

Alabama's Front Porches

Key Features

- **Arts:** From literature to quilting to much more, there are an abundance of artisans here.
- **History:** Antebellum homes, interesting architecture and fascinating history are waiting.
- **Outdoors:** Hiking, biking, horseback riding and wildlife-watching are just some of the things you'll find here!
- **Museums:** With ancient history, the civil war and civil rights at our doorstep, step inside to experience more!

Include With Other Destinations

Southwest Alabama is home to amazing historical and southern culture. Combine the history of the area with Elvis' Graceland in Memphis, U.S. Space & Rocket Center in Huntsville, World of Coca-Cola in Atlanta and Barber Vintage Motorsports Museum of Birmingham, and you have a tour that highlights Southern culture.

The Grant Store was built in 1924 as a general store for country folks living in the early-mid 1900's. Today, the store contains many of the items that were in the store when it closed as well as **antiques** that the current owners have collected. Visiting the old Grant store is like **going back in time**. You will find nearly anything that was available in old country stores.

Conecuh hickory smoked products began back in 1947. At **Conecuh Sausage Factory & Gift Shop**, a lot of preparation goes into producing the **delicious smoked** sausage, bacon, ham and turkeys. Only the best quality meats have been chosen.

Harper Lee, author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning novel, **To Kill a Mockingbird**, was born and raised in Monroeville, AL. The fictional town of Maycomb is modeled on her hometown. **The Atticus Finch Monument** is at the courthouse in downtown Monroeville.



The Clarke County Museum, with its white picket fence and lawn shaded by oaks, magnolias, and pecan trees, this plantation home invites passers-by to stop for a glimpse of **the old South**.

One of Marion's **earliest traffic arteries**, **Green Street** includes 33 historic structures. Among them are homes of Governor Andrew Moore, artist Nicola Marschall, as well as the Whitman-Lee Gothic Revival home.

Priester's Pecans is a family-owned company specializing in delicious **old fashioned** farm fresh gifts like pecan desserts, pecan candies, pecan pies, cakes, and bulk pecans for over **7 decades**.

Established in 1937, **Ezell's Fish Camp** is known to attract locals and visitors alike. Quoted by some as a "**cultural institution**", Ezell's represents a way of life connected to communities and river heritage. Be sure to try the **deep fried pickles!**



Old St. Stephens Historical Park is home to one of the **most important** historical and archaeological sites in Alabama, as the **first capital** of the state. There are many **activities** for visitors, including fishing, RV and primitive camping, biking, birdwatching, and hiking.

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Located in the Historic District of Selma, at the foot of the famous Edmund Pettus Bridge, the scene of "Bloody Sunday," the **National Voting Rights Museum & Institute** is the keystone of the struggle for voting rights and human dignity. It chronicles and preserves the historic journey.



The **Gee's Bend Quilt Collective**, home of the famous quilters. The women developed a **distinctive, sophisticated quilting style** that they have passed on for at least **six generations** to the present day. The Quilts are considered to be unique and one of the most important African-American cultural contributions to the history of American art.

Take the **Marengo County Driving Tour** to view the unique architecture in the area. Along the tour is a home that is considered one of **America's finest examples of the Greek Revival style** of architecture. Visit the website to see all the stops.



The **Edmund Pettus Bridge**, named for Edmund Winston Pettus, a Confederate brigadier general, and eventual U.S. Senator, is a bridge in Selma, Alabama. It is infamous as the site of the conflict of **Bloody Sunday** (March 7, 1965), where armed officers attacked peaceful civil rights demonstrators.

Southwestern Alabama Counties



International Airports and Distances from Selma:

- Birmingham: 1.5 hours
- Nashville: 4.5 hours
- Huntsville: 3 hours
- New Orleans: 4.5 hours
- Atlanta: 3.5 hours
- Memphis: 5 hours

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