



Atlanta, Georgia: A Sultry, Southern City

Atlanta, Georgia, home of Jimmy Carter, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the World of Coca-Cola museum, the Braves, Falcons and Hawks, is a thriving commercial city rich in southern and Protestant Christian culture. The city is largely populated by African Americans and has the largest gay and lesbian population in the nation located primarily in the city's Midtown area. Atlanta is a city steeped in Jazz and musical influences. Average temperatures spike in the summer months between 80-90 degrees, dipping as low as 52 in January. Visitors will find climate subtropical and humid. Extensive tree-cover and rainfall beat the summer heat, offering refuge and shade.

Landing in Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta Airport, you'll discover the convenience of the MARTA rail system servicing all business areas and downtown. In the spring, Atlanta's Piedmont Park is center for the Atlanta Dogwood Festival, a popular arts and crafts event, and Screen on the Green in June, a free classic movie screening event where movie theater sized screens attract audiences after sunset. The Atlanta Jazz Festival, the largest free jazz festival in the nation, and the Georgia Renaissance Festival attracts crowds and fans from far and wide.

Spanning 230 spectacular acres, Six Flags Over Georgia is a must-see. The Looney Toons themed park offers a balance of thrill and family rides to please everyone in the group. Summer explodes on the park's 11 roller coasters, four water rides, character and theme rides like Superman Ultimate flight roller coaster, Shake, Rattle & Roll's 1950's spin ride and Gotham City Crime Wave soaring you more than 40 feet in the air. Just as exciting are its shows and events, which can change on a regular basis. The park hosts numerous events including its Military Appreciation Week, Kids' Fest, Family Fright Fest, Latin Fest and Brunch with Bugs Character meals. General admission tickets start at just \$49.99 and include a day you'll never forget.

Sports fans love Atlanta, with everything from Silverbacks Soccer to Speedway Drag Racing and, of course, Falcons football. Then bring the family to Zoo Atlanta, located in historic Grant Park and just minutes away from downtown Atlanta, where you'll see a lions, birds, elephants, a giant panda, a gorilla, kangaroo, orangutan and rhinoceros. The zoo is a perfect educational or

entertainment excursion. Other attractions include Underground Atlanta, the Fox Theater, the Georgia Aquarium, Georgia Dome/Philips Arena, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center, the High Museum of Art, the Atlanta Cyclorama and Civil War Museum, the Fox Theatre and the Atlanta Botanical Garden.

Atlanta is has been home to many successful musicians including TLC, The Black Crows, Collective Soul, B5 and Backstreet Boys. LaFace Records was founded in Atlanta, moving major names like Usher, Toni Braxton and Outcast up the charts. The Atlanta music scene also spans into opera, baroque and many classical conductors. The city is known for its progressive live music scene.

A warm urban haven, Atlanta gives you the metropolitan feel of a city with the lush green landscape of the south.

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