on a honky tonk or call it a night.

### **MONDAY, 7/3/23**

Be prepared to leave the hotel by 6:30 AM to head to Nashville Airport. What an amazing trip! Mahalo for being a part of it all.