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**Monmouth Plantation Featured in Rand McNally's  
*Southeast Getaway Guide***

**Natchez, MS, June 4, 2007** — Rand McNally, America's largest map company, just put Monmouth Plantation on the map — literally. The Natchez hotel and historic national landmark is highlighted as a "can't miss" stop in Rand McNally's new *Southeast Getaway Guide*. The guide blends travel information and recommended stops with maps designed to help vacationers find their way to the destinations featured in the guide.

"We wanted to unearth the best-kept secrets in each state — things that they might not discover on their own," says Rand McNally Editorial Director Laurie Borman. "As more people grow up in one place and move another, they might not know the area right around them. This book is a great resource for locals to explore their state, too."

Natchez is just one of the exceptional destinations suggested in the guide, which takes an in-depth look at restaurants, lodging and one-of-a-kind attractions in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia.

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“Research shows that more and more Americans are choosing to take their vacations close to home and explore the areas where they live,” says Robert Apatoff, president and chief executive officer of Rand McNally. “You might live in an area for years before discovering all it has to offer. We designed this guide for Southerners who want to find the local treasures hidden in their own backyards.”

The oldest settlement on the Mississippi River, Natchez has more antebellum homes than any other city in the United States, many available for touring. Step back in time to the charm of downtown Natchez, largely a phenomenon of late nineteenth century architecture where antique shops, variety shops, hotels, churches and fabulous restaurants abound punctuated by year round festivals and celebrations. A recreational paradise, Natchez also offers golf, tennis, hiking, biking fishing & hunting year round.

“We are delighted to be recognized in the *Southeast Getaway Guide*,” says Lani Riches, Owner of Monmouth Plantation. “It’s an honor to know that people who travel in Mississippi will not only know about us, but will be able to see us right on the map.”

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