

## Minden home is a feature destination for tour groups.

# GONE WITH THE WIND HISTORIC TOUR



## Bates-Irving Home

This beautiful plantation home, located at 508 Fort Avenue in Minden, is one of the oldest homes in North Louisiana and one of the best preserved and maintained. It was built in 1845 by Colonel William Bates, who purchased the land from Charles Veeder, the founder of Minden. This sturdy building was made of hand hewn cypress and has existed for approximately 171 years.

*Frances Irving, a descendant of Gone with the Wind author Margaret Mitchell, is dressed in Civil War era clothing. She stands inside the foyer at her home, located at 508 Fort Avenue in Minden, Louisiana. The historic home is one of the oldest homes in north Louisiana is now available for private tours for groups of 10 or more.*

If you're looking to coordinate an interesting destination for your social group, church or travel company look no further than Minden, Louisiana, located 30 miles east of Shreveport on Interstate 20.

The Bates-Irving House was built in 1845, this home has been well preserved and maintained.

Mrs. Irving will share family insights into the life of the famous author during the tour of her private residence. Guests will be treated to an authentic taste of the south with mint juleps and other southern delights.

To arrange a private tour for your group of 10 or more please contact Francis Irving 318-377-7092. Admission is \$20 per person. Advance reservations are required.

For additional information on ideas for group destinations in the area contact the Webster Parish Convention & Visitors Bureau 318-377-4240 or email [lynndorsey@att.net](mailto:lynndorsey@att.net)