Founded in 1848, Summerville is the county seat of Chattooga County. It is located in the northwest corner of the state approximately 80 miles northwest of Atlanta. It is a city very proud of its small town atmosphere, excellent location for outdoor activities, no property taxes, abundant water resources and utilities. It is a safe and healthy community known for its local festivals, park activities, and annual holiday events.

James H. (Sloppy) Floyd State Park is conveniently located just outside of the Summerville city limits. Surrounded by rural countryside and the Chattahoochee National Forest, this quiet park offers outstanding fishing on two stocked lakes. Visitors can hike along three miles of lake loop trails and relax in swings while watching for the many bluebirds that live in the park. The trailhead to the scenic 60-mile Pinhoti Trail is only a 1.6-mile hike away. Children enjoy the playground, feeding ducks from the lake’s boardwalk and pedal boats. A small campground and cottages are nestled on tree-covered hillsides.

Located 22 miles north of Rome and 60 miles south of Chattanooga on Hwy. 27, Nestled in the Northwest Georgia Mountains you will find Summerville, Georgia - A Small Town With Lots To Offer
Howard Finster’s Paradise Garden

Located at 200 North Lewis Street in Summerville, you will find Paradise Garden, home of World Renowned Folk Artist Howard Finster. Finster’s studio, known as “Paradise Garden,” is still standing on the land he bought in 1961. The bicycle repair shop that provided his main income for years lives on, as do many of the buildings Finster built as parts of his “sacred art” project: the Mirror House, Bottle House, Mosaic Garden, Rolling Chair Gallery, Hubcap Tower and the five-story World’s Folk Art Chapel.

The site is worth the out-of-the-way trip not only for art lovers, but for music fans as well. Several famous album covers were painted and shot in the garden.

Step back in time as the downtown windows depict the Victorian Era with life-size scenes. Window displays can be enjoyed beginning Thanksgiving through January 6. The Walking Tour happens on the first Sunday in December and features live narrators, carolers, music, games, and more. You will want to make sure to bring your camera for lots of photo opportunities.

Railroad Days

Fall in love with Summerville Railroad Days. Every weekend in October-mid-November. Enjoy the October weather of Northwest Georgia and take in some spectacular events as we celebrate the arrival of fall. Bring the family out for some great fun. Greet the Tennessee Valley Railroad Passenger Trains as they arrive at the Historic Summerville Depot. Train enthusiasts don’t want to miss out on these events. From our Sum Nelly Arts & Crafts Festival to our Community Fall Festival, there is lots of good food & fun for all. While visiting our Historic District enjoy the fall décor, the hand-crafted Scarecrow displays, and try out one of our local flavor restaurants. Nothing can compare to a small town charm.