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## Welcome to Dalton

Welcome to the Beautiful city of Dalton, Georgia, the Carpet capital of the World. Dalton is conveniently located on I-75 between Atlanta and Chattanooga. We are very proud of our rich history and progress.

Long before European settlement, Dalton was home to the Cherokee natives, who named this beautiful territory the "Enchanted Land."

However, in 1838, the United States government forced the removal of the Cherokee from these lands in a travesty known today as the "Trail of Tears." Nearby, Red Clay State Park, New Echota, and the Chief Vann House stand as reminders of the legacy left by the Cherokee. By the mid 1840's work was underway for an exciting new frontier: Western and Atlantic rail linked the Tennessee River with the cities near the Chattahoochee. The pivotal railroad was finished in 1850, allowing for a second rail to connect East Tennessee to Georgia. The town that emerged from the two rails was Dalton. whose borders were defined as a mile radius from the Western & Atlantic Depot, known today as the Dalton Depot.

Due to its proximity to the rail line, Dalton became a production

center and hospital town during the Civil War, which would lead to Dalton's part in several historic events. On April 12,1862, the Great Locomotive Chase placed Dalton in the national eye.

On September 19,1863, a massive conflict was fought nearby at the Battle of Chickamauaa, which would develop into the Siege of Chattanooga. Finally, in May 1864, Dalton became the starting point for General Sherman's notorious Atlanta Campaign. The war ended in 1865, but many of its stories can still be found in Dalton. In the early 1900's, a young farm girl sparked a local industrial revolution. Through the use of the colonial art of tufting, Catherine Evans Whitener made a simple bedspread that sold for \$2.50. From this act, a new market was born along U.S. Hwy 41, known by locals as Peacock Alley. This market evolved into the modern carpet industry that still goes hand-in-hand with Dalton, giving the city its title as "Carpet Capital of the World."

Today, Dalton is world famous as the Carpet Capital of the World, but we are so much more than that. From the Foothills of the Appalachian Mountains to the Gateway of Civil War Georgia; Dalton abounds with ADVENTURE. Explore our brochure and find yours today!

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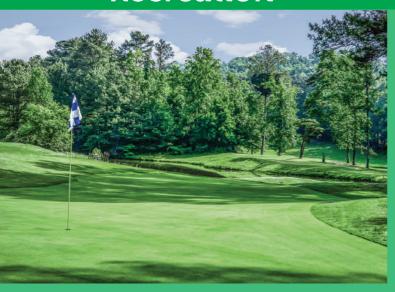
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## Recreation



#### Conasauga River

93-mile Conasauga River runs through Southeast Tennessee. The river falls off the inclines of the Northwest Georgia mountains before making its way through the peaceful Cohutta Forests.

Recommended access points: Dalton, GA- Dalton Utilities by Norton Bridge Beaverdale, GA- Behind the Superette Gas Station on Praters Mill Road. (706) 695-3950



# Dalton Falls Fun Center

An 18-hole mini golf course, bumper cars, bubble ball, and an outdoor laser tag arena for the whole family. Dalton Falls also offers hand-dipped ice cream, arcade, and a hall of fame wall.

2817 Airport Road (706) 272-3574 DaltonFallsFunCenter.com

# Dalton Parks & Recreation

Playgrounds, baseball fields, tennis courts, trails, or picnic shelters. Whatever your family is feeling up to, all this and more can be found throughout Dalton.

904 Civic Drive Dalton, GA 30720 (706) 278-5404



#### Disc Golf

Heritage Point Park features one of the few Disc Golf courses in Georgia. Great for families, sporting events, or company training, disc golf follows many of the basic rules of standard golf.

1275 Cross Plains Trail, Dalton, GA 30721 (706) 370-5772

#### **Escape Dalton**

Escape Dalton is more than an escape room. It is an experience that crosses the time and space continuum, an adventure that stimulates your senses. Escape Dalton will take you to King Solomon's Temple in search of the Ark of the Covenant, will test your wits as you try to escape the clutches of a mad scientist. Will you escape? CAN you escape? You only have an hour.

244 North Hamilton Dalton, GA 30720 (706) 459-3118 EscapeDalton.com



#### Nob North Golf Course

As a Gary Player designed golf course, this 40-year-old venue features all the amenities of a private club without any steep membership fees. 6,573 yards, par 72, and open seven days a week during daylight hours.

298 Nob North Drive Cohutta, GA 30710 (706) 694-8505 NobNorth.com



## Live Music/Entertainment



# The Butcher's Market and Blues Street Cafe

Blues Street Cafe offers live music almost every Saturday. 3619-A Cleveland Highway Dalton, Georgia 30720 706-279-9277 TheButchersMarket.com

#### **Crescent City Tavern**

Crescent City Tavern has live music regularly on Thursday's through Saturday's. 324 S. Depot Street (706) 529-0467

# Hamilton's Food & Spirits Pizzeria

Hamilton's hosts live music on most Friday's and Saturday's. 243 N. Hamilton Street #5 (706) 270-0467

# Cherokee Brewing & Pizza Company

Craft Beer, Pizza, Live Music. Keep up with Cherokee's events by finding them on Facebook. 207-W. Cuyler Street (706) 529-9478

# Conductors Bar and Grill

Conductor's is the new late night live music venue in Dalton.

319 N. Hamilton Street 706-529-7043

#### **Planet of the Grapes**

126 West King Street (706) 913-0131

#### The Dalton Distillery

Live music, comedy shows, and more. 109 E. Morris Street (706) 483-2790

# Summer Music Series

Enjoy 14 weeks of free live music every Friday night in Dalton. For more information visit-DaltonEvents.com

## Leisure



#### Georgia Athletic Coaches Association Hall of Fame

Bronze Plaques commemorate Georgia high school coaches who made a significant impact on their students.

Open Monday-Friday 8a.m.-5p.m.

Located in the lower level of the Dalton Convention Center. 2211 Dug Gap Battle Road (706) 272-7676



# Creative Arts Guild and Sculpture Garden

Dalton has a growing arts community, primarily based out of the Creative Arts Guild. The guild hosts a variety of events and concerts for locals and visitors. The CAG also oversees a local sculpture garden that is open to the public. 520 W. Waugh Street (706) 278-0168
CreativeArtsGuild.com

#### Dave & Pauli's Art Emporium

Located at the heart of historic downtown Dalton, Georgia, Dave and Pauli's Art Emporium is a working artist's studio and art gallery specializing in creative works by local and regional artists. The main gallery hosts special events and showings throughout the year.

218 N. Hamilton Street (706) 313-9518



#### **Dalton Freight Depot**

Originally built as the Southern Railway Freight Depot in 1911, this depot was restored by the city in 2009 and today houses the Dalton Visitor's Center and Gift Shop. The Freight Depot is a train fan's delight with a covered viewing platform, and a live audio feed from train radios. Watch the dual tracks of the CSX and Norfolk Southern Railroads pass the "Dalton Diamond," a 45 degree crossing directly in front of the viewing platform. Adjacent to the Dalton Freight Depot is the 1949 Southern The Dalton Freight Depot is now home of the Bandy Heritage Center Museum.

305 S. Depot Street Dalton, GA 30720 Open Monday-Saturday, 9am-5pm. For more information call: (706) 270-9960

## Civil War



#### Potato Hill

See the undisturbed earthworks atop this anchor point that formed a part of the Confederate defensive line across Crow Valley. Comprised of artillery platforms and infantry entrenchments, this site under the overall command of Maj. Gen. Carter Stevenson withstood spirited assaults from Brig. Gen. Jacob Cox's Union division on May 9, 1864. 2261 Reed Road

#### **Dug Gap Battle Park**

These breastworks were built by soldiers during the Atlanta Campaign on Rocky Face Ridge. The site is open during daylight hours. I-75, exit 333, 1.5 miles west on Dug Gap Mountain Road.

# Confederate Cemetery and Memorial Wall

West Hill Cemetery is the final resting place for 421 Confederates and 6 Unionists who died fighting in Tennessee and Georgia. The memorial nearby lists the names of Confederates buried here. I-75, Exit 333, east on Walnut Avenue for 2 miles, then left on Thornton Avenue, and left on Cuyler Street. The cemetery entrance is across from West Hill Chapel. (800) 331-3258

# The General Johnston Statue

Dalton is home to the first outdoor statue of General Joseph E. Johnston, who led the army of Tennessee in Atlanta Campaign. The figure was cast by Tiffany Studio of New York City in standard United States bronze Located in downtown Dalton at the east end of Crawford Street.

#### Civil War Heritage Trails

Georgia Čivil War Heritage Trails interpret the heritage of Civil War, leading visitors on a trip back in time. (800) 331-3258 GCWHT.org

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#### Clisby Austin House

Constructed in 1848 by Reverend Clisby Austin, "Meadowlawn" is a prime example of an antebellum style home. A wooden plank walkway extended from the house to the nearby Western and Atlantic Railroad Depot.When Civil War hostilities approached this area in 1863, the town of Tunnel Hill became an integral part of the Confederate Army Hospital system. The dwelling's

next role was that of headquarters for General William T. Sherman, who stayed in the house for a week in May 1864 during the opening actions of his famous Atlanta Campaign. Tours: Mon-Sat 9a.m.-5p.m. 215 Clisby Austin Road (706) 876-1571 CivilWarRailroadTunnel.com

#### Fort Fisk at Mill Creek Gap

Situated adjacent to the Mill Creek Gap pocket park is an earthen artillery platform which the Confederates called Fort Fisk. Take a short hike and see this perfectly preserved earthwork, which was occupied by Oliver's Eufaula Alabama Battery during the period from May 6-12, 1864. This position helped defend against assaults from Union Brig. Gen. Jefferson C. Davis's division, Army of the Cumberland. U.S. Highway 41, Rocky Face,

U.S. Highway 41, Rocky Face, GA. Next to the Georgia State Patrol Barracks

#### Mt. Rachel

Put on your hiking shoes and ascend Mt.Rachel to an undisturbed Confederate artillery platform that guarded the East Tennessee & Georgia Railroad running South from Knoxville. Constructed during the Army of Tennessee's late 1863-early

1864 winter encampment, this structure is thought to have been manned by an artillery battery belonging to Lt. Col. Samuel Williams' battalion. W. Park Street Dalton, GA 30720

#### Historic Western and Atlantic Railroad Tunnel, Museum, General Store & Clisby Austin House

Just 5 miles North of Downtown Dalton stands a true marvel of engineering. Built completely by hand in just 22 months, the Historic Western & Atlantic Railroad Tunnel was completed in 1850. It was later abandoned in 1928 when a larger parallel tunnel was opened nearby. The museum contains interesting artifacts from the tunnel, along with railroad memorabilia including an original section of 19th century strap rail and a fine display of the "Sherman Necktie" method of destroying the rails during the Civil War. So whether you are an average museum goer or a history buff, this tunnel is a unique chance to step back into American History. 215 Clisby Austin Road, Tunnel Hill, GA 30755 (706) 876-1571



## Lodging

- **1 Baymont Inn & Suites** 706.226.5022
- **2** Comfort Inn & Suites 706.259.2583
- **3 Country Inn & Suites** 706.278.9700
- **4 Courtyard by Marriott** 706.275.7215
- **5 Cuyler Street Bungalows** 706.218.8065
- **6 Days Inn** 706.278.0850
- **7 Econolodge** 706.226.9579
- **8 Guest Inn** 706.226.4545
- **9 Hampton Inn** 706.226.4333

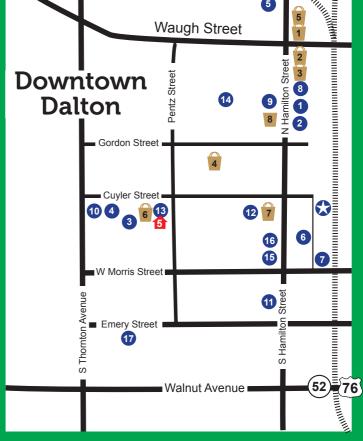
- **10 Hilton Garden Inn** 706.529.6000
- **11** Holiday Inn Express 706.217.6200
- **12 Howard Johnson** 706.281.1880
- **13 LaQuinta Inn & Suites** 706.272.9099
- **14 Motel 6** 706.278.5522
- **15 Quality Inn** 706.278.0500
- **16 Red Roof Inn** 706.226.1100
- **17 Super 8** 706.529.7800
- **18 Super 8** 706.275.0100

# **Downtown Dining**

- **1 Baja Coop** 706.529.2667
- **2** Buckin' Burrito 706.529.8226
- 3 Cherokee Brewing & Pizza Company 706.529.9478
- 4 Chop Shop 706-229-9377
- **5 Conductors** Bar & Grill 706-529-5454
- **6** Crescent City Tavern 706.529.0467
- **7 Cremo Drive-In** 706.278.6316
- **8 Cyra's** 706.370.7305
- 9 Hamilton's Food & Spirits Pizzeria 706.270.0467

- **10** Lalo's To Go 706-671-1800
- 11 Lisa's Cafe 706-218-4898
- **12 Love Empanadas** 706.529-9244
- **13 Oakwood Cafe** 706.529.9663
- **14** The Perfect Cup 706-270-0669
- **15 The Sweet Spot** 706.529.7768
- **16 Tijauna's** 706.226.4113
- 17 Willie's Burger Shack & Fish Fry 706-226-1953





800-331-3258

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<sup>\*</sup> See page 12 for more details

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- 1 Baymont Inn 2106 Chattanooga Road (706) 226-5022
- 905 West Bridge Road (706) 259-2583
- 3 Country Inn & Suites 903 West Bridge Road (706) 278-9700
- 785 College Drive (706) 275-7215
- **5 The Cuyler** St. Bungalows 203 W. Cuyler Street (706) 218-8065 (Pictured Above)
- 6 Days Inn 1518 W. Walnut Avenue (706) 278-0850
- 7 Econolodge 1507 North Tibbs Road (706) 226-9579
- 8 Guest Inn 2220 Chattanooga Road 18 Super 8 (706) 226.4545
- **9 Hampton Inn** 1000 Market Street (706) 226-4333

- 10 Hilton Garden Inn 879 College Drive (706) 529-6000
- 2 Comfort Inn & Suites 11 Holiday Inn Express 865 Holiday Inn Drive
  - 12 Howard Johnson 790 College Drive (706) 281-1880
- 4 Courtyard by Marriott 13 LaQuinta Inn & Suites 715 College Drive (706) 272-9099
  - 14 Motel 6 2200 Chattanooga Road (706) 278-5522
  - 15 Quality Inn (706) 278-0500
  - 16 Red Roof Inn 1529 W. Walnut Avenue (706) 226-1100
  - 17 Super 8 911 Market Street (706) 275-0100
  - 869 College Drive (706) 529-7800

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### **Events**

#### **JANUARY**

Snake Creek Gap Mountain **Biking Time Trails** 

#### **FEBRUARY**

Snake Creek Gap Mountain **Biking Time Trails** 

Chickamauga Civil War Show

Woodsongs Dalton **Concert Series** 

#### **MARCH**

Wash Me Pink Run

Woodsongs Dalton **Concert Series** 

#### **APRIL**

Downtown Dalton Sampler

Huffabaloo 5K Run

Downtown Dalton Spring Open House

#### MAY

National Tourism Day

Train Day

Bill Gregory Healthcare Classic

Downtown Farmers Market

Screen on The Green

Memorial Day Celebration

#### JUNE

Dixie Highway Yardsale

Downtown Farmers Market

Screen on The Green

Police & Fire Games

Summer Music Series

#### JULY

Football Tournament

July 4th Fireworks Festival

Screen on The Green

Summer Music Series

#### **AUGUST**

Summer Music Series

#### **SEPTEMBER**

Tunnel Hill Reenactment (Weekend after Labor Day)

Creative Arts Guild Festival

Georgia Jewel 100 Mile Trail Run

Downtown Dalton Beer Festival

Summer Music Series

#### **OCTOBER**

Dalton Red Carpet Half Marathon and 5K

Prater's Mill Country Fair (2nd weekend of October)

Downtown Dalton

#### **NOVEMBER**

**United States Tennis** Association Championships

Downtown Dalton Holiday Open House

#### **DECEMBER**

Christmas Parade (First Thursday)

Silver Bell Sprint

## **Downtown Dining**



- 1 Baja Coop
- 2 Buckin' Burrito (706) 529-8226 Dalton's favorite Tex-Mex.
- 3 Cherokee Brewing & Pizza Company 207-B West Cuyler Street (706) 529-9478 Authentic pizza and craft beer firmly grounded in Southern roots and love of
- 4 Chop Shop A traditional butchers market with a cafe'.
- **5 Conductors Bar** and Grill

An upscale sports bar.

**6 Crescent City Tavern 12 Love Empanadas** 324 S. Depot Street Sports bar and concert venue.

7 Cremo Drive-In 125 E. Morris Street (706) 278-6316

- 8 Cyra's Fine Dining A natural and chemical freshest & finest ingredients available.
- 9 Hamilton's Food & Spirits Pizzeria (706) 270-0467
- 10 Lalo's To Go
- 11 Lisa's Cafe
  - The best empanadas in the world.

#### 13 Oakwood Cafe

Dalton's most famous restaurant.

#### 14 The Perfect Cup

(706) 270-0669 Homemade soups, sandwiches, hot and cold drinks.

15 The Sweet Spot FROYO your way.

#### 16 Tijuana's

328 S. Hamilton Street (706) 226-4113

#### 112 W Crawford Street #101 17 Willie's Burger Shack & Fish Fry

The best burgers and

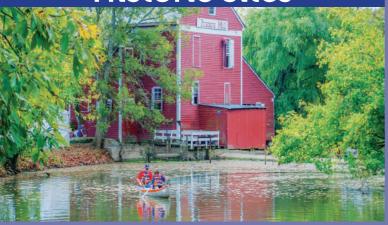
# **Downtown Shopping**



- 1 Bucket List **Antiques**
- 2 Bugs & Kisses **Children's Boutique**
- 3 The Cherry Tree
- 4 Grace 251

- 5 Gyspy Fever (706) 280-9342
- **6 Raspberry Row** 205 W. Cuyler Street (706) 277-3500
- 7 Trailheads **Outdoor Gear** (706) 671-1685
- 8 The Yellow Bird (706) 275-9251

# **Historic Sites**



#### **Blunt House**

The oldest wood frame house in Dalton was once the home of the community's first postmaster, community leader, and mayor. Hear the story of the Blunt family that lived in this home continuously until its donation. Inside are the original furnishings, as well as the stories of the Blunts' place in Dalton's history. Open Fridays 10-4.

506 South Thornton Avenue (706) 278-0217

#### **Chieftains Trail**

The Chieftains Trail guides travelers to nine public sites representative of the Native American Cultures that once thrived in this region. Dalton is one of four gateway cities where you can begin your exploration. ChieftainsTrail.com

#### **Emery Center**

Constructed in 1886 the institution was built to address the educational needs of African-American children between the ages

of seven and sixteen. Today the exhibits include contributions of local Daltonians, Major Richard Robert Wright, the first President of Savannah State University, Major League Baseball Player Harry "Suitcase" Simpson, and Historian Levi Branham, author of "My Life and Travels," are evident of the rich and diverse history of the Dalton and Northwest Georgia area. The center's vast collection offers visitors an in-depth look at history from a local, state, national, and international perspective. Open by appointment.

110 West Emery Street (706) 277-7633

#### **Hamilton House**

Dalton's oldest home was built in 1848 as the residence of John Hamilton, engineer of the Western & Atlantic Railroad. During the Civil War, his home served as headquarters for the Kentucky Orphan Brigade. Today the home acts as a museum to the early bedspread industry, the Cherokee, and the Civil War.

715 Chattanooga Avenue (706) 278-0217

#### **Huff House**

This Antebellum home was the headquarters of General Joseph E. Johnston during the Civil War in the winter of 1864-1865. It was also the site where General Patrick Cleburne proposed arming slaves in return for their freedom to alleviate the manpower shortage facing the Confederacy.

314 N. Selvidge Street (706) 278-0217

# History Center & Archives

The offices of Crown Cotton Mill serve as the Archives of the Whitfield-Murray Historical Society. The vast collection includes local history and genealogy research. Tuesday-Friday 10am-4pm and Saturday 9am-1pm

715 Chattanooga Avenue (706) 278-0217 Whitfield-MurrayHistoricSociety.com

#### Old Federal Road Driving Tour

In 1805, the U.S. and Cherokee established the Treaty of Tellico to build the Federal Road through Cherokee territory. Driving the route takes about three hours. The audio CD tour may be purchased at the W&A Railroad Museum.

215 Clisby Austin Road Tunnel Hill, GA 30755 (706) 876-1571

#### **Prater's Mill**

Built in 1855, this historic gristmill is the site of an annual old-fashioned country fair held each October. The park is also open year-round and free to the public. Walk the nature trails, fish in Coahulla Creek, or just relax in the shade. Open every day during the daylight hours.

5845 Georgia Highway 2 (706) 694-6455 PratersMill.org

#### **West Hill Cemetery**

The cemetery boasts an impressive collection of grave markers that represent every period of mortuary landscape architecture from 1844 to present day. The cemetery also has a number of mausoleums of varying size, including large family tombs of granite and marble. To the west of the chapel is the Confederate Cemetery with 421 graves marked by simple stone markers, few of which bear a name. From downtown, take Cuyler St. West to the cemetery.

\*See page 8 for Civil War sites.

## **Trails**



#### **Disney Trail**

West of Dalton, this steep trail ascends Rocky Face Mountain. Considered by many to be the most challenging trail in Northwest Georgia, Disney gets its name from the lone grave of an English-born Confederate named George Disney. His grave is located at the end of the difficult, but rewarding, trail where Disney fell. Access begins behind the Nazarene Church at I-75, exit 336, Hwy 41-North one mile.

U.S. 41 Dalton, GA 30720



#### Pinhoti Trail

This 245 mile, multi-use trail connects the Appalacian Mountains to the Talladega Forest in Alabama, Open daily during daylight hours, it is the longest footpath in the state.

(706) 695-6736 GeorgiaTrails.com

#### **Raisin Woods Bike Trail**

Located a few minutes from downtown Dalton, Raisin Woods is a great place for mountain biking. Whether you're new to the biking world or a seasoned pro, Dalton serves as a biking destination for bikers of all skill levels.

145 Raisin Way Dalton, GA 30721 NWGAsorba.org

## **Tours**

#### **Dalton Distillery Tour**

Dalton Distillers, LLC is a small craft distillery that specializes in delivering a safe authentic product of Real Georgia Moonshine. Dalton secret recipe that is over 100 years old. Only the very best produce and grains grown in Georgia are used to make 109 E. Morris Street

(706) 483-2790



#### **Textile Heritage Tours**

began with a small town girl and a bedspread. Now known journey from tufted bedspreads with the Whitfield County **Textile Heritage Trail** which will be completed in 2018. On this self-guided driving tour, visitors will see County's textile history. From chenille shacks to mill villages and carpet manufacturers, witness the evolution from hand



tufting to mass production."



#### **Historic Western** and Atlantic Railroad Tunnel, Museum, **General Store & Clisby Austin House**

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