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**Central South Georgia  
State Parks and Historic Sites  
FACT SHEET**

- **A.H. STEPHENS HISTORIC PARK**

456 Alexander Street N  
Crawfordville, GA 30631

ABOUT A.H. STEPHENS HISTORIC PARK

This site combines the recreational fun of a state park with the educational resources of a historic site. Named after the vice president of the Confederacy and governor of Georgia, A.H. Stephens State Historic Park features a Confederate museum with one of the finest collections of Civil War artifacts in Georgia, including uniforms and documents. Stephens' home, Liberty Hall, is renovated to its 1875 style, fully furnished and open for tours. Beautiful outdoor facilities make this park a treat for both nature lovers and history buffs. The lakeside group camp is a popular location for large overnight gatherings.

Key Activities: Fishing - boat rental, Boating - private boats permitted, electric motors only, 3 miles of walking trails, one ADA accessible trail, Horseback Riding - 12 miles of trails, no horse rentals, Pedal Boat Rental

Facilities: 1,177 Acres, 2 Fishing Lakes (1 acre and 18 acres), 25 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$23), 4 Cottages (\$100-\$110), Cottage #1 is dog-friendly, 3 Picnic Shelters (\$40), Group Shelter (seats 80, \$100), Group Camp (sleeps 120, \$500), Pioneer Campground (\$25 and up), Junior Olympic Pool (fee)

Directions: Located north of I-20 near Crawfordville. Take exit #148 and go north on Ga. Hwy. 22 for 2 miles. Go east on U.S. Hwy. 278 1 mile and follow signs.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (706) 456-2602

- **ELIJAH CLARK STATE PARK**

2959 McCormick Highway  
Lincolnton, GA 30817

ABOUT ELIJAH CLARK STATE PARK

Located on the western shore of 70,000-acre Clarks Hill Lake, this park is named for a frontiersman and Georgia war hero who led pioneers during the Revolutionary War. A recreated log cabin museum displays furniture, utensils and tools circa 1780 and is open on weekends April through November. Visitors can also view the graves of Clark and his wife, Hannah. Anglers and boaters will especially enjoy the park's location on the largest man-made lake east of the Mississippi River. Cottages are located on the lake's edge, and the spacious campground is nestled into the forest.

Key Activities: Boating and Water Skiing, Fishing, Swimming, Hiking - 3.75 miles of trails of nature trails, Picnicking, Miniature Golf, Shuffleboard

Facilities: 447 Acres, 165 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$25), 20 Cottages (\$110-\$120), Cottages #1 and #11 are dog-friendly, 5 Picnic Shelters (\$40), 2 Group Shelters (seat 70 and 175, \$160-\$180), Pioneer Campground (\$25 and up), Swimming Beach, Playgrounds, Log Cabin Museum, Fishing Pier

Directions: Located 7 miles northeast of Lincolnton on U.S. Hwy. 378.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (706) 359-3458

- **F.D ROOSEVELT STATE PARK**

2970 Ga. Highway 190  
Pine Mountain, GA 31822

ABOUT F.D. ROOSEVELT STATE PARK

Located near Callaway Gardens and the town of Warm Springs, this park is deeply rooted in the historical era of four-time President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Seeking a place for treatment after he was stricken with polio in 1921, Roosevelt traveled to nearby Warm Springs and built his Little White House. Several structures within the park, including the stone swimming pool and some cottages, were built by Roosevelt's Civilian Conservation Corps during the Great Depression. Above Kings Gap is Dowdell's Knob, Roosevelt's favorite picnic spot overlooking a magnificent view of the valley below. A life-size sculpture of the beloved president welcomes visitors to the overlook. Hikers will enjoy the scenic trails in Georgia's largest state park, especially the 23-mile Pine Mountain Trail, which winds through a mix of hardwoods and pines.

Key Activities: Hiking and Backpacking – 37 miles of trails, Pine Mountain Trail, Fishing and Boating – boat rental, Picnicking, Swimming, Horseback Riding – stables, horse rentals, 20 miles of trails

Facilities: 9,049 Acres, 2 Lakes, 140 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$24), Backcountry Campsites (\$5/person), 22 Cottages (\$95-\$130), Cottages #18 and #19 are dog-friendly, 2 Picnic Shelters (\$40), Group Shelter (seats 85, \$125), 2 Group Camps (sleep 75 and 120, \$450-\$550), Pioneer Campground (\$15 and up), Trading Post, Liberty Bell Pool (fee)

Directions: Located just off I-185 near Callaway Gardens, west of Warm Springs on Ga. Route 190, or south of Pine Mountain off U.S. Hwy. 27.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (706) 663-4858  
Stables (706) 628-7463

- **FLORENCE MARINA STATE PARK**

Route 1, Box 36  
Omaha, GA 31821

ABOUT FLORENCE MARINA STATE PARK

Situated at the northern end of 45,000-acre Lake Walter F. George, this quiet park offers the perfect setting for those who love water sports. It is adjacent to a natural deep-water marina with an accessible deep-water fishing pier, boat slips and boat ramp. Birders are sure to see herons and egrets, and possibly bald eagles. The park's Kirbo Interpretive Center teaches visitors about Native Americans, nature and local history, and it displays snakes, turtles, fish and artifacts from the prehistoric Paleo-Indian period through the early 20th century. Ten miles southeast is Providence Canyon State Park, known as Georgia's Little Grand Canyon, with hiking trails and a visitor center.

Key Activities: Boating – ramp, dock; Fishing, Boat Rental, Birding, Miniature Golf, Camping

Facilities: 173 Acres, 43 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$22) – cable TV hookups, 6 Cottages (\$90) – cable TV, Cottages #3 and #10 are dog-friendly, 8 Efficiency Units (\$60) – cable TV, Picnic Shelter (\$30), Group Shelter (seats 125, \$170), Kirbo Interpretive Center Marina - 66 boat slips for rent, Lighted Fishing Pier, Swimming Pool (fee) 2 Playgrounds, 3/4-mile Nature Trail

Directions: Located 16 miles west of Lumpkin at the end of Ga. Hwy. 39C.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (229) 838-6870

- **GENERAL COFFEE STATE PARK**

46 John Coffee Road  
Nicholls, GA 315549246

ABOUT GENERAL COFFEE STATE PARK

One of southern Georgia's "best kept secrets," this park is known for interpretation of agricultural history at its Heritage Farm, with log cabins, a corn crib, tobacco barn, cane mill and other exhibits. Seventeen-Mile River winds through a cypress swamp where the park hosts rare and endangered plants. The threatened indigo snake and gopher tortoise make their homes in this wiregrass community. Overnight accommodations include camping, cottages, and the Burnham House, an elegantly decorated 19th century cabin perfect for romantic getaways. The park was donated to the state by a group of Coffee County citizens in 1970 and is named after General John Coffee, a planter, U.S. Congressman and military leader.

Key Activities: Hiking - 4-mile nature trail and boardwalk, History and Nature Programs, Fishing, Canoe Rental

Facilities: 1,511 Acres, 4-Acre Lake, 50 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$23), Burnham Cottage (\$150), 5 Cottages (\$90-\$160), Cottage #1 is dog-friendly, Group Lodge (sleeps 32, \$250), 7 Picnic Shelters (\$25-\$50), Group Shelter (seats 175, \$135), Pioneer Campground (\$25 and up), Swimming Pool (fee), Heritage Farm, Outdoor Amphitheater

Directions: Located 6 miles east of Douglas on Ga. Hwy. 32.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (912) 384-7082

- **GEORGE L. SMITH STATE PARK**

371 George L. Smith State Park Road  
Twin City, GA 30471-9649

ABOUT GEORGE L. SMITH STATE PARK

With natural beauty, lakeside camping and cozy cottages, this secluded park is the perfect south Georgia retreat. It is best known for the newly refurbished Parrish Mill, a combination grist mill, saw mill, covered bridge and dam built in 1880 and now open for tours. Anglers and canoeists can explore the mill pond dotted with Spanish moss-draped trees and home to blue heron and white ibis. Hikers can stretch their legs on 7 miles of trails while searching for lumbering gopher tortoises, Georgia's state reptile. The park is named after one of Georgia's great legislators.

Key Activities: Fishing - boat rentals, Boating - 10 HP limit on private boats, Pedal Boat rentals - (\$3 per person / half hour), Canoe rentals, 10 miles of water trails, Walking and Biking - 7 miles of trails, Birding

Facilities: 1,634 Acres, 412-Acre Lake with Boat Ramp, 25 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$23), 8 Cottages (\$100-\$110), Cottage #4 is dog-friendly cottage, 4 Picnic Shelters (\$35), Group Shelter (seats 50, \$85), Pioneer Campground (\$40 and up), Playgrounds

Directions: Located between Metter and Twin City off Ga. Hwy. 23. Take I-16 exit #104.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (478) 763-2759

- **GEORGE T. BAGBY STATE PARK, LODGE AND GOLF COURSE**

330 Bagby Parkway  
Fort Gaines, GA 39851

ABOUT GEORGE T. BAGBY STATE PARK, LODGE AND GOLF COURSE

Located on the shores of Lake Walter F. George in southwest Georgia, this resort park features a 60-room lodge, conference center, restaurant, cottages and award-winning 18-hole Meadow Links Golf Course. The park's marina and boat ramp offer easy access to the 48,000-acre lake for fishing and boating. The large picnic shelter and numerous picnic sites are perfect places for families to enjoy their catch. Facilities are available for meetings, reunions, weddings and other group gatherings. Visitors may also look for wildlife along the three-mile nature trail, which winds through hardwoods and pines.

Key Activities: Meadow Links Golf Course, Fishing, Water Skiing, Hiking – 3 miles of trails, Canoe and Fishing Boat Rental, Bicycle Rental, Birding, Swimming, Volleyball

Facilities: 700 Acres, 48,000-Acre Lake and Swimming Beach, 60-Room Lodge & Conference Center (\$60-\$125), 5 Cottages (\$85-\$95), Cottage #1 is dog-friendly, Picnic Shelter (\$40), Group Shelter (seats 125, \$150-\$175), 1 Group Lodge (bunkbeds, \$125-\$150), Meeting Facilities, Meadow Links Golf Course (18-Holes) (\$35-\$40 with cart), Restaurant and Courtesy Dock, Tennis Courts, Marina, Gas Dock and Boat Ramp

Directions: Located 3.5 miles north of Fort Gaines off GA Hwy. 39.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Lodge Reservations (877) 591-5575  
Golf (229) 768-3714

- **GEORGIA VETERANS STATE PARK**

2459 U.S. Highway 280 W  
Cordele, GA 31015

ABOUT GEORGIA VETERANS STATE PARK

Established as a memorial to U.S. veterans, this park features a museum with aircraft, armored vehicles, uniforms, weapons, medals and other items from the Revolutionary War through the Gulf War. The Lake Blackshear Resort and Golf Club is a privately operated conference center with 78 lodge rooms, 10 cottages and a restaurant. The SAM Shortline Excursion Train runs through the park on its way from Cordele to Plains, allowing riders to see an antique telephone museum, Habitat for Humanity's Global Village, President Jimmy Carter's boyhood farm and other attractions. An 18-hole golf course and pro shop, along with 8,600-acre Lake Blackshear, make this one of Georgia's most popular state parks.

Key Activities: Hiking - 1 mile of trails, Boating and Waterskiing - private boats permitted, Boat rental, Fishing (bass, crappie, catfish, bream), Birding, Golf, Disc Golf

Facilities: 1,308 Acres, 77 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$25) – cable TV hookups. 4 Picnic Shelters (\$50), Group Shelter (seats 150, \$200), Pioneer Campground (\$40), 10 Cottages, The Lake Blackshear Resort and Golf Club, Memorial Golf Course (18-holes, \$36-\$40), The Marina at Lake Blackshear Resort, Beach, Model Airplane Flying Field, Disc Golf Course

Directions: Located 9 miles west of I-75 (exit #101) near Cordele on U.S. Hwy. 280.

Reservations: Camping Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Lodge Reservations (800) 459-1230  
Cottage Reservations (800) 459-1230  
Golf Packages (800) 459-1230  
Golf Pro Shop (877) 736-8897 (229) 276-2377  
Park (229) 276-2371  
SAM Shortline (877) 427-2457

- **GORDONIA-ALATAMAHA STATE PARK**

322 Park Lane, HWY 280 West  
Reidsville, GA 30453

ABOUT GORDONIA-ALATAMAHA STATE PARK

This southeast Georgia park is a favorite for picnicking, family reunions and golf. Picnic tables and shelters surround a small lake where visitors can rent pedal boats and fishing boats during warmer months. Docks are available for land-loving anglers, and children will enjoy looking for beaver dams from the observation deck.

Key Activities: Miniature Golf, Pedal Boat Rental (seasonal), Fishing – boat rental; no private boats permitted, Golf (driving range and practice bunker putting green)

Facilities: 462 Acres, 12-Acre Lake, 29 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$23 / Tent-\$15), 4 Picnic Shelters (\$30), Group Shelter (seats 80, \$75), Swimming Pool (fee) - Open Saturday and Sunday only through Labor Day, Brazell's Creek Golf Course.

Directions: Located near Reidsville just off U.S. Hwy. 280. From I-16, take exit #98 or #104.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (912) 557-7744  
Golf (912) 557-7745

- **HAMBURG STATE PARK**

6071 Hamburg State Park Road  
Mitchell, GA 30820-2901

ABOUT HAMBURG STATE PARK

With modern-day facilities amidst reminders of days gone by, Hamburg State Park offers a wonderful mix of history and outdoor recreation. Anglers can enjoy great lake fishing for largemouth bass, crappie and bream, as well as boat ramps and a fishing pier. Campers find shaded campsites along the edge of quiet Hamburg Lake fed by the Little Ogeechee River. The restored 1921 water-powered grist mill is still operational and beckons visitors to buy a bag of corn meal at the country store. Visitors who are particularly interested in the mill should

call ahead to ask when it will be operating. A museum displays old agricultural tools and appliances used in rural Georgia.

Key Activities: Fishing, Hiking – 3.5 miles of trails, Boat Rental – pedal boats, surf bikes, canoes, fishing boats, electric motors, Picnicking

Facilities: 741 Acres, 225-Acre Lake, 30 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$23), 2 Picnic Shelters (\$30), Group Shelter (seats 50, \$55), Pioneer Campground (\$25 and up), Grist Mill and Museum, Country Store

Directions: Located 20 miles north of Sandersville via Hamburg State Park Road off Ga. Hwy. 102.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (478) 552-2393

- **HIGH FALLS STATE PARK**

76 High Falls Park Drive  
Jackson, GA 30233

ABOUT HIGH FALLS STATE PARK

In the early 1800s, the site was a prosperous industrial town with several stores, a grist mill, cotton gin, blacksmith shop, shoe factory and hotel. High Falls became a ghost town in the 1880s when a major railroad bypassed it. Today, park visitors can enjoy the scenic waterfall on the Towaliga River and hike to the remaining grist mill foundation. A campground, picnic areas and canoe rental are also available. This pretty park in middle Georgia is conveniently located near I-75 and makes a restful side trip for travelers. For visitor safety, swimming is allowed in the pool only, but not the river or falls. Numerous rocks submerged in the river have deep holes that could easily trap or injure someone.

Key Activities: Hiking – 4.5 miles of trails, Fishing, Boating - 2 ramps, private boats allowed, 10 horsepower limit, Kayak, Canoe, Fishing Boat Rental, Pedal Boat Rental, Miniature Golf, Swimming Allowed in Pool Only

Facilities: 1,050 Acres, 650-Acre Lake, 111 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$23), 5 Picnic Shelters (\$40-\$60), Screened Group Shelter (seats 125, \$250), Pioneer Campground (\$50), Swimming Pool (fee)

Directions: Located 1.8 miles east of I-75 exit #198 at High Falls Road.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (478) 993-3053

- **INDIAN SPRINGS STATE PARK**

678 Lake Clark Road  
Flotilla, GA 30216

ABOUT INDIAN SPRINGS STATE PARK

Located off I-75 in middle Georgia, Indian Springs is thought to be the oldest state park in the nation. It was acquired by the state in 1825 and became an official "State Forest Park" in 1927. The Creek Indians used the springs for centuries to heal the sick and impart extra vigor to the well. During the 1800s, the area was a bustling resort town. Today, visitors can still sample the spring water while enjoying the park's cottages, camping, swimming, fishing and boating. Many structures within the park, such as the spring house, were built during the

Great Depression by members of FDR's Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC). A museum (hours limited) highlights Creek Indians, the resort era and CCC history.

- Key Activities: Boating – ramp, private boats allowed, 10 HP limit, Fishing Boat Rental, Lake Swimming, Miniature Golf (fee)
- Facilities: 528 Acres, 105-Acre Lake and Swimming Beach (seasonal), 88 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$23), 10 Cottages (\$100-\$110), Cottages #2 and #6 are dog-friendly, 7 Picnic Shelters (\$50), Group Shelter (seats 130, \$250), Group Camp (sleeps 130 max, \$500), Pioneer Campground (\$40), 3/4-Mile Nature Trail, Museum (seasonal)
- Directions: From I-75 southbound, take exit #205 to Jackson; proceed south on Ga. Hwy. 42 to the park. From I-75 northbound, take exit #188; proceed north on Ga. Hwy. 42. Approximately 15 miles from exits.
- Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (770) 504-2277

- **JARRELL PLANTATION HISTORIC SITE**

711 Jarrell Plantation Road  
Juliette, GA 31046

ABOUT JARRELL PLANTATION HISTORIC SITE

Nestled in the red clay hills of Georgia, this cotton plantation was owned by a single family for more than 140 years. It survived Gen. Sherman's "March to the Sea," typhoid fever, Emancipation, Reconstruction, the cotton boll weevil, the advent of steam power and a transition from farming to forestry. In 1847, John Fitz Jarrell built a simple heart pine house typical of most plantations and made many of the furnishings visitors see today. In 1860, the 600-acre plantation was farmed by 39 slaves. After the Civil War, John increased his land to nearly 1,000 acres farmed by former slaves. As John aged, most workers left and the slave houses deteriorated and disappeared. After John's death, his son, Dick Jarrell, gave up teaching to return to the farm, and in 1895, he built a small house for his family that grew to 12 children. Dick diversified the farm, adding a sawmill, cotton gin, gristmill, shingle mill, planer, sugar cane press, syrup evaporator, workshop, barn and outbuildings. In 1974, his descendants donated these buildings to establish Jarrell Plantation State Historic Site.

- Admission: \$2.50-\$4. Group rates available with advance notice.
- Facilities: Museum and Film, Plantation Buildings, Gift Shop, Picnic Area  
Bus Parking
- Directions: Located southeast of Juliette, 18 miles from I-75 Forsyth exit #185 or 18 miles north of Macon exit #171.
- Information: Historic Site (478) 986-5172

- **JEFFERSON DAVIS MEMORIAL HISTORIC SITE**

338 Jeff Davis Park Road  
Fitzgerald, GA 31750

ABOUT JEFFERSON DAVIS MEMORIAL HISTORIC SITE

When Confederate President Jefferson Davis and a few remaining staff members crossed the Savannah River into Georgia on May 3, 1865, they were headed for the Western theater of war where Davis planned to unite rebel forces and continue fighting for the "lost cause." On May 9, 1865, they camped in this pine forest, not

knowing that pursuit was so close behind. At dawn, they were surrounded by two independent groups of Union cavalry who were unaware of each other's presence. Gunfire ensued until the federal forces realized they had been shooting at one another. Two Union cavalrymen died during the skirmish. Davis was taken prisoner and held in Virginia for two years until released. Today, a monument marks the spot where he was arrested. Visitors can tour the 13-acre historic site that includes a museum, short trail, a gift shop, picnic tables and group shelter.

Admission: \$1.75-\$3. Group rates available with advance notice.

Facilities: 13 Picnic Sites, Group Shelter (seats 100, \$150), 1/3-Mile Nature Trail, Civil War Museum with film and artifacts, Monument, Gift Shop, Playground

Directions: From I-75 exit #78 go east 14 miles on Ga. Hwy. 32 to Irwinville. Turn left on Jeff Davis Park Road and proceed one mile to the site (on left).

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Historic Site (229) 831-2335

- **KOLOMOKI MOUNDS HISTORIC PARK**

205 Indian Mounds Road  
Blakely, GA 39823-4460

ABOUT KOLOMOKI MOUNDS HISTORIC PARK

This unusual park is an important archaeological site as well as a scenic recreational area. Seven earthen mounds within the park were built between 250–950 A.D. by the Swift Creek and Weeden Island Indians. The mounds include Georgia's oldest great temple mound, two burial mounds and four ceremonial mounds. The park's museum is partially situated inside an excavated mound, providing an unusual setting for viewing artifacts and a film. Outdoor activities include camping, fishing, picnicking, boating and swimming.

Key Activities: Fishing – dock, boats for rent, Boating – ramp, 10 HP limit, Pedal Boat (seasonal) and Canoe Rental, Hiking – 5 miles of trails, Miniature Golf

Facilities: 1,293 Acres, 2 Lakes (50 acres and 80 acres), 24 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$22), 7 Picnic Shelters (\$30–\$60), 2 Group Shelters (seat 50 and 120, \$90-\$120), Amphitheater (\$35), Group Camp (sleeps 135, \$500), 2 Pioneer Campgrounds (\$30), Swimming Pool (fee), Indian Museum with Gift Shop (\$1.75-\$3)

Directions: Located 6 miles north of Blakely off U.S. Hwy. 27.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (229) 724-2150

- **LAPHAM-PATTERSON HOUSE HISTORIC SITE**

626 N Dawson Street  
Thomasville, GA 31792

ABOUT LAPHAM-PATTERSON HOUSE HISTORIC SITE

The Lapham-Patterson House is a monument to the imagination, creative engineering and craftsmanship of the Victorian Era. Fishscale shingles, oriental-style porch decorations, long-leaf pine inlaid floors, and a remarkable double-flue chimney with a walk-through stairway and cantilevered balcony exemplify the quality and skill of its Victorian creators. Due to its outstanding architectural significance, the Lapham-Patterson House was named a National Historic Landmark in 1975. Built between 1884-85 as a winter cottage for prosperous shoe merchant C.W. Lapham of Chicago, the residence was well-equipped with its own gas lighting system, hot and cold

running water, indoor plumbing and modern closets. Like many other successful Northerners, Lapham came to the bustling resort town of Thomasville for its mild, pleasing climate and the supposed therapeutic value of the pine-scented air. The Laphams sold the winter house in 1894, and it was re-sold in 1905 to James G. Patterson. The Pattersons remained in possession until 1970.

Admission: \$2.50-\$5. Group rates available with advance notice.

Facilities: Guided House Tour, Gift Shop, Picnic Area, Bus Parking

Directions: Located at 626 N. Dawson Street in Thomasville, Ga.

Information: Historic Site (229) 225-4004

- **LITTLE OCMULGEE STATE PARK, LODGE AND GOLF COURSE**

P.O. Drawer 149  
McRae, GA 31055

ABOUT LITTLE OCMULGEE STATE PARK, LODGE AND GOLF COURSE

Conveniently located off Highway 441 in south Georgia, this park features a wide variety of amenities. Golfers can test their skills on the 18-hole Wallace Adams Course with clubhouse, golf pro and junior/senior discounts. Boaters and anglers will enjoy the park's 265-acre lake with swimming beach, while children can rent pedal boats or play miniature golf during summer. The 2.6-mile Oak Ridge Trail winds through scrub oaks and pines towards a buzzard roost and boardwalk. The 60-room lodge offers hotel-style guest rooms, meeting facilities and a restaurant with golf course view. Facilities are available for meetings, reunions, weddings and other group gatherings.

Key Activities: Golf, Fishing, Boating and Skiing – ramp, Canoe and Pedal Boat Rental, Bike Rental, Hiking – 2.6-mile trail and boardwalk, Miniature Golf (seasonal), Volleyball

Facilities: 1,360 Acres, 265-Acre Lake with Beach, 55 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$22) – cable TV hookups, 10 Cottages (\$85-\$95), Cottages #4 and #6 are dog-friendly, 60-Room Lodge & Conference Center (\$65-\$125), 7 Picnic Shelters (\$45), 2 Group Shelters (seat 50 and 125, \$100-\$210), Pioneer Campground (\$15 and up), Wallace Adams Golf Course (18 Holes, \$34-\$38), Meeting Facilities, Restaurant, Swimming Pool (overnight guests only), 2 Tennis Courts, Amphitheater, Children's Splash Pad

Directions: Located 2 miles north of McRae via U.S. Hwys. 319 and 441.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Lodge Reservations (877) 591-5572  
Park (229) 868-7474

- **MAGNOLIA SPRINGS STATE PARK**

1053 Magnolia Springs Drive  
Millen, GA 30442

ABOUT MAGNOLIA SPRINGS STATE PARK

Magnolia Springs State Park is known for its crystal clear springs flowing 7 million gallons of water per day and the beautiful boardwalk which spans the cool water. During warmer months, visitors may watch for alligators, turtles and other wildlife near the springs. A free, freshwater aquarium features native species, and a 28-acre lake with accessible dock are available for fishing and boating. Numerous picnic shelters and tables are perfect locations for family reunions and birthday parties. During the Civil War, the site was called Camp Lawton and

served as "the world's largest prison." Today, little remains of the prison stockade; however, the earthen breastworks which guarded it may still be seen.

Key Activities: Hiking and Bicycling – 5 miles of trails, Fishing – accessible dock, Boating – private boats allowed, ramp, Canoe and Fishing Boat Rental, Swimming (pool only), Picnicking

Facilities: 1,071 Acres, 26 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$23), 3 Walk-in Campsites (\$15), 6 Cottages (\$100-\$120), Cottage #5 is a dog-friendly, 8 Picnic Shelters (\$40), 3 Group Shelters (seat 40-100, \$85-\$150), Group Camp (sleeps 86, \$175-\$460), 2 Pioneer Campgrounds (\$25 and up), Group Lodge (sleeps 16, \$100-\$110), 3 Playgrounds, Swimming Pool (fee), Freshwater Aquarium, Natural Spring and Boardwalk

Directions: Located 5 miles north of Millen on U.S. Hwy. 25.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park, Pioneer Camp and Group Camp Reservations (478) 982-1660

- **PROVIDENCE CANYON STATE PARK**

Route 1, Box 158  
Lumpkin, GA 31815

ABOUT PROVIDENCE CANYON STATE PARK

Visitors are amazed at the breathtaking colors of Georgia's "Little Grand Canyon." The rare Plumleaf Azalea and other wildflowers, as well as the pink, orange, red and purple hues of the soft canyon soil, make a beautiful natural painting at this unique park. Visitors can enjoy views of the canyons from the rim trail, and backpackers who set off before 4 p.m. can stay overnight along the backcountry trail. Camping and cottages are available nearby at Florence Marina State Park on beautiful Lake Walter F. George. A visitor center explains how the massive gullies (the deepest being 150 feet) were caused by erosion due to poor farming practices in the 1800s.

Key Activities: Hiking - 3 miles of trails, Backpacking - 7-mile backcountry trail, Picnicking, Photography

Facilities: 1,003 Acres, Visitor Center, 2 Picnic Shelters (\$30), Group Shelter (seats 100, \$75), 2 Pioneer Campsites (\$30), 6 Backcountry Campsites (\$5/person)

Directions: Located 7 miles west of Lumpkin on Ga. Hwy. 39C.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (229) 838-6202

- **REED BINGHAM STATE PARK**

542 Reed Bingham Road  
Adel, GA 31620-9764

ABOUT REED BINGHAM STATE PARK

Visitors to this scenic park will see an abundance of wildlife, particularly gopher tortoises and "buzzards." During winter, thousands of these large birds, which are actually black vultures and turkey vultures, roost in the trees and soar overhead. Throughout the year, gopher tortoises may be seen digging their dens in the sandy soil. Alligators, bald eagles, the rare limpkin, herons, indigo snakes and many other species also live in this protected park. Two nature trails wind through a cypress swamp and sandhill area, habitats which are representative of southern Georgia. A 375-acre lake is popular with boaters and skiers, and fishing for bass, crappie, catfish and bream is excellent. Reed Bingham is less than six miles from I-75, making it a relaxing stop for travelers. It was named for Amos Reed Bingham, a local citizen who was instrumental in having the park established.

Key Activities: Hiking – 7 miles of trails, Boating, Canoe Rental, Fishing – dock, boat rental, Miniature Golf, Bicycle Rental, Pontoon Boat Tours, call for schedule; Birding (vulture viewing is best in the morning and late afternoon), best locations are near the bridge and dam in the morning and along the nature trail boardwalk near dusk.

Facilities: 1,613 Acres, 375-Acre Lake, 46 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$22) - cable TV hookups, Pioneer Campground (\$20 and up) (organized groups only), 6 Picnic Shelters (\$40), Group Shelters (seat 50–120, \$50–\$200), Swimming Beach, 3 Boat Ramps, Playground, Accessible Fishing Pier

Directions: Located 6 miles west of Adel on Ga. Hwy. 37 via I-75 exit #39, and 14 miles east of Moultrie from U.S. Hwy. 319.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (229) 896-3551

- **ROOSEVELT'S LITTLE WHITE HOUSE HISTORIC SITE**

401 Little White House Road  
Warm Springs, GA 31830

ABOUT ROOSEVELT'S LITTLE WHITE HOUSE HISTORIC SITE

Franklin Delano Roosevelt built the Little White House in 1932 while governor of New York, prior to being inaugurated as president in 1933. He first came to Warm Springs in 1924 hoping to find a cure for the infantile paralysis (polio) that had struck him in 1921. Swimming in the warm, buoyant spring waters brought him no miracle cure, but it did bring improvement. During FDR's presidency and the Great Depression, he developed many New Deal Programs (such as the Rural Electrification Administration) based upon his experiences in this small town. While posing for a portrait on April 12, 1945, FDR suffered a stroke and died a short while later. Today, the "Unfinished Portrait" is featured in a museum that showcases many exhibits, including FDR's 1938 Ford convertible with hand controls, his Fireside Chats playing over a 1930s radio, his stagecoach and a theater. Visitors can tour FDR's home, which has been carefully preserved very much as he left it, the servants and guest quarters, and the nearby pools complex that first brought the future president to Warm Springs.

Admission: \$4-\$7. Group rates available for 15 or more with advance notice.  
Primary buildings are wheelchair accessible. Secondary buildings have entry steps. All walkways are hard surfaced.

Facilities: Little White House, FDR Memorial Museum & Video, Historic Pools Museum, Memorial Fountain, Walk of Flags and Stones, Guest Quarters and Servants' Quarters, Legacy Exhibit with The "Unfinished Portrait," Gift Shop, Large Picnic Area (onsite), Two Large Roadside Picnic Areas, Bus Parking

Directions: Located 1/4 mile south of Warm Springs on Ga. Hwy. 85 Alt.-U.S. Hwy. 27 Alt.

Information: Historic Site (706) 655-5870

- **SEMINOLE STATE PARK**

7870 State Park Drive  
Donalsonville, GA 39845

ABOUT SEMINOLE STATE PARK

This southwest Georgia park is on beautiful Lake Seminole, a 37,500-acre reservoir with excellent boating, fishing and birding. Cottages, many campsites and even picnic shelters sit near the water's edge, offering excellent views and quick access to the lake. Because the park surrounds a small cove, visitors usually enjoy smooth water for skiing and tubing. A sand swimming beach is also provided for lake lovers. Wildlife is abundant throughout Seminole, and a nature trail leads past gopher tortoise burrows, a wetland boardwalk and one of the largest Longleaf Pine forests in a Georgia state park. Observant visitors may also see alligators, osprey, bald eagles and other wildlife. Nearby wildlife management areas provide great duck and deer hunting.

Key Activities: Boating and Water Skiing – 5 ramps, Fishing – 3 docks, Swimming, Hiking – 2.2-mile Gopher Tortoise Nature Trail, Canoe Rental, Miniature Golf, Geocaching

Facilities: 604 Acres, Lake and Swimming Beach, 50 Tent, Trailer, RV Campsites (\$23), Primitive Treehouse Camping (sleeps 15, \$35), 14 Cottages (\$100-\$110), Cottages #1 and #2 are dog-friendly, 5 Picnic Shelters (\$30-\$40), Group Shelter (seats 75, \$80-\$90), Pioneer Campground (\$20 and up), Gift Shop

Directions: Located 16 miles south of Donalsonville via GA Hwy 39 or 23 miles west of Bainbridge on GA Hwy 253/Spring Creek Rd.

Reservations: Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Park (229) 861-3137

- **SPREWELL BLUFF STATE PARK**

740 Sprewell Bluff Road  
Thomaston, GA 30286

ABOUT SPREWELL BLUFF STATE PARK

This little-known gem on the Flint River is the perfect location for a daytime getaway. Visitors can cool off in the gently flowing river, skip rocks across the water, picnic on the river's edge or toss horseshoes in a grassy field. A three-mile trail winds along the bank and up rocky bluffs, offering excellent views from high above the river. A boat ramp is available for canoeists, kayakers, rafters and anglers. Canoes may be rented from nearby outfitters, and camping and cottages are available 25 miles west at F.D. Roosevelt State Park in Pine Mountain.

Key Activities: Fishing - bass and catfish, Hiking – 3-mile trail, Picnicking, Rock Skipping, Horseshoes, Volleyball

Facilities: 1,372 Acres, Boat Ramp, Picnic Area with Grills, Playground

Directions: Located 10 miles west of Thomaston. From Ga. Hwy. 74, turn on Old Alabama Road and go south 6 miles to the park.

Information: Park (706) 646-6026

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