SEWNAN COWETA

VISITORS GUIDE

DISCOVER your CURIOUS

WELCOME

HELLO DARLIN' AND WELCOME TO COWETA COUNTY!

We're charmed to meet you, and soon enough, you'll be saying the same about us. With our quirky enclaves and Southern staples, our cups are most certainly overflowing with the sweetest of tea and the most delightful of possibilities. So, get ready to discover your curious and then some.

History

Our history is long, but we'll keep it short.

We came to be in 1825. We got our name in 1826. Since then, our 446 square miles of Southern ground has witnessed everything from the Civil War to civil rights. We've had the chance to heal the sick, honor the fallen, change perceptions, hear legal proceedings, build a future, mourn the past, and appreciate the present. Through it all, we've leaned into our hospitality, feeding our hopes, raising a drink to our dreams, and serving up plenty of stories.

Curious to know more? Read on to get your fill.

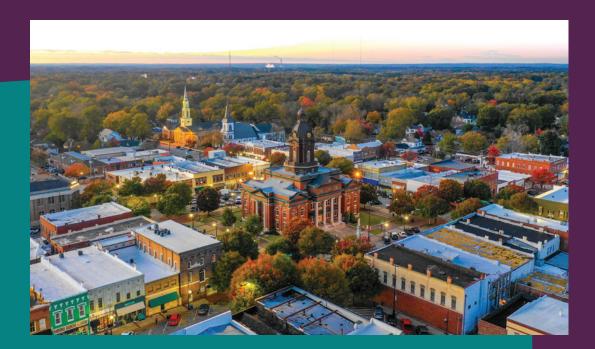


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NEWNAN

SAY HELLO TO OUR GOOD FRIEND, THE CITY OF NEWNAN.

You may want to pull up a chair, because this county seat has a lot to talk about. Like the fact that they were able to save their arse, er, architecture during the Civil War due to their status as a hospital city. That's right they quite literally put the "hospital" in hospitality for both the Union and the Confederate troops.

Since Sherman didn't get them lit, Newnan was able to heal the ailing and preserve its homes. Thus, allowing you, dear reader, the opportunity to explore not just one but six National Registered Historic Districts. And you were wondering why their tagline is "The City of Homes"? Speaking of homes, Alan Jackson knows it gets hotter than a hoochie coochie down here since he grew up laying some rubber on this Georgia asphalt.

Not so into country music or antebellum construction? There's still plenty to keep you curious. Like the Coweta County Courthouse, where history and Hollywood hype was made. Or perhaps you'd prefer a stroll through Dunaway Gardens, whose nooks and nestles give major *Secret Garden* vibes. Then there's Chattahoochee Bend State Park, where the fish always bite and the trails roll on.

No matter what you're into, indoor browsing or outdoor bonding, Newnan knows how to keep things interesting.

CURIOSITY COLUMN



Newnan is the birthplace of famed country music star Alan Jackson.



In the mid 1800s, Newnan was one of the wealthiest cities in the country.



Sprayberry's Barbecue canned their famous Brunswick stew during World War II and sent it overseas to the soldiers.



SENOIA

LOCATION. LOCATION. LOCATION.

The first "settlement," which is two miles south of modern-day Senoia (pronounced "Seh-noy") was called "Location." Which if you were to ask us—and we're assuming you are—never really moved past its location since it no longer exists. Senoia, on the other hand, is living its best life.

Comprised mainly of one historic district on the National Register of Historic Places, Senoia is a treasure trove of architectural pleasures. Officially incorporated in 1866, then chartered in 1905, the city is as real as it gets.

Except sometimes, it plays a fictional community for the small and silver screens. Home to Raleigh Studios, Senoia and its historically charming downtown have served as the backdrop to a variety of movies and TV shows including *Fried Green Tomatoes*, *Driving Miss Daisy*, the remake of *Footloose*, and our favorite zombie-fest, *The Walking Dead*.

Don't worry, the show doesn't stop in Senoia when the director calls cut. With a bustling main street, cute boutiques, and ridiculously good eats, the city is the perfect setting for your next big break. Plus, with some big development plans in the making, there will be plenty of opportunities for a few takes at the action.

CURIOSITY COLUMN



The Walking Dead was filmed almost exclusively in Coweta County for the last 10 years.



There are more than a dozen local restaurants in a two-block radius.



Senoia has been chosen twice to host the *Southern Living* Idea House.



MORELAND

DON'T LET THE NAME FOOL YOU.

Moreland actually has less land than you might expect. In fact, according to the U.S. Census Bureau, Moreland has a total area of 0.93 square miles. Blink and you may miss it, but don't blink and you may learn a lot. Like the fact that once upon a time in 1827, there was a Georgia Land Lottery. The winners didn't get chicken dinners; instead, they got deeds to land.

By 1843, farmers moved in, tilled the fields, and built the Mt. Zion Methodist Church. After that the train arrived, helping to connect the town, the people, and the myriad of business ventures to Atlanta and LaGrange.

From cotton and peaches and hosiery to Lewis Grizzard the humorist and Erskine Caldwell the novelist, Moreland has produced much history in its time. Take a gander to the bluebird town, where you'll find yourself far from "anywhere USA" but close to small-town charm.

CURIOSITY COLUMN



The town's total population is less than 400 people.



The bluebird is the town symbol, representing beauty, intelligence, friendliness, and security.



The book *Murder in Coweta County* and the subsequent movie highlights the infamous true crime story and continues to bring visitors to the county.



GRANTVILLE

CURIOUSLY GRAND.

Granted, if you read the Wikipedia page for Grantville, you may not be enticed to visit. But, if you happen to be a fan of the gory good time that is *The Walking Dead*, the Prohibition-era film *Lawless*, or Toby Keith's faded country singer in the film *Broken Bridges*, this is the destination for you.

Although the people on the interwebs have described it as faded and "postapocalyptic," this sleepy Southern city isn't quite the zombie town it's been made out to be. With Hollywood scouting and small screen fandom growing, life in Grantville is starting to become curiously grand.

CURIOSITY COLUMN



The Grantville Train Depot restoration project won the Georgia Trust for Historic Preservation Chairmans Award in 2022.



Newnan-Coweta County has had a sister city/county relationship with Ayr-South Ayrshire Scotland for the past 25 years.



Bonnie Castle, one of Georgia's most haunted houses, is located in downtown Grantville.



SHARPSBURG

MOST CARING CITY.

Named one of the country's Most Caring Cities in 2020 by Insurify, Sharpsburg is giving us all the feels. But before we get into those, let's go back in time to 1871, when the city was officially incorporated. Back then, the town—which was circular with a quarter-mile radius extending to its railroad depot—was named for a judge, Elias Sharp, and owed much of its growth to agriculture. And by agriculture, we mean cotton.

From the late 1800s through the early 1900s, the town enjoyed a great deal of growth, including professional services, a bank, doctors, but also cotton. However, by 1920—you guessed it—cotton wasn't doing so well. Unfortunately, no cotton, no capital. And no capital, no growth.

The city stayed stagnant until 1940, when it began its slow, steady return. The 1934 opening of the theatrical training grounds at Dunaway Gardens was one helpful addition to its visitor and residential increase. Another amenity driving growth was the opening of the renowned Chattahoochee Bend State Park. Plus, who are we kidding, everyone is curious about what makes Sharpsburg so darn caring.

CURIOSITY COLUMN



The original Bridges & Cole General Store, c. 1900, is still standing today.



Residents (and visitors) can take a belly-dancing class in the local community center.



Georgia has the highest number of counties in all of the U.S., except for Texas.



HARALSON

LET'S TACO 'BOUT IT.

Ever wanted to discover some place where the population was less than your high school's graduating class? Curious to know what it feels like to live in a community where everyone knows your name? What if you found yourself in a town with no stoplights? Well, there are stop signs, and it's really quite nice when you know your neighbors.

So, we'd say you should give the town of Haralson a visit. Plus, it is the oldest city in Coweta County, which means it definitely deserves some respect.

CURIOSITY COLUMN



Haralson has been featured in several films and TV shows including *The Walking Dead*.

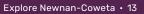


The town is host to a hugely popular birria taco stand.



College Temple was the first college to offer a Master of Arts degree to women.

LINDSEY KATE PHOTOGRA





TURIN

LIVING THE GOOD LIFE SINCE 1890.

If the name gave you *The Italian Job* vibes, you'd not be inaccurate. In 1870, the town of Preston was renamed Turin after Turin, Italy. Why the name change? Besides Italy being absolutely dreamy, the railroad was coming. However, unlike the Italians, the people of Turin weren't big fans of wine and stipulated that the railroad was only allowed to pass through town if the trains were alcoholfree and always allowed passenger service. As you can imagine, times changed and so did those rules.

The first house built in the newly established town of Turin was owned by the Page sisters. You read that right: Ladies in Georgia were owning property and making moves in the 1870s. Since the Page women rolled out the welcome mat, much has happened. Bricks were laid for stores, a post office popped up, coin was to be had at the Turin Banking Company, church bells rang, and schools were in session. It was a bustling community, prosperous by most accounts. That is until 1927, when the bank closed and the money dried up.

It wasn't until the water system was completed in 1965 that the well was finally turned back on for the community. Growth came slowly, but steadily. In 2005, the first subdivision opened. In 2009, Turin restored the historic Walter B. Hill Industrial School–the only vocational school serving African Americans in Coweta County in 1927–turning it into the Town Hall.

It may not be Italy, but this Turin has plenty of potential and is much easier to get to.

CURIOSITY COLUMN



The town of Turin is featured in the international publication *Atlas Obscura* for the roadside attraction Barbie Beach.



The Turin Tractor Association hosts an annual tractor pull to celebrate the community's farming history.



In the early 1900s, crimson clover was imported from Italy and can still be seen growing along the roadside today.

ANNUAL EVENTS

FALL (SEPT—NOV)

Art Walk

The Art Walk Event is a celebration of local art and is hosted twice a year, in March and September, in downtown Newnan. Visitors can expect to stroll through 25 or more locations and see the work of more than 40 artists in a wide variety of art styles and mediums.

Cruisin' to the Oldies

The car show is an annual event held in September and open for cars 25 years and older. Held on Mainstreet Senoia and surrounding streets, this event is enjoyed by all ages. Free for spectators and featuring vendors, artisans, food trucks, and live music for entertainment.

Turin Antique Farm Power Show & Tractor Pull

Hosted each September since 1995 by the Turin Antique Tractor Association, which promotes the history of the eastern Coweta County farming culture and strives to keep its farming heritage alive with this annual event.

Gypsy Junkers

Held annually in the spring and fall in Moreland, this fair is comprised of 70-plus vendors showcasing antiques, handmade arts and crafts, retro and vintage furniture and decor, jewelry, locally grown plants, yard art, and more. Free parking and admission.

Oktoberfest

This annual beer-tasting event highlights craft brews from across the state of Georgia. Complimentary refreshments, retail sales specials, and other treats are available for all attendees.

Spirits & Spice Festival

It's time to eat, drink, and get spooky! Have a gourd time in October as downtown Newnan businesses feature spooky specialty cocktails, locals participate in a chili cookoff, and artisans show off their wares.

Holiday Sip & See

This annual event each November is the perfect opportunity for downtown Newnan visitors to get started on their holiday shopping while inventory is plentiful. Come enjoy a night market, live music, and food trucks along with hors d'oeuvres and refreshments from the retailers.



WINTER (DEC—FEB)

Newnan Christmas Tour of Homes

"The City of Homes" evokes images of antebellum homes lovingly restored to their original splendor. This annual tour, held the first Saturday in December, is an opportunity for everyone to view these beautiful residences decked out in their holiday best. The tour also showcases more contemporary homes and decor alongside the historical properties.



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Rock & Road Festival

This multi-faceted event is

routes in 25-, 45-, 62-, and

Festival, hosted around the

beverages.

Newnan square, is open to the

public and features live music.

food trucks, vendors, and craft

held in April and is kicked off

with the annual Tour of Coweta

Century Ride featuring multiple

100-mile rides. The Rock & Road

Tour of Coweta/

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Gypsy Junkers

Senoia Candlelight Tour of Homes

Held annually in early December, visitors can take a step back in time to learn about Senoia's past through historic home tours. Downtown shops and restaurants stay open late offering tour specials.

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SUMMER (JUNE—AUG)

Southern LitFest

Pack your book bag, lace up your sneakers, and follow all roads leading to Georgia's literary pathway and on to its trailhead-downtown Newnan. Join bestselling authors, poets, and columnists as they discuss all things Southern. Visitors can also sample craft bourbons from the porches of antebellum estates. It all comes together each June for one magical Southern moment.

Summer NewnaNights

Held the second Thursday of the month, this summer event series features family-friendly music and entertainment. At each event, Greenville Street Park is filled with various festivities, food trucks, and booths. Downtown businesses stay open late with promotions for shoppers and guests.

Summer Wined-Up

Held each June, downtown Newnan's wine-tasting event features a "wine walk" that moves through more than 25 host locations in downtown businesses.

Jazz in the Park

A summer music series hosted by the Newnan Cultural Arts Commission in downtown Newnan's Greenville Street Park. On the second Friday of every month, bring your blanket, beverages, picnic baskets, and dancing shoes for a great family night of light, smooth strains of jazz by various artists.



COWETA'S TOP IO

10 WAYS TO GET A TRUE TASTE OF WHAT MAKES THIS COUNTY SPECIAL

Pick out some produce at the Senoia Farmers Market

Senoia comes alive every Saturday at this popular market. Farmers sell seasonal fruits and veggies, while local artisans set up shop with everything from jewelry to homemade soap to hot sauce. Be sure to visit when live bands are on the schedule.

2 Check out the Historic Coweta County Courthouse

With a copper dome rising 100 feet above street level, this 1904 Classic Revival building towers above Newnan's town square, but it also has some dark history: It held the famous 1948 Murder in Coweta County trial—subject of several podcasts and a movie.





3 Savor a Sweet Pig donut at Heirloom Bakeshop

Sink your teeth into an Heirloom donut and you'll quickly see why this shop has become a favorite. The Sweet Pig is maple-frosted and topped with bacon; other favorites include Cookies 'n' Cream and classics like the original glazed and strawberry sprinkles.

Enjoy the eggs-ellent Eggs Dijon at Bistro Hilary

Designed to look like a French bistro, this upscale Senoia dining spot has a menu full of tempting plates, but the crispy Eggs Dijon is a crowd pleaser. Pair the savory appetizer with a Paris-themed cocktail on the front or back patio.

5 View the latest display at Barbie Beach

Stop by this unique highway attraction in Turin to see an assortment of Barbies and Kens posed in different arrangements often based on current events. Steve and Linda Quick have kept locals and roadtrippers entertained with the whimsical displays since their first during the 2006 Winter Olympics.

6 Relish the fried pickles at Redneck Gourmet

One of the oldest restaurants in Newnan, this beloved spot serves up plenty of crave-worthy dishes, including the Redneck Burger topped with bacon and their famous fried green tomatoes, but the fried pickles with ranch are a tried-and-true staple.

7 Feel a spiritual presence at Bonnie Castle

Built in 1896, this Victorian-era mansion has been the center of paranormal activity in Grantville for decades. Among the sightings are a ghost named Mary and a spectral cat. Today, you can book a stay in one of the inn's rooms through Airbnb and experience the haunted vibe for yourself.

8 Try the latest flavor at Rock Salt Milk Bar

Nearly everything is made inhouse at this Newnan ice cream shop, and flavors frequently rotate based on the season. Fresh peach and blueberry lemon lavender are popular in summer, while white chocolate peppermint and gingersnap cheesecake are winter winners.

9 Kayak down the Chattahoochee River

The 2,910-acre Chattahoochee Bend State Park is one of the largest state parks in Georgia and provides an ideal spot for kayaking. After a day of paddling, rent a nearby cottage or campsite to relax amid the forest's natural beauty.

Meander around historic neighborhoods

Nicknamed the "City of Homes," Newnan has six districts listed on the National Historic Registry. Be sure to check out 167 LaGrange Street, one of the oldest standing homes in the city built circa 1828, as well as 155 Greenville Street, which has been featured in many shows and movies.







EXPLORE

We're big fans of a good day break-dawn, dusk, or brunch. Seriously, whether you're into hiking at daylight, paddling at twilight, or toasting at high noon, Newnan-Coweta County will fill your cup, bottle, flute, koozie, or whatever you're into. Not sure where to start exploring? You could flip a coin, follow the wind, or give a little browse through this guide for some of our good ideas. No matter what, we promise you'll discover more of what we love and a whole lot of curious in our county.

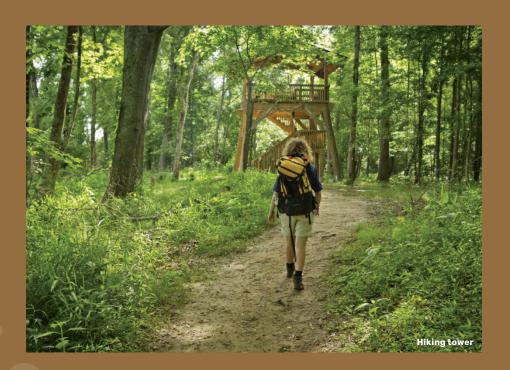




ESCAPE TO THE GREAT OUTDOORS

CHATTAHOOCHEE BEND STATE PARK IS A NATURE-LOVER'S PARADISE

Sometimes we need to get away from it all, and there's no better destination to easily do this than Chattahoochee Bend State Park. As one of the newest and largest parks in the state, Chattahoochee Bend offers something for everyone within its nearly 3,000 picturesque acres.



"Two things I love about Chattahoochee Bend are the solitude and ecological diversity," says Phil LaRue, president of Friends of Chattahoochee Bend. "[The park] is so quiet and peaceful; it's easy to just kick back and relax the day away. Whether you string up a hammock and take a nap or hike one of the many trails, you're guaranteed to find a special spot to forget your day-to-day cares and decompress."

If you're planning a Chattahoochee Bend adventure, you'll want to gather essentials ahead of time, including sunblock, lunch or snacks, beverages, insect repellent, and whatever else your family might need. The park is known for being wonderfully remote-perfect for unplugging-but if you do forget any items, there's a great little store at the visitors center that carries basic necessities, some branded items, and even souvenirs.

Take your pick from a variety of activities once you arrive. Water lovers will delight in five miles of riverfront—use the boat access to launch into the river or choose to paddleboard to get closer to scenery. For a water excursion with a challenge, start paddling at the Highway 16 bridge boat ramp, and get ready for a few shoals, plus class 1 and class 2 rapids. Canoes and kayaks are available to rent, or you can bring your own. If you're not a boat person, don't despair; fishing is another pastime the park offers, and the observation deck is a fine spot to check out native flora and fauna.

To view more unspoiled nature, explore 12 miles of beautiful, peaceful trails for walking, running, or biking. Hoping to catch a glimpse of wildlife? The Turkey Head Trail, about 4.4 miles in length, is a beginner's level trail offering beautiful views and solitude. Slightly more challenging is the Brown Thrasher Trail, 1.6 miles in length and dipping into a steep ravine after starting off mostly flat, then dropping again. Or try Trailhead 1 to Riverside Tower, a moderate-level trail of 6.1



miles that features an observation tower on the river.

For guests who want to stay overnight, Chattahoochee Bend has options for all comfort levels. Choose from different camping experiences, including backcountry campsites for a taste of wilderness, platform camping, walk-in campsites, and RV/trailer sites. Prefer not to rough it? Book one of the three cottages and relax with a full kitchen and screened-in porch.

Nature photographers will relish opportunities to glimpse otters, beavers, bald eagles, and ospreys along the river, says Phil Delestrez, northern natural resources manager for the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. He notes that there's also birch, hackberry, and native river cane along the bottomland forest. Visitors often spot turkeys, deer, and a variety of gorgeous birds, including hawks, and the park's flat-rock granite outcrops are vibrant with yellow daisies in autumn and white, yellow, or red daisies in spring. "Chattahoochee Bend is a naturalist's dream," he says.



EXPLORE

BIKING & HIKING



Brown's Mill Historic Site

- 9155 Millard Farmer Road
- **&** 770-254-2627

Brown's Mill includes nearly 200 acres of walking trails, six miles of mountain bike trails, and interpretive signs that tell the story of the battle through personal accounts and military history. Hours: Monday–Saturday 8:30 a.m.– 7 p.m.; Sunday 1:30–5 p.m.

Chattahoochee Bend State Park

- 9 425 Bobwhite Way
- **\$**770-254-7271
- One of the newest but also one of the largest state parks encompassing nearly 3,000 acres. It features hiking trails, boat ramps, camping sites, cabins, and playgrounds. Hours: 7 a.m.–10 p.m. daily.

Dunaway Gardens

♀ 3218 Roscoe Road/Hwy. 70 678-423-4050

Opened in 1934 as a theatrical training ground, Dunaway boasts of unsurpassed beauty throughout the seasons. Frequented during the '30s and '40s by a cast of colorful visitors, including Walt Disney and owner Minnie Pearl, it grew to become a local treasure. Restored in 2000, it is one of the South's largest natural rock and floral gardens featuring spring-fed pools, stone waterfalls, and extensive hand-laid paths, walls, and staircases. Currently under renovation, it will soon reopen to the public.

James E. McGuffey Nature Center

♀ 275 Pine Road (Coweta County Fairgrounds)

• 770-254-2685 Located just off I- 85 South on the Coweta County Fairgrounds, it is situated at the head of a paved, handicap-accessible trail and five other natural trails. The paved trail meanders through a woodland area of pines and hardwoods and an overgrowth of privet and other species. The unpaved trails are located next to a spring-fed pond with older hardwoods and native azaleas. Non-native shrubs and trees surround the nature center's courtyard and entry area. Hours: Tuesday–Saturday 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

The LINC

• Trailhead: 1515 Lower Fayetteville Road (Newnan Centre) This multipurpose trail is built on public

rights of way and greenspace that will eventually create a 26-mile network of paved paths. The trail system is enjoyed by walkers, runners, skaters, bicyclists, and people using non-motorized vehicles.





PICKLEBALL & MORE



PICKLEBALL

The HOP (House of Pickleball)

♀ 4 Joseph-Hannah Blvd. The Hop is a public, 15-court pickleball facility located near downtown Newnan. Pickleball is a paddleball sport that combines elements of badminton, table tennis, and tennis. Hours: 8 a.m.-10 p.m. daily

OTHER ACTIVITIES

CJ Smith Park

♀92 Farmer St. This is the largest skatepark-pump track combination in Georgia and is home to more than 30,000 square feet of rideable terrain,

complemented by playgrounds, restrooms, and a splash park. Hours:

Geocaching at Coweta County Parks & Recreation Facilities

8 a.m.- 10 p.m. daily.

A high-tech, outdoor treasure hunting game played with a GPS-capable device. Obtain coordinates and hints from geocaching.com or via their free app. Nearly all of Coweta's parks and recreation facilities contain caches. Hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.



Hunter Complex

♀ 2970 E. Hwy 16
 ↓ 770-683-7275
 The county's first professionally designed, 18-hole disc golf course is located at Hunter Complex, a 54-acre complex managed by the county's Parks & Recreation department. Hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

Riverside Park

 \$ 4013 Hwy 16 W.
 \$ 770-683-7275
 Access the 48 miles of the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area to raft, canoe, kayak, or boat via Riverside. Jet skis nor camping are permitted. Hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

Temple Avenue Complex

9 39 Hospital Road
770-683-7275
The Temple Avenue complex

features a nine-hole (two tee options) disc golf course and one practice hole. Hours: 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

CURIOUSLY UNIQUE

Barbie Beach

♀ South side of highway at the intersection of Highways 54 and 16, before Turin Road Drive Highway 16 through Turin and it won't be long before you come across a (mostly) nude Barbie beach. The dolls are arranged in





ever-changing displays that match current events such as the Final Four, Olympics, and even a royal wedding. It is the brainchild of long-time Turin locals who created their first sandy scene in celebration of the 2006 Winter Olympics, which just so happened to take place in Turin, Italy.

Senoia Raceway

 9 171 Brown Road
 770-599-6161
 Come "Play in the Clay!" Visit the fastest 3/8-mile, highbanked dirt oval in Georgia for great racing.

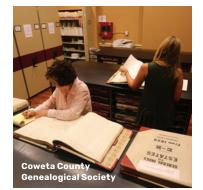
HISTORY & MUSEUMS

Carnegie Library

91 Lagrange St. 770-683-1347 The oldest existing Carnegie Library in Georgia opened its doors in 1904. Still operating as a public library, this building bears the iconic "City of Homes" marquee, one of the most recognizable landmarks of historic downtown Newnan. Hours: Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m.-12 p.m

ChildrenConnect Museum

♀ 30 Temple Ave. W.
↓ 470-414-2455
ChildrenConnect incorporates interactive exhibits that encourage children to engage with and learn through active play. The museum is housed in the former building for the Male Academy Classroom, which was established in 1840 and was where students received instruction. Hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 12-4 p.m.



Coweta County African American Heritage Museum

92 Farmer St.

Housed in a restored shotgun-style house, this museum is a repository for African American artifacts and records and serves as a genealogy workroom for research. Adjacent to the museum is the Farmer Street Cemetery, possibly the largest slave cemetery in the South. Hours: By appointment only.

A Hill Cemetery

Coweta County Genealogical Society

♥ 8 Carmichael St.
▲ 470-215-1966
The research library is home to a large inventory of historical and genealogical books, publications, reference books, magazines, and pamphlets. Hours: Wednesday–Friday (and the first Saturday of the month) 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (If the flag is out, they are open.)

Grantville Historic District

💡 Main Street

What began as a small settlement in 1840, this town is now home to numerous productions such as The Walking Dead, a restored train depot, and Bonnie Castle, one of the most haunted sites in Georgia.

Historic Coweta County Courthouse

♀ 200 Court Square ◆ 770-254-2685

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the 1904 Classic Revival courthouse anchors the town square. Covered with 13,500 pounds of copper, its dome rises 100 feet above street level, and a four-face clock in the tower chimes the hour. The courthouse is also the site of the infamous Murder in Coweta County trial. Hours: Open by appointment.

The Little Manse

97 Main St.

This 19th-century farmhouse, formerly his birthplace, features memorabilia about novelist Erskine Caldwell. His books inspired the love of Hollywood, the respect of readers of fine literature, the wrath of those who didn't appreciate his portrayal of poverty-stricken reality in the South, and the honor of his hometown. Hours: By appointment only.

McRitchie-Hollis Museum

74 Jackson St.
770-251-0207
This Neoclassical home was built in 1937 and is home to the Newnan-Coweta



Historical Society. NCHS is dedicated to preserving and honoring the history of Newnan and Coweta County through exhibits at the museum and the Newnan Historic Train Depot. Hours: Tuesday– Saturday 10 a.m.–12 p.m. and 1–3 p.m.

Moreland Hometown Heritage Museum & God's Little Acre 97 Main St.

The museum, located in the former knitting mill, celebrates the legacies of Erskine Caldwell and Lewis Grizzard. God's Little Acre is a living history park, with the centerpiece being a one-acre demonstration garden that grows fresh produce sold locally. It is also a tribute to tenant farming in the rural South. Hours: By appointment only.

Oak Hill Cemetery 96 Jefferson St.

Established in 1833, Oak Hill Cemetery is a 60-acre property with more than 12,000 graves. Located just a few blocks north of downtown Newnan, it is the final resting place for some of the county's most prominent citizens. As a Civil War hospital city, Oak Hill is the burial ground for nearly 300 Confederate soldiers from various states. Selfguided tour brochures are available. Hours: Sunrise to sunset, daily.

Senoia

• Main St. Senoia enjoys a rich heritage from early merchant families who had businesses in the city for many years, some over 100 years. The historic Main Street offers restaurants, boutiques, antiques, and tours, all within a short walking distance.

Senoia Area Historical Society Museum

♀6 Couch St.

\$256-368-9948 Located in historic Carmichael home, originally built in 1870, the Senoia Area Historical Society's mission is to secure, preserve, and promote the social and cultural history of the community. Hours: Friday-Saturday, 1-4 p.m.



CYCLES OF LIFE

LOCATED IN THE CHATTAHOOCHEE VALLEY, COWETA IS PART OF GEORGIA'S CYCLING DESTINATION

Fresh air and open space to enjoy the ride are what cyclists long for—and they increasingly are finding these options along the Chatt Valley. Known as Georgia's cycling destination, the region covers a handful of counties and offer opportunities for road cycling, mountain biking, and even gravel cycling. With scenic routes throughout Carroll, Fulton, Harris, Troup, Muscogee, and Coweta counties, the region offers a great way to explore our state's natural beauty on two wheels.



Coweta County is a valuable part of the Chattahoochee Valley Cycling experience for good reason. Just 45 minutes from downtown Atlanta and 30 minutes from Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport, Newnan and other Coweta towns have become destinations for anyone who wants to ride for enjoyment or participate in a cycling event. Cyclists who travel through Coweta on the Chatt Valley will appreciate light traffic, rich scenery to admire, and even a friendly face or two to share the ride.

Bike Coweta, a hub for the local cycling community, advocates for Coweta being a cycling destination and must-see portion of Chatt Valley network. Chair Chris Doane points out that although development continues to trickle in, Coweta offers a slower-paced environment that cyclists relish, especially on long-distance rides. VeloCity, a century ride benefiting Atlanta's Grady Hospital, "spends a lot of the day in Coweta," Doane points out. Another ride, the **Tour of Coweta**, has beckoned cyclists from more than 10 different states. Because the trails travel from south Fulton all the way to Columbus, the counties work together to encourage more bike activity. "We have worked with other counties' marketing organizations, and we have all taken on cycling activities as a draw for tourism," says Doane.

Mountain bikers, too, will enjoy exploring Coweta's portion of the Chatt Valley. Opportunities for mountain biking include trails at **Brown's Mill Battlefield**, and in total there are 14 different mountain bike trail sites, according to Doane. "Brown's Mill is about six and a half miles, and together, the trails probably offer between 150 and 200 miles of mountain biking trails in Chatt Valley," he says.

Additionally, **Bike Coweta's Rock & Road Festival**—held the same weekend as the Tour of Coweta—includes mountain bike races at Brown's Mill Battlefield. Meanwhile, the **Junior Rippers** mountain bike team, for ages 6 to



12, has drawn a young and fervent crowd each season according to Brent Snodgrass, operations manager for Coweta County Parks & Recreation. "It's a fun program," says Snodgrass. "We've had this one kid from Sandy Springs who has been in the program since the beginning. I would say almost half the kids in the program are from outside of the county."

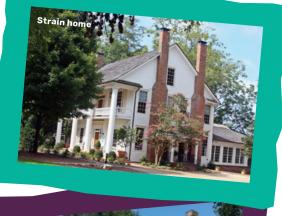
"It's really bike-friendly here in Coweta; there are tons of places to ride," agrees Parks Avery, a lifelong cyclist and Newnan resident. "I biked 30 miles this morning, and it was just beautiful. The birds and horses all look at you. Plus, it's great exercise."



GLIMPSES INTO THE PAST

SELF-GUIDED HISTORIC DISTRICT TOURS TAKE VISITORS BACK TO A BYGONE ERA

Coweta County's rich heritage dates back nearly 200 years, when the area opened for settlement in 1827 following Georgia's fifth Land Lottery. Many early residents were successful farmers, merchants, and politicians, and their grand homes and businesses stood as testaments to their prosperity. Today the preservation of these structures—representing a variety of architectural styles ranging from Federal and Gothic Revival to Queen Anne and Victorian—is an integral part of the county's focus.





The City of Newnan boasts six districts with a National Register of Historic Places designation, and locals and visitors alike can enjoy selfguided tours. The best place to begin is the **Downtown Historic District**, anchored by the neo-Greek Revival courthouse designed by renowned architect James W. Golucke. This area also includes the Carnegie Library, McRitchie-Hollis Museum, Murray Warehouse Block, Reese Opera House, Virginia House Hotel, and the old train depot. Nearby is Oak Hill Cemetery, the final resting place of many of the city's most prominent citizens as well as more than 250 Confederate soldiers.

The residential **Cole Town Historic District** developed around the R.D. Cole Company, a once-prosperous business that produced millwork, machinery, and water towers. Many homes here display ornate railings,



decorative pilasters, and intricately carved moldings that reflect the company's fine architectural woodwork.

The **College-Temple Historic District** is a classic example of a well-planned neighborhood, with parks, churches, schools, and tree-lined streets. This area features magnificent homes with a wide range of architectural styles as well as the Male Academy, formerly a boys' college preparatory school that now serves as a children's museum, and two houses that were part of College Temple, a private school for girls.

In contrast to the intentional layouts of other districts, the **Greenville-LaGrange Historic District** developed along two major highways and includes both older and newer homes. The antebellum house located at 87 LaGrange Street served as Confederate headquarters during the Battle of Brown's Mill.

The **Newnan Cotton Mill and Mill Village Historic District** is representative of early 20th-century Georgia mill communities. The mill, now converted into loft apartments, was once a bustling center of commerce. The adjacent village provided housing for workers.

As its name implies, **Platinum Point Historic District** is a collection of homes built by some of Newnan's wealthiest citizens. This district, which showcases a variety of Revival-style architecture, emerged with the prevalence of automobiles as is evidenced by the many outbuildings that were used as garages.

A few miles down the road from Newnan is the tiny town of **Senoia**, a picturesque community that has served as a backdrop to numerous films and television shows. With its own vast collection of architectural treasures, much of the town comprises a historic district on the National Register of Historic Places.

Begin the self-guided tour at the **Senoia Welcome Center** on Main Street. It includes more than 45 homes and several churches, with structures encompassing such diverse styles as Gabled Ell, Neo-Classical, New South Cottage, Saddlebag, and Victorian Gothic. Particularly noteworthy is the 1906 Greek Revival mansion on Seavy Street that operates as **The Veranda Historic Bed & Breakfast Inn**. Notable guests here included author Margaret Mitchell, who interviewed Confederate veterans at the inn for her epic novel *Gone with the Wind*.

Located a short distance from downtown is the **Senoia Area Historical Society Museum**. Housed in the 1870 Carmichael home at 6 Couch Street, the museum is filled with artifacts that bring to life the story of Senoia and is open on Friday and Saturday afternoons. The nearby **Buggy Shop Museum**, at 74 Main Street, displays a collection of antique automobiles, musical instruments, machinery, and other period memorabilia, and is open by appointment.

A highlight of the holiday season is the **Candlelight Tour of Homes**, which offers an inside view of the town's storied past. Sponsored by the Senoia Downtown Development Authority, the tour is held in early December.

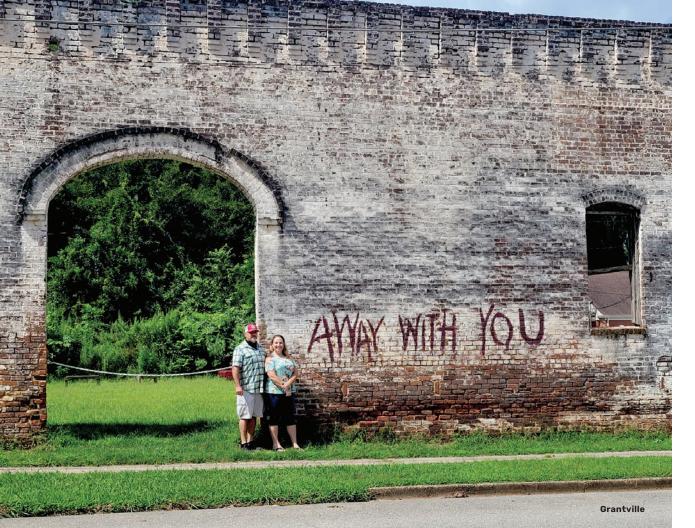


FILM

Lights! Cameras! Let's just cut to the chase scene. Here in Newnan-Coweta, we've seen all the action. From zombies walking dead to mind games and hunger games, more than 119 small and silver screen titles have been filmed within these county lines. And we're guessing you want to scout some locations. Lucky for you, you won't have to travel far to fan out over your favorite shows. A quick trip to Grantville, Turin, or any of our towns will have you feeling like you are on set. CGI not included.









SPOTLIGHT

IN COWETA, IT'S NEVER A WRAP

Here in our community, it's never a wrap on the possibility of filming locales. Coweta County has served as the backdrop for well-known productions including *The Walking Dead*, *Fried Green Tomatoes*, *Footloose*, *Sweet Home Alabama*, *Zombieland* and *The Hunger Games*.

Curious to know how zombies walk, or superheroes fight, or do you prefer things that are Strange? Book a guided tour to experience first-hand some of the iconic places you recognize from your favorite TV shows and films. Whether you choose "wheels or heels," you are sure to find the perfect experience for your behind-the-scenes look. Check out **Water Tower Tours, Walkin Dead Tours & Gifts**, and the **Georgia Tour Company** to customize your excursion, and don't skip meandering through their shops for the perfect souvenir. Your guide may have even worked on the set of your favorite production.

There are no rewrites needed here in Coweta. From our historic downtowns and Mainstreet communities to bucolic scenery and miles of river frontage, it's no secret why we stay featured in the bright lights. Come and discover your curious!

TOUR COMPANIES



Water Tower Tours 48 Main St., Senoia 470-347-7156



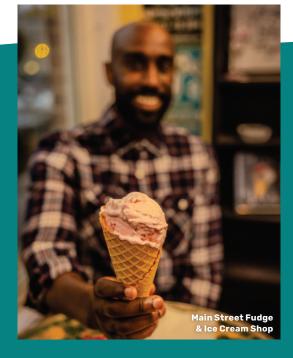
Georgia Tour Company 53 Main St., Senoia 770-599-0091



Walkin Dead Tours & Gifts 10 Line Creek, Senoia 678-633-9486 CUISINE

DINING

Call us foodies, culinary experts, palette pleasers—just don't call us late for dinner, because that would be a sin. Here, we take the act of dining seriously. We believe bubbly should be popped, hops should be raised, and room should always be saved for dessert. We'd like to think we have a little something for everyone's tastes. Even those that are acquired. So, when you visit, come hungry, stay late, and if you look thirsty, we'll fill your cup.







RESTAURANTS & FOOD

SENOIA

Beez Freeze

 75 Main St.
 770-502-5291
 Beez Freeze serves up fresh New Orleans-style shaved ice, ice cream, lemonade, and in the fall season, funnel cake sticks, hot chocolate, and apple cider.

Bistro Hilary

9 21 Barnes St.
770-727-9188
French American bistro with the south side's best patio(s) and homemade cuisine by Chef Hilary and her team.

Curious Kitchen and Bar

 9 42 Main St.
 770-727-9092
 Featuring a relaxed atmosphere, it is the respite many need without sacrificing quality or service. Craft cocktails, sandwiches, chicken wings, and an exceptionally friendly staff.

Fuego del Mar Mexican Grill & Seafood

18 Main St.
770-727-9461
Mexican grill and seafood restaurant in downtown Senoia.



Jacob's Hemp Bar 9 15 Barnes St.

Come barnes st. 706-538-8212 Come have a look around the shop, and let them make you an iced latte, mimosa, smoothie, or shake while you browse. They also feature icecold Georgia craft beers on draft, so head on over and sit out on the patio and enjoy a cool beverage.

Lisa's Créperie & Café 9 48 Main St

 AB Main St.
 T70-727-9566
 Made with the freshest ingredients from local produce, herbs straight from Lisa's garden, and imported cheeses from France. The menu is inspired daily by requested combos, and the possibilities are endless.
 They also offer pastries, coffees, smoothies, and milkshakes.

Maguire's Family

 & Friends
 \$ 42 Main St. (downstairs)
 \$ 770-727-3020
 Maguire's offers a solid combination of homemade Irish and American fare. Try their famous fish 'n chips or a craft burger with a perfectly poured pint of Guinness.

Senoia Coffee & Café

Main Street Fudge &

Featuring 21 flavors of fudge, 12

types of Mayfield hand-dipped ice

cream, fried pies, cupcakes, banana

pudding, and cobblers, one will never

run out of options. The shop also has

aift items to create a custom basket

or pick up a souvenir from your time

This micro food hall in downtown

Senoia serves a variety of local food

An upscale, rustic dining experience

with a classic pub menu, draft beer,

Ice Cream Shop

942 Main St., #1a

\$770-599-3168

in Senoia.

♀30 Main St.

♀20 Main St.

and cocktails.

91 Main St.

\$770-727-9432

Mess Hall on Main

and specialty beverages.

Nic & Norman's Senoia

Senoia Beer Company

Senoia's newest craft brewery

featuring rotating local brews.

 9 30 Main St.
 770-599-8000
 Located in the Mess Hall on Main, Senoia Coffee has been the gathering place in the heart of downtown Senoia serving fresh locally roasted coffee, delicious food, and yummy desserts.

Senoia Smokehouse

70 Main St.
 770-857-3213
 Not your run-of-the mill barbecue joint. Their culinary delights are something you must experience.

Señor Taco

 975 Main St.
 678-723-7255
 Señor Taco is the place to visit for delicious Mexican food and



professional catering services. Serving customers for more than 20 years, their menu features a wide variety of cuisine choices.

NEWNAN

Abide Brewing Company 9 130 Werz Industrial Blvd. Newnan's first microbrewery that features rotating food trucks, live music, and local seasonal beers on tap.

The Alamo

9 19 W. Court Sq.
770-683-2526
Located in the former town theater, c1890, the Alamo offers an everchanging draft beer selection featuring local craft brews and a cooler filled with more than 100 beers. With the original stage still intact, The Alamo hosts live music most weekends.

Arden's Garden

 998 Temple Ave.
 678-673-6220
 This cold-pressed juice company has been crafting good-for-you products that are convenient, affordable, and make you feel great from the inside out. From the very first bottle made by founder Arden Zinn, this juicery has been committed to good health for all. **Big Joe's Bar and Grille**

9 1329 Bullsboro Dr.

& 770-755-9066

A locally owned family restaurant that delivers quality products and services in a casual dining environment. Among the many options: grilled chicken, smoked salmon, and bacon; tiramisu, crème brûlée, and cheesecakes are just a sampling.

Bolton's Bakerv

 9 13 E. Broad St.
 678-673-6680
 Born out of Grandma's Custard Pie recipe book, Bolton's has consistently stayed with what Grandma taught: real, natural, old-fashioned goodness.
 Don't miss out on their fried pies or custom cakes.

Cakes by Debbie

9 12 Greenville St.
678-673-6707
Not just cakes, they specialize in all

sorts of baking, including cookies, donuts, and pastries. Try some wonderful mini desserts, which are perfect for smaller mouths—but bigger mouths will love them just as much!

The Cellar

20 Jefferson St.
 770-683-6328
 Casual elegance and fine dining along with the best local selection of

hormone-free and antibiotic-free premium cuts of steak, prairie raised lamb, pork, and duck, as well as some of the freshest seafood in town.

Christy's Café

27 Jackson St.
770-683-7512
American fare with some Southern flair.

Eat Thai

 233 East Broad St.
 770-683-3031
 Authentic Thai cuisine served with fresh ingredients in historic downtown Newnan.

Fabiano's Pizzeria

9 19 W. Court Sq.
770-683-2683
Adjacent to The Alamo, Fabiano's features create-your-own New York-style pizza, calzone, or stromboli. Also available are a variety of wings, salads, sandwiches, and desserts.

Frios Gourmet Pops

♀ 14 Greenville St.
 470-414-1203

The pop shop offers gourmet, handmade, frozen desserts made with the freshest ingredients and are perfect for all events, family outings, birthday parties, or just to cure that mid-day craving!

Garlic Thai Cuisine and Sushi Bar

916 N. Court Sq.

\$770-683-7515

Fresh, authentic Thai dishes as well as a sushi bar. Patio seating is available for al fresco dining or people with pets.



RESTAURANTS & FOOD

customers enjoy one-of-a-kind

baked goods such as gourmet

donuts along with cakes, pies,

Karvelas Pizza Company

East Coast-style pizza served in the

South. Located off the south end

of the square on Lagrange Street,

Karvelas features unique artwork.

best customer service—you're in for

an experience when you dine with

them. Note: They don't use plates!

Craft-driven dining experience

with menus that change daily

based upon the locally sourced

good music, great food, and the

coffee, and tea.

♀7 LaGrange St.

678-633-5620

Knife & Stone

\$770-683-2524

♀30 Perry St.



Golden's on the Square

9 E. Court Sq.
770-251-4300
Classic, buffet-style restaurant with Southern-style meats, vegetables, and desserts.

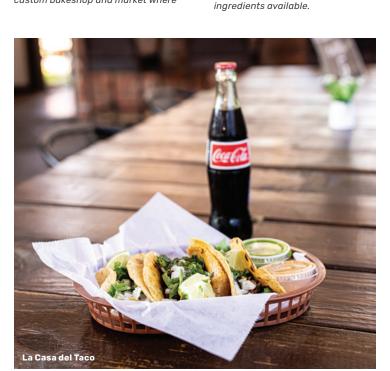
Grayson's Steak & Seafood

 91 Millard Farmer Ind. Blvd.
 770-252-2237
 Their menu is a representation of the original concept of fine dining with quality seafood and memorable steaks. In addition to an extensive wine list, all fresh ingredients are

Heirloom Bakeshop

sourced from local farmers.

9 12 Jefferson St.
678-850-6743
Heirloom Bakeshop is a full-service custom bakeshop and market where



Leaf & Bean Coffee Shop

922 Court Sq.

T70-683-7290 A coffee shop dedicated to providing sustainably sourced, quality products in an environment centered on community. Whether you're a familiar face or someone just passing by, they want you to feel like you never left home when you walk through the doors.

Let Them Eat Toffee

♀18 N. Court Sq. **&** 770-683-0137

Whether you want to try the famous toffee or enjoy one of the many French chocolates, there's something for everyone's sweet tooth. Don't miss out on their famous Fig Newnans.

The Mad Mexican

2 E. Court Sq.
 770-683-9545
 The Mad Mexican serves a flavorful marriage of foods by blending Southern cuisine with a south-of-the-border taste. Fresh flavors and smoky heat characterize dishes like slow-cooked brisket and sweet barbeque pork. Try the made-to-order burritos or grab a fried catfish taco.

Meat 'N Greet

11 Jefferson St.
770-683-4664
Family-owned business serving all the best in craft burgers, signature

salads, hot dogs, corndogs, and wings—with vegan and vegetarian friendly options as well.

The Oink Joint Barbecue

♀ 9 E. Washington St. 770-755-7999

A competition-style barbecue joint-turned-restaurant that offers a unique twist on traditional barbecue. They specialize in hickory-smoked meats, homemade sides, specialty menu items, and barbecue-inspired fusion dishes such as barbecue nachos and tacos.



Sprayberry's gas station on Hwy. 29.

In 1926, Houston was selling enough

barbecue sandwiches from the back

of the station to close the pumps

barbecue sauce and wife Mattie

and become a restaurant. With his

Lou's Brunswick stew, Sprayberry's

Barbecue became Newnan's most

WOW sno has 122 individual flavors

to choose from and you can mix up

means there are more than 1.7 million

to three for no extra charge. That

flavor combinations. Open April

popular eatina spot.

WOW sno

923 E. Broad St.

678-718-7669

through September.

Redneck Gourmet

911 N. Court Sq.
770-251-0092
Family owned and operated since 1991, this Newnan staple serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner.
Located in the historic downtown area, guests can partake in a variety of options from fried pickles to daily specials.

Rock Salt Milk Bar

8 E. Washington St.
770-683-3578
They offer all-natural ice cream using ingredients that are either organic or natural with no additives.
Local ingredients when available, and only all-natural when local is not an option. Everything, including the amazing waffle cones, toppings, and cookies, is made onsite.

RPM Full-Service Patio Pub & Grill

\$ 15 Jackson St.
 \$ 770-683-1414
 RPM is a pet-friendly restaurant, patio pub, bar, and music
 venue serving custom-flavored jumbo wings, amazing Angus
 burgers, Bavarian-style pretzels, mouthwatering monster Reubens, and daily bistro specials.

Sprayberry's Barbecue

9229 Jackson St.
770-253-4421
This institution began as Houston



Heirloom Market Co. 98861 GA 54

770-727-3591 At this full-service custom bakeshop and market, customers enjoy one-ofa-kind baked goods and shop more than 50 vendors for unique treasures.

The Bakeshop offers a variety of gourmet donuts along with cakes,

pies, and other baked goods. Sharpsburg Pizza & Pub

\$6549 Hwy. 54
678-857-3828
Dough is made fresh daily from a dumpling recipe that Grandma perfected many years ago. She never dreamed her recipe would one day become the secret to their winning pizza!

HARALSON La Casa Del Taco 9 173 GA 85

678-329-4313 Enjoy this outdoor Mexican restaurant where tacos come stuffed with slowcooked or stewed beef, goat, chicken, or jackfruit birria at this counterservice spot. Make sure to order a side of consommé for dipping the tacos and an aguas frescas.

GRANTVILLE

Beyond Mountains Coffee 9 11 Church St. 470-215-6394 *Simply. Good. Coffee.*



QUENCH YOUR THIRST IN COWETA

FROM COFFEE TO CRAFT COCKTAILS, HERE'S YOUR INSIDER'S GUIDE TO THE BEST LOCAL LIBATIONS

Whether you pine for a craft cocktail, local beer, or an inspired non-alcoholic tipple, the offerings across Coweta County will satisfy your thirst and sense of adventure. It's also worth noting

that Newnan's open-container policy, which was relaxed during Covid, remains relaxed on the square. And, more is on tap, literally, as Coweta prepares for the opening of its second brewery early next year. From Georgia Peach snoballs and espresso-infused protein drinks to smoked cocktails and fine wine, Coweta delivers on liquid inspiration.



The snoball, one of the south's most luscious refreshers, is always a good bet for the ultimate thirst-quencher. Visit **Beez Freeze** in the heart of downtown Senoia for an authentic Georgia Peach Snoball or opt for a handmade milkshake. They also have a play area with sandbox and several free games, making it a prime spot for young families. You'll also find shaved ice offerings at **Pelican's SnoBalls** in Newnan and **The Frigid Frog** in both Sharpsburg



and Newnan. If caffeine is on your mind, you'll find it in all its glorious forms at Coweta's **Leaf & Bean**. Coffee, tea, and espresso selections are top notch, but be sure to look for seasonally inspired refreshments such as their from-scratch lavender lemonade. **Heirloom Bakeshop** (in both downtown Newnan and Sharpsburg) also delivers on serious caffeine concoctions such as the Heirloom Enforcer–a blend of espresso and protein drink.

The wine, beer, and craft cocktail scene is alive and well across Coweta County as restaurants such as Knife & Stone, Newnan's upscale dining gem, deliver clever twists on the classics-case in point, their popular Smoked Old Fashioned. Wine lovers should visit Grayson's Steak & Seafood, which boasts a compelling wine list with a global menu of options. Shop for a cookout with friends at **Ace Growlers** where, in addition to offering beer by the pint or growler, they butcher their own meats and sell a nice selection of wine, cheese, and seafood, Abide **Brewery** is the county's first microbrewery, and on weekends they offer the full experience with a rotating selection of food trucks and live music. Enjoy local brews such as 7 Day Haze or a Cherry Lime Hibiscus Seltzer at Senoia's newest brewery, Senoia Beer Company. Looking ahead to early next year, Pint & Provisions Brewery will open in Senoia. Inspired by the famous "tank rooms" of Europe, none of the beers will be stored in kegs, and guests can expect a range of selections including IPAs, Mexican lagers, and Belgian-style witbiers.



SHUTTERSTOCK

TOP TIPPLES

A custom roasted

cup o' joe such as honey processed beans aged in whiskey barrels at Beyond Mountains Coffee.

Jim's Margarita at Bistro Hilary: This is Jim's "secret" blend; ask for the spicy version.

Georgia Peach Palmer at Nic & Norman's: A future classic made with vodka infused with fresh peaches, sweet tea, lemonade, and a dash of Peach Schnapps.

A **Mimosa** or **Bloody Mary** at Senoia Farmer's Market: Grab and go with one of these for a refreshing start to any weekend.

Bourbon flight at Meet & Greet: Sample

three one-ounce pours of bourbon from their extensive list.

SHOPPING

Have you ever noticed how window shopping usually turns into actual shopping and just browsing often becomes just bought? Don't blame yourself. It has nothing to do with selfcontrol and everything to do with those darn cute boutiques. Whether you are strolling 'round Downtown Newnan, walking down Senoia's Mainstreet, or catching a trolley to Ashley Park, you're bound to find yourself fitting a few new things into your weekender. Don't worry though; we know our shops influenced you into picking up those one-of-a-kind finds.







SHOPPING

NEWNAN

Ace Beer Growlers

♀ 22-B West Court Sa. **678-552-9466** One-stop shopping for all your needs-beer, wine, CO2 exchange, kegs, or Traegers—they've got you covered. They also butcher their own meat in-house as well as sell fresh seafood and various sides for your next meal.

Blue Moon Boutique

♀ 6 Greenville St. S. **\$**770-683-7730 A lifestyle and clothing boutique offering a variety of fun things for your closet and home.

Bold Soul Originals

9 Greenville St. **\$**470-414-1090 Shop local for all your apparel, accessory, home décor, and gift needs with local and Georgiamade products.

Cleaver & Cork (Your Local Butcher)

9 LaGrange St. **470-414-1291** A family-owned artisan market and local butcher offering the highest quality in its products, including beef, pork, poultry, seafood, and exotic meats.

Corner Arts Gallery, Studio & Gift Shop 930 S. Court Sq. **678-633-5705**

Corner Arts is a local artists' gift shop, offering a variety of unique and handmade products.

Ellie Mack Boutique

♀15 N. Court Sq. **\$**678-857-3999 A charming, feminine boutique offering flirty clothing styles and accessories for various ages as well as home decor.

Fashion Ten and Trends

♀12 N. Court Sq. **\$**470-414-1395 Fashion Ten & Trends is a cute, trendy boutique offering clothing items at an affordable price. It is the home of the \$10 deal.

Fine Lines Art & Framing

9 10 E. Broad St. **\$**770-683-3463 Grab local artwork for your home or get your favorite piece customframed at this local shop.

Finley's Boutique

♀7 Jefferson St. **\$**770-683-1996 Finley's offers a variety of trendy and fashionable clothing for women of all ages.



Full Circle (Tovs, Antiques, Collectibles, Gifts) ♀ 17 Jefferson St. **\$**770-253-7799 This local favorite specializes in vintage toys, collectibles, and gaming.

Gillyweeds

921 W. Court Sq. **\$**770-683-9200 A lifestyle market brimming with a mix of local and international treats. It also blends a spectrum of cultures displayed through its eclectic variety of clothing, accessories, gifts, art, gourmet, stationary, and home decor.

Greenhouse Mercantile

♀ 6-A E. Washington St. **\$**678-857-9025 Lovely curated and unique wares for the home, including candles and essential oils, fill this lifestyle store.

The Hug Box

2C Jackson St. **\$**404-594-4841 The Hug Box specializes in curated gifts by local artisans that are healthy, handmade, all-natural, and eco-friendly. They will even mail them for you.

J B Joyce Boutique

912 Jefferson St. **\$**770-301-3599 J B Joyce sells leading women's contemporary boutique brands of apparel along with accessories to complete an ensemble.

Morgan's Market

83 Oaklawn Circle **\$**770-301-0168 From a vast plant selection and experts on hand to the local Artisans Shop, you will always find a reason to visit Morgan's Market.

Newnan Bazaar

♀ 15 Greenville St. S. **678-250-4058** A unique consignment store filled with gifts, decor, furniture, health and beauty products, and more.

Newnan Book Company

9 2C Jackson St. **\$**706-302-1935 Newnan Book Company offers gifts, toys, and curated book collections for all ages that will



SENOIA

♀ 10 Village West Dr. **678-723-7250** Aldrich Home is a small, familyowned and -operated business and apparel.

Book Love

\$470-781-0028 Their mission is to create a space for book lovers. A place for community and conversation and to discover new worlds, grow, find comfort, excitement, literary friends, and real ones, too.

948 Main St. **\$**770-776-9031 Boots-n-Blina is a women's boutique selling cowboy boots, Italian silk tops, handmade cowhide purses, home decor, accessories, and more.

The Classic Market

915 Main St. **\$**770-727-9140 From Georgia coffee to Georgia wine, beer, and mead, The Classic Market provides all the thinas that makes home in Georgia perfect! Purchase wines from around the world as well as Southern gifts, foods, and more.

Country Junction Soaps

948 Main Street, 1D Love your skin! This family-owned and -operated business creates and sells soaps, lotions, and

specialty products made with milk from locally raised Nubian goats.

FoxxHollow Antiques

♀7 Main St. **\$**770-599-0606 FoxxHollow is a vintage, antique, and yard art store with collectibles for everyone.

The Good Junk Company

972 Main St. **\$**678-464-0365 Vintage finds of every kind: Antiques, shabby chic, industrial, and rustic items for your home. They also carry new farmhouse-inspired home decor.

Pink Chair Boutique

♀15 Barnes St. **\$**770-727-9017 Pink Chair Boutique specializes in women and girl's apparel, accessories, and gifts.

Senoia Bicycle

♀34 Main St. **\$**770-599-0308 The true one-stop store for bikes, repairs, accessories, and more

Table Talk

953 Main St. **\$**770-599-9700

Table Talk is more than home décor. Check out their local art, Georgia food products, and candles.

The Woodbury Shoppe

948 Main St., Ste. LL3 **\$**770-727-9394

Visit the only shop with officially licensed The Walking Dead products and set pieces. Come take a photo from inside the actual prison cells, hop into the dentist chair, or sit on the motorcycle. And you never know what character you might bump into.



Mud Haven Pottery Studio 916 A Main St.

\$770-282-1153 A mud lover's playground located in the heart of downtown Grantville.



The Farm House ♀ 5 South Hunter St. **678-329-4567** The Farm House The Farmhouse offers home décor, textiles, and boutique clothing for women.

♀7 W. Washington St. **\$**770-755-7142 Vintage fashion boutique and a variety of unique items.

TREK Store of Newnan

9 W. Broad St. **\$**770-683-1046 TREK is family-owned and provides one-stop shopping for bikes, repairs, and accessories.

Vinylyte Records &

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28 S. Court Sq. **\$**770-282-0237 Vinylyte buys and sells new and previously played records, Pro-ject Turntables, and other vintage hi-fi equipment and accessories. Additionally, its skate shop stays fully stocked with pre-builds or quick in-and-out rides along with a full-service shop.

\$678-633-5933 This store offers a unique collection of furniture, home decor, lighting, apparel, baby items, and gifts for any occasion.

Newnan Sk8 Supply

foster a desire to read and to

experience the joy reading

Newnan Mercantile

922 Greenville St

can bring.

♀ 4 Greenville St., 2nd floor **\$**770-301-8733 If you are planning on hiking, rafting, or just want to spend time actively and out in nature, vou can find necessities here for nearly all sports and outdoor activities.

Red Letter Merchant

Skateshop

Aldrich Home

specializing in home decor, lighting, accessories, local artisanal goods,

♀53 Main St., Ste. C

Boots-N-Bling

TO MARKET, TO MARKET

VISIT ONE OF COWETA COUNTY'S MARKETS FOR FRESH PRODUCTS AND A UNIQUE EXPERIENCE

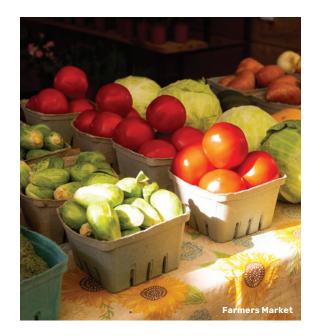
Coweta County is nestled in an agriculturally rich region of Georgia and hence home to several noteworthy farmers markets, each one with its own distinctive charms and experiences. Spend a Saturday exploring everything from local farmers markets to organic and you-pick farms and bring home a true taste of Georgia.



Kick off your weekend at Senoia's Farmer's Market (Saturdays, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m.), largely considered to be the social event of the week. Here, you can order a to-go Bloody Mary or mimosa at one of the markets' two different bars, and then wander the offerings. Vendors change from week to week, but expect a good selection of produce, live music, and tasty bites from local restaurants-keep an eye out for the breakfast burrito, a local favorite. Newnan's town square hosts The Market Day (first Saturday of the month from April through December, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.), where you'll find more than 50 booths featuring everything from locally grown produce and honey to pottery and handcrafted furniture. Musicians are invited to bring their instruments and join in for "Pickin' on the Square," a relaxed jam session for players of all skill levels.

Just down the road from Newnan's square is the **Coweta County Farmer's Market** (June to October, Wednesday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.), which features a weekly offering of whatever is in season as well as eggs, a selection of baked goods, and arts and crafts.

180-Degree Farm provides much more than fresh, organically raised produce and meatsit's also a destination for those battling cancer. After struggling through their son's cancer battle (he is now in remission), the Tyson family started 180-Degree Farm to provide anyone fighting cancer with access to fresh, organically raised products. Open every Saturday year-round from 9:30 a.m. until 1 p.m., the farm also sells locally butchered meats, yogurt, and eggs. Visitors can stock up on fresh, healthy, nutrientdense food, explore one of their flower gardens, or wander the nature trail. They also offer regular volunteer opportunities, and you can order products online.



Pay a visit to Curly the Bull, who shares his pasture with several beehives, at **Whitley Farms**. This family-owned, you-pick operation has strawberries and blueberries along with a selection of homemade jams and honey (harvested right from Curly's pasture). Take a class at **Country Garden Farms**, where they sell everything from produce to pasture-raised beef, chicken, and pork. Owners Mike and Judy Cunningham offer classes and hands-on workshops on how to grow, preserve, and cook fresh produce. Their cattle, pigs, and chickens are pasture-raised and never given antibiotics or hormones, and all produce is Certified Naturally Grown.



SPOTLIGHT

MUST-DO DAY TRIP

A CURATED ITINERARY OF THE COUNTY'S TOP SPOTS

MORNING

Newnan

Start your morning at **Leaf & Bean**, a cozy coffee shop on the square offering tasty breakfast options made with local ingredients. (Pro tip: Wash down your meal with one of their rotating lemonade flavors; the lavender is a big hit.) Next, head to the **Historic Coweta County Courthouse**, a gorgeous

1904 Classic Revival building anchoring the town square. If court is in session, the court rooms and jury rooms are off limits, but the building houses historic imagery and salvaged pieces from the 2010 restoration worth checking out. Spend the rest of the morning wandering around the picturesque downtown and popping into shops and boutiques lining the square, including **Red Letter Merchant**, a unique vintage clothing store; **Gillyweeds** gift shop; and **Newnan Mercantile**, a home goods hotspot.



LUNCH

Newnan Refuel at **The**

Oink Joint, a beloved barbecue spot. Opt for a Southern classic, such as a pulled pork sandwich or brisket plate, or try some fusion favorites, including BBQ nachos and the Kogi or fried chicken tacos.

Drive south to the Moreland Hometown Heritage Museum, a tribute to Lewis Grizzard, the famous Southern writer and humorist. The museum features photos and memorabilia from his childhood in Moreland and clippings from his time as an *AJC* columnist.

Detour: Moreland

AFTERNOON

Sharpsburg, Turin, Senoia Head to family-owned Whitley Farms

(open Thursday through Saturday) for an abundance of seasonal produce. Pick your own strawberries and blueberries during the summer, and stock up on homemade jams, local honey, and baked goods at the market. Next, wind your way through historic Sharpsburg, a quaint town with 150 years of history. Be sure to drive past the old Bridges & Cole building; the current mayor, Blue Cole, is from one of the original families in the area. On your way to Senoia, stop in Turin to see one of Coweta's guirky roadside attractions: Barbie Beach. Since 2006, the six-by-four stretch of sand has featured Barbies and Kens posed in themed displays of current events, such as the Final Four playoffs, the Olympics, and the royal wedding. Once you're in Senoia, take time to explore along **Main Street**, home to plenty of local restaurants and boutiques. A trip here isn't complete without going on a film and TV tour. Fans of *The Walking* Dead will love exploring different filming sites from the most-watched TV series in basic cable history. Other famous films and TV shows shot here include Sweet Home Alabama, Fried Green Tomatoes, and Lovecraft Country.



DINNER

Senoia

Grab a table at **Nic & Norman's**, a laidback restaurant owned by *The Walking Dead* actor Norman Reedus and executive producer, director, and special make-up effects supervisor Greg Nicotero. Mouth-watering starters, gourmet burgers, and hearty entrees make up the dinner menu, while brunch features an assortment of "hangover helpers."



MORE TO EXPLORE

Planning on a longer stay? Customize your trip with additional Coweta attractions. Bike Brown's Mill Battlefield Historic Site.

Six miles of mountain-bike trails wind through peaceful woods surrounding the site of an 1864 Civil War battle.

Explore Grantville Historic District This small town features a restored train depot, numerous filming locations, and one of the most haunted places in Georgia.

Step back in time at Oak Hill Cemetery

Established in 1833, this historic spot with more than 12,000 gravesites is the final resting place of many Confederate soldiers who died during the Civil War.

Visit Senoia Raceway

Watch cars zoom by on the dirt track at this iconic raceway, open since 1969.

Play pickleball at The HOP

Fifteen pickleball courts make up this Newnan attraction, fittingly named The HOP—aka the house of pickleball.

Toss frisbees at the Hunter Complex disc golf course

Get outside and experience the brandnew professional disc golf course.

WEDDINGS

Big day or bust! We love a good "I Do." From the meet-cute stories to saving the last dance, we're all in on romance. Loving love as much as us? Then button up that tux, pull on that white dress, and get to tying knots in one of our venues with a view. Imagine walking down a garden aisle or throwing a bouquet in a barn. How about kissing in history or jumping a broom on a stage? However you wish to have and to hold, we're here to help from this day forward.







WEDDING VENUES



The Barn at Oak Manor

9 360 Palmetto-Tyrone Rd.
 770-712-9892
 A romantic venue located in the countryside. The tranquil, rustic setting welcomes ceremonies, receptions, and elopements as well as prenuptial gatherings such as engagement parties, showers, and rehearsal dinners.

Historic Coweta County Courthouse

200 Court Sq.
770-254-2685
This 1904 Neoclassical Revival courthouse is the perfect place for that unique couple looking for a vintage ceremony locale. Featuring stamped copper and a dome that rises more than 100 feet above the square.

Historic Train Depot

60 E. Broad St.
678-877-6571
Constructed in the 1880s, the depot is now an events venue located in downtown Newnan. This venue is the perfect setting for a couple who wishes to surround their day with an ambiance of rustic elegance in a unique and historical setting.

Macedonia Hills Weddings and Events

 9 1390 Macedonia Rd.
 678-590-8737
 A full-service wedding venue situated on a historic ranch with stunning views and lush landscapes that will give your wedding a sense of natural beauty. Enjoy the rustic barn, adorned with dark woods and metal accents, or choose from two outdoor venues.

McRitchie-Hollis Museum

 74 Jackson St.
 770-251-0207
 Built in 1937, the museum lends elegance to any affair. It features a stunning, two-story foyer with a sweeping, curved staircase and handpainted mural. The house, combined with a charming side garden and gazebo, makes it an ideal venue for any type of event.

Newnan Centre

♀ 1515 Lower Fayetteville Rd.
 ५ 678-673-5486

A multipurpose venue designed to host various types of events such as wedding receptions, meetings, banquets, or fundraisers from 10 to 650 people. A full-service professional staff will assist you with every detail to ensure your special day is exactly the wedding you've dreamed of.

Riesen Ranch

9 956 AI Roberts Rd.
 678-876-1985
 A family-owned and -operated agritourism venue and facility offering 200 acres and 10,000 square feet of elegant, wide-open event space for a wedding, corporate event, banquet, or family reunion.





Roanoke Farm Weddings and Events

♀ 1441 Welcome Rd.
♦ 678-877-5053

Located on 30 private acres, this picturesque farm offers breathtaking backdrops for the most romantic event of your life. Once a working horse farm, it is now the most distinctive wedding and reception venue south of Atlanta.

Something Special at Lillian Gardens

 P 83 Greenville St.
 770-251-1206
 A full-service venue dedicated to providing professional planning services for weddings and special occasions, ensuring unique and personalized experiences in a fully restored, Southern antebellum mansion and garden.

The Venue at Murphy Lane 9 525 Murphy Rd.

\$770-262-8241

This 88-acre farm is nestled in the countryside and features rolling hills, a beautiful Southern home, picturesque white wooden gazebo, cozy log cabin with a covered wraparound porch, and a gorgeous, elegant barn. It provides several flexible indoor and outdoor event spaces in a natural setting.

Vinewood Stables

guests need.

 9 1324 Roscoe Rd.
 678-633-5509
 The crowning gem of this property is the original 1852 historic farmhouse, making it the perfect Southern wedding venue. The Main House still has all its original historic charm, while offering the contemporary amenities

Wadsworth Auditorium ♀25 Jefferson St. ↓ 770-253-2682

T70-253-2682 This restored, historic 624-seat auditorium was built in 1938 as part of the municipal building complex. For more than 80 years, this Art Deco-style building has served many purposes and has become a special place for memories for audiences.



HITTING A HIGH NOTE

DIVERSE MUSIC OPTIONS ABOUND IN A VARIETY OF COWETA VENUES

When it comes to music, Coweta has it covered. From jazz and acoustic to rhythm and blues, there's something playing almost every week in a variety of locations around the county, including parks, auditoriums, brewpubs, and restaurants.



Greenville Street Park, located within walking distance of Newnan's historic downtown district, is one of the area's most popular music venues. The two-acre urban oasis features a terraced lawn area, a covered pavilion, and a stage that serves as a small amphitheater. It's home to Jazz in the Park, a regular summer series sponsored by the Newnan Cultural Arts Commission, as well as Summer NewnaNights, a series of family-friendly music and entertainment events sponsored by Main Street Newnan.

For an indoor experience, head to the historic **Wadsworth Auditorium**, also located in downtown Newnan. Its lineup of concerts sponsored by the Newnan Cultural Arts Commission range from classical to Big Band. Occasionally, musicals are performed here as well.

The **Donald W. Nixon Centre for Performing and Visual Arts**, a modern 48,000-square-foot facility anchored by a 1,000-seat theater, hosts several concerts and musical productions each year. The local Masterworks Chorale regularly performs here; and the Centre Strings Orchestra, a volunteer student-community orchestra based at the Nixon Centre, holds concerts at the venue each May and December.

Although stage plays are the primary focus at the **Newnan Theatre Company**, musicals are sometimes performed here. Past productions include *Bye Bye Birdie, Godspell, The Sound of Music*, and *9 to 5 the Musical*.

For a more laid-back experience, **The Alamo** features bands and acoustic musicians every weekend and is a favorite scene of Newnan residents and visitors alike. Often referred to simply as 'The Mo,' the downtown movie theater turned music venue has hosted hundreds of local and regional performers as well as such widely recognized musicians as Chubby Checker, Kool & The Gang, and Sugarland. Also on the menu are burgers, pizza, and wings, as well as curated drink specials and craft beers.



Another casual Newnan venue is the **Abide Brewing Company**. It features a rotating lineup of musicians, along with food trucks and specialty brews in a family-friendly atmosphere. The brewery's annual Rockin' Newnan Bash highlights a variety of local artists, all playing original music.

At **The Bays**, the casual dining and entertainment extension of popular downtown Newnan restaurant The Cellar, Wednesdays are devoted to jazz and Thursdays to acoustic. Bands play every weekend. Guests also can enjoy a chef-driven menu, a large bar, and two patios.

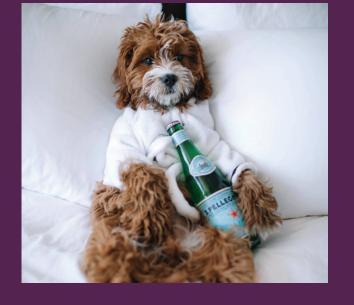
A few miles away, **Senoia Alive After Five** features a downtown summer concert series along with vendors, food trucks, and kids' activities. Also popular is **PorchFest Senoia**, a neighborhood celebration where porches and yards become the stages for local and regional bands. The Senoia Downtown Development Authority sponsors both events.

The **Coweta County Fairgrounds & Conference Center** showcases a variety of talented musicians, particularly during fair week, when acts range from classic rock and reggae to Southern gospel and blues. In 2021, country star Alan Jackson, a Newnan native, performed a sold-out concert to raise money for tornado relief.



ACCOMODATIONS

Leave the sheep at home, you won't have to count anything to enjoy a good night's rest in Newnan-Coweta. With a myriad of national hotel brands to choose from, you can get comfy earning more loyalty points while you feed your curiosity. More into local faves than big chains? We've got you covered in fluffy duvets at main street bungalows or bundled in quilted throws at quaint cottages along the way. Wherever you decide to book, rest assured you'll find the pillows cooler than a cold one and the stay a sleeper's paradise.





ACCOMMODATIONS



BED & Breakfasts

Casa Bella Bed & Breakfast 9 51 Temple Ave. \$ 678-673-7779

The Veranda Inn Bed & Breakfast \$ 252 Seavy St. \$ 770-599-3905



Candlewood Suites Newnan-Atl SW 9 700 Newnan Crossing Bypass 678-423-5112 Pet-friendly

Home2Suites by Hilton Atl/Newnan 9 4051 McIntosh Pkwy. 5 770-400-8830 Pet-friendly

MainStay Suites Newnan Atl South 9 3 Amlajack Blvd. Building B 678-673-6305 Pet-friendly

Premier Suites Atlanta/ Extended Stay America 9 30 Cade Ct. 470-400-0900 Pet-friendly

TownePlace Suites

Newnan 9 34001 McIntosh Pkwy. 5 770-400-8810 Pet-friendly

WoodSpring Suites

Atl-Newnan 9 69 Diplomat Pkwy. 678-400-6958 Pet-friendly

HOTELS

America's Best Value Inn Newnan 9 1344 Hwy. 29 S. 770-253-8550 Pet-friendly







Best Western-Shenandoah 9 620 GA-34 E. 5 770-304-9700 Pet-friendly

Comfort Suites 9 45 Bledson Road **6** 678-633-6333

Country Inn & Suites 9 1125 Newnan Crossing Blvd. E. 5 770-304-8500 Days Inn by Wyndham Newnan 9 1310 Hwy. 29 S. 5 770-683-5089 Pet-friendly

Hampton by Hilton Inn Atl/ Newnan 9 50 Hampton Way 5 770-253-9922

Holiday Inn Express Atl SW Newnan 9 4 Herring Road 5 770-251-7711 Pet-friendly

HomeLodge Newnan 9 1344 U.S. 29, Ste. B 678-854-0501 *Pet-friendly*

La Quinta Inn & Suites-Atl South/Newnan 600 GA 34 E. 770-502-8430 Pet-friendly

Motel 6 Newnan 9 6 Herring Road 5 770-251-2828 Pet-friendly

Quality Inn 9 40 Lakeside Way 678-621-2494 Pet-friendly

Red Roof Inn Newnan 9 590 Bullsboro Dr. 5 770-502-8688 Pet-friendly

Red Carpet Inn & Suites 9 1455 Hwy. 29 S. **5** 770-683-0089

SpringHill Suites 9 1119 Bullsboro Dr. **5** 770-254-8900

Stay Lodge 9 90 Millard Farmer Industrial Blvd. 5770-254-0295

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HAPPY TRAILS

COWETA'S LINC OFFERS A TRIFECTA OF RECREATION, TRANSPORTATION, AND QUALITY OF LIFE

In 2017, the city of Newnan and the Coweta County Commission approved a master plan to develop a 26-mile network of paved paths that serves to "repurpose some of the public rights-of-way and greenspace to create safe and enjoyable spaces for walking, biking, and socializing in Newnan/Coweta."

The goal was to connect the east and west sides of Newnan, with all trails leading to the downtown district, as well as positively impact property values, community health, and economic development in the area. The multi-use path has become a family favorite for riding through Newnan. Like the Atlanta Beltline or the Silver Comet Trail, the LINC will eventually connect larger neighborhoods with area attractions, such as the Newnan Center and Ashley Park. "The first section of LINC goes from our neighborhood to my son's elementary school," Brent Snodgrass, operations manager for Coweta County Parks and Recreation, says. "So we made a new tradition—we biked the first day of school together. He rides his own bike, and he's 5 years old."

A visitor's experience along the path is further enhanced through public art installations. Two murals were designed by muralist John Christian in collaboration with Newnan High School art students in 2019, and the first public art sculpture, created by Chris Rothermel, was gifted to the LINC in 2022. A second sculpture, designed by University of West Georgia student Kelli Cadena, was installed along the trail in late 2022 as part of a larger public art project. It was designed using historic patterns from the R.D. Cole Manufacturing Company and aluminum from Bonnell Aluminum, two cornerstone industries of Newnan from both its past and present.

So far, nearly five miles of the total 26-mile path have been opened. A third phase, dubbed the "missing LINC," is set to be completed soon.

