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Road Tripping From Nashville To Memphis Is Any Music Lover's Dream

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Nashville knows how to pull the big crowds. For years it's been one of the most popular destinations in the United States. But the fact is, Tennessee has so much more to offer beyond Nashville — specifically, the cultural landmark of Memphis.

Like Nashville, Memphis is one of the most important cities in American music history. It's the place where Elvis Presley, B.B. King, and Johnny Cash cut records at the legendary Sun Studio. Not to mention being the home of Presley's iconic Graceland mansion, which was made a national historic landmark after he passed away in 1977. Presley once famously said of the city, "I'll stay in Memphis." After visiting, we had the same thought.

If you find yourself getting a little tired of battling bachelorette parties for bar space on Nashville's Main Street, then make a move for Memphis' historic Beale Street. As Nashville and Memphis are a pretty easy drive away from each other, it can easily be a weekend or overnight adventure. To help you out, we've built the perfect road trip itinerary to use for your drive along Tennessee's Music Highway.

Base Camp: Big Cypress Lodge



This unique lodging is suspended among hundred-foot cypress trees planted in the newly designed Pyramid; with some of the rooms designed to resemble tree houses. They get bonus points for the fact that every room has a fireplace and handcrafted furniture. Try to book early to snag one of the rooms that have porches or balconies.

The next morning it's time to turn around the van. You can hit the same spots or see where all those other roads lead. There is also plenty to see in Memphis, so the journey doesn't have to end yet. Walk around the city and stop in one of the many music venues. Who knows, you just may catch a set by the next King Of Rock N' Roll.