

# Marengo County. Alabama

## LANDMARKS • PLACES TO VISIT • THINGS TO DO

**Alabama Rural Heritage Center** 133 Sixth Avenue Thomaston, AL 36783

(GPS Coordinates: N37.2717118, W-87.6260219)

Telephone: (334) 627-3388

Website: [www.ruralheritagecenter.com](http://www.ruralheritagecenter.com)

The Rural Heritage Center is a vibrant community center in the town of Thomaston, Alabama. It houses the Heritage Gift Shoppe, a dining space to seat 50, a FDA-certified industrial kitchen and the administrative office for the ARHF, which hosts many community events throughout the year.

**Allen Grove** County Highway 1, Gallion, AL 36742

(GPS Coordinates N32.428889,W87.774806)

*Located at Old Spring Hill, AL beside CR 1 a little less than a mile from the intersection of CR 1 and Hwy 43.*

This is a private residence- *drive by only.*

[www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/allen-grove-house-at-old-spring-hill-al-1857](http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/allen-grove-house-at-old-spring-hill-al-1857)

The Greek Revival house was built for John Gray Allen in 1857 by David Rudisill. The house was added to the National Register of Historic Places on July 7, 1994 as a part of the Plantation Houses of the Alabama Canebrake and The Associated Outbuildings multiple property submission.

**Altwood** 2768-2776 County Road 78, Faunsdale, AL 36738

(GPS coordinates N32.425222,W87.681361)

*This home is located southwest of Faunsdale, AL on Cedarcrest Ln, approximately 1.2 mile from the intersection of Cedarcrest Ln. and CR 51.*

This is a private residence- *drive by only.*

[www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/altwood-home-near-faunsdale-al-1836-later-expanded](http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/altwood-home-near-faunsdale-al-1836-later-expanded)

This historic plantation house, built in 1836 by Richard H. Adams began as a log dogtrot house and was then expanded until it resembled a "Tidewater cottage" style house. It was added to the Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage on February 19, 1988 and to the National Register of Historic Places on July 13, 1993.

**Ashe Cottage** 307 North Commissioners Ave., Demopolis, Alabama 36732

(GPS Coordinates: N32.519211, W-87.840331)

This is a private residence-*drive by only.*

<http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/the-ashe-cottage-1832-remodeled-1858/>

Town house built in 1832 and remodeled in the Carpenter Gothic style in 1858. Ashe Cottage was added to the Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage on August 22, 1975 and to the National Register of Historic Places on 19 October 1978.

**Bluff Hall** 405 N. Commissioners Ave., Demopolis, Alabama 36732

(GPS Coordinates: N32.520333, W87.840083)

Telephone: (334) 289-9644 admission charged

Website: <http://www.alabamafrontporches.org/2010/06/bluff-hall/>

Today, Bluff Hall serves as a historic house museum. It contains period clothing, Empire and Victorian furniture, a display of local history and some unusual gadgets in the kitchen area. Bluff Hall was documented as part of the Historic American Building Survey in 1936 and added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1970.

**Chickasaw State Park** 26955 U.S. Highway 43, Gallion, Alabama

(GPS Coordinates: N32.3601024, W-87.7803276)

*Located 4 miles north of Linden, midway between Tuscaloosa and Mobile, AL.*

Telephone: (334) 295-8230

Website: [www.alapark.com/Chickasaw](http://www.alapark.com/Chickasaw)

Complete with modern campsites, wading pool, hiking trails, a barbeque grilling pavilion, plus other large pavilions and picnic areas. Operating Hours: Day-Use Area from 7am - sundown.

**Curtis House** 510 North Main St., Demopolis, Alabama 36732

(GPS coordinates N32.521333,W87.838556).

This is a private residence- *drive by only.*

Website: <http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/curtis-house-1840/>

The house was built in the Federal style, with the later addition of a Greek Revival influenced portico. It was added to the National Register of Historic Places on April 11, 1977.

**Demopolis Public School** 609 S Cedar Ave., Demopolis, AL 36732

(GPS coordinates 32.510847,-87.838517).

*Located on Main St. at the corner of Main and Pettus St. in Demopolis, AL.*

Telephone: (334) 189-1670

<http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/demopolis-public-school-demopolis-al/>

Beaux-Arts style public school building, completed in 1914, designed by Frank Lockwood. This is the first school building built in Demopolis specifically for public education. The Demopolis Public School building was added to the National Register of Historic Places on October 28, 1983.

**The Demopolis Yacht Basin** (GPS coordinates: N32.527750, W87.838139)

*Located beside Highway 43 on the north side of Demopolis, AL.*

Website: <http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/demopolis-al-yacht-basin/>

The Demopolis Yacht Basin is a full service marina at Demopolis, AL on the Tennessee-Tombigbee waterway. It has in-water and dry storage for boats.

**Foscue Creek Park** (GPS coordinates N32.510861,W87.871083).

*Approximately 2.5 miles west of downtown Demopolis on the Lock & Damn Rd.*

Telephone: Contact Demopolis Parks & Recreation at (334) 289-2891

Website: <http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/foscue-creek-park/>

It has 54 campsites, all of which are equipped with electric and water hookups, impact pad, picnic table, lantern holder, and fire ring with grill. Shower/restroom facilities are conveniently located in the park along with the following amenities: dump station, coin-operated laundry, playgrounds, walking trails, park attendant, picnic shelters, courtesy dock, and boat ramp with security lighting.

**Gaineswood** 805 South Cedar Ave., Demopolis, Alabama 36732

(GPS Coordinates N32.508611,W87.835056)

Telephone: (334) 289-4846 admission charged

<http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/gaineswood-started-1842-completed-on-eve-of-civil-war/>

Built by Nathan Bryan Whitfield from 1843 to 1860, this plantation house is considered by architectural historians as one of the most elaborate and significant examples of Greek Revival architecture in Alabama. This home is listed on the National Register of Historic Landmarks.

**Glover Mausoleum** (GPS Coordinates: N32.515194,W87.849167)

*Located at the back side of Riverside Cemetery, on the southwest side of Demopolis.*

Telephone: Contact the Chamber of Commerce at (334) 289-0270

Website: <http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/glover-mausoleum-1841-1845/>

Elaborate Greek Revival style mausoleum, completed in 1845 by Mary Anne Glover for the burial of her husband, Allen Glover. The Glover Mausoleum was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1974.

**Kingfisher Bay Marina** 201 Lock 4 Road. Demopolis, AL 36732

(334) 289-4374 ext 221

[www.kingfisherbaymarina.com](http://www.kingfisherbaymarina.com)

The Kingfisher Bay Marina includes a boater's laundry and restroom/shower building. It also has a boater's social area with wet bar on top. This marina sits at the 217 mile marker on the Tenn-Tom Waterway.

**Log Cabin at Bluff Hall** (GPS Coordinates N32.520333,W87.840083)

*Bluff Hall is located at 405 N. Commissioners Ave., Demopolis, AL. The log cabin is located behind Bluff Hall.*

Telephone: Contact Bluff Hall at (334)-289-9644

<http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/log-cabin-bluff-hall-demopolis-al/>

The cabin was subsequently donated to the Historical Society by Mr. and Mrs. John Poole. Records indicate that this may have been one of the earliest log cabins of Demopolis, if not the earliest.

**Lyon Hall** 102 South Main Ave., Demopolis, Alabama 36732

(GPS coordinates N32.515750, W87.839000).

(334) 289-9644 admission charged, by appointment only

<http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/lyon-hall-at-demopolis-al-1853/>

Lyon Hall is a historic Greek Revival mansion in Demopolis, Alabama. Lyon Hall was placed on the National Register of Historic Places on Jan. 24, 1974.

**Marengo County History & Archive Museum** 101 N. Walnut Ave. Demopolis, AL.

36732 phone: (334) 289-0599 [www.marengomuseum.com](http://www.marengomuseum.com)

Open Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday 10 am until 2 pm ; Wednesdays by appointment.

Housed in the Rosenbush Building in downtown Demopolis, the Marengo Museums strives to tell the history, culture and people of Marengo County and their contributions to society, including, but not limited to, the Native American, French, African-American, Jewish, and European communities. Service is provided to any and all persons expressing an interest in the preservation and promotion of Marengo County and its history.

**The Marengo Theater** 219 East Washington St., Demopolis, AL 36732

(GPS coordinates N32.517438,W87.835532) *drive by only*

*Located in downtown Demopolis, AL.*

Telephone: (334) 289-0850

Website: <http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/the-marengo-theater/>

**Morning Star Baptist Church** 614 East Jackson Street, Demopolis, AL 36732

(GPS coordinates 32.512111,-W87.830639)

Telephone: (334) 289-3794

<http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/morning-star-baptist-church-at-demopolis-al/>

In 1964, Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. spoke at the Morning Star Church and it became a center for the civil rights movement in the Demopolis area. This church was added to the Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage on May 13, 1988.

**Old Courthouse** 300 West Cahaba Ave., Linden, Alabama 36748

(GPS Coordinates:N32.312028, W87.800722)

<http://www.cityprofile.com/alabama/old-marengo-county-courthouse.html>

The Old Marengo County Courthouse is a historic public building in Linden, Alabama. It was built in 1850 as the third of the six courthouses constructed for the county. The third courthouse for Marengo County, this Greek Revival style building was completed in 1850.

**U.S. Post Office** 100 W Capitol St., Demopolis, AL 36732

(GPS coordinates N32.518569, W87.837850).

*Located in downtown Demopolis at the corner of Capitol St. & Walnut Ave.*

Telephone: (334) 289-0450

Website: <http://www.uspspostoffices.com/al/demopolis/demopolis>

Neoclassical style post office built in 1914. The building was added to the National Register of Historic Places on July 28, 1984 due to its architectural significance.

**White Bluff** 501 North Commissioners Ave., Demopolis, AL 36732

(GPS coordinates N32.520417,W87.840833)

*Located along the Tombigbee River in Demopolis, AL.*

Website: <http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/white-bluff-at-demopolis-al/>

White Bluff is a historic site that was added to the National Register of Historic Places on August 25, 1970.

**Rooster Hall** Capitol Ave & Walnut St, Demopolis, Alabama United States  
36732 (GPS coordinates N32.518139,W87.837694)  
*Located on the northeast corner of the Public Square at downtown Demopolis.*  
Telephone: (334) 242-4435  
Website: <http://www.ruralswalabama.org/attractions/the-rooster-hall-1843/>  
This is one of the oldest buildings in Demopolis built in 1843. This building is a contributing property to the Demopolis Public Square which was added to the National Register of Historic Places on October 29, 1975.

**Trinity Episcopal Church** 401 North Main Avenue, Demopolis, AL 36732  
(GPS coordinates N32.519694, W87.839000)  
Telephone: (334) 289-3363  
Website: <http://trinitydemopolis.dioala.org/about/history.html>  
Trinity Episcopal Church was founded in 1834 and is the third oldest church in the Diocese of Alabama. Trinity is one of the finest examples of Victorian Gothic Church architecture in the United States.

• LIBRARY AND WEBSITES •

**Marengo County Public Library**  
507 N Main St., Linden, AL 36748  
(334) 295-2246

**Demopolis Area Chamber of Commerce** [www.demopolischamber.com](http://www.demopolischamber.com)  
102 E Washington St., Demopolis, AL 36732  
(334) 289-0270

**City of Demopolis** [www.demopolisal.gov](http://www.demopolisal.gov)  
211 N Walnut Avenue., Demopolis, AL 36732  
(334) 289-0577

**Demopolis Public Library** [www.demopolislibrary.info](http://www.demopolislibrary.info)  
211 E Washington St  
Demopolis, AL 36732  
(334) 289-1595

• EMERGENCY CONTACTS (always dial 911 in case of emergency)•

**Sheriff's Department Marengo County** (334) 295-4208  
**Atn. Inc. Marengo County Sheriff's Department** (334) 295-5098  
**Bryan W. Whitfield Memorial Hospital** (334) 289-4000

**City of Demopolis Headquarters** (334) 289-1212  
**City of Faunsdale Fire Department** (334) 628-4871  
**City of Linden Emergency Fire Department** (334) 295-5577

• LODGING •

*Demopolis:*  
**Best Western** 662 US Highway 80 W (334) 289-2611  
**Comfort Inn** 943 US Highway 80 W (334) 289-9595  
**Days Inn** 1005 US Highway 80 E (334) 289-2500  
**Econo Lodge** 1035 US Highway 80 W (334) 287-0300

**Prestige Properties** 125 W Washington St. (334) 289-7003  
**Frontporch By the River** RV Park 140 Yacht Basin Dr. (334) 289-8121

*Linden:*  
**Best Linden Inn** 705 S Main St (334) 295-1740

• DINING OPPORTUNITIES •

**Batter UP**  
507 US Highway 80 W Ste 3  
Demopolis, AL 36732  
(334) 287-1222

**Canecutters Smokehouse and Grill**  
606 US Highway 80 W  
Demopolis, AL 36732  
(334) 289-1181

**La Gran Fiesta Mexican Restaurant**  
925 US Highway 80 E  
Demopolis, AL 36732  
(334) 289-1171

**New China Buffet**  
33877 Hwy 43  
Thomasville, AL 36784  
(334) 637-1185

**The Red Barn**  
901 US Highway 80 E  
Demopolis, AL 36732  
(334) 289-0595

**Canebakery**  
1455 West Jackson Street  
Demopolis, AL 36732  
(334) 341-4568

**Kora's Place**  
1621 Highway 43 S  
Demopolis, AL 36732  
(334) 289-4911

**Las Fuentes**  
1319 US Highway 80 W  
Demopolis, AL 36732  
(334) 289-0865

**Mr. G's Pizza**  
1053 US Highway 80 W  
Demopolis, AL 36732  
(334) 289-4149

**Whistle Stop Café**  
210 N Main St  
Linden, AL 36748  
(334) 295-4661