

WELCOME TO AUBURN-OPELIKA

Experience the coolest college town in the South. Progressive and forward-thinking but still rooted in tradition, the Auburn-Opelika area offers extraordinary opportunities in dining, culture, outdoor recreation, and much more. Easy to get to and easy to love, this is the Alabama you need to know.

WHAT'S ON YOUR AGENDA?

THE SOUTHEASTERN RAPTOR CENTER

JULY 10 & 11 AT 10 A.M.

The SRC gives presentations to more than 30,000 people each year and is known for rehabilitating hundreds of injured, ill or orphaned raptors annually.

JORDAN-HARE STADIUM LOCKER ROOM TOUR

JULY 10 AT 3 P.M.

Experience the newly renovated Harbert Family Recruiting Center with a VIP tour. Learn more about the Auburn Football Team's pre-game traditions in their new space.

"WAR EAGLE" It is one of the most iconic moments in all of college football: Jordan-Hare's capacity crowd of almost 90,000 rumbling in unison as a rare eagle is released to free-fly in circles around the stadium, eventually landing mid-field on its leathery pseudo-prey. We defy any living, breathing human, regardless of the colors you wear, to not get goose bumps from this phenomenon. Nova (War Eagle VII) is a resident of the Southeastern Raptor Rehabilitation Center, where he has been raised and trained, along with his bald eagle friend Spirit, to open home football games in this inspirational fashion. War Eagle y'all.

POINTS OF INTEREST

CHEWACLA STATE PARK

Chewacla State Park offers 696 acres of scenic glory! The park features a 26-acre lake, a swimming area, playground, modern campground, picnic areas with tables, grills and shelters, cabins, and plenty of mountain biking and hiking trails.

LOCAL CRAFT SPIRITS

Opelika is the proud home of two craft spirit makers: **John Emerald Distilling Company** makes fine liquors including whiskey, gin, vodka, and rum, and **Red Clay Brewing Company** offers a variety of seasonal beers, including ales, IPAs, and ciders. Located in the hip arts district in historic downtown Opelika, the venues often offer or are surrounded by live music and a year-round calendar of special events.

CYBERZONE LAZOR TAG & ARCADE

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GOODTIMES BOWLING & MORE

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KREHER PRESERVE & NATURE CENTER

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OPELIKA SPORTSPLEX & POOL

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DONALD E. DAVIS ARBORETUM

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WHAT'S NEARBY?

CIVIL RIGHTS MEMORIAL CENTER 400 WASHINGTON AVE | MONTGOMERY, AL civilrightsmemorialcenter.org

The Civil Rights Memorial Center honors the triumphs and tragedies that took place during the modern American Civil Rights Movement. State-of-the-art exhibits and an original short film encourage reflection on the power of activism. Before leaving, visitors are invited to join thousands of other people who have taken the pledge to work for justice by adding their name to the Wall of Tolerance. Located just steps away from the Alabama State Capitol, the Rosa Parks Museum, The Legacy Museum, and more.

NATIONAL INFANTRY MUSEUM & SOLDIER CENTER 1775 LEGACY WAY | COLUMBUS, GA nationalinfantrymuseum.org

The National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center honors the courage and sacrifice of the United States Army Infantryman.

With thousands of artifacts, monuments, interactive exhibits and video presentations on display, the National Infantry Museum is one of the nation's leading military history destinations. Visitors of all ages can experience firsthand the American Infantryman's journey to defeat tyranny around the globe.

TUSKEGEE AIRMEN NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE 1616 CHAPPIE JAMES AVE | TUSKEGEE, AL nps.gov/tuai

Before the first African American military pilots became known as the "Red Tails" they wore striped tails as they began their flight training in the Army's PT-17 Stearman bi-plane. Their flying adventure started at Moton Field, in Tuskegee, Alabama, where the Army Air Corps began a military "experiment" to see if Negroes could be trained to fly combat aircraft.

CECIL B. DAY BUTTERFLY CENTER AT CALLAWAY GARDENS 17800 US HWY 27 | PINE MOUNTAIN, GA callawaygardens.com

Flights of fancy await you in the Cecil B. Day Butterfly Center, where typically 1,000 or more butterflies flutter freely about in one of North America's largest tropical butterfly conservatories. The Day Butterfly Center is a living, dynamic, glass-enclosed environment in which a variety of tropical plants nourish the residents and new arrivals emerge from their chrysalides, dry their wings, and begin their very first wing-beats.

WHITewater RAFTING ON THE CHATTAHOOCHEE COLUMBUS, GA 706-321-4720

The longest urban whitewater rafting in the world! The course has been described to be "Wild as Colorado and Warm as Costa Rica." USA Today picked the Chattahoochee Whitewater Park as one of the Top 12 man-made Adventures in the World! The course consists of class II-V whitewater and is one of the most exciting sections of whitewater in the US! Enjoy two types of trips, Classic and Challenge, on the same 2.5 mile stretch of river.

OFF THE BEATEN PATH KAYAK, CANOE & TUBE OUTFITTERS 41 DOGWOOD DRIVE | DADEVILLE, AL 334.703.2536

Off The Beaten Path Alabama is a kayak, canoe and tube rental business that also offers shuttle services to waterways in east central Alabama. It began in spring of 2016 by retired Lee County Extension Agent Chuck Browne. Chuck has floated the creeks, rivers and waterways of Alabama, Tennessee, Georgia and North Carolina for the last 40 years. His 3 sons Trevor, Vincent and Charles are all experienced paddlers and can serve as trip guides at the customers request.