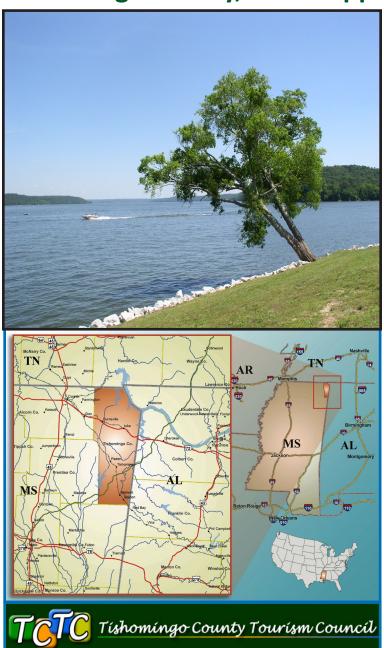
# Visitor's Guide

# Tishomingo County, Mississippi





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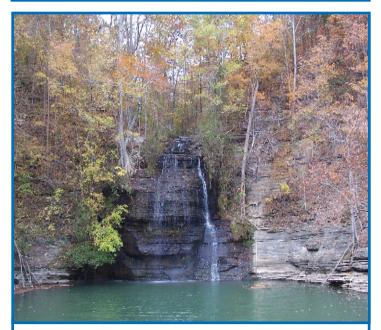
Tishomingo State Park. 105 County Road 90, P. O. Box 880, Tishomingo, Mississippi 38873 (access from Highway 25 and the Natchez Trace Parkway). Phone: 662-438-6914. If no answer call 662-438-6840. Web site: http://www.mdwfp.com/parksdestinations/state-parks/tishomingo; e-mail: tishomingo@ mdwfp.state.ms.us. Office hours: 8 AM to 5 PM daily except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. Widely acclaimed as Mississippi's most beautiful natural area. Many of the park buildings are constructed of the beautiful multi-colored sandstone quarried in Tishomingo County. Rocky canyons, hardwood forest, 600 species of flowering plants, and clear streams make this park a nature-lovers paradise. Six fully furnished cabins, 62 RV pads, tent camping, group camp, dining hall, meeting facilities, 45 acre lake, fishing piers, playgrounds, swimming pool, ballfield, seasonal canoe float, picnic areas, 13 mile nature trail system with native stone steps, several waterfalls, canoeing stream, three disc golf courses, rock climbing, visitors center, pioneer log cabin, and swinging bridge over Bear Creek, a designated state scenic stream. Disc golf tournaments, Dulcimer Festivals, and other special events scheduled during the year.



Tishomingo State Park is famous for its swinging bridge dating from the 1930's. The native stone and steel cable bridge crosses high above Bear Creek and is the entrance to a system of hiking trails along the creek and along the top of canyon walls. Tishomingo State Park has won 12 national awards and is rated one of America's best state parks and the best hiking destination in Mississippi.



J. P. Coleman State Park. 613 County Road 321, luka, Mississippi 38852. Phone 662-423-6515. Fax 662-423-3396. Web site: http://www.mdwfp.com/parks-destinations/state-parks/jp-coleman/; e-mail: jpcoleman@mdwfp.state.ms.us. Office hours: 8 AM to 5 PM daily except Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. Located on Pickwick Lake 13 miles north of luka. Motel overlooking the lake with three townhouses and 16 hotel rooms, meeting room facilities for up to 150, 20 fully furnished vacation cabins, 3 full furnished cottages, 69 RV sites with full hookups, 9 tent camping sites, swimming pool, bath house, marina, boat launch, fuel, picnic area and pavilion, fishing areas, fish cleaning station, laundry, nature trail, and miniature golf. Maps and charts of Pickwick Lake are available at www. tnriver.com.



Cooper Falls. Pickwick Lake and Bay Springs Lake are famous for scenic beauty such as 50 foot Cooper Falls located on Pickwick Lake just north of J. P. Coleman State Park. Accessible only by boat. Contact J. P. Coleman State Park at 662-423-6515 for more information. J. P. Coleman State park has won nine national awards and has a number of fishing tournaments each year.

# **ADVENTURE PARKS**

AWARD WINNING STATE PARKS, JUDGED AMONG THE BEST OF OVER 3,000 STATE PARKS IN THE USA

J. P. COLEMAN STATE PARK HAS RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING AWARDS:

- TOP 25 AMAZING LOCATIONS;
- TOP 25 KID FRIENDLY PARKS;
- TOP 25 BIRD WATCHING SPOTS:
- TOP 25 UNIQUE CABINS;
- TOP 25 WATER RECREATION PARKS:
- TOP 25 ROMANTIC SPOTS;
- TOP 50 FISHING SPOTS:
- TOP 50 SCENIC VIEW; AND
- TOP 100 FAMILY CAMPGROUNDS.

TISHOMINGO STATE PARK HAS RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING AWARDS:

- TOP 25 CANOEING SPOTS:
- TOP 25 BIRD WATCHING SPOTS;
- TOP 25 EDUCATIONAL & HISTORICAL FACILITIES;
- TOP 25 KID FRIENDLY PARKS;
- TOP 25 ROMANTIC SPOTS;
- TOP 25 TOURS AND EVENTS:
- TOP 25 AMAZING LOCATIONS;
- TOP 25 UNIQUE CABINS;
- TOP 50 HIKING TRAILS;
- TOP 50 FISHING SPOTS;
- TOP 50 SCENIC VIEWS;
- TOP 100 FAMILY CAMPGROUNDS



IN ADDITION, THE PARK HAS BEEN VOTED THE MOST POPULAR OUTDOOR RECREATION DESTINATION IN THE STATE AND IS RATED BY MISSISSIPPI MAGAZINE AS THE "BEST HIKING TRAIL IN MISSISSIPPI".



Grand Harbor Marina & Condominiums. 325 County Road 380-L001, Counce, TN 38326 (located in Tishomingo County). Phone: 662-667-5551; fax: 662-667-5561; e-mail: info@gograndharbor.com; web site: www.gograndharbor.com. Premier high rise development overlooking beautiful Pickwick Lake, a 43,100 acre TVA lake. 88 condominiums and 16 vacation rentals. Lakeside pool, tennis court, exercise facility, marina, fully equipped kitchens, Jacuzzis, on-site convenience store, boat rentals, marina, and transient dock.



Safe Harbor Aqua Yacht. 3832 Highway 25, luka, Mississippi 38852. Located 13 miles north of luka on Highway 25 near the Tennessee state line. Toll free: 866-423-7368 or 662-423-2222. Web site: www.aquayachtharbor.com. One of America's largest freshwater marinas. Located on Pickwick Lake. 450 in water slips and 140 dry stack spaces. Vessels up to 120 feet. 25 transient slips. Ship's store, rental boats, fuel dock, pump-out dock, swimming pool, tennis court, exercise facility, cabin rentals, restaurant (in season), boat sales, 70 ton lift, and boat service and repair facilities, parts inventory, and courtesy vans.



Mill Creek Marina. 314 County Road 242, luka, Mississippi, 38852, telephone: 662-423-9801 or 662-423-1215. Web site: www.millcreekmarina.org. After business hours call 662-423-2125 or 662-424-2380. Located on beautiful Pickwick Lake. 54 RV camping sites, vacation cabin rentals, marina with 90 covered boat slips, marina & camp store, bait and tackle, concessions, fuel, and boat launch.



Bay Springs Marina. 48 County Road 3495, New Site, Mississippi 38859. Phone: 662-728-2449. Web site at www.bsmarina.com. Open all year. Office hours 8 AM to 5 PM. 150 boat slips, marina service facility, 50 ton boat lift, marine supplies, fuel service, marina store, courtesy vehicle, pumpouts. Whippor-will Campground offers RV sites and two rental cabins.

Goat Island RV Park & Campground. 109 County Road 346 near Highway 25 North, Iuka, Mississippi 33852. Phone: 662-423-1104. Web site: www.pickwicklake.net/pickwick\_camping/goatisland/goatisland.html. Located on beautiful Pickwick Lake. Camping pads, boat launch, picnic area, fishing, swimming area, basketball, hiking, bicycling, etc. 24 hour security. On site manager. Closed November to March 1.



Eastport Marina and Resort. 892 County Road 956, luka, Mississippi 38852. Phone: 662-423-6972. Web site: www. epmarina.com. e-mail: info@epmarina.com. Find us on Facebook. Located on Pickwick Lake at Tennessee River mile marker 225. Full service marina for over 100 boats, boat repair, boat storage, gas dock, boat ramp, bait & tackle, snacks, souvenirs, and seasonal restaurant. Rental cabins at the marina are great for an economical vacation. Pontoon boat and Jet Ski rentals are available. Drive to the end of Eastport Road to a scenic overlook of the Tennessess River and historic Eastport Beach. Eastport Grill open during season on Saturdays and Sundays from 8:00 AM to 2:30 PM.



Union Harbor Development & Marina. 21 Marina Point Drive, Iuka, Mississippi 38852. 350 acre residential and resort community with marina in a sheltered cove of Pickwick Lake. Homes and home sites overlooking Pickwick Lake for sale. Cabins and homes for short-term rent. Contact toll free 1-888-740-6100, telephone 877-878-7223, fax 662-349-2000, e-mail sales@unionharbor.net, or visit the web site at www.unionharbor.net.

Piney Grove Campground. Corps of Engineers, Bay Springs Lake, 82 Bay Springs Resource Road, Dennis, Mississippi 38838. Campground located north of Highway 4 on the west side of Bay Springs Lake. Phone: 662-728-1134. Boat ramp, two playgrounds, camping facilities, two game courts, amphitheater, beach, picnic shelters, fishing piers, nature trails, fish cleaning station, 141 camper spaces with power, water, and bath facilities, swimming area, concessions, laundry, and group camping area. Web site: http://tenntom.sam.usace.army.mil.

Victorian Inn. Highway 72 West at County Road 180, approximately one mile west of the intersection of Highways 72 and 25, luka, Mississippi. Phone: 662-423-9221. 60 rooms. Pool, washer & dryer, refrigerators and microwaves in all rooms, free cable, VCR in every room, video rentals, and computer connection in every room. Conference room for up to 30 persons. Special sports rates, corporate and federal rates, AARP, and AAA discounts.

# BED AND BREAKFAST LISTING (Also check AIRB&B)

Bear Creek Saloon. 1338 Highway 30, Tishomingo, Mississippi 38873. www.bearcreekinnsms.com; e-mail: gibson.christi@yahoo.com.

Belmont Hotel Bed & Breakfast. 121 Main Street, Downtown Belmont, Mississippi 38827. 662-454-7948. Circa 1924 Georgian hotel with 15 rooms.

Indian Creek Guest House. 102 CR 261, luka, Mississippi. 662-279-2390.

Sparks Bed & Breakfast. 304 Highway 25, Bemont, Mississippi 38827. Two units & four bedrooms. 662-424-3749 or 662-423-8913.

Crow's Neck RV Campground. 76 County Road 115, Tishomingo, Mississippi 38873. Phone: 662-438-6495. Located on Bay Springs Lake at Crow's Neck Boat Ramp and Fishing Area. Long-term and short-term RV camping with all hookups, general store, food service, & fuel sales.

# Pickwick Lake Vacation Rentals (Also check AIRB&B):

Grand Harbor Marina and Condominiums. Mississippi. Phone 662-667-5551, e-mail: info@gograndharbor.com, web site: www.gograndharbor.com.

Pickwick Cabin Rentals. Tennessee and Mississippi. 731-689-0400; e-mail rentacabin1@gmail.com, web site: www.pickwicklakecabins.com.

Pickwick Pines Resort. Mississippi. Phone 800-559-7463 or 662-424-9940; web site: www.pickwickpinesresort.com.



Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway-Bay Springs Lake. With the northern terminus in Tishomingo County, the 234 mile waterway connects the Tennessee River to the Gulf of Mexico. The Tenn-Tom Waterway is the largest construction project in Corps of Engineers history, requiring more earth-moving than the Panama Canal.

Some of the recreational facilities along the Tenn-Tom Waterway and 6,600 acre Bay Springs Lake include:

Scruggs Bridge Park at Highway 25 North of luka;

**Robinson Creek Fishing Area west of Highway 25;** 

Doskie Fishing Area east of Highway 365;

Burnsville Access Area just off Highway 72 in Burnsville;

Holcut Memorial Park at the west end of Highway 364;

Paden Day Use Area at Paden;

McDougal Branch Access Area north of Highway 4;

Crow's Neck Access Area south of Highway 30;

Cotton Springs Access Area north of Highway 4;

Natchez Trace Recreation Area; Bay Springs Lake;

Piney Grove Campground located north of Highway 4 on the west side of Bay Springs Lake. Phone: 662-728-1134. 141 camper spaces with power, water, and bath facilities, beach, swimming area, playgrounds, game courts, boat ramp, and laundry.

West Damsite Recreation Area, Old Bridge Beach, and Bay Springs Marina north of Highway 4 west of the Jamie L. Whitten Lock & Dam; and

Bay Springs Site Office located off Highway 4 east of the Jamie L. Whitten Lock & Dam. 82 Bay Springs Resource Road, Dennis, Mississippi 38838. Phone: 662-423-1287. Web site: https://www.sam.usace.army.mil/Portals/46/docs/recreation/OP-CO/tenntom/pdfs/rec/isheet/offices/bso.pdf.

The Bay Springs Site Office offers museum exhibits, films, auditorium, brochures, maps, picnic tables, and overlook of the lake. A historic dogtrot log cabin, picnic areas, interpretive signs, and nature trails are located on the grounds. Check the site office for open times and directions to Tenn-Tom Waterway recreational facilities. Call 662-423-1287 for more information.



Old Courthouse Museum. The Old Courthouse Museum in luka offers a fascinating and nostalgic visit to the past. It is also a resource for genealogical research. The historic two-story brick Courthouse remains much as it was in 1889. Besides having a large collection of historical records and rotating exhibits including Civil War, Native American, and other local interests, you will see that the Courthouse has a well-rounded inventory of artifacts appealing to everyone. Throughout the Courthouse, you can reflect on the photographic display of those people who served in the Courthouse during its historical period.

Extensive research can be accomplished in the John Marshall Stone Research Library utilizing census, court, marriage, death, family, school, and many other records in the vertical files, microfilm, and books. Be sure to end your visit with a trip to the Woodall Mountain Market Gift Shop for a local souvenir.

The Old Courthouse Museum is located at 203 East Quitman Street, luka, MS 38852. Hours are 10 AM to 4 PM Tuesday through Friday and 10 AM to 2 PM on Saturday (May through September). Phone: 662-423-3500. E-mail: www.tishomingohistory@yahoo.com. Web site: www.tishomingohistory.com.



Woodall Mountain. Highest elevation in Mississippi at 806'. Follow signs from Highway 25 south of luka to County Road 187 to County Road 176 to County Road 185, the scenic gravel drive to the top of Woodall Mountain. Woodall Mountain is known as America's bloodiest high point because of the 1862 Battle of luka, one of the bloodiest battles of the Civil War up to that time. Up to 300,000 troops passed through the area during the Civil War. luka was a popular mustering out location due to the plentiful springs and healthful climate.



TTTT--Trash & Treasures Along the Tenn-Tom--50 Mile Yard Sale. One of the South's largest yard sales is held each year during the first Friday and Saturday in October.

The 50 mile route of the massive yard sale starts on Highway 25 north of luka and follows the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway to Belmont-Golden and includes Old Highway 72 (172) to Burnsville and Highway 72 in Burnsville.

Thousands of sellers and buyers participated in past events. People can sell Trash & Treasures for pocket money or funds for civic or church groups. Individual or group collections are welcome.

There is no charge to participate in this event. However, some private property owners may charge a fee. More information is available on the web site at www.tishomingofunhere.org or 662-423-0051.



Iuka Covered Bridge. Located on Indian Springs Road and Gaines Street adjacent to Mineral Springs Park in Iuka. Only covered bridge in the state open to vehicular traffic.



Mineral Springs Park. Located on East Quitman Street at Indian Creek Drive, luka, Mississippi. World famous mineral springs named after Chickasaw Chief luka. Water won the 1902 World's Fair prize for best mineral water. Playground, pavilion, historic dogtrot log cabin, picnic area, walking track, skateboard facility, tennis courts, veteran's memorial, and recently renovated meeting facility.



**luka Pioneer Log Cabin.** Mineral Springs Park, luka, Mississippi. 1879 log and native stone dogtrot cabin.



Log Cabin. 19th century dogtrot log cabin. Bay Springs Lake Museum and Visitor Center, 82 Bay Springs Resource Road, Dennis, Mississippi 38838. Phone 662-423-1287.



Natchez Trace Parkway. National Park Service. National Scenic Trail. 450 mile scenic and historic parkway from Nashville to Natchez. Points of interest and scenic vistas. Picnic areas and restrooms. Popular stops along the Natchez Trace in the area include:

Bear Creek Indian Mound--milepost 308.8--small ceremonial mound built between 1200 and 1400 AD;

Cave Spring--milepost 308.4--cave, interpretive sign, & paved walkway;

Tishomingo State Park--milepost 304--full-service state park and Mississippi's premier nature preserve;

Tennessee-Tombigbee Overlook--mile post 293.2--an overlook, picnic area, interpretive signs, and paved walkway; & Pharr Mounds--milepost 286.7--a 90 acre complex of eight burial mounds built 1,800 to 2,000 years ago. Most important archaeological site in North Mississippi.

Natchez Trace Parkway, 2680 Natchez Trace Parkway, Tupelo, Mississippi 38804. Phone 662-680-4025; toll free 1-800-305-7417. Web site: www.nps.gov/natr.



Cave Spring. Natchez Trace Parkway. Mile post 308.4. Limestone cave and spring with 800 foot paved nature trail in part of the collapsed part of the cave. Interpretive sign. Bear Creek Indian Mound is located nearby.

# A RETIREMENT HAVEN

Tishomingo County is a low cost retirement haven. Mississippi is ranked # 2 in the nation by *Kiplinger* as a retirement destination. With over 50,000 acres of water, there are several residential resorts and developments on and near the water such as Grand Harbor Marina & Condominiums, Union Harbor Marina & Resort, Hills of the Bear, Pickwick Pines Resort, Eastport Marina & Resort, Mill Creek Marina & Resort, Timberview Resort, High Point, The Oasis, and others. Local construction costs are 70% of the national average.

State and local taxes are among the lowest in the nation. Real estate taxes on the typical three bedroom ranch style owner occupied residence average \$300 per year. A homestead real estate tax credit of \$240 applies to residential property used as the principle residence. Persons age 65 and older, or persons who are disabled, qualify for a property tax exemption up to \$70,000 of the market value on homestead property. Any value over \$70,000 is taxed the same as other property.

Retirees do not pay state income tax on retirement income. Social security income is not taxed, regardless of total income. Qualified retirement income includes IRA's, 401/403's, Keogh's, public and private pension funds, and interest income from federal securities and obligations of the State of Mississippi and its political subdivisions.

Vehicles are assessed at 30% of market value. The automobile license tax is reduced by a percentage assigned each year by the state legislature. The state sales tax rate is 7% for most goods and services. There is no local sales tax except for a 2% tourism or hotel/motel tax. Prescription drugs, motor fuels, health care services, residential utilities, and newspapers are not subject to sales taxes.

Tishomingo County has the highest percentage of retirees in the state. The crime rate is among the lowest in the USA. The largest rural healthcare system in the USA has an acute care facility in the community. Iuka Hospital won the 2013 Premier Quest Award for High Value Healthcare, one of only 38 hospitals to receive the award out of over 2,500 hospitals in the USA. Several long-term intensive care and assisted living facilities are also located in the community.

The community is within 30 to 90 minutes driving time of world class medical facilities, shopping, educational facilities, and cultural amenities in Corinth, Memphis, Jackson, Tupelo, Florence, and Huntsville.

The local school system is rated among the top 10% in the state with students scoring above the national average on the ACT. The community is located near a number of colleges and universities.

Outdoor recreation, shopping, and volunteer opportunities are numerous.



Church of Our Savior. luka, Mississippi. 1873 board and batten Carpenter Gothic Episcopal Church purchased and restored by local citizens in 1985. Available for weddings and other events at a nominal charge. Call luka City Hall at 662-423-3781 for more information.

Up until 1958, luka was known as the "Marriage Capital of the South" because no waiting period or blood tests were required. Over 45,000 marriages were performed at the nearby Old Courthouse.



Oak Grove Cemetery. Constitution Drive, luka, Mississippi. Final resting place of Civil War soldiers and the longest serving governor of Mississippi, John Marshall Stone.





Needle Chasers Quilt Block Trail. The Needle Chasers Guild has established a quilt block trail for Tishomingo County. Guild members donate their time and labor in drawing and painting of the quilt blocks. New quilt blocks are added frequently. A quilt block guide is available from the Tishomingo County Tourism Council, 662-423-0051, info@tishomingo.org, http://www.tishomingofunhere.org/pdfs/Quilt%20Block%20Trail%20Guide.pdf. Find the Needle Chasers Quilt Guild on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/TishomingoCountyQuiltTrail/.



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Connect. You can learn more about geocaching through the Geocaching Blog, The Geocaching Channel on YouTube, or the Geocaching Help Center. Educators can share ideas and lesson plans in the Geocaching.com Forum section for education. You can also connect with the geocaching community on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Google+, and Pinterest.

Tishomingo County has a number of geocached sites throughout the county at sites of geological, historic, or cultural interest. Visit the Geocaching web site at https://www.geocaching.com/play.

# **Battle of Iuka**

**September 19, 1862** 

As part of a larger Confederate offensive move into Kentucky, Confederate General Braxton Bragg ordered Major General Sterling Price, former governor of Missouri and victor of the Battle of Wilson's Creek, to march into luka to prevent Union Major General William S. Rosecrans from moving into Tennessee to reinforce a Union garrison at Nashville, thus potentially threatening Bragg's forces.

Union Major General Ulysses S. Grant, commanding the Army of the Tennessee, feared that Price was moving to reinforce Bragg's forces in Kentucky. Grant devised a plan to catch Price's forces in a pincher movement in luka. Grant ordered Major General E. O. C. Ord to advance on luka from the west. Rosecran's forces were to advance on luka from the southwest and make a coordinated attack on Price. Ord arrived on time but Rosecrans was delayed. Grant ordered Ord to await the sound of fighting between Rosecrans and Price before engaging the Confederates. Rosecrans arrived about midafternoon atop a ridge near luka and immediately engaged the Confederates.

Price posted two divisions north of luka to oppose Ord and was surprised by Rosecrans' sudden appearance in his rear. The Confederates launched an attack and captured a six-gun Union battery while Rosecrans attacked from atop the ridge. Price reported that he had "never seen such fighting." The battle raged even after darkness fell.

The Battle of luka was one of the bloodiest battles up to that time, with Union casualities of 782 out of a force of 4,500 and Confederate casualities of 1,516 out of a force of 3,200. Confederate Brigadier General Henry Little was also killed in action at the Battle of luka. Remarkably, neither Ord nor Grant heard the sounds of the battle due to what is known as "acoustic shadow."

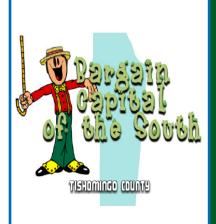
Price's army was able to escape during the night to join Major General Earl Van Dorn at Ripley. Union forces occupied luka and mounted an unsuccessful pursuit of Price.

Union forces carried the day but failed to capture or destroy Price's forces. Price and Van Dorn in October 1862 launched an assault on Corinth which also resulted in a Union victory.

Visit the web site at www.tishomingohistory.com/battle for more information.



Red Bay Waterpark. 650 Second Street NW, Red Bay, Alabama. Phone: 256-356-4473. Water park, pavilion, picnic areas, basketball court, concessions, and playground. Open mid-May to mid-August, 1:00 PM to 5 PM. Season passes and private parties available. Admission charge. Find us on Facebook.



# Outlet-Import-Closeout Capital of the South

Belmont-Golden is known as the outlet-import-closeout capital of the South due to almost one million square feet of import and outlet merchandise, over-runs, factory seconds, furniture, and other bargains. A description and map are on the web site at www. tishomingofunhere.org.

# Hunting Areas in and Adjacent to Tishomingo County



Divide Section Wildlife Management Area & John Bell Williams Wildlife Management Area. Total hunting area of 18,300 acres. Area Managers Eddie Willis and Michael Cleveland, 95 Highway 364, Tishomingo, Mississippi 38873. Phone 662-423-1455 or 662-862-2723. Web site: http://www.mdwfp.com/wildlifehunting/wma/region/northeast/.

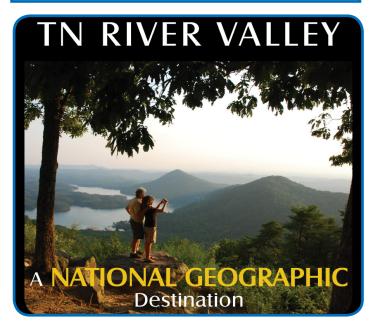


Freedom Hills Wildlife Management Areas; Riverton Community Hunting Area; & Lauderdale Wildlife Management Areas. Total hunting area of 41,168 acres. 256-353-2634; e-mail: dcnr.d1wff@dcnr.alabama.gov; Web site: http://outdooralabama.com/hunting/wildlife-areas/wmamaps/.

Burnsville Colored School. 5 Fulton Street, Burnsville, Mississippi. The Burnsville One-Room Colored School Museum represents other similar schools that were scattered throughout the area and helps interpret the history of one-room schools in the county. The museum tells the stories of local rural African-American families and the children who attended school here. Original artifacts, including original desks, antique furnishings, schoolbooks, and lamps are part of the exhibits that illuminates our shared cultural past, representing not only this county but also other communities statewide. Open by appointment only. For more information, call 662-423-3500.



50,000 Acres of Lakes. Tishomingo County has more shoreline than any other county in the state. Pickwick Lake is 43,100 acres with a shoreline of 490 miles. Bay Springs Lake is 6,600 acres with 133 miles of shoreline. The Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway is 300 feet wide by a minimum of 9 feet deep and is 234 miles long. The Tenn-Tom Waterway connects the Tennessee River and Pickwick Lake to the Tombigbee River and then to the Gulf of Mexico at Mobile. The divide section of the Tenn-Tom Waterway is the largest earth moving project in Corps of Engineers history, involving more earth moving than the Panama Canal. The Tennessee River connects to the Ohio River which in turn connects to the Mississippi-Missouri River-Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Navigation System.



Tennessee River Valley Geotourism. Diverse recreation, endless forests, countless lakes and streams, breaktaking scenery. Visit the National Geographic Geotourism MAPGUIDE at www.tennesseerivervalleygeotourism.org.









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The Apron Museum is located at 110 West Eastport Street in Downtown luka.

es of all kinds, and much

Open by appointment: Telephone: 662-279-2390; apronfriends@yahoo. com. Find us on Face-

Apron photos by Cheryl T. Meints, nebrrose1@yahoo.com, phone 662-415-6047.





Fellowship Christian Retreat at Crow's Neck. 281 County Road 115, P. O. Box 460, Tishomingo, Mississippi 38873. Phone 662-438-7727 fcr@fcrcrowsneck.org. Crow's Neck is a 530 acre wooded peninsula on 6,600 acre Bay Springs Lake. Facilities include four group cabins with 26 beds each, separate private counselor's quarters, 150 seat auditorium with audiovisual equipment, dining hall, conference room, bird observation tower and boardwalk, large classrooms, fully-equipped laboratory, nature and hiking trails, outdoor classrooms, and full-time professonal staff. Available for meetings, retreats, conventions, family reunions, church groups, school and college groups, businesses, weddings, anniversaries, and others. Food service and cafeteria available. Staffed by volunteers.

# **Restaurant & Deli Guide**

# **Belmont-Golden-Dennis:**

Belmont Restaurant, 15 Third Steet--662-479-5030
Costa Oaxaquena, 118 Main Street--662-454-7373
Dennis Cafe, 730 Highway 25, Dennis--662-279-7557
Dixie Queen, 380 Highway 25--662-454-1166
Golden Mini-Mart Deli, 216 Front Street--662-454-0012
Hometown Pizza, 7 Yarber Street--662-454-0202
Kelly's Kitchen, 15 Third Street--662-479-5070
Ole Country Store Deli, 120 Highway 25--662-454-7920
Piggly Wiggly Deli, 326 Second Street--662-454-7163
Higginbottom's Restaurant, 751 Highway 25--662-454-3771
Sonic Drive In, 291 Second Street--662-454-3070
Sparks Restaurant, 609 South Second Street--662-454-7816
Subway Sandwiches, 361 Second Street--662-454-3228
The Q, 219 Second Street--662-454-9500
Thomas's Fish Place, 126 Second Street--662-454-7188

#### **Burnsville:**

72 Express Deli, 281-B Highway 72--662-427-9600 El Corral, 345 Highway 72--662-279-6991 Hometown Pizza, 343 Highway 72--662-360-4019 Ramjets Diner, 290 Highway 72--662-427-0030 Waterway Grill, 314 Highway 72--662-427-0904

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Agua Yacht Grill, 3832 Highway 25 North--662-423-5811 Bi An Garden Chinese, 405 Battleground--662-593-5085 BJ's Corner Cafe, 802 Constitution Drive--662-424-0038 Bread & Butter, 100 Front Street--662-740-8899 Chuck Wagon, 715 Constitution Drive--662423-1811 Country Squire, 459 Highway 172 West--662-423-9984 Crossroads One Stop Deli, 3394 Highway 25N--662-423-6555 Donna's Italian Beef, 509 Constitution Drive--662-423-3326 El Picante, 1727 West Quitman Street--662-423-7224 El Picante 2, 1000 Battleground Drive--662-423-3708 Express Stop Deli, 1716 Battleground Drive--662-423-2664 Farmhouse Restaurant, 1308 Battleground Dr.--662-593-5015 Front Street Snack Bar, 108 Front Street--662-423-2494 Hardees, 1620 First American Drive--662-423-1008 Heavenly Yogurt, 115 South Fulton Street--662-424-0202 Hometown Pizza, 623-B Battleground Drive--662-593-3036 Jack's, 1711 Battleground Drive--662-423-2429 Lil' Smokies, 1209 West Quitman Street--662-424-0268 McDonalds, 1712 Battleground Drive--662-424-9588 Piggly Wiggly Deli, 627 Battleground Drive--662-423-3651 Santa Fe Mexican, 707 Battleground Drive--662-593-5040 Sonic Drive In, 1660 West Quitman Street--662-423-9100 Sprint Mark Deli, 1000 West Quitman Street--662-423-9827 Subway, 509 Battleground Drive--662-423-0088 (moving soon) Taste Buds, 1520 Constitution Drive--662-279-6470

# Tishomingo-Paden:

Inez's Drive In, 1502 Highway 25--662-438-6486 Martyville, Highway 25 North--662-231-3090 Rooster's Restaurant, 3460 MS Avenue, Paden--662-438-6591 T & M's Country Kitchen, 1253 Main Street--662-423-8712 Viva la Casita, 1228 Highway 25--662-438-7042

# ANNUAL SPECIAL EVENTS

# January

+1st Day Hike, Tishomingo State Park, 662-438-6914

#### March

+Fishing Tournaments, JP Coleman State Park, 662-423-6515 +Build a Bird a Home, JP Coleman State Park, 662-423-6515

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+Smokin' on the Waterway BBQ Cook-off, Burnsville, 662-427-9526

+Native American Customs & Traditions, Tishomingo State Park, 662-438-6914

+Kids to Parks Day, Tishomingo State Park, 662-438-6914 +Fishing Tournaments, JP Coleman State Park, 662-423-6515

#### June

+National Trails Day, Tishomingo State Park, 662-438-6914 +Motorcycle Ride & Fundraiser, Burnsville Fire Department, 662-427-9526

+Fishing Tournaments, JP Coleman State Park, 662-423-6515

### July

+Tishomingo Street Dance, Tishomingo, 662-438-6402 +Fireworks & Movie in the Park, Belmont, 662-454-3381 +Fishing Tournaments, JP Coleman State Park, 662-423-6515

# **August**

+Dulcimer Festival, JP Coleman State Park, 662-423-6515 +luka Heritage Festival & Antique Car Show, Downtown luka & Mineral Springs Park, 662-423-3781

# September

+Bear Creek Festival & Antique Car Show, Downtown Belmont, 662-454-3381

+Waterway Festival & Antique Car Show, Burnsville City Hall, 662-427-9526

+Fishing Tournaments, JP Coleman State Park, 662-423-6515

# October

+Trash & Treasures along the Tenn-Tom, Tishomingo County, 662-423-0051

+Fall Fling for the Young at Heart, Tishomingo State Park, 662-438-6914

+Halloween in the Park, JP Coleman State Park, 662-423-6515

#### November

+Christmas Open House, luka +Jaybird Market, Jaybird Park, luka, 662-279-4116

## **December**

+Christmas Parades 662-423-0051 +Santa in the Park, Tishomingo State Park, 662-438-6914 +Breakfast with Santa, Belmont Hotel, 662-454-7948 +Dickens Christmas, Downtown luka

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Park preserves
Mississippi's only
real rock canyon,
Bear Creek Canyon. Shown above
is one of numerous
native stone steps
built on the 13
miles of foot trails
in the park during
the 1930's by the
Civilian Conservation Corps.