Where the rivers meet & the mountains begin... Georgia's Rome Reasons to Georgia's Dome

# planning your visit



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Driving Distances (Miles)

Asheville, NC Atlanta, GA Augusta, GA Birmingham, AL Charlotte, NC

Charleston, SC Chattanooga, TN Columbia, SC Columbus, GA Columbus, MS Gadsden, AL Greensboro, NC

Gadsden, AL
Greensboro, NC
Greenville, SC
Huntsville, AL
Jacksonville, FL
Jackson, MS
Knoxville, TN
Macon, GA
Memphis, TN
Miami, FL
Mobile, AL
Montgomery, AL
Nashville, TN
Pensacola, FL
Raleigh, NC
Savannah, GA

Savannah, GA Tallahassee, FL

Wilmington, NC

directions

all roads

lead to Lome

From Atlanta, GA

Take I-75 North to exit 290 (Hwy 20 at Rome/Canton). Take a left off the exit and follow GA Hwy 20 West to Rome.

#### From Chattanooga, TN

Take I-75 South to exit 312. Take a right off the exit and follow Hwv 53 West to Rome.

#### From Birmingham, AL

Take I-59 North. Take I-759 at Gadsden, AL. Follow US Hwy 411 North to Rome.

#### Air Travel

Richard B. Russell Regional Airport is located 6 miles from Downtown Rome and has capabilities for landing corporate and private jets.

# Concierge Services



Consider us your personal concierge to plan your visit to Georgia's Rome!

Rome-Floyd Visitor Center 402 Civic Center Drive Rome, GA 30161 Located off Turner McCall Boulevard (GA Highway 20 West; across from Applebee's) Open M-F: 9:30a-5:30p; S: 10a-3p **Downtown Welcome Center** 300 W. 1st St. Rome, GA 30161 Located in Historic Downtown Rome (Off Broad Street) Open M-F: 10a-5:30p; S: 10a-3p



Bring home a piece of Lome

Shop an extensive collection of gifts and souvenirs at the Last Stop Gift Shop - sourced from over 100 local artisans and businesses. You can also visit us online at LastStopGiftShop.com





The gift shop is located inside the Rome-Floyd Visitor Center & select merchandise is available at the Downtown Welcome Center; a regional visitor information center.

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# accommodations

Property Name	Pool	Pet Friendly	Meeting Facility	Restaurant Bar/Lounge	Exercise Facility
America's Best Value Inn 706-235-1717, 2973 Cedartown Hwy		✓			
Baymont Inn & Suites 706-802-1223, 2209 Shorter Ave	<b>✓</b>				<b>√</b>
Best Western Executive Inn 706-234-3161, 217 Hwy US 411	<b>✓</b>	✓			
Claremont House Bed & Breakfast 706-291-0900, 906 East 2nd Ave		<b>√</b>	✓		
Comfort Suites 706-232-6055, 23 Chateau Dr	~		<b>✓</b>		<b>√</b>
Country Inn & Suites 706-232-3380, 15 Hobson Way	<b>✓</b>		<b>√</b>		✓
Courtyard by Marriott Opening Soon 706-295-7006, 320 West 3rd St			✓	<b>√</b>	✓
Days Inn 706-295-0400, 840 Turner McCall Blvd	<b>✓</b>		✓		<b>√</b>
Econo Lodge 706-234-0014, 390 Dodd Blvd		>			
Hampton Inn & Suites 706-622-5631, 875 West 1st St. NW	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>		✓
Hawthorn Suites 706-378-4837, 110/110 West 2nd Ave			✓	<b>✓</b>	✓
Holiday Inn Express & Suites 706-232-0021, 35 Hobson Way			✓		✓
La Quinta Inn & Suites 706-291-1034, 15 Chateau Dr	<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>√</b>		✓
Quality Inn 706-291-7797, 40 Grace Dr	<b>✓</b>		✓		✓
Studio 6 Skytop Extended Stay 706-291-2447, 20 Chateau Dr		<b>~</b>			



Georgia's Rome Office of Tourism Hospitality Association Partners are listed in the chart above. Please feel free to contact our office for assistance planning your group or meeting needs: 706-295-5576

# Sleep like a baby.

# Additional Lodging

Ashwood Inn & Suites 706-378-9650

Budget Inn 706-234-6278

Cottis Inn 706-295-5555

Creekside Motel, Cave Spring 706-777-3887 Economy Inn 706-291-1823

FairBridge Inn Express 706-235-4760

Garden Inn & Suites 706-235-2330

Hearn Inn, Cave Spring 706-381-2060

Kings Inn 706-233-9364

Pine Crest Motel 706-234-8588 Relax Inn 706-291-1997

Roadway Inn 706-314-1115

Rome Inn & Suites 706-232-9551

Saga Inn 706-232-1373

**Stay Lodge** 706-233-9188

Sunrise Inn & Suites 706-291-1994



# attractions



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# godowntown

Explore the Largest Victorian Era District in Georgia Known as Between the Rivers, this historic district is home to beautiful Civil War Era homes and contains the site of Rome's founding in 1834. RomeGeorgia.org/BetweentheRivers



Capitoline Wolf 601 Broad St This exact replica of the original Etruscan statue of the Capitoline Wolf with Romulus and Remus stands watch over Rome City Hall; gifted from Rome, Italy to Georgia's Rome in 1929.

**Rome City Clocktower** E 5th Ave & E 2nd St Standing tall as the city's iconic clocktower, climb 107 steps to the top for the best views of Rome. The inside tower showcases murals from Rome's history and the original clockworks. Open the first Saturday of the summer and early fall months or by special appointment. 706-235-8051, Free Admission, May - Oct, 12:00 - 1:15 pm





GA Department of Economic Development

The multi-use Heritage Trail System runs through Downtown Rome and offers scenic river views and access points for exploring Rome's riverways.

RomeGeorgia.org/HeritageTrails

# When in Lome ...



#### Shopping

Discover shops that cater to every style including unique gifts, clothing, home decor, outdoor gear, jewelry and more. More details on page 20. For special offers visit: RomeGeorgia. org/Shopping



#### Food & Drink Indulge your

taste buds with homemade southern food and cuisines from around the world. More details on page 18. For special offers visit: RomeGeorgia.org/ Restaurants



#### **Events**

The downtown district hosts free events including concerts, shows, festivals and holiday festivities. DowntownRomeGA.us or RomeGeorgia.org/ **Fvents** 

#### Free Downtown Transportation

Catch a ride on the Roman Chariot to downtown shopping, dining, events and hotels. Map & Hours: RomeGeorgia.org/Chariot

Text for pick-up: 706-413-2822



**Downtown Tennis Center** 339 West 3rd St This satellite facility of the Rome Tennis Center at Berry College features 16 lighted USTA standard tennis courts and is open daily for regular play. 706-236-4490, RomeTennisCenter.com



#### **Paws Permitted**

Our pooch-friendly town welcomes you and your four-legged best friend! Look for the Paws Permitted logo at establishments and lodging that are dog friendly. For a complete list visit: RomeGeorgia.org/PawsPermitted

Please be a responsible owner and always clean up after your pet.

#### **River Arts District** This new, up and

coming district features antique shops, Makervillage Art Gallery and Foundry Growler Station. It's a quick walk from Broad St. down Fifth Ave.





# arts&culture

Forum River Center 301 Tribune St

Rome's largest event space with beautiful river views in downtown hosts concerts, sporting events, exhibitions and special events. Event calendar & tickets: ForumRiverCenter.com, 706-291-5281

**Historic Theatres** Enjoy live theatre performances and concerts at the Historic DeSoto Theatre and the Rome City Auditorium. Performances are offered year round. Get show details and purchase tickets at these event websites:

VenueDog.com RomeLittleTheatre.wordpress.com HistoricDesotoTheatre.org





#### Rome International Film Festival (RIFF)

Founded in 2003, RIFF is northwest Georgia's signature film festival featuring nightly after parties in walkable Downtown Rome; screening the finest in independent film from around the world. riffga.com

Berry College Fine Arts 2277 Martha Berry Hwy NW, Mt Berry Enjoy special art exhibitions and performances for dance, music and theatre. Berry.edu/FineArts

**Shorter University Fine Arts** 315 Shorter Ave NW Offers fine arts and performing arts events including dance, music, opera visual art and theatre. Shorter.edu



#### **Rome Shakespeare Festival**

This free two week spring festival draws audiences in with nightly performances and art shows. Theatrical workshops for aspiring artists in the dramatic arts lead up to the annual event. romeshakespearefestival.com

# Rome Area Council for the Arts (RACA)

Hosts and supports many community-based arts events. For a local arts calendar visit: romearts.org





Rome Symphony Orchestra Founded in 1921, the oldest symphony in the south performs at multiple venues and for multiple events throughout the year. Event calendar & tickets: RomeSymphony.org



Oak Hill & Martha Berry Museum 24 Veterans Memorial Hwy Explore Martha Berry's home and award winning gardens. View art collection and special exhibitions at the museum. Admission info: Berry.edu/oakhill



Makervillage 252 N.Fifth Ave. Be inspired at this startup and cowork community that includes a code school, artisan workshops and community art gallery. Makervillage.org

# eveningfun

Rome offers a variety of restaurant and bar venues that host evening entertainment from live music to trivia.

Dark Side of the Moon

*236 Broad St.* 706-292-0099

Foundry Growler Station

255 N 5th Ave SW 706-528-4699

Johnny's Pizza 233 Broad St. 706-232-6555 Mellow Mushroom 238 Broad St.

Moon Roof Bar 234 Broad St. 706-292-0099

706-234-9000

Old Havana Cigar Company 327 Broad St. 706-295-0546 River Dog Outpost 1 Broad St. 706-512-5107

Rome City Brewing Company
325 Broad St.

Schroeder's Courtyard 406 Broad St. 706-234-4613

706-204-8474



# familyfun

**Rome Braves Baseball** 755 Braves Blvd Catch a game to see tomorrow's stars today; class A affiliate of the Atlanta Braves (April - September) Tickets: 706-368-9388 RomeBraves.com



ECO Center 393 Riverside Pkwy Everyone will love interacting with local ecology and walking through the interpretive wetland area. Free entry, open Tue - Fri, 1-4 pm, seasonal special events, 706-622-6432

**Geocaching** Search for hidden treasures in this free, worldwide game of hide-and-seek. The county offers over 200 caches

hidden within 50 miles RomeGeorgia.org/Geocache

**Town Green** While visiting Downtown Rome, stop by the Town Green for fun in the interactive fountain. Open seasonally. *RomeGeorgia.org/TownGreen* 

**Cave Spring Cave** Explore the family friendly cave (details page 12). Splash and wade in the streams outside the cave and enjoy an afternoon in Rolater Park.

**Bee City USA** The city of Rome is recognized for encouraging pollinator habitats and is home to two public pollinator gardens just off the Heritage Trail in Ridge Ferry Park. *RomeGeorgia.org/BeeCityUSA* 

**Free Museums** Rome has a rich, storied history. These Rome museums offer free entry Duke Museum of Military History, Berry Science Museum, Hixson Flight Museum & Rome Area History Museum. *(see museums page 16)* 

### Play Tennis

100 Match Point Way The nation's largest hard court facility with 60 courts features 8 permanent 36' courts for 10&Under Tennis, plus 10 courts with blended lines for children learning the sport.



RomeTennisCenter.com

#### Little Library 607 Broad St

This little library is a replica of the Carnegie Library building behind it and contains treasures to share; bring a book to give and take home a book to enjoy.



#### **Social Art Groups**

Get out and explore Rome while sharing your art, the whole family will love it. For details on how to join Free Art Friday or Rome Rocks visit, RomeGeorgia.org/ SocialArt

#### Art for Kids

Rome offers several art studios that host

painting parties, workshops, special art events and summer camps. RomeGeorgia.org/StudioArt

# goplay

# More fun for the kiddos and for the kids at heart!

#### Classic Lanes Bowling 75 Huffaker Rd. 706-234-3323

# Floyd Bowling & Amusement 7 Riverbend Dr. 706-234-7373

# Skater Zone

2606 Calhoun Rd. 706-291-7681

#### Kangaroo Jake's 3347 Martha Berry

Blvd. 706-235-4600 Indoor bounce house

# Mount Berry Mall

2770 Martha Berry Hwy. 706-234-9335

#### Movies at Berry Square Mall 706-235-7799

706-235-7799 romemovies.net

#### Putt-Putt Fun Center 3349 Alabama Hwy

706-235-2817

SW.

### Rome Cinemas

2535 Shorter Ave 706-235-4444 romemovies.net





# cavespring

Everything flows easy and relaxed in Cave Spring from the sweet spring water in the cave to the canoes floating down Big Cedar Creek.

#### **Directions:**

Located in Vanns Valley, a short drive from Rome. Take Hwy 27 South to US 411 / GA 53.

# Cave Spring Welcome Center & Museum

4 Rome Road Cave Spring 706-777-0299 Open Mon - Sun 11 am-3 pm **Cave Spring Town Square** features antique and specialty shops, restaurants and Rolater Park, a 29-acre city park.

Rolater Park Explore the cave, the town's namesake; bring your own jug to collect and taste fresh spring water 300,000 years in the making. Open daily 10:30am-5:00pm, May thru mid-Aug; open weekends 10:30am-5pm April thru mid-Oct. Also available by appointment: 706-777-0202

Swimming Cool off with a dip in the renowned Rolater Lake, a 1.5 acre springfed lake shaped like state of Georgia or just wade in the cool, clear waters of Little Cedar Creek. The lake is open Memorial Day through Labor Day. rolaterlake.com, 706-506-8643



Trails Take a hike on the epicenter of the Pinhoti Trail running through downtown, and picnic in the park. Cave Spring is surrounded by gentle mountains, rolling farmland, and spring-fed creeks.



Dare Devil Zip Lines
4338 Cave Spring Rd SW
Offering a variety of thrill
rides from very fast to
inverted; fly through
canopies crossing a 20-acre
lake; experience varying
degrees of obstacles.
daredevilziplines.com
706-235-1677

Cedar Creek Park
6770 Cave Spring
Road SW
Spend a weekend in the
outdoors with tube,
kayak and canoe
rentals with drop off
and pick-up service;
tent and RV camping
with creek and
mountain view sites.
bigcedarcreek.com
706-777-3030



Photo: Andrew Marcus



**1810 Vann Cherokee Cabin**Vanns Valley and Cave Spring were settled by Eastern Indian Tribes.
See this historical cabin constructed most likely by Cherokee and perhaps by David Vann and his family in the heart of Cave Spring Town Square.

Cave Spring Ghost Tours
Hear Cave Spring's haunted
past when you visit the sites
where paranormal activity is
often experienced. Tours are
offered monthly and coordinate
with dinner at Linde Marie's
Steakhouse. Purchase tickets online:
cavespringga.com
706-383-7057

# cave spring lodging

#### **Cedar Creek Park**

6770 Cave Spring Rd. SW 706-777-3030 RV campsites, golf driving range, canoe and kayak adventures

### Creekside Motel

1 Georgia Ave. 706-777-3887

#### Hearn Inn

Rolater Park 706-381-2060, please leave a message if no answer

#### **Tumlin House B&B**

38 Alabama St. 706-777-0066 tumlinhouse.com wedding receptions, business dinners, bed & breakfast



# heritage&history

Berry College 2277 Martha Berry Hwy NW, Mt. Berry Henry Ford's Castle See the architectural beauty of Henry Ford's Georgia castle.

**Old Mill** Visit the mountain campus to see the world's largest overshot water wheel.

**Berry Science Museum** A natural science museum featuring Tellus Science Museum displays; chemistry and physics displays. Located at McAllister Hall, Free, Open Mon-Thu 7am- 7pm; Fri 7am-5pm & Sun 5pm-7pm, 706-232-5374

**Oak Hill & Martha Berry Museum** 24 Veterans Memorial Hwy Learn the story of Martha Berry with tours of the museum, gardens and home. Admission info: Berry.edu/oakhill

### Downtown Rome

Rome Area History Museum 305 Broad St Learn the history of Rome and the surrounding area with exhibits on Native Americans and early settlers through the Civil War into current day. Open Wed- Fri 10am-4pm, Sat 10am-2pm, Free, 706-235-8051, RomeHistoryMuseum.com

**Jackson Hill** 402 Civic Center Dr Visit the location of Fort Norton, an earthen fortification system which defended Rome during the Civil War. View outdoor exhibits from the civil war era; interpretive markers that tell the story of early history in Rome.

**Memorial Wall** Overlooking the Oostanaula River, this memorial displays the names of local citizens who gave their lives in war during American military service. *Located in Government Plaza behind the Forum River Center.* 

Chieftans Museum & Major Ridge Home 501 Riverside Pkwy Learn the traditions of the Cherokee Indians who are the foundation of Rome's history. Open Wed - Sat, 10am-5pm, Admission & tour times: ChieftainsMuseum.com 706-291-9494



**Duke Museum of Military History** 110 East 8th Ave. See artifacts and weapons from conflicts past; from pre-WWI to modern day. *Open daily, 706-506-4077* 

# Floyd County

**Hixson Flight Museum** Russell Regional Airport, 304 Russell Field Rd. Track the history of flight from the Wright Brothers through modern day. Features a World War II BTD-1 Destroyer; the only one of its kind left on the planet. Open Tue - Sat, 10am-4pm; Sun 1pm-4pm, Free, mofts.org

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# toursofrome



Flavor Tours Embark on a new culinary experience with a taste of Downtown Rome restaurants in a progressive-style meal format. Tour includes food, gratuities and transportation. Held on the second Saturday of each month. Tickets: RomeGeorgia.org/FlavorTours

**Downtown Walking Tours** Our local historians offer

walking tours with themes on historic homes, Civil War, Myrtle Hill Cemetery, architecture, Clocktower and Native American history. Offered the 1st Saturday of every month and by appointment. Tickets: RomeGeorgia.org/WalkingTours

**River Boat Tours** See Rome's riverways on the Sulzbacher Roman Holiday river boat. Public tours are offered first Sundays April-October and the boat is available for private cruises. *Call to book:* 706-622-6435



Georgia's Rome Tour Challenges Download this free app on your mobile device where fun challenges invite you to discover more of Rome's history. RomeGeorgia.org/ apps

Myrtle Hill Tour Rediscover the past in one of the most beautiful cemeteries

in the nation through a virtual guided tour. Download the free app at RomeGeorgia.org/apps

**Myrtle Hill Tree Tour** Discover over 50 different varieties of trees; many not native to the area. Tour maps available at both visitor centers or download at: *RomeGeorgia.org/TreeTour* 

**Civil War Sites Tour** Rome is one of few towns that saw continous action during all four years of the war; thus, modern Rome is left with reminders all around of the conflict. Stop by a visitor center for a tour map. *RomeGeorgia.org/CivilWar* 

**Selfie Tour** Snap your best selfie at all the must see sights in Georgia's Rome and be sure to tag us #RomeGeorgia across all social media platforms *RomeGeorgia.org/Selfie* 

**Film Tour** This self-guided tour leads you to the most iconic movie and tv productions filmed in Georgia's Rome. *RomeGeorgia.org/FilmTour* 

**Historical Markers** Tour Rome's culturally rich heritage in downtown and surrounding areas. Stop by a visitor center for a tour map or access from your mobile device: *RomeGeorgia.org/HistoricMarkers* 

**Group Tours** Book a tour with one of our local tour guides; personalized based on your needs. Tours offered include Myrtle Hill Cemetery, Civil War History, River Heritage & Downtown Rome History. *Book your tour: 706-295-5576* 



#### Photo: GA Department of Economic Development

# adventure out doors

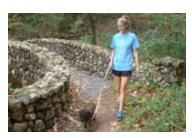


# Berry College

2277 Martha Berry Hwy NW, Mt. Berry Explore the world's largest contiguous college campus known for its beauty in land and architecture.

Trails: Over 40 miles of running, hiking & biking trails Wildlife Watching: Watch and photograph the world famous Berry Eagles; view acres of freely roaming wildlife House of Dreams: Hike 2.5 miles to the top of Lavender Mountain for scenic views Longleaf Trail Project: Intense trail showcases few remaining relic strands of Mountain Longleaf Pine

Ask for trail maps at the campus entry gate welcome center or visit Berry.edu



# **Trails**

Heritage Trail System

More than 13.5 miles of paved, multi-use trails through downtown.

Jackson Hill Trail System

402 Civic Center Dr. Bike or hike the shaded, undulating trails

#### **Garrard Park**

1985 Redmond Circle
Explore over 7 miles of walking and biking trails for all skill levels.

Mashall Forest Interpretive Trail
Horseleg Creek Rd.

34.247351 N, -85.194285 W
Only virgin forest in the United
States located within city limits.
Includes interpretive trail for the
blind.

# The Pocket & Chattahoochee National Forest

Everett Springs Rd. Hiking & camping, 706-695-6736

# Fishing, Camping, Boating

#### **Rocky Mountain Recreation Area**

4054 Big Texas Valley Rd.

Enjoy camping, hiking, mountain biking, fishing and lake with beach. 706-802-5087 GeorgiaWildlife.com

#### Lock & Dam Park

181 Lock & Dam Rd.

Coosa River access to Lake Weiss, camping, fishing, recreation, picnic, trails, pavilion, RV spaces and bait shop 706-234-5001, 706-291-0766

### Gardens

#### Oak Hill & Martha Berry Museum

24 Veterans Memorial Hwy Gardens surrounding the home were designed to compliment the home's architecture. Admission info: Berry.edu/oakhill



#### **Meditation Gardens at** Myrtle Hill Cemetery

Branham Ave SW (take

access road above mausoleum) Garden echos the allure of Rome's seven hills and three rivers. Free, open daily







# Rivers

#### River Dog Paddle Co., Board Rentals, Tours & Sales

1 Broad St., 706-512-5107\ RiverDogPaddleco.com

#### River Ratz Tubing & Kayak, Rentals & Shuttle Service

105 Callahan St NE, 706-728-4160 riverratzrome.com

#### **River Access**

For put in and take out locations visit RomeGeorgia.org/Rivers



# Leisure Sports

#### Stonebridge Golf Club

585 Stonebridge Dr. 18 hole course, practice facility, golf shop & grill. 706-236-5046 stonebridgegolf.com

#### Rome Tennis Center at Berry College

100 Match Point Way Nation's largest single surface tennis center with 60 courts. 706-236-4490 RomeTennisCenter.com

# Outdoor Events

A large variety of outdoor events are hosted throughout the year including road races, tennis tournaments, wake boarding, fishing tournaments, golf tournaments and cycling events. RomeGeorgia.org/Events

# food&drink

#### 3-26 Philly ■

114 Broad St. (Food Court) 706-378-9009 326philly.com \$ Philly Cheese Steak Sandwiches

# Bella RomaGrill 🕯 开 🛣 🛦

770 Braves Blvd. 706-291-4050 bellaromagrill.com \$\$ Italian Bar & Grill

### Chick-Fil-A Dwarf House 🌉 # 🛣 ◀

264 Shorter Ave. 706-232-9233 chickfila.com \$ Classic American fare

# Dark Side of the Moon 🕯 🗖 🕂 ■

706-292-0099 \$\$ Bar, lounge & event space

Doug's Downtown Deli ♠ 升當■
606 Broad St.

706-235-1662 \$ Bakery & Deli

236 Broad St.

# The Foundry Growler Station

255 N 5th Ave SW 706-528-4699 \$ Bar & growler station

# Rome offers a variety of flavors to please any palatte from international cuisines to Southern home cooking.

Alcohol served

Outdoor Dining

Paws Permitted

Event Space

Catering Services

Food Truck

Price ratings include the average cost of an entrée for one person (not including tax or gratuity).

\$ Under \$10 \$\$ \$10-20 \$\$\$ Over \$20

#### Locations:

■ Downtown North

▼ South
► East
▼ West

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234 Broad St. 706-292-0099 myharvestmooncafe.com \$\$ Southern cuisine with a twist

# Jamwich 🕯 🗬 🗆 🕿 ■

510 Broad St. 706-314-9544 getjamwiched.com § Artisian sandwiches with housemade jams & jellies

#### JJ Sumo Grill

114 Broad St. (Food Court) 706-237-6758 jjsumogrill.com \$ Sushi & Japanese

# Johnny's Pizza 🕯 🕂 🛣 🗖

233 Broad St. 706-232-6555 johnnyspizza.com \$ New York Style Pizza

#### La Conquista Mexican Grill

114 Broad St. (Food Court) 706-584-7605 \$ Mexican

# La Scala Mediterranean Bistro 🛍 🛚

413 Broad St. 706-238-9000 lascalaromega.com \$\$\$ Upscale Italian

# LonghornSteakhouse 🕯 🔻

144 Shorter Ave. 706-235-4232 longhornsteakhouse.com \$\$ Steakhouse

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238 Broad St. 706-234-9000 MellowMushroom.com \$\$ Stone-baked pizzas

# Moe's Southwest Grill ♠ # ◀

110 Shorter Ave. 706-292-0032 moes.com \$ Southwestern

#### 

706-622-2977 MoesOriginalBBQ.com \$\$ Stone-baked pizzas

# Old Havana Cigar Company

327 Broad St. 706-295-0546 \$ Smoke lounge, bar & cigar shop

# Eat, drink Ebe merry

# Off Broad By The River

100/110 West 2nd Ave Inside Hawthorn Suites 706-378-4837 \$\$ Upscale lounge, bar & grill deck

#### 

288 Shorter Ave. 706-378-9009 provinos.com \$\$ Traditional Italian

#### Rhino Smokehouse 🧠 🖳 🛦

706-331-8949
rhinosmokehouse.com
\$ Smoked ribs & gourmet dishes

# 

1 Broad St 706-512-5107 riverdogpaddleco.com \$ Outdoor bar & deck

# Roma Mia

3401 Martha Berry Hwy. 706-291-1881 romamiagrill.com \$ Italian Bar & Grill, Delivery

### Rome Braves Three Rivers Club 📤 🖳 🛦

755 Braves Blvd. 706-368-9388 RomeBraves.com \$ Special events & catering

# Rome City Brewing Co. # # \*=

325 Broad St. 706-204-8474 brewhouserome.com \$\$ American fare, Craft beer

# Schroeder's New Deli 🕯 🕂 🛣 🔳

406 Broad St 706-234-4613 schroedersnewdeli.com \$ Sandwiches, calzones, salads, pizza & soups

# Sam's Burger Deli 🛭 🗖 🕂 🛣 🛦

3170 Martha Berry Hwy NE 706-295-0733 samsburgerdeli.com \$ Burgers, sandwiches, calzones, salads, pizza & soups

### Seasons 🛚 🗖

208 Broad St 706-2235-9700 seasonsrome.com \$\$ Contemporary cuisine

#### Sonny's Real Pit Bar-B-Q 🦔 🔻

2103 Shorter Ave. 706-234-1441 sonnysbbq.com \$\$ Barbecue & ribs

# Speakcheesy 속 🖳

Mobile Food Truck 706-237-8320 eatspeakcheesy.com \$ Grilled sandwiches

# Subway ∄ ■◀

818 Turner McCall Blvd. 706-291-7827 1921 Shorter Ave. 706-295-5143 subway.com \$ Sandwiches

### Yummy Thai 🕯 🕂 當 🔳

526 Broad St 706-291-9599 yummythairome.com \$\$Thai, noodles & rice dishes

# sweets&treats

#### City Creamery

225 Broad St 706-314-9843 \$ Ice Cream & Coffee

# Cool Shavings

Food Truck 205-601-7481 coolshavings.com \$ Shaved Ice, Books for events

#### Frios Gourmet Pops

202 Broad St. 706-784-4588 friospops.com \$ Gourmet pops

# Honeymoon Bakery 🕂 🛣 🔳

228 Broad St. 706-232-0611 honeymoonbakery.com \$ Bakery, sweets & gelato

# Kona Ice of Rome

Food Truck 706-512-2866 konaiceofrome.com \$ Shaved Ice, Books for events

# Sweet Frog 🧠 🛣 🛦

477 Turner McCall Blvd. 706-413-2477 sweetfrogyogurt.com \$ Frozen Yogurt

# Sweet Thangs

Food Truck 706-331-1023 \$ Cakes & pies, Books for events

# shopping



Craze Boutique 231 A Broad St 706-308-0207

Women's boutique clothing, handbags, jewelry & accessories



Do Good Boutique 215 Broad St 706-237-7771

DoGoodBoutique.com
Purchase with purpose;
women's apparel, accessories,
jewelry & home goods



Farrell's Frame & Design
116 Broad St
706-584-7816

FarrellsFrameandDesign.com
Framing, home decor, original art. fine art reproduction



**Living & Giving** 401 Broad St 706-235-5530

LivingandGivingRome.com

Unique gifts, homegoods, plants, beautiful containers, gourmet foods, home decor, apparel, & jewelry



**Paula's Boutique** 210 Broad St 706-232-0033

PaulasBoutiqueonBroad.com Everything a girl would want under one roof of 5,000 square feet; for all ages and all sizes



Pineapple Place 216 Broad St. 706-314-9526

Home accessories, gifts and interior design



**Sassy Salvage** 225 N Fifth Ave 706-936-0413

Custom painted furniture, art, antiques, rustic refined, decorating consultations



Smartypants of Rome

405 Broad St 706-314-9609

Rome's exclusive upscale resale shop for children and ladies consignment



Snazzy Rags Boutique

419 Broad St 706-234-1122

SnazzyRagsBoutique.com

Specialty womens boutique offering names you love: Miss me, Judith March, Brighton, Vava, Voom by Joy Han, Kut from the Kloth, Glam



# Yellow Door Antiques

2019 N 5th Ave 706-237-7788

YellowDoorAntiques.com

Eclectic selection of antiques, collectibles, furniture, books, jewelry, pottery, vintage clothes, decor and local art

# Leady, set, shop!



Ford, Gittings & Kane 312 Broad St 706-291-8811

fakiewelers.com

Diamonds, jewelry, watches and gifts of distinction



Greene's Jewelers 328 Broad St 706-291-7236

GreenesJewelers.com Exclusive and unusual jewelry, design and custom-made jewelry 📽



Herb Shop 103 Broad St 706-232-4447

Herbal pharmacy, alternative health remedies and therapies, on staff master naturopathic physician



Rabbit's Nest 215 Broad St 706-767-1110

RabbitsNestofRome.com

Rome's largest specialty boutique for baby and children's clothing and gift boutique. Monogram & applique specialist



**River Dog Paddle** 1 Broad St 706-512-0562

Located inside the River Dog Outpost, offering gear, accessories, outdoor gear



Rome Liquor & Tobacco 600 E 2nd Ave, 706-378-9338

Largest selection of wines, spirits, and beer in Rome



**Traditions of Rome** 101 E 2nd Ave 706-234-1427

Wide selection of of gifts, home decor, collegiate novelty items, and christmas decor



Top Hat Formal Wear & Bridal Shop 245 Broad St 706-291-7163

TopHatFormalWear.net

Formal wear, bridal wear, wedding fashions, tuxedo rentals



Whistle Britches 206 Broad St 706-936-3534

Rustic boutique for men & women featuring clothing, gifts, shoes and accessories



**Last Stop Gift Shop** at Rome-Floyd Visitor Center 402 Civic Center Dr, 706-295-5576

LastStopGiftShop.com; carries the largest selection of Georgia's Rome souvenirs including local art, literature and food

# services



#### **Ransom Floral** 5 E 4th Ave 706-291-8007

Fresh flowers hand delivered; perfect for events, meeting and celebrations



#### The Season Events

300 Glenn Milner Blvd

706-234-2244

TheSeasonEvents.com Events, weddings, bartending, catering, planning and design

#### Deluxe Transportation Northwest, Georgia

#### Deluxe Transportation

706-506-8279

Airport shuttle, local or long distance transportation



#### Lavender Mountain Hardware and Garden

4065 Martha Berry Hwy

706-295-0299

LavendarMountainHardware.com
Garden center with services
that include: delivery, custom
potting & design, gifts and gift
wrapping

### SERVPRO

SERVPRO of Floyd County

# SERVEPRO of Floyd County

706-802-1085

ServproFloydCountyGa.com Residential and commercial restoration; cleaning services



#### Star Cleaners

1000 Turner McCall Blvd SW

706-232-3415

Dry cleaning, wash & fold services



# Rome Fun Facts

### Namesake

Rome's name is a commemoration of the Italian city of Rome. Like her namesake, Rome was built on 7 hills with 3 rivers intertwined between them.

#### Flowing Waters Rome's rivers form the most

diverse eco-system in all of North America. The rivers also served as the inspiration for iconic cartoon character Popeye, the Sailor Man.



# Location

Located in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains, Rome is the largest city in and the county seat of Floyd County, Georgia. Although no interstate highway passes through Rome, it is the second largest city, after Gadsden, Alabama, near the center of the triangular area defined by the interstate highways between Atlanta, Birmingham and Chattanooga.

# **Head Count**

Population of Rome & Floyd County: 96,317

Population of six county region: 355,000

#### Weather

Annual Normal Mean Temperature: 72 degrees

Avg Summer /Winter Temperatures: 79 degrees/ 54 degrees

Avg Annual Rainfall: 52 inches

Anytime is a perfect time to visit Rome!

# Regional Center

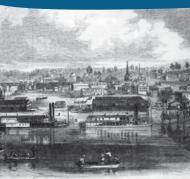
Rome is a regional center for medical care and education. Medical centers include Redmond Regional Medical Center, Floyd Medical Center, and Harbin Clinic - the largest privately owned multispecialty medical clinic in Georgia.

### Education

Rome is the home of Darlington School, Shorter University, Berry College, Georgia Highlands and Georgia Northwestern Technical College. Berry College is the world's largest contiguous college campus, spanning more than 27,000 acres of woodlands, meadows and streams.



# rome history



Rome in 1864

Rome's three flowing rivers that meet in the heart of downtown have drawn travelers and settlers to the area for centuries.

Although Hernando DeSoto visited here in the 1500's. it was the gentle Cherokee Indians who claimed Rome and Floyd County as their aptly described "Enchanted Land." The Cherokee influence still heard in the sweet sounding names of Rome's rivers: Coosa, Etowah Oostanaula.

In the 1830's, early settlers braved the wilderness to build new lives in Georgia's rugged up-country. Discovering the lush mountains and abundant waters, pioneers settled the town and named it Rome because of the seven prominent hills that rise above the city. Cotton became king and brought



prosperity. Mule drawn wagons loaded with cotton bales and other necessities crowded the streets and lined the docks as dozens of steamers and paddle wheelers transported goods over the rivers, our highways of yesterday.

Civil War history was also made in Rome. The city sought sanctuary with three prominent forts, Attaway, Norton and Stovall. located as sentinels

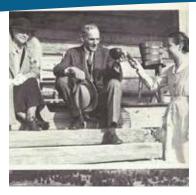


**Original Shorter College Campus** 

around the high points of the city's center. In May of 1863, John Wisdom, the "Paul Revere of the South," rode 64 miles on horseback from the west to alert Rome that the Yankees were coming. The town was saved, but in May of 1864, Rome fell to the Union Forces under the command of General William T. Sherman, Soldiers of the Union Army occupied Rome until November of that year. When General Sherman and his men departed, they set fire to many of the structures on their "March to the Sea".

A lady pioneer, Miss Martha Berry, made one of the largest contributions to the area. Late in the 18th Century, Martha, a wealthy planter's daughter, began to teach

# 180 years of history



Martha Berry & Henry Ford

mountain children in her little playhouse cabin near her home. Her mission of "education of the head, heart and hands" led to the development of the world-renowned Berry College.

With two rivers merging to form a third, Rome has occasionally been subjected to serious flooding. The first severe flood after Rome became a city was the flood of 1886, which inundated the city and allowed a steamboat to travel down Broad Street.

In the late 1890's, the city passed a resolution raising the height of Broad Street. As a result, some of the below-ground basements of Rome's historic buildings were originally the ground level entrances.

In these exciting times, a beautiful little city grew by the rivers and a lovely Victorian neighborhood blossomed beside it. Much of Downtown Rome remains in its original condition as the community's penchant for the past saved its grandeur.

Since the 1980's, citizens and the government have joined hands to restore the historic district and reclaim one of the South's loveliest cities.

As you stroll through our historic city, take note of the



**Civil War Occupation** 

original architectural beauty of yesterday and the bustling life of a charming southern town today.

The Civil War In Rome.org
Facebook: Civil War in Rome





# January

**Polar Plunge**, Rolater Park cityofcavespring.com/events.asp

**Polar Paddle,** Etowah River *Coosa.org* 

Three Rivers Invitational Bullriding Forum River Center

#### March

**Berry Half Marathon** Berry College *BerryHalf.com* 

**Ginger Pride Parade**Broad Street *free*GingerPrideParade.com

Leprechaun-a-thon (5K & Health walk), Downtown Rome rfpra.com

**St. PETrick's Day Parade** Downtown Rome *rfhs.org/index.php* 

**Big Fibbers Festival** *BigFibbers.com* 



# Spring Art Market Rome Civic Center free RomeGeorgia.org

Rome Braves Home Opener State Mutual Stadium RomeBraves.com

#### Cave Spring Bacon Fest Cave Spring Community Center CaveSpringGa.com

**Up The Creek Without A Pedal** Rome, *TredRomeFloyd.org* 

# May



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#### Roman Roast on the River Ridge Ferry Park RomanRoastontheRiver.com

Rome River Jam Ridge Ferry Park RomeRiverJam.com

# June

**Rome Shakespeare Festival** Town Green *free* RomeShakespeareFestival.com

Cave Spring Arts Festival Rolater Park CaveSpringGa.com

# July

Cave Spring Fireworks & Parade Downtown Cave Spring free CaveSpringGa.com

**4th of July Fireworks** Ridge Ferry Park *free rfpra.com* 

Cave Spring Motorcycle Rally CaveSpringMotorcycleRally.com



# September

Rome Beer Festival Heritage Park, RomeBeerFest.com

**Downtown Loft Tours** Downtown Rome *DowntownRomeGa.us* 

Cave Spring Pig Out & Cruise-In Cave Spring, CaveSpringPigOut.com

Cardboard Boat Regatta Rolater Park, AHHAS.org



Coosa Valley Fair Coosa Valley Fairgrounds CoosaValleyFair.com

**Going Caching Mega Event** Rome *free GoingCaching.com* 

Trout Unlimited Chili Cook-Off Ridge Ferry Park CoosaValley.tu.org

Fiddlin' Fest - Between the Rivers Downtown Rome free FiddlinFest.com

Chiaha Harvest Festival Ridge Ferry Park

Where Romans Rest Tours Myrtle Hill Cemetery RomeGeorgia.org/Tours

Chiaha.org

Halloween Haunted Houses Find Rome's Haunted Houses at: RomeEvents.org



# November

**Rome International Film Festival** DeSoto Theatre riffga.com

Cave Spring Christmas
Open House free
CityofCavespring.com/events.asp

**Downtown Holiday Open House** Downtown Rome *free DowntownRomeGa.us* 

### December

**Winter Art Market** Rome Civic Center *free RomeGeorgia.org* 

Christmas in the Country
Cave Spring free
CityofCavespring.com/events.asp

Santa Sprint
Cave Spring
CityofCavespring.com/events.asp

# Year-Round

Cave Spring Ghost Tours
CaveSpringga.com

Rome Symphony Orchestra Rome Symphony.org

Rome Little Theatre Productions
RomeLittleTheatre.wordpress.com

DeSoto Theatre productions HistoricDesotoTheatre.org

Flavor Tours RomeGeorgia.org/FlavorTours

# Seasonal

March - October Rome Area History Museum Clocktower Tours, 1st Saturdays *free* 

April - September Rome Braves Baseball RomeBraves.com

April - October

Georgia Made, Georgia Grown Farmer's Market, *RomeGeorgia.org* free

**May - September** Downtown Saturdays *free* 1st Saturdays, *DowntownRomeGa.us* 

May - October Rolling on the River Sunday Cruises 1st Sundays, 706.622.6435

June - October Farmer's Market free Ridge Ferry Park, rfpra.com

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