







While in Douglas, see vintage warbird reconstruction at **Douglas Municipal Airport**, and enjoy strolling downtown among the multitude of quaint boutiques, vintage markets, antique shops, and restaurants.

Douglas is the perfect base from which to see the sights of our region, the **Magnolia Midlands**. Experience Southern hospitality at its finest and take a slower, simpler journey along the back roads of Southeast Georgia. Douglas' location along U.S. Highways 221 and 441 makes all of Southeast Georgia conveniently accessible. Fill a basket with world-renowned Vidalia onions or launch a canoe into the **Ocmulgee River**.

Venture to **General Coffee State Park**, known for its **Heritage Farm**, **Seventeen Mile River**, and network of trails through Georgia pine forest. Another natural treasure in Coffee County you don't want to miss is the **Broxton Rocks**, a pristine waterfall spilling over massive boulders, surrounded by habitat for endangered plants and animals.

Enjoy small-town peace and quiet at one of several hotels and motels in Douglas, or book a cottage or campsite at **General Coffee State Park** and see spectacular starlight in the night sky. Connect to our slow, authentic Southern lifestyle in **Douglas-Coffee County, Ga**.



WWII Flight Training Museum.



Heritage Farm at General Coffee State Park.





## **Robust Adventure**

offee County is home to two impressive museums that tell the stories of the people and events that shaped Douglas and Coffee County.

The **WWII Flight Training Museum** is in a barracks once used by the **63rd Army Air Forces Contract Pilot School** to quickly train pilots for World War II. Immerse yourself in the story of the 63rd and its training. A walking tour of the 63rd campus is also always available even when the Museum is closed.

♀ 3 Airport Circle, 912-383-9111, wwiiflighttraining.org.

Rail fans will get a kick out of our **Heritage Station Museum** in the old **1905 Georgia and Florida Railroad Depot**. The museum highlights Coffee County's connection with the railroad industry. Also enjoy an array of permanent collections.

219 W. Ward St., 912-381-1135.

See a play or catch live music at **The Martin Centre**, a restored Art Deco movie theater that originally opened in 1940. Today, the Martin Centre Preservation Company works to establish the Centre as the focus of cultural arts and events in Coffee County.

9 109 E. Ashley St., 912-389-6332

First stop to experience Coffee County's many outdoors activities is **General Coffee State Park**. Kids love feeding the farm animals at the park's **Heritage Farm**. Paddlers and hikers enjoy the **Seventeen-Mile River** and the boardwalk through cypress swamp, allowing glimpses of rare pitcher plants, indigo snakes, and gopher tortoises. Bring your own horse to ride along 13.4 miles of equestrian trails. The park also offers camping, archery, biking, boating and fishing, geocaching, and hiking.

One of the Douglas area's coolest places to go is the **Broxton Rocks Preserve**, open to the public Easter Sunday and June through August. Follow the one-mile trail from the gate to a roaring waterfall rushing over rock ledges. Plant life abounds, some growing in unusual ways. Green-fly orchids, for example, which normally grow on trees, adorn the rock walls at Broxton Rocks.

Hunt for quail, turkey, pheasant, deer, and wild boar at our three hunting plantations, **BranHill Plantation**, **Gopher Plantation**, and **Tussock Bay**, or sharpen your shooting skills on the plantations' shooting ranges. The plantations have overnight accommodations available, so you can make it a full weekend of hunting.

- BranHill Plantation
- № 146 Town Creek Rd., Denton, GA 31532912-389-8970, branhillplantation.com
- · Gopher Plantation
  - 312 Gopher Ln., Millwood, GA 31552 912-284-1722, gopherplantation.com
- Tussock Bay
  - 8916 State Hwy. 64 E., Axson, GA 31624 912-383-6635, tussockbay.com

Another local pleasure in Coffee County is the drive along country roads to pick-it-yourself farms and roadside produce stands. Farm fresh foods are available at the **Coffee County Farmer's Curb Market**, or local pop-up bakery **Born and Bread**.

# Regional Attractions









## the Magnolia Midlands & Beyond

offee County is in the region known as the Magnolia Midlands, known for being a delectable diversion, where winding byways coast past picturesque farms, shops, attractions and a variety of authentic experiences.

Fitzgerald is a quirky small town with wild Burmese chickens in the street, giant chess board and pieces in the park, opportunities for boating, birdwatching, biking, hiking, kayaking, fishing, skateboarding, and a Civil War history that melds the North and South harmoniously.

Hazlehurst's Towns Bluff Park and Heritage Center and the Bullard Creek Wildlife Management Area offer opportunities for deer and turkey hunting, boating and fishing, canoeing and kayaking, birdwatching and hiking. Stop to see the 1905 courthouse, which cost less than \$25,000 to build, and The Big House, a community center and culinary school that started its life as a Greek Revival home of the early 1900s, also serving as a boarding house, a restaurant, and a floral shop over the years until it was purchased and renovated by the county for public use.

Each spring, Vidalia celebrates the harvest of Georgia's Official State Vegetable, the famous Vidalia Onion, with a four-day festival packed with fun-filled activities. Year-round you can visit the Vidalia Onion Museum, take a tour of the Altama Museum of Art & History, see the Onion Fountain in City Park behind City Hall, visit the Ladson Genealogical Library, and see what's playing at the PAL Theatre, a restored 1927 movie theater.

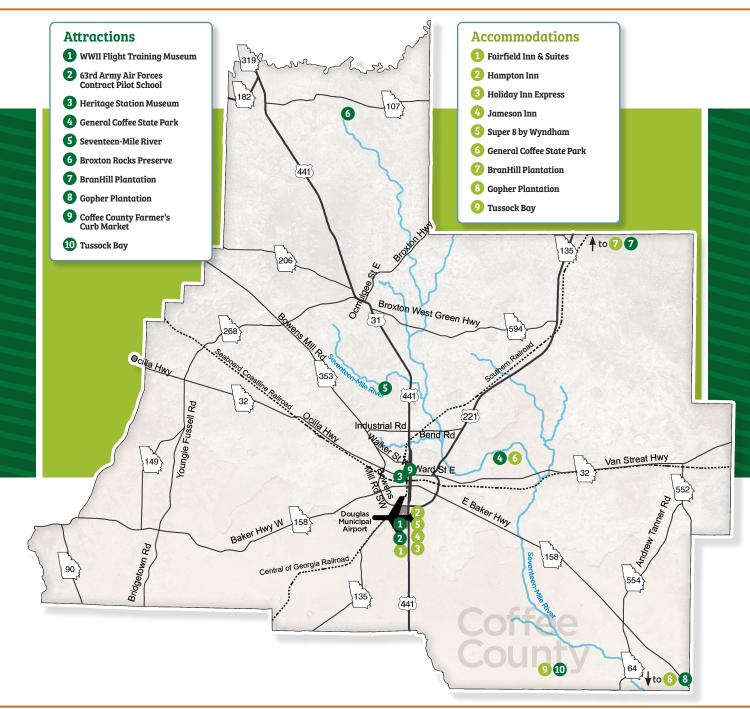
While not in the Magnolia Midlands, Waycross is close enough to Douglas to warrant a nice day trip if only to experience the famous Okefenokee Swamp. Okefenokee Swamp Park transports you into an environment populated by living dinosaurs – our alligators – as well as carnivorous plants and rare birds. See a mummified dog at the Southern Forest World Museum, explore the Ol' Nine steam locomotive at the Okefenokee Heritage Center, and wander through Obediah's Okefenok, a heritage farm of the 1800s, the oldest swamp settler's home to remain in and around the swamp.

In Georgia's Plantation Trace region, Tifton offers museums, art galleries, shopping venues, historic sites, restaurants, and outdoor recreation opportunities. Don't miss The Georgia Museum of Agriculture, 95 acres with more than 30 structures from a 19th century farm that have been restored and preserved. Costumed docents present the history and activities and crafts.



# Maps Local and Regional





### Accommodations

Hotels • Motels • Camping







# **Rest & Relaxation**

ur Douglas, Georgia area hotels, motels, and unique lodging options include some of the world's best known and most trusted brands. So, put your feet up and stay awhile.





#### • Fairfield Inn & Suites

1815 S. Peterson Ave. Douglas, GA 31533 912-720-2000 marriott.com









#### 2 Hampton Inn

1604 S. Peterson Ave. Douglas, GA 31533 912-383-7550 hamptoninn3.hilton.com







#### Holiday Inn Express

1636 S. Peterson Ave. Douglas, GA 31533 912-384-2100 hiexpress.com









#### 4 Jameson Inn

1628 S. Peterson Ave. Douglas, GA 31533 912-384-9432 stayinns.com









#### Super 8 by Wyndham

1610 S. Peterson Ave. Douglas, GA 31533 912-384-0886 wyndhamhotels.com

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#### **Alternate Lodgings**



#### General Coffee State Park

46 John Coffee Rd. Nicholls, GA 31554 912-384-7082 gastateparks.org/ GeneralCoffee

- Burnham Cottage & **Hawksnest House**
- 4 Cottages
- 50 Tent, Trailer & RV campsites
- 4 Equestrian campsites
- 4 Backcountry campsites
- 10 Dry camping sites
- 1 Campground Shelter
- · 1 Group Lodge





#### BranHill Plantation

146 Town Creek Rd. Denton, GA 31532 912-389-8970 branhillplantation.com





#### 8 Gopher Plantation

312 Gopher Ln. Millwood, GA 31552 912-384-3238 / 912-284-1722 gopherplantation.com





#### Tussock Bay Plantation 8916 State Hwy. 64 E. Axson, GA 31624

912-383-6635, tussockbay.com





# Downtown Shopping

owntown Douglas and surrounding cities in Coffee County offer a wonderful shopping experience. From locally owned boutiques and antiques to commercial department stores. Douglas has a little of everything!

Explore our historic downtown district for unusual shops with items you can't find anywhere else. While you're here, stop by the Visitor's Center to pick up a guide to our quaint mainstreet shops. You'll find our shopkeepers to be friendly and helpful.

#### Discover the Taste of Douglas

When you get hungry, check out Douglas' local restaurants that feature fresh Southernstyle plates, barbeque, brick-oven pizza and doughnuts. Sample bites of local foods at the annual Taste of Douglas or sip an authentic Southern

# Shopping

& Dining





#### **Discover First Fridays**

If you're in Douglas on the first Friday of the month, get ready to have a great time! On the first Friday of every month, downtown Douglas shops and restaurants extend their business hours until 8 p.m. to encourage locals and guests to spend some time downtown. They offer specials and sales, along with treats and beverages. Local musicians play up and down the main street, creating a wonderful ambiance that you won't want to miss.



# DISCOVER

### **Awesome Events**

#### Spring

- ► MLK, Jr. Celebration January
- ► Wiregrass Children's Art Festival – March waguild.wordpress.com/ childrens-art-festival
- Spring Fling Arts and Crafts Show, General Coffee State Park – April explore.gastateparks.org/ info/156011
- ► Spring Broxton Rocks Tour & Easter Open House – April nature.org
- ► Taste of Douglas April coffeegachamber.com

#### Summer

- ► Freedom Fest & Fireworks, J.C. Adams Municipal Park – July cityofdouglas.com/calendar. aspx
- ► Lovebug Festival, General Coffee State Park – September exploregeorgia.org/nicholls/ events/fairs-festivals/lovebugfestival
- ► Gopher Tortoise Festival Downtown Douglas – September coffeegachamber.com
- ► Nicholls Founders Day September

#### Fall

► Women In Business – Think Pink Event – October coffeegachamber.com

- ► Moonlight Madness, General Coffee State Park – October explore.gastateparks.org/ info/195140
- ► Pioneer Harvest Festival, General Coffee State Park – November explore.gastateparks.org/ info/75339
- ▶ Broxton Chicken Livers and Gizzards Festival – November cityofbroxton.com/festival. html
- ► Gopher Tortoise Festival October coffeegachamber.com

#### Holiday

- ► Downtown Douglas Holiday Open House – December douglasga.org
- ► Festival of Lights
  Christmas Parade –
  December
  cityofdouglas.com/calendar.
  aspx
- ► Christmas on the Pond, General Coffee State Park – December explore.gastateparks.org/ info/75340
- ► Holiday Open House douglasga.org
- ► Festival of Lights Christmas Parade douglasga.org

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in Douglas-Coffee County, Georgia and discover all the fun that's brewing.





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