NASHVILLE TIPS FOR TOP NOTCH SERVICE & A GREAT EXPERIENCE

RESERVATIONS

Most restaurants in the downtown area have a 30 - 120 minute wait on Friday and Saturday evenings. Arrange reservations in advance to reduce wait times. Call to confirm your reservation the day before and be sure to provide an accurate headcount. A reservation doesn't mean zero wait-time in Nashville, but will reduce your chances of having a hangry group.

RECOVERY

Plan chill/recovery time and activities that don't involve drinking during the day in order to stay energized and hydrated.

TABS & MONEY

Let your server know in advance who is paying the tab. He/She may offer better service if one person pays the entire tab. Ask everyone in your group to download Venmo or Cash App and have them pay as you go to prevent doing math later. There are also apps that help split tabs. Bring cash and two credit cards (in case one doesn't work). Call your bank in advance and let them know you are traveling. Keep your purse small - the bars get crowded.

SERVICE

Everything moves slower in the South. Mentally prepare yourself for this and be as patient as possible. Go with the flow and you will enjoy the Southern Hospitality that comes along with it. A chatty clerk with a long line is normal, fast service is not.

IDS

Nashville is very strict with identification. Businesses face steep fines/penalties and are not taking chances. You must have your physical ID and it cannot be expired. Protect your ID like your engagement ring. If you lose it or it's expired, you will NOT be able to enter any bar.. If you are visiting during CMAfest or a special event, some bars require two forms of ID. Take a photo of your ID in case it gets lost.

PHOTOS & VIDS

Create a shared photo album and share it with your group. Ask everyone at brunch to upload their photos from the night before.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Unpredictable things happen. Protect yourself, your belongings and your money invested by purchasing travel insurance.

LEAVE NO TRAIL

Leave the feather boas and DIY sparkle accessories at home. Be respectful to venues and don't wear items that will leave a trail and require cleanup.

PARTY MODE

DO drink and get wild in the honky tonks and bars downtown, but don't go into family restaurants, museums, stores and similar on party mode. This is out of respect for families and will help ensure bachelorettes don't get banned. Keep in mind, if you get arrested in Nashville for anything, your mugshot, name and social media will be posted on ScoopNashville.com. Review the rules and information provided for all of your reservations. Ensure your group is following the rules and you will receive excellent service.

WEATHER

An inch or less of ice or snow will shut the entire city down. Keep this in mind if you are traveling to Nashville in the winter months. If it happens, stay positive and make the best of the situation!

SAFETY

Have your phone charged as much as possible. Put a small portable charger in your purse if possible. Share your phone location with at least one other person in your friend group. Always watch your drink and keep tabs on your friends.

DRAMA

There may be drama (disagreements, bad/drunk decisions) when people get together. Be prepared how to handle it and stay positive. Put the focus back on the Bride. Eliminate group decisions by planning everything in advance and catering it to the Bride.