



## Simply Southern Itinerary

### [The Georgian Terrace](#)

*Built in 1911, The Georgian Terrace Hotel, located at 659 Peachtree Street NE in midtown Atlanta and listed on the National Register of Historic Places, has played host to some of Atlanta's most preeminent events, including the star-studded party for the 1939 premiere of the classic, Oscar-winning film, "Gone with the Wind." The iconic hotel completed an \$11 million-plus renovation in spring 2009. The hotel's large, all-suite guest rooms received new 45-and 37-inch flat screen televisions, as well as wireless, high speed Internet access. Additionally, new Serta Sapphire Suite Pillow top - Perfect Sleeper mattresses complemented with luxurious bedding packages were installed in each guest room. A 2,000-square-foot fitness center, located on the 19th floor, has been totally refitted with state-of-the-art equipment and it offers stunning views of the city. The centerpiece of the renovation is a total revolution of the hotels' food and beverage offering. Renovations to the lobby, restaurant, bar and lounge, outdoor terrace and carry-out cafe were completed in April 2009.*

### [Pittypat's Porch](#)

*Pittypat's Porch was named after Scarlett O'Hara's aunt in the film, "Gone with the Wind." The restaurant, which was previously a funeral parlor before being renovated to house Pittypat's Porch, was named after Aunt Pittypat not only because of the notoriety it ensued but the personality of her character. She was shown to be a gracious hostess not only to Scarlett but to Melanie and other visitors, especially on her grand porch. Little has changed since the day Pittypat's opened in October of 1967. The menus are still fans, the place settings are still pewter and they still have mint juleps!*

### [Highland Bakery](#)

*This family-oriented, socially conscious Fourth Ward neighborhood bakery specializes in chemical-free, stone-ground products. Breakfast specialties such as dreamy sweet potato pancakes with brown sugar syrup are easy to throw back in a sparse, industrial setting highlighted by big windows and big art.*

### [Bicycle Tours of Atlanta](#) - Experience Atlanta's history and culture by bike

*The Old South and New Beginnings Tour introduces you to the diverse history and culture of Atlanta, from the Civil War through Civil Rights and beyond. The tour covers Battle of Atlanta sites, Grant Park, Oakland Cemetery, CabbageTown, Inman Park and Sweet Auburn.*

### [Oakland and the Civil War Tour](#) at Oakland Cemetery

*Stand at the site where General Hood stood to watch the Battle of Atlanta, hear the story of the Great Locomotive Chase and Andrew's Raiders. See the Lion of Atlanta as it lies wounded and dying over unknown soldiers from nearby battlefields, and the Confederate Memorial, at one time the tallest structure in Atlanta. Learn of the achievements of famous military leaders and soldiers during and after the war. Meet the several residents Margaret Mitchell is believed to have used as a basis for characters in Gone With the Wind.*

### [Livingston Atlanta](#) inside The Georgian Terrace

*Livingston Restaurant and Bar, in Midtown Atlanta, inhabits one of the city's few historic buildings. Executive chef, Gary Mennie offers up the liveliest local flavors in Georgia with bold American cooking that's savory, sexy and innovative. Classically trained and mentored by culinary masters on both coasts,*

*Chef Gary knows the rules and knows how to break them. He favors local and organic and may wax poetic about a native vegetable, but he insists on flavor and ingenuity. "You pay homage to a local turnip only when the taste is made exciting."*

### **Stone Mountain Park**

*Stone Mountain Park features a 1,683-foot-high granite rock carved with images of Confederate leaders. Although the mountain was once home to Ku Klux Klan leaders, it is now a family-oriented theme park. Walk through Crossroads for a trip back to the Antebellum Era.*

### **Antebellum Plantation**

*The Antebellum Plantation at Stone Mountain Park is a collection of original buildings from around the State of Georgia, built between 1783 and 1875. Each structure was moved from its original site and carefully restored to preserve its authenticity and historical value. This fascinating area also houses the most extensive collection of period furniture and decorations in the south, reflecting the diverse lifestyles of 18th and 19th century Georgia residents. Take a self-guided tour and enjoy the sights and smells of the working cookhouse and garden where demonstrators preserve the timeless culinary traditions of the south.*

### **Miss Katie's Sideboard Restaurant at Stone Mountain Park**

*Home of the hand-tossed roll, Miss Katie's Sideboard serves up the best in southern fare. Miss Katie's offers lunch and dinner\* inside its two-story, boarding house theme building or in the cool shade on the patio. After your meal, relax in a rocking chair on the porch. Miss Katie's is conveniently located in the center of Crossroads and just a short distance from the Memorial Lawn.*

### **Stone Mountain Park's Lasershow Spectacular**

*This Atlanta tradition is the longest running lasershow in the world. Relax on the lawn as Stone Mountain is transformed into a natural amphitheater. The Stone Mountain Park signature event combines colorful lasers, surround sound and special effects into a 40 minute light show, precisely choreographed to music. The Lasershow Spectacular highlights musical scores featuring well-known themes from Star Wars, Pirates of the Caribbean, Indiana Jones and High School Musical. You'll also hear some of your favorites like "The Devil Went Down to Georgia," "An American Trilogy" and "Celestial Soda Pop." The Lasershow is free. Vehicle entry to the park is \$8 for a one-day permit or \$35 for annual permit.*

### **Tour of Margaret Mitchell House and Museum**

*The Margaret Mitchell House and Museum houses the apartment where Margaret Mitchell wrote "Gone with the Wind" has been restored to its original condition and is available for tours. The house also includes special exhibitions and a museum dedicated to the movie, which premiered in Atlanta 70 years ago in 1939. The Southern Center for Literature offers a literary series and book signings of popular authors at the House and Museum.*

### **Atlanta History Center**

*The permanent collections include one of the largest Civil War exhibits in the country and the Centennial Olympic Games Museum. Added attractions include child favorites Tullie Smith Farm, an 1840s plantation-style venue, and Swan House, which depicts urban Atlanta life in the 1930s.*

### **Tour Tullie Smith Farm**

*A plantation-plain house built in the 1840s by the Robert Smith family, Tullie Smith Farm is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Originally located east of Atlanta, outside the city limits, the house*

*survived the near-total destruction of Atlanta in 1864. Robert Smith was a yeoman farmer who owned eleven slaves and about 800 acres of land in present-day DeKalb County, Georgia. The Smith family cultivated approximately 200 acres of their land, while their cattle and hogs ranged freely nearby. The farm complex was moved to the Atlanta History Center's campus in 1969 and serves as a tangible reminder of the rural past in a metropolitan area where agriculture has essentially disappeared. Tullie Smith House is surrounded by a separate open-hearth kitchen, blacksmith shop, smokehouse, double corncrib, pioneer log cabin, and barn, as well as traditional vegetable, herb, and flower gardens. Costumed interpreters lead tours of the house and some days perform activities typical of 19th-century rural Georgia, including open-hearth cooking, animal care, blacksmithing, basket weaving, candle making, quilting, spinning and weaving.*

### **Swan Coach House**

*Once the carriage house of the historic Swan House, this Southern institution is located in the heart of Atlanta yet is nestled in 33 serene acres that make up the Atlanta History Center. With exquisite floral fabric walls, the main dining room features blossoming centerpieces on every table and a charming antique chandelier. The full menu ranges from crab cakes to salads and sandwiches, but it's the Swan's Favorite – two heart-shaped pastries filled with chicken salad – that keeps everyone coming back.*