

NORTHEAST GEORGIA MOUNTAINS

American Freedom Garden at Northeast Georgia History Center

The American Freedom Garden is a beautifully landscaped area at the Northeast Georgia History Center that pays tribute to all veterans of the United States Armed Forces who have fought to preserve freedom. A life-sized bronze statue of five children is surrounded by 24 granite pillars on which the names of American veterans are engraved. On the back wall is the Pathway to Freedom, a brief narrative of America's 20th century conflicts.

Garden Hours:
Tuesday – Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Northeast Georgia History Center
322 Academy St NE
Gainesville, Georgia 30501
NEGHC.org



Atlanta Botanical Garden – Gainesville

As part of the Atlanta Botanical Garden, the Gainesville location is a destination for connecting with beauty and the natural world. Complete with a visitor center, seven acres of display gardens, a model train garden, walking trails and an amphitheater, it is a cultural center for the community, hosting exciting exhibitions, events and educational programs.

Garden Hours: March – October, 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. / November – February, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Atlanta Botanical Garden – Gainesville
1911 Sweetbay Dr
Gainesville, Georgia 30501
AtlantaBG.org

Gardens at BabyLand General® Hospital

The Gardens at BabyLand General Hospital are Cabbage Patch Kids® creator Xavier Roberts' ongoing tribute to his mother, Miss Eula Roberts. From flowering dogwoods, Kwanzan and Yoshino cherry trees, delicate Japanese maples, and native azaleas to spring-flowering forsythias, summer bulbs and hydrangeas, beautiful fall foliage, and holiday evergreens, the gardens welcome every season.

Garden Hours: Monday – Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. / Sunday, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

BabyLand General Hospital
300 NOK Dr
Cleveland, Georgia 30528
CabbagePatchKids.com

Braselton Mulberry Riverwalk

Two hundred acres of natural path along the Mulberry River featuring perennial gardens, footbridges and picnic areas for the public are protected and preserved for all to enjoy. The spot where all four of Braselton's counties come together on the trail is designated by a monument and small rest area on the river.

Garden Hours: Dawn to Dusk

Braselton Mulberry Riverwalk
940 Liberty Church Rd
Braselton, Georgia 30517
VisitBraselton.com



Ethnobotanic Gardens and Woodland Medicine Trail at the Georgia Mountain Research & Education Center

The Ethnobotanic Gardens and Woodland Medicine Trail on the grounds of the University of Georgia's

Mountain Research and Education Center showcase plants harvested and often cultivated by early inhabitants of the region. The American Indians and early settlers used these plants for a variety of medicines, food and crafts. Although many of these plants are considered “weeds,” they are valuable to wildlife and pollinators and have an important place in the ecosystem.

Guided Tours: Mondays, May through September (excluding national holidays), from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Georgia Mountain Research & Education Center
195 Georgia Mountain Experiment Station Rd
Blairsville, Georgia 30512
GMREC.UGA.edu

Eva Thompson Thornton Memorial Garden at Thompson Mills Forest

Thompson Mills Forest is the State Arboretum of Georgia, featuring 330 acres with granite outcroppings, the Lee Creek Native Tree Trail, Pinetum Trail and the seven-acre Eva Thompson Thornton Memorial Garden. Two hundred species of trees are found in the arboretum, and the Memorial Garden contains more than 100 species of native and ornamental trees.

Garden Hours: Dawn to Dusk

Thompson Mills Forest
1898 New Liberty Church Rd
Braselton, Georgia 30517
Warnell.UGA.edu/Eva-Thompson-Thornton-Memorial-Garden-Walk



Hamilton Rhododendron Gardens at Lake Chatuge

Rhododendrons, native azaleas and wildflowers color 33 acres on the shoreline of Lake Chatuge located in Hiawassee on the Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds. The

Gardens are open year-round with peak bloom time from mid-April through late May.

Garden Hours: 8:00 a.m. to Dusk

Hamilton Gardens on Lake Chatuge
1311 Music Hall Rd
Hiawassee, Georgia 30546
HamiltonGardens.org

Hart County Botanical Garden

This seven-acre garden is made up of 16 specialty gardens, including the Sun Perennial, Herb, Rhododendron, Fern, Bog, Camellia, Wetland and Native Plant gardens. An ADA-accessible walking trail provides a look at each of the garden areas in a natural wooded setting with trees and a natural spring.

Garden Hours: Dawn to Dusk

Hart County Botanical Garden
1277 Elberton Hwy
Hartwell, Georgia 30643
HartCoGardens.org

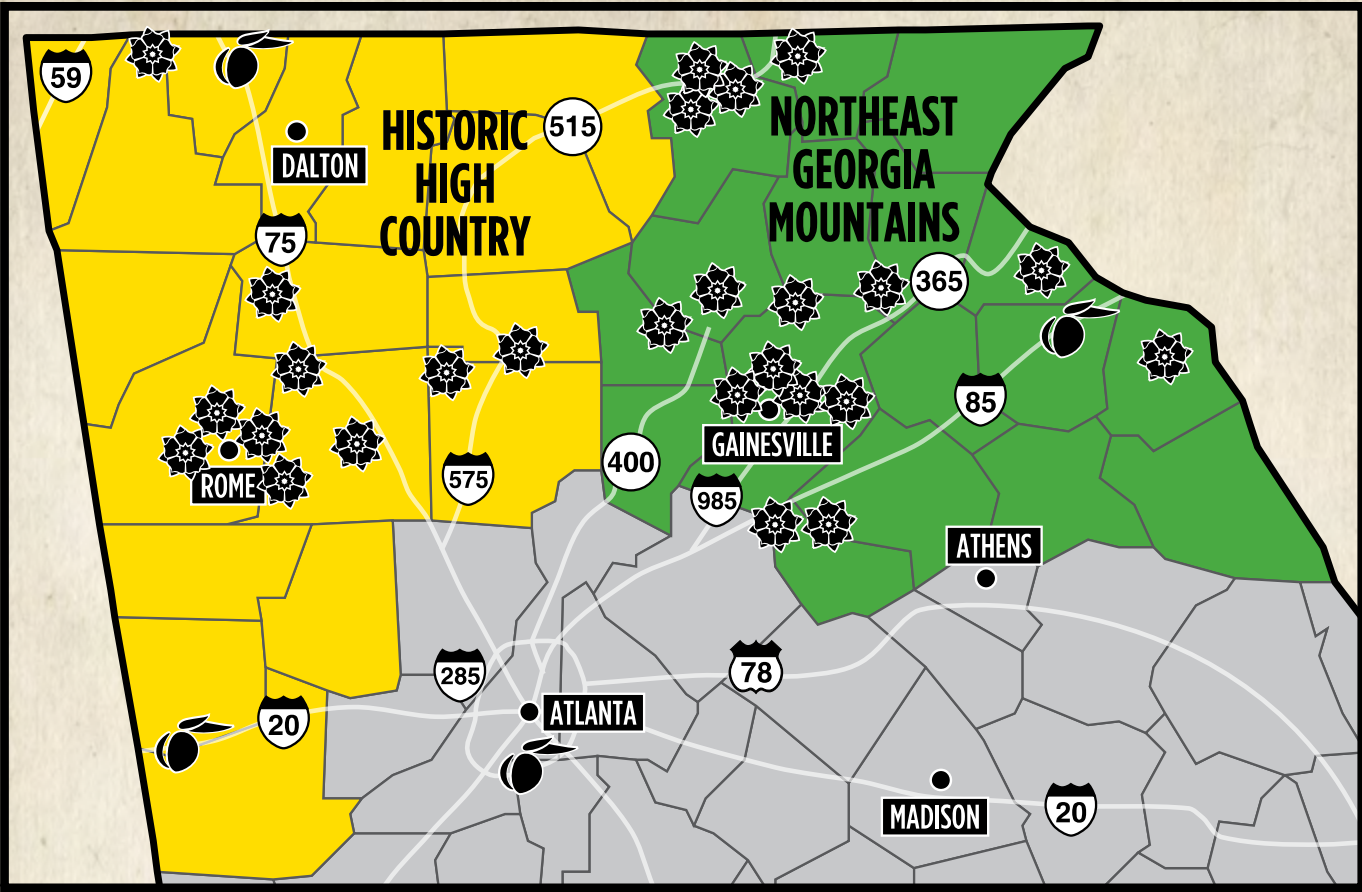


Herb Crib

A location of peace, beauty and mystical charm, the Herb Crib provides a welcome escape from modern pressures. Visitors will find organic medicinal and culinary herbs mixed with native plants and old cottage garden flowers to provide a welcome food source for pollinators. A seat on the medieval thyme bench or a stroll along the old brick walkway allows visitors to observe nature at its best.

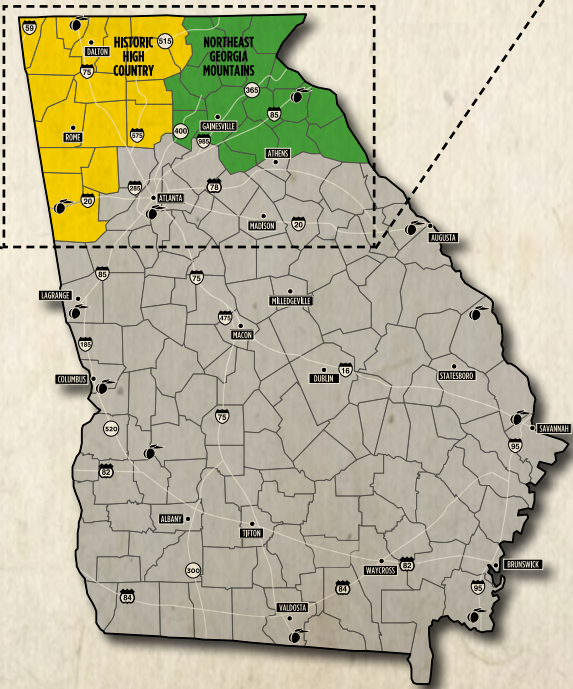
Garden Hours: May – October, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Herb Crib
2998 Trackrock Church Rd
Blairsville, Georgia 30512
HerbCrib.com



Southern Appalachia is known for its abundance of history, culture and natural beauty.

North Georgia lies in the shadow of the Blue Ridge Mountains and dotted throughout this region are formal, butterfly, herb and native plant gardens, just to name a few. From whimsical to well-planned, each garden has its own story to tell. So, come explore the botanical beauty that the Historic High Country and Northeast Georgia Mountains Travel Regions have to offer.



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GeorgiaGardenTrails.org

Georgia Department of Economic Development
Technology Square | 75 Fifth Street, NW, Suite 1200
Atlanta, Georgia 30308



Linwood Nature Preserve

The Linwood Nature Preserve is a 32-acre national model for native plant preservation. Two miles of nature trails, an Audubon Wildlife Sanctuary, rain gardens, a native plant specimen garden and the Old Growth Forest Network Community Forest comprise the preserve in Gainesville.

Garden Hours: Dawn to Dusk

Linwood Nature Preserve
415 Linwood Dr
Gainesville, Georgia 30501
Gainesville.org/LinwoodNaturePreserve



Mauldin House Gardens

Home to thousands of flowers in every imaginable color, the Mauldin Gardens brick paths lead you through the garden and around the historic Mauldin House, Millinery Shop and Big Holly Cabin. The gardens feature many native and rare plants, a koi pond and an old well, and are a popular spot for photography.

Garden Hours: Dawn to Dusk

Mauldin House Gardens
458 Jefferson St
Clarkesville, Georgia 30523
ClarkesvilleGa.com



Monarch Mountain Stop Pollinator Garden at Len Foote Hike Inn

Monarch Mountain Stop is a garden that educates guests and school groups about Monarch butterflies and other pollinators. The garden is a certified pollinator habitat from Monarchs Across Georgia and is a link in the Rosalynn Carter Butterfly Trail. To get to the Monarch Mountain Stop, visitors must hike five miles to the garden and files miles back to Amicalola Falls State Park.

Garden Hours: Dawn to Dusk

Len Foote Hike Inn
280 Amicalola Falls State Park Rd
Dawsonville, Georgia 30534
Hike-Inn.com

Gardens at Northeast Georgia Medical Center

Seven healing gardens on the hospital campus feature a tremendous variety of perennials, annuals and one-of-a-kind water features and sculptures. Each Garden is unique and completely funded through signature gifts to The Medical Center Foundation and include maintenance endowments.

Garden Hours: Dawn to Dusk

Northeast Georgia Medical Center Gainesville
743 Spring St
Gainesville, Georgia 30501
NGHS.com



Paul Anderson Memorial Park

This beautifully landscaped park in a residential neighborhood is surrounded by various flower gardens with vibrant mixes of plants, shrubs and trees. Centered in the park is a fountain with a life-sized statue of local resident Paul Edward Anderson, 1956 Olympic Weightlifting Gold Medalist.

Garden Hours: Dawn to Dusk

Paul Anderson Memorial Park
626 E Tugalo St
Tocooa, Georgia 30577

Poetry Trail Garden at The Reece Heritage Farm

This Appalachian farmstead was the home of acclaimed poet and novelist Byron Herbert Reece. The farm has a variety of exhibits highlighting life in southern Appalachia, including the Poetry Trail Garden, in which excerpts from Reece's poetry are engraved in huge rock boulders. Surrounding the boulders are native plants and flowers as well as flowers beloved by Reece himself. Wolf Creek borders the farm, which also boasts a small conifer garden.

Garden Hours: April – October, Dawn to Dusk

Reece Heritage Farm
8552 Gainesville Hwy.
Blairsville, GA 30512
ReeceFarm.org

Red Oak Lavender Farm

More than 1,200 lavender plants of 18 varieties are located on the farm. On the second Saturday of each June, visitors can pick their own, or visit the gift shop almost year-round for lavender products made from the garden's yield.

Garden Hours: March – December, Wednesday – Friday
11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. / Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Red Oak Lavender Farm
2882 Red Oak Flats Rd
Dahlonega, Georgia 30533
RedOakLavender.com

HISTORIC HIGH COUNTRY



Barnsley Resort

The garden at Barnsley Resort is a historic private estate garden designed in the 1840s in the style of Andrew Jackson Downing. The horticulture team carefully tends the diverse collection of flora and fauna in the village and heirloom gardens, which also feature the ruins of the original 19th century Barnsley manor house.

Garden Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Barnsley Resort
597 Barnsley Gardens Rd
Adairsville, Georgia 30103
BarnsleyResort.com



Funk Heritage Center and Burgess Arboretum

The Funk Heritage Center and the Burgess Arboretum are both located on the Reinhardt University campus. The Heritage Center xeriscaping includes plants native to Georgia and rain gardens. At the Burgess Arboretum, signs identifying plants and trees are posted along the walking trail. More than 550 trees and 800 shrubs were planted by Dr. James R. Burgess during his 28 year presidency at Reinhardt University.

Funk Heritage Center
7300 Reinhardt Circle
Waleska, Georgia 30183
Reinhardt.edu/FunkHeritage

House o’ Dreams at Berry College

The landscaping at this house located on the campus of Berry College was created by Robert B. Cridland of Philadelphia. The terraces for fruit trees and berry patches, added at Martha Berry’s suggestion, were patterned after the grounds of Castle Nemi in Italy where Eugenia Berry Ruspoli, Martha Berry’s sister, lived.

House o’ Dreams
Berry College
2277 Martha Berry Hwy NW
Rome, Georgia 30149
Berry.edu/HouseoDreams



Gibbs Gardens

World-class Gibbs Gardens, less than one hour northeast of Atlanta, is comprised of 220 acres of landscaped gardens adjacent to spring-fed streams, ponds and lakes and surrounded by hillsides covered with mature woodlands. The Gardens’ appearance changes every three weeks. Twenty million daffodils open the Gardens in March followed by 16 Colorfests through mid-November. Thousands of Japanese Maples display brilliant foliage in autumn. A 40-acre Japanese Garden offers year around beauty.

Garden Hours: March – December, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Gibbs Gardens
1987 Gibbs Dr
Ball Ground, Georgia 30107
GibbsGardens.com

Meditation Gardens at Myrtle Hill Cemetery

The garden overlooking Myrtle Hill at the river confluence provides a place of beauty and serenity. The landscape plan echoes the allure of Rome's seven hills and three rivers. Seven berms represent the seven hills: Myrtle, Mount Aventine, Old Shorter Hill, Clock Tower, Lumpkin, Blossom and Jackson. Winding pebbled paths represent the three rivers: Oostanaula, Etowah and Coosa.

Garden Hours: Dawn to Dusk

Myrtle Hill Cemetery
20 Myrtle St
Rome, Georgia 30161
RomeGeorgia.org/Attraction/HeritageGarden



Marshall Forest

Marshall Forest is 301 acres of the only virgin forest within the city limits of any city in the United States and was named Georgia's first National Natural Landmark. The forest features two interpretive trails, including a complete ADA Braille Trail. It's home to the largest population in Georgia of the endangered large-flowered skullcap, a perennial herb in the mint family.

Garden Hours: Dawn to Dusk

Marshall Forest
Horselog Creek Road
Rome, Georgia 30165
RomeGeorgia.org/Attraction/Marshall-Forest-Interpretive-Trail



Oak Hill and the Martha Berry Museum

Martha Berry’s formal gardens were created by landscape architect Robert Cridland in the 1920s and 1930s, and still maintain their original design. Discovery of Cridland’s planting plans has provided direction for re-implementation of the historic garden; with support

from the Garden Club of Georgia, Oak Hill's gardens are undergoing complete restoration.

Garden Hours: Monday – Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Oak Hill
Berry College
24 Veterans Memorial Hwy NE
Rome, Georgia 30149
Berry.edu/OakHill



Rock City

Rock City is a marvel of nature, featuring massive ancient rock formations, gardens with more than 400 native plant species and breathtaking “See 7 States” panoramic views. Rock City celebrates its status as a national treasure of botanical, geological and entrepreneurial significance.

Rock City
1400 Patton Rd
Lookout Mountain, Georgia 30750
SeeRockCity.com

The ROCK Garden

Cinderella's castle, Notre Dame and 50 more hand-built miniature stone structures await at The ROCK Garden. The structures — all crafted from tiny stones, pebbles, shells, odd pieces of broken glass and china, rocks, ceramic tile, cement, wire and other materials — are designed to imitate their larger counterparts. Beautiful flowers and a meandering stream enhance this tranquil, whimsical oasis, making it a perfect place to relax and an enriching experience for all ages.

Garden Hours: Dawn to Dusk

The ROCK Garden
1411 Rome Rd
Calhoun, Georgia 30701
ExploreGordonCounty.com

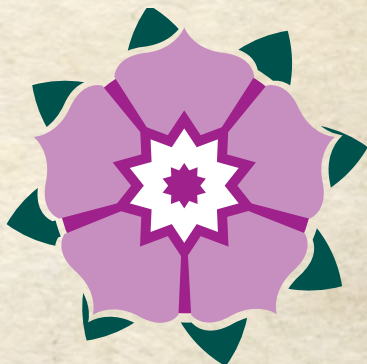


Rose Lawn Museum

Approximately 200 antique roses adorn Cartersville Historic District's “Crown Jewell” Rose Lawn. A walk along the fence lines will take visitors past rose bushes dating back to 1752, to an assemblage of five “Old Blush” China rose bushes and two Lady Hillingdon tea rose bushes. Bourbon, noisette, polyantha, hybrid perpetual, Damask and Rosa banksiae lutea (yellow lake Banks) specimens can be seen in flower during their bloom time.

Garden Hours: Tuesday – Thursday, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. / Friday, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Rose Lawn Museum
224 W Cherokee Ave
Cartersville, Georgia 30120
RoseLawnMuseum.com



NORTH GEORGIA
Garden Trail

GeorgiaGardenTrails.org