

Where the rivers meet & the mountains begin...

# TOP 10

## Reasons to Visit

### Georgia's Rome

+ 50  
Must See  
& Do  
Ideas

Georgia's  
**Rome**

# planning your visit



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All roads  
lead to Rome

## directions

### 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 Hwy 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.

### Driving Distances (Miles)

Asheville, NC	223
Atlanta, GA	65
Augusta, GA	219
Birmingham, AL	124
Charlotte, NC	299
Charleston, SC	392
Chattanooga, TN	76
Columbia, SC	284
Columbus, GA	172
Columbus, MS	236
Gadsden, AL	57
Greensboro, NC	388
Greenville, SC	201
Huntsville, AL	115
Jacksonville, FL	416
Jackson, MS	356
Knoxville, TN	171
Macon, GA	153
Memphis, TN	416
Miami, FL	732
Mobile, AL	377
Montgomery, AL	225
Nashville, TN	206
Pensacola, FL	373
Raleigh, NC	461
Savannah, GA	318
Tallahassee, FL	338
Wilmington, NC	486

# Concierge Services



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Call Us!

706-295-5576

800-444-1834

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 Rome

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](http://LastStopGiftShop.com)



Downtown Welcome Center

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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Plan Now at [RomeGeorgia.org](http://RomeGeorgia.org)

# accommodations

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



**Hospitality  
Association**  
of Rome & Floyd County

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.

Meeting Facility	Restaurant	Bar Lounge	Exercise Facility	Historic Downtown	Rooms/Suites
					33
			✓		51
✓					5
✓			✓		64
✓			✓		60
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	120
✓			✓	✓	105
					56
✓			✓	✓	90
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	65
✓			✓		81
✓			✓		46
✓			✓		67
					45
					80
✓					8

## 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

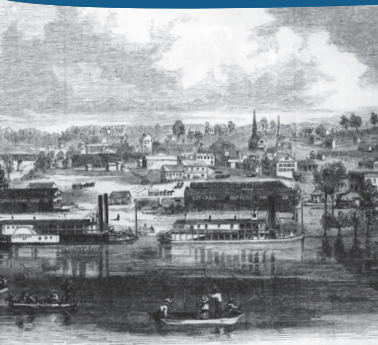
### Stay Lodge

706-233-9188

### Sunrise Inn & Suites

706-291-1994

# 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 is still heard in the sweet sounding names of Rome's rivers: Coosa, Etowah and 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



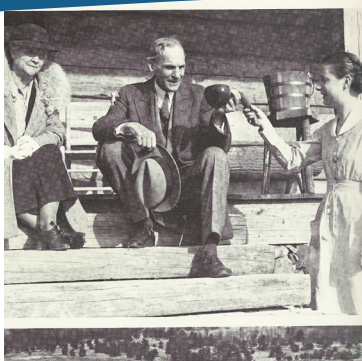
Original Shorter College Campus

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.

***TheCivilWarInRome.org***

***Facebook: CivilWarinRome***



**Flood in early 19th Century.**

# attractions

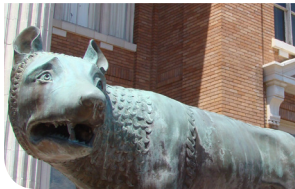


50 +  
Must See  
& Do  
Ideas

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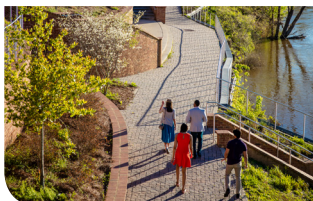
## godowntown

**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](http://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, May - Sep, 12:00 - 1:15 pm, Free Admission  
Call to book a group tour:  
706-235-8051, 706-295-5576



**Trails**  
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](http://RomeGeorgia.org/HeritageTrails)

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# When in Rome...



## Shopping

Discover shops that cater to every style including unique gifts, clothing, home decor, outdoor gear, jewelry and more. More details on page 20. Special offers: [RomeGeorgia.org/Shopping](http://RomeGeorgia.org/Shopping)



## Food & Drink

Indulge your taste buds with homemade southern food and cuisines from around the world. More details on page 18. Special offers: [RomeGeorgia.org/Restaurants](http://RomeGeorgia.org/Restaurants)



## Events

The downtown district hosts free events including concerts, shows, festivals and holiday festivities. DowntownRomeGA.us or [RomeGeorgia.org/Events](http://RomeGeorgia.org/Events)

## Free Downtown Transportation

Catch a ride on the Roman Chariot to downtown shopping, dining, events and hotels. Map & Hours: [RomeGeorgia.org/Chariot](http://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 USA standard tennis courts and is open daily for regular play. 706-236-4490, [RomeTennisCenter.com](http://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](http://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.





Forum River Center

Photo: Ryan Smith, Floyd Medical Center

## 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](http://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](http://VenueDog.com)

[RomeLittleTheatre.wordpress.com](http://RomeLittleTheatre.wordpress.com)

[HistoricDesotoTheatre.org](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://romearts.org)



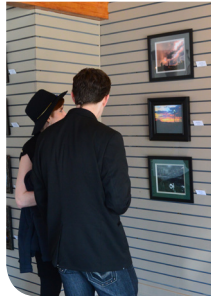
Shakespeare Festival



**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](http://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](http://Berry.edu/oakhill)



**Makervillage**  
252 N. Fifth Ave. Be inspired at this startup and co-work community that includes a code school, artisan workshops and community art gallery. [Makervillage.org](http://Makervillage.org)

## eveningfun

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

### Brewhouse Music & Grill

325 Broad St.  
706-204-8474

### 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.  
706-234-9000

### Moon Roof Bar

234 Broad St.  
706-292-0099

### Old Havana Cigar Company

327 Broad St.  
706-295-0546

### River Dog Outpost

1 Broad St.  
706-512-5107

### Rome City Brewing Company

333 Broad St.  
706-204-8474

### Schroeder's Courtyard

406 Broad St.  
706-234-4613

# Come see tomorrow's Major League Baseball Stars Today!



## familyfun

**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



ECO Center

**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](http://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](http://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.

## goplay

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

### Classic Lanes Bowling

75 Huffaker Rd.

706-234-3323

### Skater Zone

2606 Calhoun Rd.

706-291-7681

### Floyd Bowling & Amusement

7 Riverbend Dr.

706-234-7373

### Kangaroo Jake's

3347 Martha Berry  
Blvd.

706-235-4600

Indoor bounce house



2016  
South Atlantic  
League  
Champions!

### 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](http://RomeBraves.com)

**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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://RomeGeorgia.org/StudioArt)



Family friendly cave

**Mount Berry Mall**  
2770 Martha Berry Hwy.  
706-234-9335

**Putt-Putt Fun Center**  
3349 Alabama Hwy SW.  
706-235-2817

## seemovies

**Rome Cinemas**  
2535 Shorter Ave  
Movie Line:  
706-235-7799  
706-235-7777 (office)  
[romemovies.net](http://romemovies.net)

**Movies at Berry Square**  
2820 Martha Berry Hwy  
Movie Line:  
706-235-7799  
706-235-9335 (office)  
[romemovies.com](http://romemovies.com)

# Bring home fresh CAVE SPRING WATER 300,000 years in the making



Visit Rolater Park

## 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 spring-fed 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](http://rolaterlake.com), 706-506-8643



Rolater Lake

**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](http://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](http://bigcedarcreek.com)

706-777-3030



Photo: Andrew Marcus



Cave Spring Shops

### 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](http://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](http://tumlinhouse.com)

*wedding receptions, business dinners, bed & breakfast*



See Henry Ford's  
Georgia Castle

## 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](http://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](http://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: [ChieftansMuseum.com](http://ChieftansMuseum.com) 706-291-9494



Jackson Hill

**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](http://mofts.org)





**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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://RomeGeorgia.org/TreeTour)

**Civil War Sites Tour** Rome is one of few towns that saw continuous 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](http://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](http://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](http://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](http://RomeGeorgia.org/HistoricMarkers)

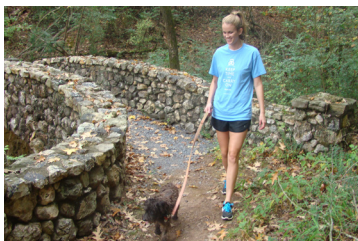
**Group Tours** Book a tour with one of our local tour guides; personalized based on your needs. Tours offered include Myrtle Hill Cemetery, Civil War History, River Heritage & Downtown Rome History. *Book your tour: 706-295-5576*

# TREAD OVER 70 MILES of TRAILS



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## adventureoutdoors



### 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](http://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. Camping, hiking, mountain biking, fishing and lake with beach. 706-802-5087 [GeorgiaWildlife.com](http://GeorgiaWildlife.com)

### Lock & Dam Park

181 Lock & Dam Rd. Coosa River access to Lake Weiss, camping, fishing, recreation, picnic, trails, pavilion, RV spaces & bait shop. 706-234-5001, 706-291-0766

### Brushy Branch

7354 Blacks Bluff Rd SW, Cave Spring Coosa River access to Lake Weiss, primitive camping. 706-291-0766

RV Dump Station is located at the Rome-Floyd Visitor Center parking lot.

## Gardens

### Oak Hill & Martha Berry Museum

24 Veterans Memorial Hwy Gardens surrounding Martha Berry's home. Admission info: [Berry.edu/oakhill](http://Berry.edu/oakhill)

### Meditation Gardens at Myrtle Hill Cemetery

Branham Ave SW (take access road above mausoleum) Garden inspired by Rome's seven hills and three rivers. Free, open daily

Heritage Trail



## Rivers

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

1 Broad St., 706-512-5107  
[RiverDogPaddleco.com](http://RiverDogPaddleco.com)

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

105 Callahan St NE, 706-728-4160  
[riverratzrome.com](http://riverratzrome.com)

### River Access

For put in and take out locations visit [RomeGeorgia.org/Rivers](http://RomeGeorgia.org/Rivers)



## Leisure Sports

### Stonebridge Golf Club

585 Stonebridge Dr.  
18 hole course, practice facility, golf shop & grill. 706-236-5046  
[stonebridgegolf.com](http://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](http://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](http://RomeGeorgia.org/Events)

# food&drink

## 3-26 Philly ■

114 Broad St. (Food Court)

706-378-9009

326philly.com

\$ Philly Cheese Steak Sandwiches

## Brewhouse Music & Grill 🍷 🍴 🐾 ■

325 Broad St.

706-204-8474

brewhouserome.com

\$\$ American fare, Craft beer

## Bella Roma Grill 🍷 🍴 🐾 ▲

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 🍷 🍴 🍴 ■

236 Broad St.

706-292-0099

\$\$ Bar, lounge & event space

## Doug's Downtown Deli 🍴 🍴 🐾 ■

606 Broad St.

706-235-1662

\$ Bakery & Deli

## The Foundry Growler Station 🍷 ■

255 N 5th Ave SW

706-528-4699

\$ Bar & growler station

## Harvest Moon Cafe 🍷 🍴 🍴 🍴 🐾 ■

234 Broad St.

706-292-0099

myharvestmooncafe.com

\$\$ Southern cuisine with a twist

## Jamwich 🍷 🍴 🍴 🐾 ■

510 Broad St.

706-314-9544

getjamwiched.com

\$ Artisan sandwiches with house-made 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

johnnypizza.com

\$ New York Style Pizza

## La Conquista Mexican Grill ■

114 Broad St. (Food Court)

706-584-7605

\$ Mexican

## LocoMex 🍷 🍴 🍴 ■

201 Broad St.

706-314-6250

\$ Mexican

## Longhorn Steakhouse 🍷 ◀

144 Shorter Ave.

706-235-4232

longhornsteakhouse.com

\$\$ Steakhouse

## Mellow Mushroom 🍷 🍴 🍴 🍴 🐾 ■

238 Broad St.

706-234-9000

MellowMushroom.com

\$\$ Stone-baked pizzas

## Moe's Southwest Grill 🍴 🍴 ◀

110 Shorter Ave.

706-292-0032

moes.com

\$ Southwestern

## Moe's Original BBQ 🍷 🍴 🍴 🍴 🐾 ■

101 West 1st St

706-622-2977

MoesOriginalBBQ.com

\$\$ Stone-baked pizzas

## Old Havana Cigar Company 🍷 ■

327 Broad St.

706-295-0546

\$ Smoke lounge, bar & cigar shop

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



Alcohol served



Outdoor Dining



Paws Permitted



Catering Services



Event Space



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

**Off Broad By The River** 🍷 ■

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

**Provino's Italian** 🍷 🍝 🍴 ◀

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

**River Dog Outpost** 🍷 🍴 🐾 ■

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.** 🍷 🍴 🐾 ■

333 Broad St.  
706-204-8474  
brewhouserome.com  
\$\$ Tap room, American fare

**Schroeder's New Deli** 🍷 🍴 🐾 ■

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

**Seasons** 🍷 ■

208 Broad St  
706-235-9700  
seasonsrome.com  
\$\$ Contemporary cuisine

**Speakcheesy** 🍷 🚚

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

**sweets & treats**

**City Creamery** ■

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

**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

**Mountains Ice Cream**

231 Broad St.  
770-769-7463  
mntsicecream.com  
\$ Hand dipped ice cream, fresh made waffle cones and more

**Sweet Frog** 🍷 🐾 ▲

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

**Sweet Things** 🚚

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



# shopping



## Ford, Gittings & Kane

312 Broad St  
706-291-8811

[fgkjewelers.com](http://fgkjewelers.com)

Diamonds, jewelry, watches  
and gifts of distinction 🐾



## Greene's Jewelers

328 Broad St  
706-291-7236

[GreenesJewelers.com](http://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



## Rome Liquor & Tobacco

600 E 2nd Ave,  
706-378-9338

*Largest selection of wines,  
spirits, and beer in Rome*



## 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



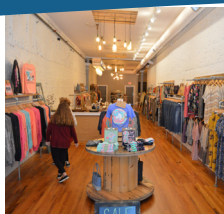
## Yellow Door Antiques

2019 N 5th Ave  
706-237-7788

[YellowDoorAntiques.com](http://YellowDoorAntiques.com)

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

# Ready, set, shop!



## 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](http://DoGoodBoutique.com)

Purchase with purpose; women's apparel, accessories, jewelry & home goods 🐾



## Farrell's Frame & Design

116 Broad St

706-584-7816

[FarrellsFrameandDesign.com](http://FarrellsFrameandDesign.com)

Framing, home decor, original art, fine art reproduction 🐾



## Living & Giving

401 Broad St

706-235-5530

[LivingandGivingRome.com](http://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](http://PaulasBoutiqueonBroad.com)

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



## River Dog Paddle

1 Broad St

706-512-0562

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



## Snazzy Rags Boutique

419 Broad St

706-234-1122

[SnazzyRagsBoutique.com](http://SnazzyRagsBoutique.com)

Specialty womens boutique offering names you love: Miss me, Judith March, Brighton, Vava, Voom by Joy Han



## Traditions of Rome

101 E 2nd Ave

706-234-1427

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



## Top Hat Formal Wear & Bridal Shop

245 Broad St

706-291-7163

[TopHatFormalWear.net](http://TopHatFormalWear.net)

Formal wear, bridal wear, wedding fashions, tuxedo rentals



## Last Stop Gift Shop

### at Rome-Floyd Visitor Center

402 Civic Center Dr, 706-295-5576

[LastStopGiftShop.com](http://LastStopGiftShop.com); carries the largest selection of Georgia's Rome souvenirs including local art, literature and food 🐾

# services

## Bussy's Floral & Gifts



### Bussy's Floral & Gifts

250 Broad St.  
706-234-1040

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



### Lavender Mountain Hardware and Garden

4065 Martha Berry  
Hwy  
706-295-0299

[LavendarMountainHardware.com](http://LavendarMountainHardware.com)

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



CATERING 🍴 PLANNING 📅 DESIGN

### The Season Events

300 Glenn Milner Blvd  
706-234-2244

[TheSeasonEvents.com](http://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

## RHINEHART

EQUIPMENT COMPANY ROME, GA

### Rhinehart Equipment Company

3556 Martha Berry  
Blvd  
706-232-8962

[LavendarMountainHardware.com](http://LavendarMountainHardware.com)

Farming equipment, new  
and used bob cat and kubota  
dealership



### Star Cleaners

1000 Turner McCall  
Blvd SW  
706-232-3415

Dry cleaning, wash & fold  
services



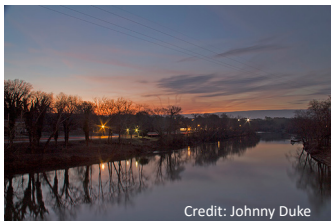
# Rome Fun Facts

## 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.



Credit: Johnny Duke

## 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 Balloon Festival

### January

**Polar Plunge**, Rolater Park  
[cityofcavespring.com/events.asp](http://cityofcavespring.com/events.asp)

**Polar Paddle**, Etowah River  
[Coosa.org](http://Coosa.org)

**Three Rivers Invitational Bullriding**  
 Forum River Center

### March

**Berry Half Marathon**  
 Berry College  
[BerryHalf.com](http://BerryHalf.com)

**Ginger Pride Parade**  
 Broad Street *free*  
[GingerPrideParade.com](http://GingerPrideParade.com)

**Leprechaun-a-thon (5K & Health walk)**, Downtown Rome  
[rfpra.com](http://rfpra.com)

**St. PETrick's Day Parade**  
 Downtown Rome  
[rfhs.org/index.php](http://rfhs.org/index.php)

**Big Fibbers Festival**  
[BigFibbers.com](http://BigFibbers.com)

### April



**Spring Art Market**  
 Rome Civic Center *free*  
[RomeGeorgia.org](http://RomeGeorgia.org)

**Rome Braves Home Opener**  
 State Mutual Stadium  
[RomeBraves.com](http://RomeBraves.com)

**Cave Spring Bacon Fest**  
 Cave Spring Community Center  
[CaveSpringGa.com](http://CaveSpringGa.com)

**Up The Creek Without A Pedal**  
 Rome, [TredRomeFloyd.org](http://TredRomeFloyd.org)

### May



Photo: Gail McGill Johnson

**Roman Roast on the River**  
 Ridge Ferry Park  
[RomanRoastontheRiver.com](http://RomanRoastontheRiver.com)

### June

**Rome Shakespeare Festival**  
 Town Green *free*  
[RomeShakespeareFestival.com](http://RomeShakespeareFestival.com)

**Rome River Jam**  
 Ridge Ferry Park  
[RomeRiverJam.com](http://RomeRiverJam.com)

**Cave Spring Arts Festival**  
 Rolater Park  
[CaveSpringGa.com](http://CaveSpringGa.com)

### July

**Cave Spring Fireworks & Parade**  
 Downtown Cave Spring *free*  
[CaveSpringGa.com](http://CaveSpringGa.com)

**4th of July Fireworks**  
 Ridge Ferry Park *free*  
[rfpra.com](http://rfpra.com)

**Cave Spring Motorcycle Rally**  
[CaveSpringMotorcycleRally.com](http://CaveSpringMotorcycleRally.com)



## September

**Rome Beer Festival**  
Heritage Park, [RomeBeerFest.com](http://RomeBeerFest.com)

**Rome Balloon Festival**  
Richard B. Russell Airport  
[romeballoonfestival.com](http://romeballoonfestival.com)

**Downtown Loft Tours**  
Downtown Rome  
[DowntownRomeGa.us](http://DowntownRomeGa.us)

**Cave Spring Pig Out & Cruise-In**  
Cave Spring, [CaveSpringPigOut.com](http://CaveSpringPigOut.com)

**Cardboard Boat Regatta**  
Rolater Park, [AHHAS.org](http://AHHAS.org)

## October

**Wings Over North Georgia Air Show**  
Richard B. Russell Airport  
[WingsOverNorthGeorgia.com](http://WingsOverNorthGeorgia.com)

**Coosa Valley Fair**  
Coosa Valley Fairgrounds  
[CoosaValleyFair.com](http://CoosaValleyFair.com)

**Going Caching Mega Event**  
Rome **free**  
[GoingCaching.com](http://GoingCaching.com)

**Trout Unlimited Chili Cook-Off**  
Ridge Ferry Park  
[CoosaValley.tu.org](http://CoosaValley.tu.org)

**Fiddlin' Fest - Between the Rivers**  
Downtown Rome **free**  
[FiddlinFest.com](http://FiddlinFest.com)

**Chiaha Harvest Festival**  
Ridge Ferry Park  
[Chiaha.org](http://Chiaha.org)

**Where Romans Rest Tours**  
Myrtle Hill Cemetery  
[RomeGeorgia.org/Tours](http://RomeGeorgia.org/Tours)

**John Wisdom Wagon Train**  
[romegeorgia.org/wagontrain/](http://romegeorgia.org/wagontrain/)

**Halloween Haunted Houses**  
Find Rome's Haunted Houses at:  
[RomeEvents.org](http://RomeEvents.org)



## November

**Rome International Film Festival**  
DeSoto Theatre  
[riffga.com](http://riffga.com)

**Cave Spring Christmas Open House** **free**  
[CityofCavespring.com/events.asp](http://CityofCavespring.com/events.asp)

**Downtown Holiday Open House**  
Downtown Rome **free**  
[DowntownRomeGa.us](http://DowntownRomeGa.us)

## December

**Winter Art Market**  
Rome Civic Center **free**  
[RomeGeorgia.org](http://RomeGeorgia.org)

**Christmas in the Country**  
Cave Spring **free**  
[CityofCavespring.com/events.asp](http://CityofCavespring.com/events.asp)

**Santa Sprint**  
Cave Spring  
[CityofCavespring.com/events.asp](http://CityofCavespring.com/events.asp)

## Seasonal

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

**April - September**  
Rome Braves Baseball  
[RomeBraves.com](http://RomeBraves.com)

**April - October**  
Georgia Made, Georgia Grown Farmer's Market, [RomeGeorgia.org](http://RomeGeorgia.org) **free**

**May - September**  
Downtown Saturdays **free**  
1st Saturdays, [DowntownRomeGa.us](http://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](http://rfpra.com)

**November - December**  
Ice Skating & Ice Events  
Forum River Center  
[ForumRiverCenter.com](http://ForumRiverCenter.com)

## Year-Round

Cave Spring Ghost Tours  
[CaveSpringga.com](http://CaveSpringga.com)

Rome Symphony Orchestra  
[RomeSymphony.org](http://RomeSymphony.org)

Rome Little Theatre Productions  
[RomeLittleTheatre.wordpress.com](http://RomeLittleTheatre.wordpress.com)

DeSoto Theatre productions  
[HistoricDesotoTheatre.org](http://HistoricDesotoTheatre.org)

Flavor Tours  
[RomeGeorgia.org/FlavorTours](http://RomeGeorgia.org/FlavorTours)

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