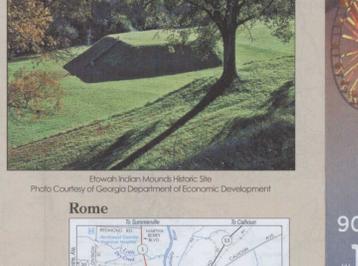
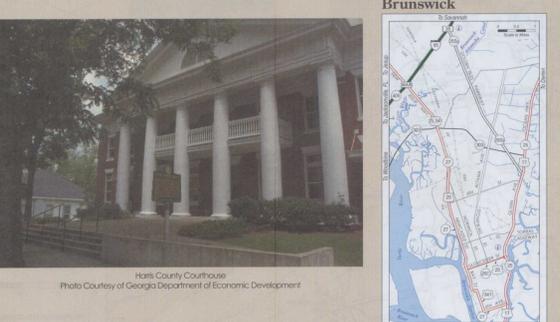
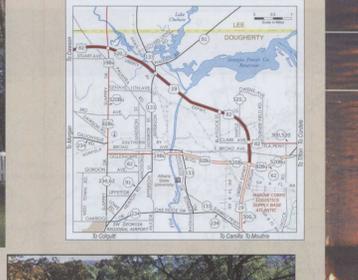
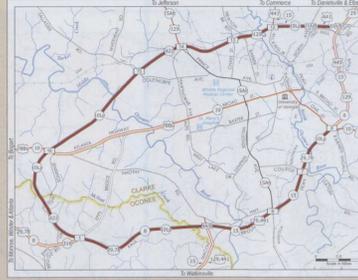
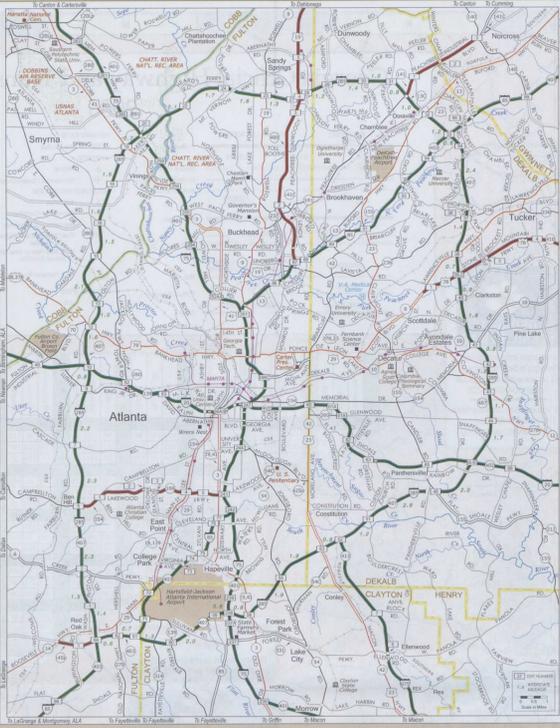
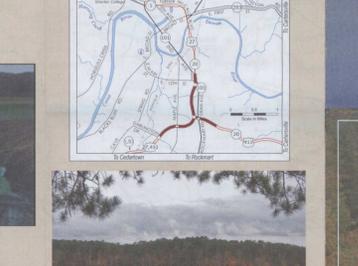
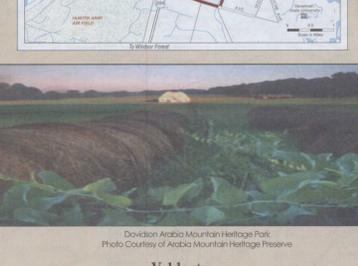
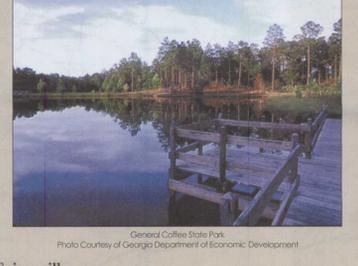
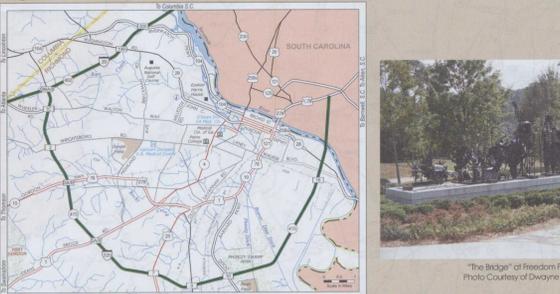


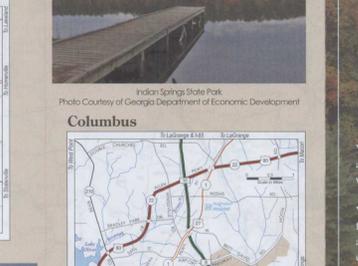
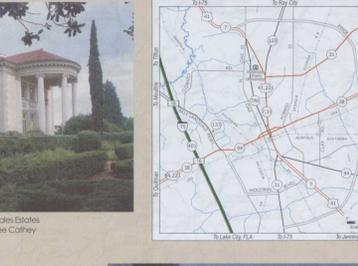
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 From the gold mines of Dahlonege to the former capital of the Cherokee Nation; from the peak of Black Rock Mountain to the floor of Providence Canyon, Georgia's state parks and historic sites cover the breadth of our cultural and natural history. The State Parks & Historic Sites Division celebrates its 75th anniversary during 2006 with a year full of events, on-line features and more. Come celebrate with us!
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Traveling Along Georgia's Interstates? You Must See These...

<p>ALONG I-16 Georgia Sports Hall of Fame Macon @ Exit 2: The largest state sports hall of fame in America, it is educational and entertaining for all ages and interests. The GSHF combines a unique mix of in-depth displays and a large interactive area. Little Ocmulgee State Park McRae @ Exit 51: This beautiful park has a natural trail that winds through the forest and along the lake shore toward a bucolic rocky island. Visitors can enjoy the park's 265-acre lake with beach, 30-room lodge and restaurant. The park's championship 18-hole golf course features a clubhouse, golf pro, unlimited weekday play and senior citizen discounts. Call (229)858-6631 for fee times. George L. Smith State Park Twin City @ Exit 90: With its natural beauty, lakeside camping and cozy cottages, this secluded park is the perfect South Georgia retreat. It is best known for the newly restored Hamm Hill, a combination grist mill, saw mill, covered bridge and dam built in 1880 and now open for tours. Anglers and canoeists can explore the mill pond dotted with Spanish moss-draped trees and home to blue heron and white ibis. Hikers can stretch their legs on 11 miles of trails with scenic views, rare goshawk forbes, Georgia's state reptile. The park is named after one of Georgia's great legislators. Georgia's Highway 301 Trail Statesboro @ Exit 116: Completed in the 1940s, for many years this was the route from New York to Florida along the eastern shores of the United States. This scenic trail is abundant with state-level historic sites, masonry-covered oaks and meandering unpaved rivers like the Ogeechee and Altamaha. Travel through small southern towns full of unique shops, country stores and restaurants serving old cuisines. Waving hands and smiling faces greet you. Tybee Island Lighthouse/Museum Tybee Island @ Exit 167: Georgia's oldest and tallest active lighthouse (1733 - 1867) recently underwent major restoration. One of America's most complete light stations, Tybee Island Lighthouse Museum tells the island's history from Native American times to WWII. ALONG I-20 Veteran's Memorial and Medal of Honor Park Tallapoosa @ Exit 5: Features 16th monument honoring the citizens of Hardean County who gave their lives for the country, a fountain, and hundreds of plaques honoring veterans both living and deceased. The park also features the Wall of Tears, commemorating women in the military. Sweetwater Creek State Conservation Park Lithia Springs @ Exit 44: A piece of wilderness minutes from downtown Atlanta. Based around the ruins of a 19th century textile mill destroyed by Union forces in 1864. Visitors enjoy wooded hiking trails, canoeing, fishing and picnicking. Georgia's Treasures Along I-20 Conyers @ Exit 78: "Treasures Along I-20" are waiting to be explored just east of Atlanta. Nestled in the heart of Georgia's Antique and Antebellum Trail, Conyers, Covington, Union City, Rutledge, Marietta, Lake Oconee, and Grandisboro epitomize Southern hospitality and charm. They are all located within one hour of downtown Atlanta. A simple trip east brings you to these treasures of Georgia's Historic Heartland. Etowah Indian Mounds State Historic Site Cartersville @ Exit 288: How was an "Ancient Indian City" home to several thousand Native Americans between 1000-1500 A.D. The 44-acre site contains six earthen platform mounds, a plaza, a village area, borrow pits and defensive ditch. This is the most important Mississippian culture site in the southeastern United States.</p>	<p>Old Governor's Mansion Milledgeville @ Exit 114: Considered one of the great examples of High Creek Revival architecture in the country, the mansion was recently reopened after a long-forgotten historic restoration. Originally built in 1837, it was home to eight of Georgia's governors and the seat of executive power through three crucial periods of Georgia and national history: the antebellum or pre-war period, the Civil War and the beginning of Reconstruction - until 1868, when the state capital moved from Milledgeville to Atlanta. During the other years of the Civil War, after the destruction of Atlanta in November 1864, General William T. Sherman headquartered all of the operations he continued his March to the Sea. Magnolia Springs State Park Millen @ Exit 196: Known for its crystal clear springs flowing 7 million gallons of water per day, and the scenic boardwalk which spans the cool water. During warmer months, visitors may watch for alligators, turtles and other wildlife near the springs. A free, the recreation tent that guarded Camp Lawton, the largest POW camp built during the Civil War, stands within the Park boundaries. Boating and fishing are available on the 28-acre lake and camping cottages, swimming and hiking are also available. ALONG I-75 Lapham-Patterson House State Historic Site Thomasville @ Exit 16: A monument to the imagination, creative engineering and craftsmanship of the Victorian era. Built in 1858, this cottage for prosperous shoe merchant Charles Lapham of Chicago, the House includes fishscale shingles, ornate style porch and a remarkable double-tube chimney with walk-through staircase and cantilevered balcony. Georgia Agrirama Titon @ Exit 63B: A 19th-century living history museum including two working tanneries, distillery, grist mill, print shop, drug store, events, horse shows, fairs, RV rallies, concerts, sporting events, a center for diverse activities in Central Georgia. Georgia National Fairgrounds & Agricenter Perry @ Exit 135: This multipurpose, state-of-the-art complex is designed for meetings, trade shows, livestock events, horse shows, fairs, RV rallies, concerts, sporting events, a center for diverse activities in Central Georgia. Indian Springs State Park Indian Springs @ Exit 205: Indian Springs is thought to be the oldest state park in the U.S. The springs include used the springs for centuries to treat the sick. Today, visitors can still sample the spring water while enjoying the park's camps and boat ramp. Many structures were built during the Great Depression by the Civilian Conservation Corps. Georgia Aquarium Atlanta @ Exit 248C: One of the largest and most exciting aquariums in the world, featuring more than 55,000 animals from 500 different species in over 5 million gallons of water. It is located in downtown Atlanta across from Centennial Olympic Park and the Georgia World Congress Center. St. Simons Island Lighthouse Museum St. Simons Island @ Exit 29: One of only five surviving lighthouses in Georgia, the lighthouse on St. Simons Island, with its original third order Fresnel lens, shining 23 miles out to sea, remains a navigational aid for traffic entering the St. Simons Sound. Unlike many other coastal lighthouses, visitors are welcome to climb the 129 steps to the top. Although no keeper dwells, the vast panorama of the Golden Isles does. The Museum, now housed in the keeper's quarters, features exhibits on the history of the lighthouses and the Golden Isles.</p>	<p>Tunnel Hill Heritage Center and Battlefield Park Tunnel Hill @ Exit 336: History buffs will enjoy exploring the 1,477-foot Western and Atlantic Railroad Tunnel, the oldest railroad tunnel south of the Mason-Dixon line, the Native American and other local and Civil War artifacts and memorabilia of the nearby museum. The 1890 Clabry Austin House, where Sherman spent six days making his final plans for the Atlanta campaign, still stands. ALONG I-575 Southern Museum of Civil War and Locomotive History Kennesaw @ Exit 3: Take a trip back in time with three impressive permanent collections and a membership in the prestigious Smithsonian Affiliations Program. The Museum offers a wide range of exhibits, including a glimpse into the daily lives of soldiers during the Civil War; a reproduction of a turn-of-the-century locomotive factory; and an exciting depiction of the Civil War's Great Locomotive Chase. Smith Plantation Home Roswell @ Exit 7: Built in 1845, this home is filled with over 14,000 artifacts belonging to the original family. Complete with 12 original outbuildings, the perfect example of an affluent family farm in early Georgia. Funk Heritage Center Waleska @ Exit 20: Georgia's Official Frontier and Southeastern Indian Interpretive Center. A museum focused on interpreting the history of the Southeastern Indians and Appalachian settlers in the region. In this modern facility, there are interactive exhibits, a beautiful film, contemporary Indian art and thousands of historic hand tools. On the grounds is the Appalachian Settlers Village with 19th century farm buildings and picnic and family areas. Amicalola Falls State Park Dawsonville @ Hwy. 136 & Hwy. 52 It's easy to see why this is one of Georgia's most popular state parks. Amicalola, a Cherokee Indian word meaning "tumbling waters," is an appropriate name for these 720-foot waterfalls, the tallest east of the Mississippi River. An eight-mile asphalt trail leads from the Park to Springer Canyon, the southern end of the 2,135-mile Appalachian Trail. However, numerous other trails are available for shorter journeys. A beautiful lodge is popular with guests who prefer hotels like comforts over cottages and camping, while a 5-mile hike leads to more remote accommodations at the Len Foote Hike Inn. Lake Blue Ridge Blue Ridge @ Hwy. 515: The crystal clear aquamarine waters of Lake Blue Ridge make it one of Georgia's most picturesque mountain lakes. The 3,200-acre lake and surrounding area boast over 90 national forest camps, several boat ramps, a full service marina and public swimming and picnic areas. Eighty percent of the shoreline on Lake Blue Ridge is the Cherokee National Forest. Managed by the USDA Forest Service.</p>	<p>Wiregrass Trail Townsend @ Exit 58: The best kept secret of travelers in Georgia, Highway 57 is the fastest and most scenic way to get from Atlanta and North Georgia to the Golden Isles. It allows you to take a trip past antique stores and Revolutionary War sites, cover rolling rivers and through historic coastal hamlets and family farms. Try your mind unwind as you take the Wiregrass Trail. Fort Morris Historic Site Midway @ Exit 76: Fort Morris is one of the first forts established by the Continental Congress to protect our newly formed country. When the British demanded the forts surrender on November 26, 1778, the defiant Col. James Oglethorpe "Come and take it!" The British refused and retreated to Florida. Forty-five days later, the fort finally fell after heavy bombardment. A museum and film describe the colonial part of Georgia and the site's history. Wormsloe State Historic Site Savannah @ Exit 102 (east 12 miles): Ruins of the fortified home controlled by nobles Jones between 1739 and 1745 are the featured part of this historic site, which also offers visitors a beautiful oak-lined drive, a museum, nature trails, and a picnic area. ALONG I-85 Hills and Dales LaGrange @ Exit 18: A historic Georgian Italian-style villa, the Hills and Dales Estate Center is a museum focused on interpreting the history of the Southeastern Indians and Appalachian settlers in the 1840s. This attraction has been described as "Five Acres of Heaven". Forest Gardens incorporates Italian Renaissance and Baroque designs in a series of wood-paved paths and descending terraces. South Fulton Scenic Byway Palmetto @ Exit 56: This 29-mile loop in south Fulton County highlights the rural character and lifestyle of the surrounding area. Situated among rolling hills, forested ridges and serene pastures, this Byway uses Cochran Mill Road, Hutchison Ferry Road and Cochran Mill Park. Cochran Mill Nature Center and the nearby Chattahoochee River, which also offers visitors a beautiful oak-lined drive, a museum, nature trails, and a picnic area. Stone Mountain Park Stone Mountain @ Exit 95: The premier blend of outdoor entertainment and recreation and Georgia's #1 attraction. The massive itself is the world's largest mass of exposed granite and features the Crowder-Knox Memorial Carving. The Park's other attraction is the Treasures Challenge, Atlanta's largest adventure race located in Crossroads. Other attractions include Georgia's ONLY 4D Theater, The Great Train, Sky Hill, Planes, Trains and much more, including the World's Largest Laser Show Spectacular. National Museum of Patriotism Atlanta @ Exit 250: Discover the Spirit of American Inspiring, motivating videos highlighting the spirit of America. Interactive, educational displays honoring the US Armed Forces, Overseas American heroes and volunteers and dazzling display of World War II patriotic jewelry & collectibles. Fort Yargo State Park & Will-A-Way Recreation Area Winder @ Exit 126: Located between Atlanta and Athens, Fort Yargo offers a fun camping, hiking and fishing experience. The park surrounds Watery Creek Reservoir, a 260-acre lake with a swimming beach, fishing area and boat ramps. Many campsites are near the water's edge, and hiking/biking trails follow the lake shore. Within the park's Will-A-Way Recreation Area, an accessible facility specifically designed for challenged populations, with a group camp, picnic and fishing areas and paved trail. This historical park features a log fort built in 1792 by settlers for protection against Creek and Cherokee Indians. Tugaloo State Park Lovonia @ Exit 177: Situated on a wooded peninsula, Tugaloo's cottages and most campsites offer spectacular views of 85,592-acre Lake Hartwell in every direction. Some cottages even have private boat docks for overnight guests. Tent campers can choose between primitive campsites located a short walk from the parking area. Fishing is excellent year-round and large-mouth bass are plentiful. During summer, the lake is a popular destination for swimming, water skiing, sailing and boating. Both the Crow Tree and Muscadine native waxes, mulberry and cherry trees. The name Tugaloo comes from an Indian name for the river which once flowed freely prior to the construction of Hartwell Dam.</p>	<p>ALONG I-985 Lake Sidney Lanier Buford @ Exit 8: This 47,200-acre lake (top of flood control) touches Hall, Dawson, Gwinnett and Lumpkin counties. The lake was named in honor of poet S.C. Lanier because of the tribute he gave the area in his "Song of the Chattahoochee." Activities include picnic, water sports, nature and wildlife viewing, swimming and plenty of lakeside camping. Ten moines located on the lake, as well as nine camping areas and forty-one day use areas. Elachee Nature Center Gainesville @ Exit 16: A natural history museum and nature complex located in a 1200-acre nature preserve. Features include exhibits, live animal display, native plant garden, hiking trails, picnic area, nature shop, children's summer day camp and scheduled environmental education programs for schools and groups. Anna Ruby Falls Helen @ Exit 6 (north approx. 40 miles): Located in the Chattooga Ranger District, these twin waterfalls from Curtis Creek (150' and York Creek (50') merge to form Smith Creek. These Falls are reached by a scenic trail from an interpretive trail that parallels Smith Creek. Brasstown Bald Blairsville @ Exit 6 (north approx. 60 miles): Georgia's highest mountain (elevation 4,784 feet). Facilities of summit, exhibits, video program and observation deck with 360-degree views. Hike to the summit via half-mile trail or shuttle bus. Open seven days a week late May-October. Picnicking, hiking, visitor center & craft shop on site. ALONG I-85 Westville Village Lumpkin @ Exit 1A to Hwy. 27 (south approx. 35 miles): Westville is a living history museum which depicts an 1850 west Georgia village. You may have seen pictures of little towns like Westville. In the 1850's they dotted the countryside in the southern United States. We have created Westville so that you can experience a community in the 21st century similar to the ones in which our ancestors lived in the middle of the 19th century. National Infantry Museum Columbus @ Exit 1A: The National Infantry Museum established at the Home of the U.S. Infantry in 1939. This museum honors the Infantryman and his more than two centuries of proud service to the nation. Port Columbus Civil War Naval Museum Columbus @ Exit 1B: Located on the site of the Civil War Confederate Navy Ships. The nation's only Civil War ironclad combat simulator visitors get to enter a full-sized iron-clad ship and experience a combat scene from the inside. Blanton Creek Park Hamilton @ Exit 25: The Georgia Powell lake park is located on the shores of beautiful Lake Hartwell and near some of west Georgia's most popular attractions - Gateway Gardens, Little White House and Columbus attractions are all within a 30-minute drive. Blanton Creek Park offers boat ramp, nature trail, camping, picnicking, fishing and access to all sorts of water sport activities. Callaway Gardens Pine Mountain @ Exit 34: A 14,000-acre, year-round destination, Callaway Gardens includes the Discovery Center, Birds of Prey show, butterfly center, horticultural center, vegetable garden, walking and biking trails, chapel and log cabin.</p>
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Georgia DOT: More Than Just Roads and Bridges

Georgia's transportation system will always be a vital component of the state's future success and ability to compete in a global economy. The Georgia Department of Transportation maintains and improves mobility by providing a safe, seamless, intermodal, environmentally sensitive transportation system. Georgia DOT ensures a balance of transportation options so that people and goods arrive at their destination in a timely and efficient manner.

Environmental Stewardship
 The Department has adopted environmental stewardship as our standard way to develop transportation projects. We are committed to projects that "fit" in existing physical and human environments. Therefore, we are committed to preserving and protecting each project area's intrinsic aesthetic, historical, cultural and natural environmental values.
 For example, Georgia DOT continues to build partnerships with local and federal agencies to identify and purchase wetlands. The Department currently owns nearly 15,000 acres of wetland mitigation stream banks.

Litter Prevention and Removal
 Trash tossed from cars and debris from unsecured loads can cause serious driving, health and environmental hazards. As part of our roadway maintenance activities, the Department spends about \$15 million each year removing litter from our interstates and state routes. In just one month in 2005, Georgia DOT crews picked up more than 125,000 bags of trash statewide!

Wildflower Program
 The Department plants, protects and maintains colorful wildflowers along Georgia roadways through the popular Wildflower Program. The Wildflower Auto Tag is the only guaranteed revenue source for the Wildflower Program. Tags are available for a one-time fee of \$25; \$24 of the \$25 goes to the Wildflower Service web site at www.dmv.ga.gov

Improving Air Quality
 Through our commitment to a statewide multi-modal transportation system, and through the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), Georgia DOT addresses our state's air quality issues in a variety of ways. Bicycle/pedestrian, HOV and Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) lanes encourage the public's use of "cleaner" modes of transportation. In metro Atlanta, our HERO units reduce traffic delays and resulting noxious emissions by clearing roadway accidents quickly and efficiently. In addition, the Department operates rural and urban public transit systems and 103 Park & Ride lots.

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Georgia Transportation Fast Facts:

- Georgia consists of more than 18,000 state highway system miles, 1,245 interstate miles, 83,000 county road miles and 14,000 city street miles
- 15,000 bridges in the state highway system
- More than 200 Transportation Enhancement (TE) projects
- 306 miles of Scenic Byways
- 3,000 miles of bicycle and pedestrian routes
- Nearly 100 Changeable Message Signs on interstates 20, 75, 85, 285 and GA 400 alert motorists of traffic incidents and Level's Calls
- 51 HERO Units assisted in more than 54,000 roadway incidents in 2004
- 90 miles of HOV lanes on interstates 20, 75 and 85 operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- 13 urban transit systems statewide made nearly 157 million passenger trips in 2004
- 96 rural transit systems statewide made nearly 1.7 million passenger trips in 2004
- 103 Park & Ride lots statewide provide about 10,000 spaces to commuters
- 3,100 mainline rail track miles transport more than 80 million gross tons of freight per year
- 4 ports - Savannah, Brunswick, Bainbridge and Columbus - generate \$35.4 billion in revenue
- 20,800 acres of dredged material containment areas provided by Georgia DOT for harbor/waterway maintenance
- 1.4 million square yards of pavement surround Georgia's 103 publicly owned, public-use airports and their 3.25 million takeoffs and landings each year
- Georgia collects a 7.5 cents-per-gallon Motor Fuel Tax and a 3% sales tax

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