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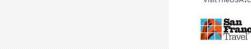
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Agenda

- American traveler trends
- 2. Tourism marketing evolution
 - Content
 - Social
 - Personalization
- 3. 2018 Visit Savannah partner programs
- 4. Measuring beyond the click







Meet our

clients

























































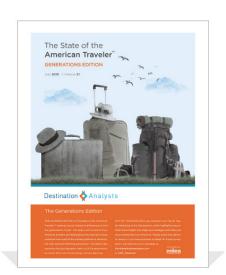


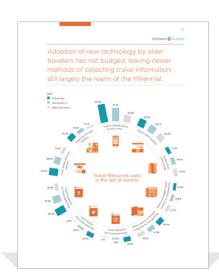






Focus on research





WHITE PAPERS

measure what matters

---> not all clicks are created equal: measure quality over quantity

COMPLEX TRAVEL-PLANNING LANDSCAPE COMPLICATES MEASUREMENT

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AWARENESS INTEREST

CAMPAIGN TRAFFIC

How Marketers Think

I PLAN MY VACATION

IDENTIFY

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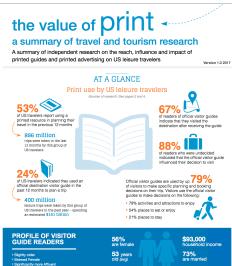
of it). Visit Here (https://ga-dev-tools.appspot.com/

campaign-url-builder/) to set one up.

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travel and tourism marketing essentials



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2017

Massive technology shift

EMPOWERING ALWAYS ON LIFESTYLE

- Mobile takes over
- Channel explosion
- Complex planning landscape





May, 2015



It's Official: Google Says More Searches Now On Mobile Than On Desktop

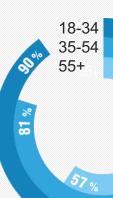
Company officially confirms what many have been anticipating for years.

Greg Sterling on May 5, 2015 at 12:34 pm

CONSTANT CONNECTIVITY

Smartphone usage is reaching 100% of under 25s population in some markets, like Scandinavia

SMARTPHONE PENETRATION IN THE US







CONSTANT CONNECTIVITY

We check our phones

150 times a day



of smartphone users always have their smartphone at their side, day, and night

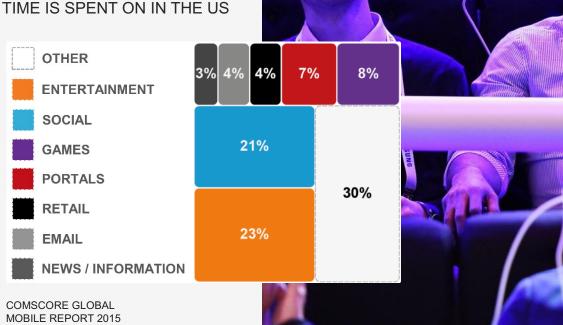


68 %

say they check their phone within 15 minutes of waking up in the morning

MASSIVE DIGITAL CONTENT CONSUMPTION

SHARE OF CATEGORY DIGITAL TIME IS SPENT ON IN THE US



2017 Traveler

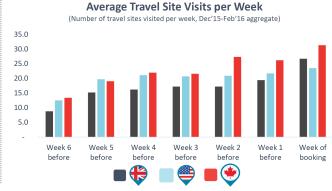
Millennials



The hyper informed traveler

Before booking: 140 travel website

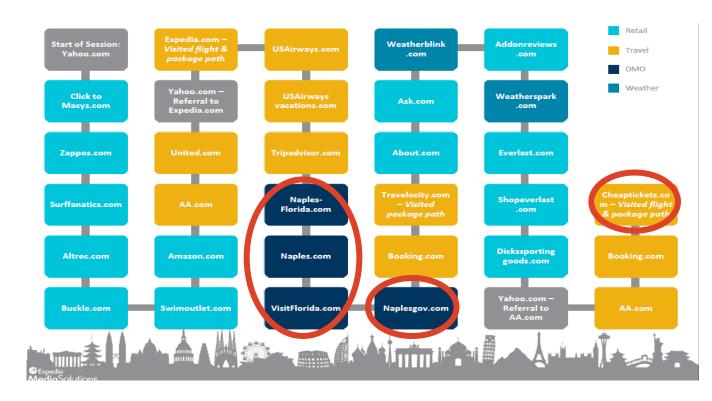




Data Source: comScore UK, US and CA Desktop Panel, Custom Path to Booking Visitation Analysis, Weekly Visits per User, Dec '15 – Feb '16. Average Travel Site Visits per Week (Number of travel sites visited per week by the average segment member, Oct'15-Feb'16 aggregate)



DMO/OTA Cross Shop Sessions



The hyper informed traveler

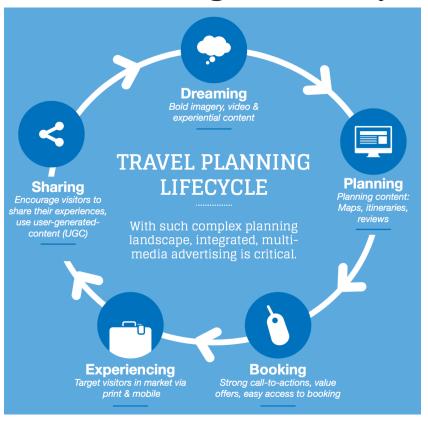
2016: Shifts in Media Usage







Digital Reach Through the Lifecycle







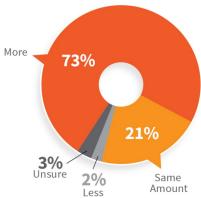
Content Marketing

"80% of all trip planning begins in the search bar."

Content marketing **trends**

Content Creation

Compared with 2016, do you expect your organization to produce more, the same amount, or less original content in 2017?



2017 B2C Content Marketing Trends—North America: Content Marketing Institute/MarketingProfs



Marriott. 'We want to become world's largest publisher of travel content'

David Beebe Marriott International Creative and Content Marketing Chief

Travelers are explorers, not tourists





Content

that inspires travel

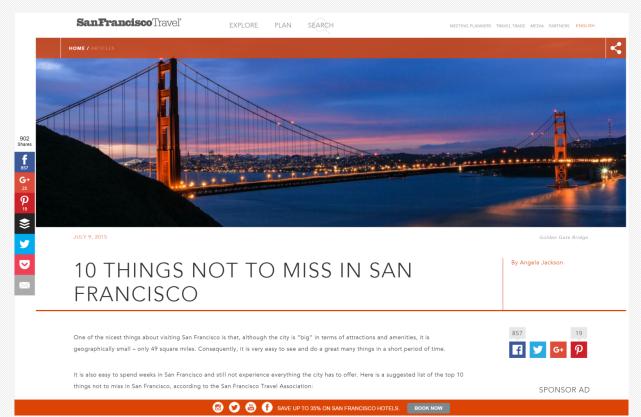
Things To Do Content

80% of Visitors who were influenced to visit researched activities and attractions





Conversion Study of 13 DMOs

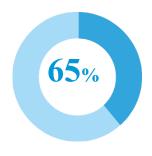


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Women Rule

Women made up >65% of website users who were influenced to visit the destination



SEEK OUT:

Things to Do Content: Top Lists, Family Activities, Neighborhood Content & Deals

Images: Couples, Family, People in Photos, UGC/Social

Conversion Study of 13 DMOs

Experiential Content



Step inside and you'll immediately sense. This isn't Walkill as you know it. Our design story is but one element that defines THE NODERN HON Honolulu - and certainty its most uncommon. Every element is original, authentic or custom-designed to enhance your experience.







Our Walkiki resort hotel is steps from the bold Pacific and its iconic beaches, the haute shopping, the globally-inspired dining, the open-to-anythin meets relaxing.



EXPLORE OAHU / DESTINATION EXPERIENCES

ECO TOURS



EXPLORE SHOPPING



Take a science-based approach





Hospitality case study

- Search marketing strategy to reach new potential guests who are researching a specific vacation experiences
- Resort experiences + keyword research = targeted content



Hospitality case study

hawkscay.com €

HAWKS CAY RESORT

- 87 new page 1 search rankings
- _o 10,000+ new visitors
- 1,000,000 UV's per year



HAWKS CAY ShareThis FLORIDA KEYS RESORT

Midway down the Florida Keys, you'll find an



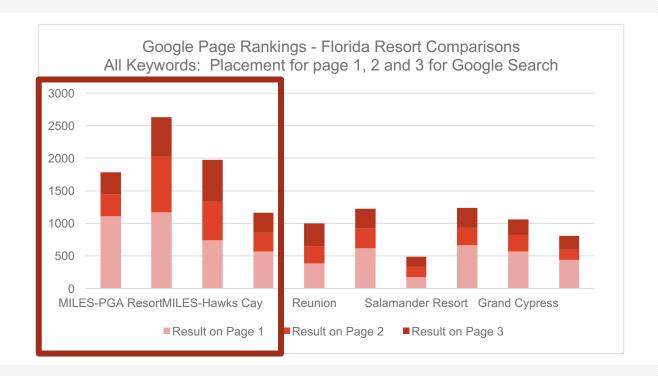








Organic search results

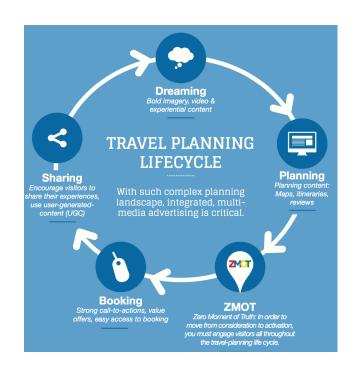




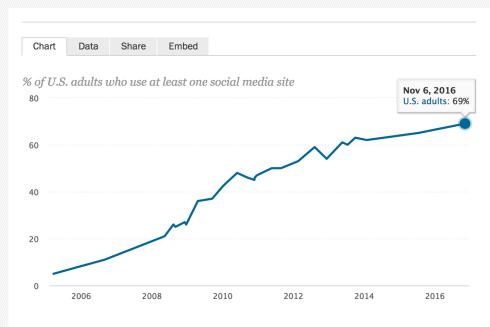


Social

Travel-planning **lifecycle**



Social **usage**

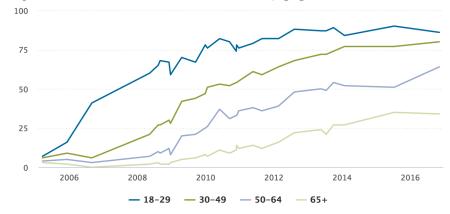


Source: Surveys conducted 2005-2016.

PEW RESEARCH CENTER

Social **usage**

% of U.S. adults who use at least one social media site, by age



Source: Surveys conducted 2005-2016.

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Which online sources typically inspire you to start thinking about your leisure trips?

Social networking, video or photo sites (Net)	81%	YouTube	35%
Search engines	57%	Google+	11%
Travel review sites/apps	36%		
Destination-specific sites/apps	26%		
Daily Deal sites/apps	23%		

Art and science of social

CONNECT

Find visitors before they arrive

INFORM

Answer questions

Add value



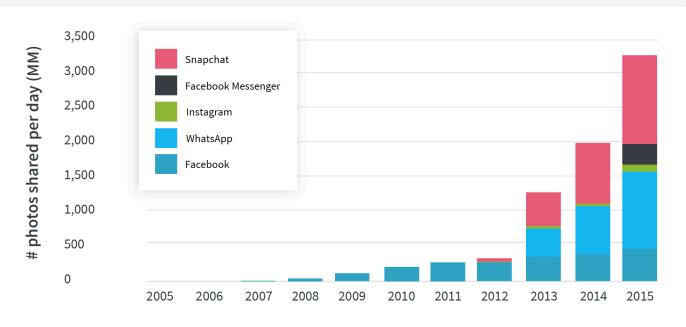
ENGAGE

Know your audience
Sharable content

Key reminders social storytelling

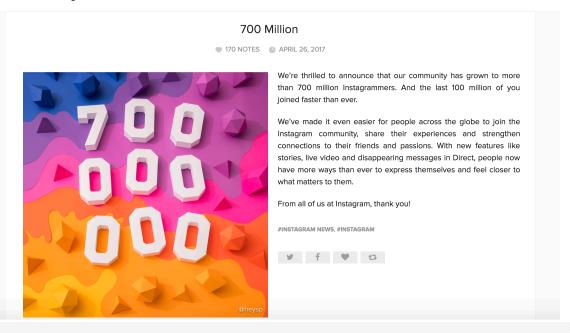
- Emotion is key
- Story-telling is a must
- Content must be portable
- Social content planning
 - 。 Listen
 - 。 Prepare
 - Engage
 - Adapt

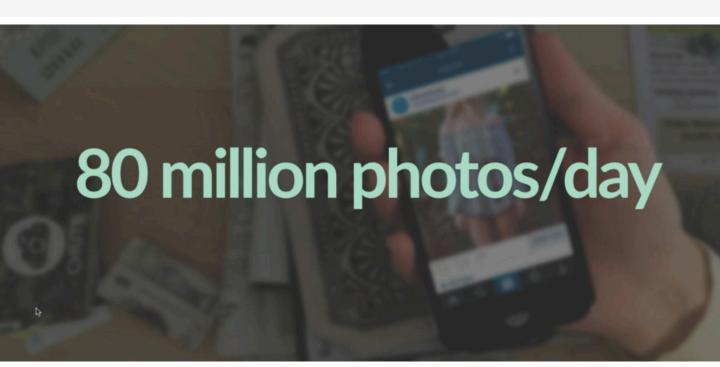




Source: Mary Meeker, KPCB Internet Trends 2016

(i) Instagram





Visual decision-making is here

65% of consumers trust word of mouth on the web over advertising



Visual decision-making is here

Option A

A healthy and delicious way to start your day, with the freshest seasonal fruits, and nutritional powerhouses like chia, ginger and turmeric.

Option B

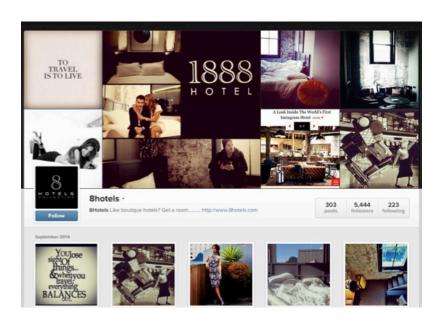


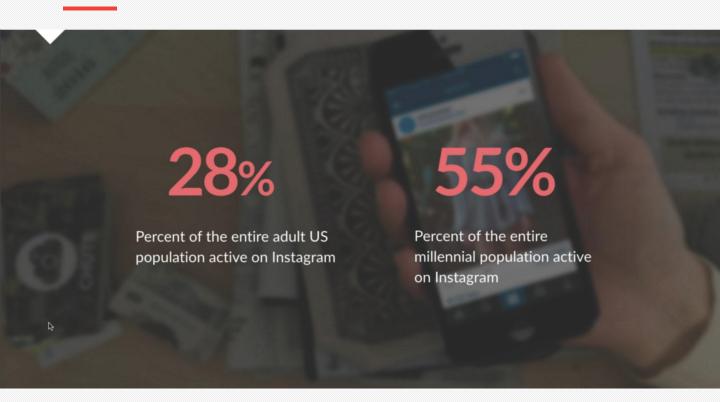
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Which did you pick?

90% choose Option B

Hospitality case study





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INSTA-WALK



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THE WORLD'S FIRST "INSTAGRAM HOTEL"

We all, as travellers, have always captured our adventures in videos and photographs to share them with the work more fun! 1888 Hotel is the place to Instagram it all!

10K FOR A FREE STAY



Instagram users with more than 10,000 followers can REDEEM A FREE NIGHT stay at the hotel by simply emailing their request to

reservations@1888hotel.com.au. Their booking can be organised for an immediate stay or a voucher will be issued for redemption on future stays until

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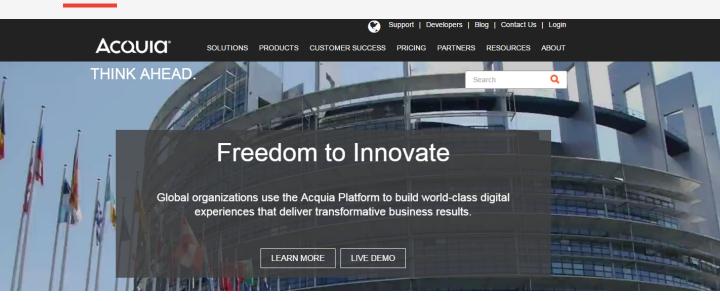
Make it Personalized

Consumers embrace personalization

- 85% of consumers know that websites track their online behavior and understand in enables presentation of more relevant content
- 75% prefer that retailers use their personal information to improve experience
- 64% of companies are planning to deliver more personalized experiences to visitors on mobile devices

Personalization

on all levels of web experience



- Unifies customer data across all channels
- Cross-channel historical and real-time behavior targeting
- Real-time segmentation and personalization
- Directly taps into CMS system of the site

Personalizing

Content experiences

- Target by geography
- Target by behavior
- Target by source









Personalization words

Branson case study



Pages Per Visit

2.69 Not Targeted 5.25

Smart Content

Average Visit Duration

2:17

5:13

Not Targeted Smart Content

Bounce Rate

51%

28%

Not Targeted Smart Content

8

% of Traffic Segmented

81%

19%

Not Targeted

Smart Content

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95%

Last Month: 94%

+ 128%

Last Month: 126%

45%

Last Month: -43%



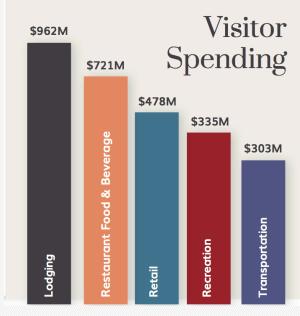
Size of Travel & Tourism



Savannah Tourism Insights





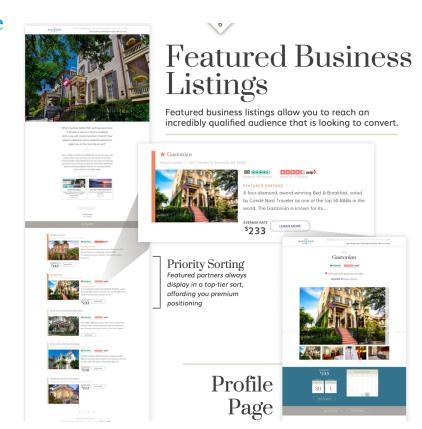




Featured Listings

Targeted and Affordable

- Top-tier Sort
- Unlimited partners
- Sold on a 12month basis
 - \$695/year



Monthly Email

Diverse Options for every Budget Level

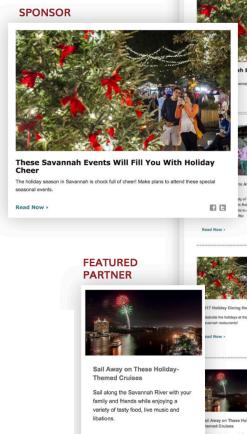
ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

Sponsor: Command attention with this front-and-center placement complete with hero image, thumbnail, tag line and body copy.

Featured Partner: Drive qualified traffic to your site with this native placement featuring image, tag line, body copy and strong call-to-action.

RATE PER EMAIL

SPONSOR: \$1,250 FEATURED PARTNER: \$400



Read Now



Custom Email

100% Share of Voice

- Users respond incredibly well to single-focused messaging
- Drives 100% SOV and all clicks to your site

RATE PER MONTH

CUSTOM EMAIL: \$4,500



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Like our Spanish-moss-draped city herself, Hotel Indigo® Savannah Historic District is the perfect mix of old and new. Our building-known to locals as the

"Grand Lady on the Bay" due to her sweeping size—was once 19th-century mega-merchant Simon Guckenheimer's dry goods storage house and shop, which was filled with everything the South made best, from tobacco to canned peaches.

CALL HOTEL INDIGO

BOOK NOW

CONNECT WITH HOTEL INDIGO



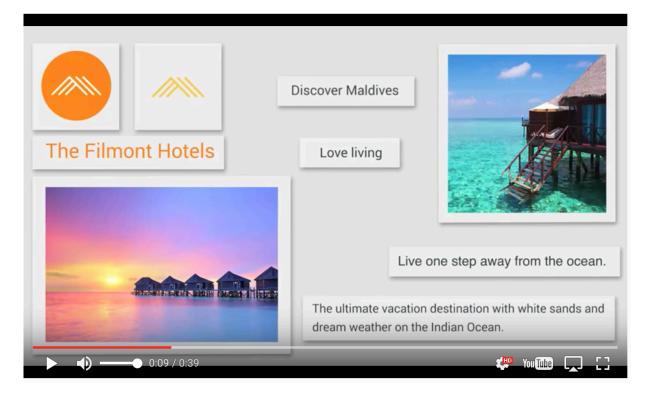






Native Advertising

Native is the future



Native Advertising

Native performs 3x higher than display advertising

- Ad Units: Your message will rotate throughout two different native designs.
- 2. Creative: You simply submit a photo, marketing tag line and body copy and our ad server does the rest
- 3. Sold on a **guaranteed impression over time-frame** basis Allows you to control your share of voice
- 4. Sophisticated targeting

We can target your message by ad channel (related to content the visitor is looking at), or, we can geo-target your ad ROS based on where the user is accessing the site from. Hotels for instance can show to out-of-market visitors who are pre-planning. Attractions/restaurants can target in-market.

5. Tiered-pricing

We can match your exact budget. This model allows you to buy a 'slice of traffic' – allowing you to test the program and be in control of your share of voice (SOV)

Native Advertising



ADVERTISER NAME MAX 40 CHARACTER COUNT

30 character max. for headline

65 Character count max, including space for description and punc.

LEARN MORE

Category Targeted

i.e.: Things to Do



HISTORIC DISTRICT

Joe's Crab Shack

With over 130 locations nationwide and more on the way, Joe's Crab Shack is quickly becoming America's favorite neighborhood seafood restaurant.

LEARN MORE

Featured Partner

Hyper-Targeted

i.e.: Arts/Culture



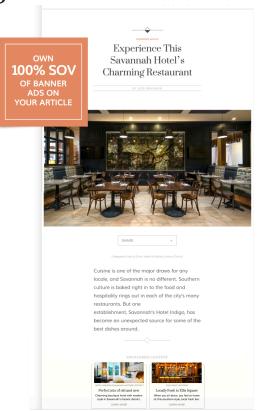
Sponsored Content Program

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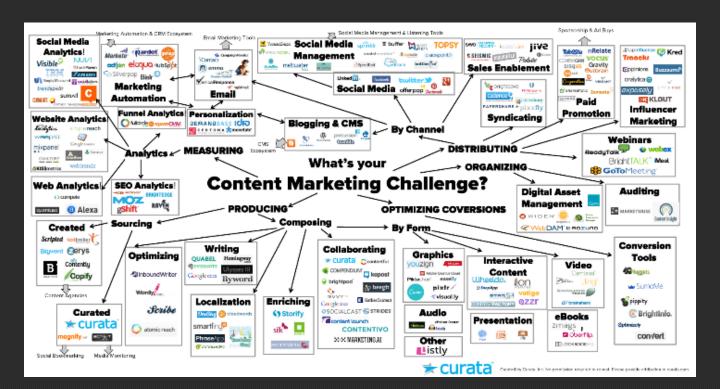
- EXPERIENTAL ARTICLE ON VISITSAVANNAH.COM
 Our editorial team will craft an experiential article, conducting keyword research to ensure you get the most lift.
- ARTICLE PROMOTION Your article will live on VisitSavannah.com for one year and will be promoted in both the articles vault and through house ad inventory.
- 3. TRAFFIC Quality traffic is driven to your site through both organic links within the article and through 100% ownership of all native and display ad units on the page. These ad placements give you the ability to communicate relevant and timely messaging.

RATE

ARTICLE CREATION AND PROMOTION: \$2,500



Measurement



Tracking campaigns

- Campaign tracking codes identify each campaign.
- Use different tracking codes for each campaign.
- Tracking codes allow you to measure the results of each campaign including engagement and conversions.

Look at **bounce**

соѕт: \$750	SURFACE METRICS			
Source	Clicks	CPC		
Campaign A	200	\$3.75		
Campaign B	400	\$1.88		

Engagement points to quality traffic

ENGAGEMENT METRICS				delivered a 30% increase	
Bounce rate	Retained Visitors (remove bounces)	Average Time on site	Total Minutes on Site	in retained visitors with a 200%	
35%	130	3:00	390	increase	
75%	100	1:00	100	in time on site.	

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How Marketers Think





CAMPAIGN TRAFFIC

First, you have to be able to see the traffic in your analytics system. Digital advertising is easy to track when you use campaign tracking codes. Without a free code, you won't even be able to see the traffic from paid campaigns (let alone measure the quality of it). Visit Here (http://bit.lv/1F9td0S) to set one up.



LOCATE AND TRACK CAMPAIGN TRAFFIC

When you use a campaign tracking code, your analytics system will capture this traffic under the Campaigns section (not under Referrals). Once you set up all of your paid marketing campaigns with campaign tracking codes, you'll be able to evaluate the quality of each program all in



Miles is one of the world's leading marketing agencies helping organizations reach and engage with visitors. From 65+ Destination Marketing Organizations (cities, states and countries) to 20+ airports and independent hotels/resorts, Miles works with leading tourism organizations and their partners across the US and around the world.



MEASURE ENGAGEMENT

You can't measure success by looking at surface numbers like CPCs (cost per click) because not all clicks are created equal. You want qualified, engaged visitors to come to your site who have a higher likelihood of converting. In order to understand the quality of traffic we have to measure beyond the click, and that starts with reviewing engagement.

Before you begin your evaluation, remove bounced traffic to ensure the metrics you're reviewing pertain to retained visitors. Then evaluate the visitor engagement with your site and your content by reviewing average pages per visit and time on site.



Comparing two campaigns, consider what can happen when you look beyond the click and simply measure engagement. On the surface (looking at just CPC or quantity), campaign B is the winner, but when factoring in ENGAGEMENT, campaign A delivered a more qualified visitor who engaged with the site longer.

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TRACK GOAL COMPLETION

Signals of Intent to Travel (SIT), SITs are goals that you set up in your analytics system around the meaningful actions that you want your site visitors to take (see examples below). Once you've set these up, you can track all of your campaigns through to goal completion and start to understand the quality of your campaign traffic. over simply the quantity.



AUDIENCE

ENGAGEMENT

WINNER!

CAMPAIGN A

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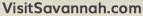
Hotel SIT Examples:

1. Pricing/avail page 2. View deals/offers 3. Click to call/email 4. View on map

Program At a Glance

Reach over **2.14 Million** qualified visitors through web and email programming.







SAVANNAH SECRETS

Travel eNewsletter

- 1. Savannah welcomes 13.9 million visitors, spending \$2.23 billion annually.
- 2. The Savannah Tourism office spends \$2.96 million marketing the stats to travelers.
- 3. The 2017 US traveler is more informed and uses more media and sources of information than ever before.
- 4. With such a complex planning landscape, integrated multi-media advertising is critical.
- 5. Not all clicks are created equal. Measure quality over quantity. We'll show you how!

VisitSavannah.com Advertising Presentation

Current Advertisers

Thursday, January 25 Visit Savannah Offices 101 East Bay Street 2pm

VisitSavannah.com Advertising Presentation

Hospitality Partners

Schedule:

8:00-8:30am Continental Breakfast

8:30-9:30am Website Presentation

Tuesday, January 30
Doubletree Hotel by Hilton
Savannah Historic District
411 West Bay Street –
Summit Room

Wednesday, January 31
National Museum of the
Mighty Eighth Air Force
175 Bourne Avenue, Pooler –
Art Gallery

Thursday, February 1 Hilton Garden Inn Savannah Midtown 5711 Abercorn Street -Salon B



FREE Tourism Marketing Resources:

Budurl.com/TourismMarketing

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