# Bayou Bites and Boats

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### **Business Model**

At Bayou Bites & Boats our business model will go as follows: the ferries will go everyday from 8am - 6pm and everyone who comes by can buy 2 types of tickets. One with food included and the other one without food. The tour would take around an hour and a half before the ferry boat gets back. There would be also options to rent the whole ferry on the website for a birthday party or any other private get together. The ferry charters is where our business is going to make most of its money.





# Menu

Our menu would specialize in seafood as seafood is a important culinary aspect of New Orleans. Such dishes included would be lobster, shrimps, and mollusks. We would also include paellas, gumbos, jambalayas, as well as a variety of soups such as clam chowder and turtle soup.







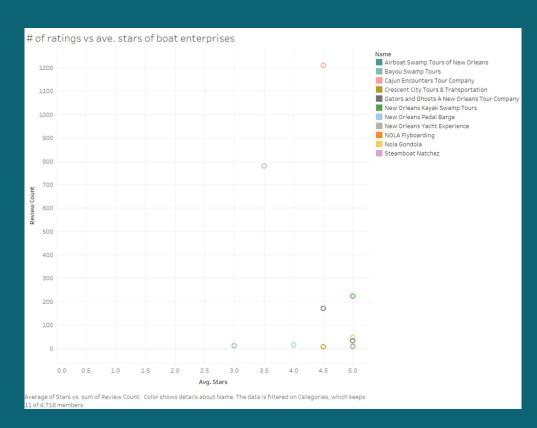


# Why Boat Tour?

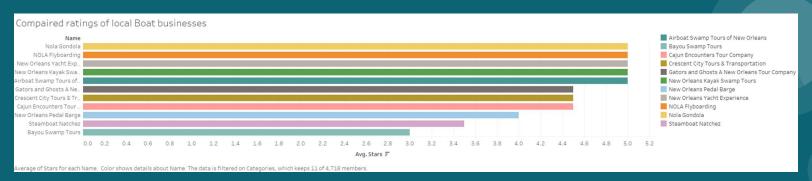
In New Orleans, there were only a handful of boating companies compared to the other numerous restaurants and other things like that. So having a unique idea always helps.

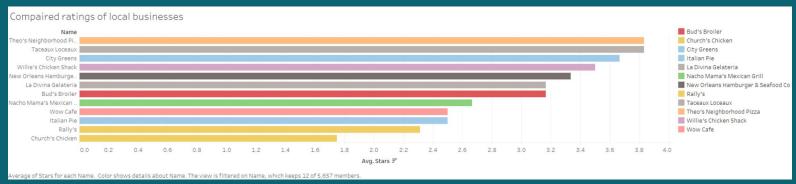
To the right, the infographic shows that all of the boating companies scored at least a 3.0 on their reviews. With the most reviewed tour, "Cajun Encounters", having been rated 4.5 out of 1200 reviews.

It proves that boat tours are a well liked thing in New Orleans.



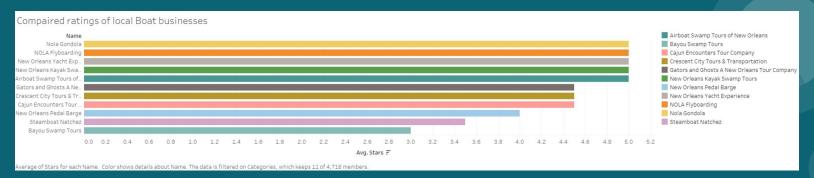
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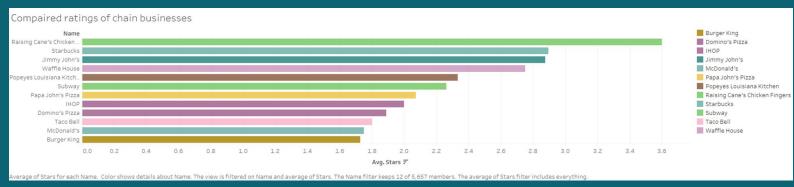




When comparing the scores of local business to the boat tours, we found while most of the scores are similar the boats on average were rated higher than the other local businesses.

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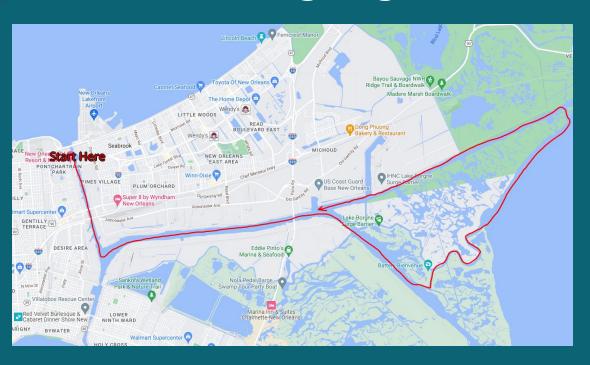


When comparing the scores of chain business to the boat tours, we found that all but two boat tours score higher than the highest rated chain business.

#### Similar Businesses in New Orleans

- New Orleans Pedal Barge Boat Tours, Boating, Party & Event Planning, Hotels & Travel, Event Planning & Services, Active Life, Tours, Boat Charters
- Crescent City Tours & Transportation Boat Tours, Transportation, Tours, Hotels & Travel, Airport Shuttles,
  Bus Tours
- Gators and Ghosts A New Orleans Tour Company Boat Tours, Hotels & Travel, Bus Tours, Tours, Walking Tours, Historical Tours
- Cajun Encounters Tour Company Transportation, Boat Tours, Bus Tours, Tours, Walking Tours, Hotels & Travel, Historical Tours
- New Orleans Yacht Experience Sailing, Boat Tours, Active Life, Boat Charters, Event Planning & Services, Tours, Hotels & Travel, Boating
- NOLA Flyboarding Rafting/Kayaking, Paddleboarding, Flyboarding, Party & Event Planning, Boating, Hotels & Travel, Boat Charters, Boat Tours, Active Life, Skydiving, Event Planning & Services, Fitness & Instruction, Tours, Jet Skis
- Airboat Swamp Tours of New Orleans Tours, Boat Tours, Hotels & Travel
- Nola Gondola Boat Tours, Active Life, Tours, Local Flavor, Hotels & Travel, Boating
- New Orleans Kayak Swamp Tours Hotels & Travel, Active Life, Tours, Rafting/Kayaking, Boat Tours, Kids Activities

## Where are we going?



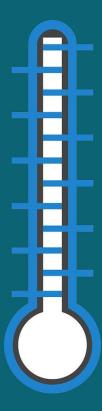


### **Seasonal Trends**

For our business, there are rarely any hiccups throughout the year for our boat tour.

While New Orleans can occasionally drop to freezing temperatures, this phenomenon is fairly uncommon and will likely not impact the Mississippi river enough to where we would have to stop operations.

Spring to mid Fall is the most bountiful time to catch fish, but fishing all year round is really good in New Orleans.





#### Hours & Launch Date

- Hours:
  - Monday Sunday 8:00 am 6:00 pm
  - o OR
  - Wednesday Sunday 8:00 am 6:00 pm

Based on the information gathered from the other boating businesses, the most common hours are from 8am to 6pm ranging from every day of the week to a normal five day week schedule. Since this business is tourism-based, it would be worthwhile to consider working on the weekends or all week since it's not guaranteed work.

The best time to launch this operation would be at the start of tourism season as that will be the largest customer base. These seasons start on March and May as well as October and November. The fall and spring seasons end up being the most popular due to cooler temperatures.







## How to make a splash

In the world of tourism, plenty of places are trying to get a buyers interest so that they will choose to spend their money with them. For our business, out of all the 6,000+ businesses, there are none like our boat tour with food. All other boat tours are just trips around the bayou but why not get to full cultural experience with some traditional New Orleans seafood!







- Why not just a restaurant or why not just a boat tour?
  - Out of the many boat tours and thousands of restaurants in New Orleans, we wanted to make sure that our business stands out and catches people's attention. By combining these two businesses, we have one of the most unique and exciting experiences that anyone can find in New Orleans.
- Why is no one else doing ferries in New Orleans?
  - They are a commitment for sure and you have to be ok with navigating not only swampy water but dealing with the large amount of water traffic on the Mississippi river. However, we've thought about this and thus we have the route shown before hand that chooses to avoid the Mississippi leaving you only to deal with the swamp.

# What does the data say?

After looking at all the boat tour places in New Orleans and all the top rated seafood restaurants, we can for sure say that no one is really doing what we are doing and we have a totally original idea for the city of New Orleans. We also discovered that local restaurants seemed to do better in terms of rating.