

and columnist for the Times-Picayune in the 1930s, left her mark on the social scene. My French ancestors arrived in Guadeloupe in the 18th century, eventually settling in New Orleans alongside my German ancestors in the 1820s. My great-grandfather would settle there after signing the surrender at

Appomattox in 1865. Our legacy is in every corner.

I like visiting in winter when the city's cool tranquility contrasts with the fervor of revelers throwing beads.

While in Mexico I suggest you walk and have breakfast, here strolls are best enjoyed with a cocktail in hand.



Meander from the Garden District to the CBD and the waterfront Warehouse District. Stroll through galleries before downtown art lunch. Then, yes, relax on a steamboat cruise with yes cocktails and NoLa history from the river, followed by an uptown

dinner.





Embrace city's reverence for the ancestors with a visit to Lafayette Cemetery. You must lunch at Commander's Palace, where the martinis are 25 cents. Ride the streetcar, pausing to admire historic mansions, and sip cocktails before ending your day at Audubon Park.







Dive into the heart of the French Quarter, where antique treasures await alongside the iconic sights of Jackson Square and Café du Monde. Explore bespoke jewelry at my cousin's atelier, Porter Lyons before indulging in your inaugural Sazerac. Make your way through the Quarter's music venues, concluding with a late dinner.



the journey concludes amidst the botanical wonders of City Park and exploring the