



**AREA ATTRACTIONS**

**City of Fort Payne**

- 1 DeKalb Co. Tourist Association: E7
- 2 Alabama Fan Club and Museum: E7
- 3 Fort Payne DeKalb Theatre: F7
- 3 Fort Payne City Park: F7
- 3 Fort Payne Opera House: F7
- 3 Fort Payne Depot Museum: F7
- 3 Big Mill Antique Mall: F7
- 4 DeKalb VFW Fairgrounds: F7
- 5 Little River Canyon Center: G8
- 6 Little River Falls: G8
- 7 Little River Canyon Rim Drive (AL176): G8
- 8 Tennessee River Music, Inc: F8
- 9 DeSoto State Park: G7

**Town of Mentone**

- 10 Sallie Howard Memorial Chapel: G6
- 11 Cloudmont Golf & Ski Resort: G6
- 12 Shady Grove Dude Ranch: G6

- 12 Mentone Wedding Chapel: G6
- 13 DeSoto Falls: G6
- 25 Unclaimed Baggage: A4

- 14 Town of Mentone: G5
- 14 Mentone Log Cabin Village: G5

**Town of Valley Head**

- 15 Miracle Pottery: G6
- 16 Sequoyah Caverns: G4

**Sand Mountain**

- 17 DeKalb Public Fishing Lake: E6
- 18 NSM Farmer's Market: D6
- 19 City of Rainsville: D7
- 20 Tom Bevill Lyceum: C6
- 21 Down on the Farm: D7
- 22 Town of Fyffe: C7
- 23 Buck's Pocket State Park: B7
- 24 High Falls Park: A8

**City of Scottsboro**

- 25 Unclaimed Baggage: A4

**Town of Collinsville**

- 26 Tigers for Tomorrow: B10
- 27 Town of Collinsville: D10
- 28 Trade Day: D10

**Community of Dogtown**

- 29 Akins Furniture: E9

**Community of Lick Skillet**

- 30 True Adventure Sports: F9
- 31 Orbix Hot Glass: F9

- 32 US11 Antique Alley Yard Sale: C11-H1

- 33 World's Longest Yard Sale: D11



**DeKalb County Tourist Association**

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# Lookout Mountain, Alabama

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## Every Day is an Adventure in Lookout Mountain, Alabama!

DeKalb County is full of many delightful surprises that entertain the mind, body and senses. Enjoy nature hikes through state and national parks and preserves, view scenic waterfalls and majestic overlooks, ride your bike through forested paths that lead to hidden waterfalls and pristine brooks, take a step back in time at historical museums and tour the museum of our hometown boys, Alabama - Country Music Group of the century. Feeling a little more adventurous? Go horseback riding at a dude ranch, rappel from sheer rock cliffs, kayak the raging Little River and go underground to the "Looking Glass Lakes" at Sequoyah Caverns. No matter what your preference - it is all here in the beautiful Northeast Alabama Mountains.

Come see...just for the fun of it!

### Suggested Day Trips & Travel Itineraries

- **Antique and Unique Shopping**
- **Scenic and Natural Wonders Tours**
  - Day One - Will's Valley Tour
  - Day Two - Sand Mountain Tour
  - Day Three - Lookout Mountain Tour
- **Historic Markers and History Driving Tour**
- **Take to the Trails - Bike or Hike**

### Suggested Itineraries

#### Antique and Unique Shopping

Your search for antique stores will have you traveling through some charming historic communities and hearing some interesting stories along the way. Take 35 south toward Hwy 11 to **Myrtle Jane's**, located behind McDonalds. Follow U.S. Highway 11 into downtown Fort Payne where you will find unique stores with antiques and collectibles. Travel a few blocks north to **The Big Mill Antique Mall**, a 3-story brick building that once housed the city's first hosiery mill. This place holds as much history as it does antiques. Mentone, located on Lookout Mountain to the north of Fort Payne, is rich in history. Check out **The White Elephant**, formerly a Hotel and Spa. It now houses guest rooms full of antiques and collectibles. While in Mentone, have lunch at one of their quaint restaurants, such as the **Wildflower Café** or **The Moonlight Bistro**.

Travel south across Lookout Mountain by way of County Road 89 to the community of Dogtown. Here you will find **The Cotton Gin**, offering a large selection of antiques, including lamps and lanterns, primitive dishware, quilts, and much more. This is also the location for the multi-generational family-owned and operated **Akins Furniture Store**. Drop down Lookout Mountain on Highway 68 into the historic town of Collinsville. Unique shops and Victorian homes decorate this community. On Saturday mornings, be sure to visit **Collinsville Trade Day** for an unforgettable experience. Travel to the top of Sand Mountain into Geraldine and Fyffe for interesting finds. Travel north on Alabama Highway 75 into Rainsville for shops that offer fine jewelry, unique gift baskets, and more. Complete your journey on Highway 75 in the city of Henagar where you will find **The Furniture Shoppe** with beautiful classic home furnishings. You will also find **Eddie's Garden Center** with all your plant and floral needs.

This is a small sampling of the shops scattered throughout our region. Be sure to inquire about additional stores of interest before starting out on your expedition. Not only will you find that unique treasure in your travels, you will also encounter some rather interesting real places and real people that will make your journey complete.

### Scenic & Natural Wonders Tours -

#### Day One - Wills Valley Tour

If it is Saturday, arrive early in Collinsville on US Highway 11 for Trade Days, an event that attracts 30,000 people each Saturday. Follow US Highway 11 north to Fort Payne, stopping to visit the **Alabama Fan Club and Museum**, **The Depot Museum**, **The Hosiery Museum and Opera House**. Dine at one of many fine restaurants or take a picnic lunch to Fort Payne City Park. Continue North on US Hwy 11 to **Sequoyah Caverns**. While there, you can tour the cavern and mine for gems. Settle down for the night at one of the many unique accommodations mentioned in this publication.

### Day Two - Sand Mountain Tour

Take Alabama Highway 117 from Valley Head to the top of Sand Mountain. Stay straight as the road becomes Highway 40. Turn left onto Alabama Highway 75 towards Sylvania. There, you can take a drive around the **DeKalb County Public Fishing Lake**, or better yet, rent a boat! You can also visit the **North Sand Mountain Farmers' Market** every Saturday April through October for the finest and freshest vegetables produced by local growers. Continue traveling south on Highway 75 into Rainsville where you will find family-owned restaurants and specialty stores. Continue on Highway 75 south toward Fyffe. In the fall you can spend family time at **Down on the Farm**. There is fun for the whole family on this farm. You can pick your own pumpkin from a pumpkin patch, enjoy hay rides and hay jumps, two corn mazes and more. They are open September thru October. While in the area you may also want to visit **Fort Payne Motor Speedway**. Enjoy a family night out with racing on Saturday Nights beginning at 5 p.m. Continue on Highway 75 South towards Geraldine where you will turn right on Highway 227 to **High Falls Park** and to **Buck's Pocket State Park** for spectacular waterfalls and canyon views.

### Day Three - Lookout Mountain Parkway (LMP) Tour

Begin in Mentone on Alabama Highway 117 and County Road 89. Go to **Mentone Brow Park** for majestic views of the valley. You may also want to visit the **Mentone Farmers Market** on Wednesday and Saturday. It is held in the Mentone Square and hours are seasonal. You will continue on County Rd. 89 south for the 104-foot **DeSoto Falls** and **Cloudmont Ski & Golf Resort** (Ski season from mid-December to mid-March, weather permitting). Stay straight on County Rd. 89 where it becomes County Rd. 165 and there you will find the **Sallie Howard Memorial Chapel**. Continue on County Rd. 165 for the **Shady Grove Dude Ranch** and then return to County Rd. 89 south to **DeSoto State Park**. Here you can enjoy nature hikes, bike trails, and a boardwalk trail. Continue south on County Rd. 89 to Alabama Highway 35 and turn left for the **Little River Canyon Center**. Here you will be able to explore The Canyon Center which includes public restrooms, walking trails, exhibits, a gift shop, a library & an auditorium. From here you will take Hwy 35 to **Little River Canyon National Preserve**. Take Alabama Hwy 176 to the right for a scenic drive along the rim of the canyon. Follow Hwy 176 towards Licksillet and Dogtown for **Orbix Hot Glass** and **Akins Furniture Store**. Take County Rd. 81 (Collbran Gap Road) in front of Akins, to the foot of Lookout Mountain, enjoying a scenic view of the valley along the way. Be sure to check local listings for Area Festivals & Events before calling it a day.

NOTE: *Readers Digest* named the Lookout Mountain Parkway as one of America's Scenic Drives.

### Historic Markers and Driving Tour

Begin your tour at the **DeKalb County Tourist Association** on Highway 35 in south Fort Payne. Read Trail of Tears Marker depicting the John Bengé Route. Travel south on Highway 35 into downtown Fort Payne. You will begin on 4th Street South. This is the marker where the stone chimney and associated ruins that remain of the 1838 log stockade. You will then travel to 5th Street North. There you can walk through **City Park** reading markers about DeKalb County's Cherokee Indian history and see a statue of a Civil War Soldier. You can also see markers at the adjacent **Depot Museum and Opera House**. Cross the railroad tracks to Godfrey and travel south to 3rd Street where you will find historic markers telling of the forced removal of the Indians on the Trail of Tears. Travel north on Godfrey Avenue to 38th Street where you will find the Willstown Mission Cemetery Indian burial grounds. Depart on 38th Street to Gault Avenue (Old Valley Head Road) and turn right for Valley Head. Drive by the **Winston Place B & B**, circa 1831, in Valley Head for a historic marker of "Site of Old Council Tree". The house is rich with history, including being taken over by Union Soldiers during the Civil War. Depart from the house for the Valley Head Town Square to view a historic marker for "Battelle", a deserted coal and iron ore community. Dine at any of our fine area restaurants before calling it a night.

### Bike Routes

Our State and National Parks offer the perfect place to ride your bike. The landscape provides leisurely rides along wooded paths to challenging rides along rolling hills on scenic parkways and rural country roads. Bring your bike to DeKalb County the next time you visit and enjoy the beauty of Mother Nature at your own pace.

### Recreational Outfitters

#### Horseback Riding

Horseback Horizons - 256-634-4466 or 404-218-6070  
Shady Grove Dude Ranch - 256-634-4344

#### Rappelling, Rock Climbing, Canoeing & More

True Adventure Sports - 256-997-9577  
One World Adventure Company - 256-634-8370

### All Roads Lead To...

#### Lookout Mountain, Alabama

DeKalb County, Alabama is located in the upper Northeast corner of the state. It is easily accessible via Interstate 59, Alabama Highway 35, US Highway 11, Alabama Highway 75, and the Scenic Lookout Mountain Parkway.

- From Birmingham: I-59 North or US Hwy. 11 North
- From Chattanooga: I-24 to I-59 South or the Scenic Lookout Mountain Parkway
- From Huntsville: I-565 to Hwy. 72 East to Alabama Hwy. 35 South

### Accommodations

#### Bed & Breakfast Inns

**Antebellum Winston Place** • Valley Head • 256-635-6381 & 888-4WINSTON

**Crystal Lake Lodge** • Mentone • 256-634-8209

**Mentone Inn** • Mentone • 256-634-4836

**Mentone Springs Hotel** • Mentone • 256-634-4040

**Mountain Laurel Inn B&B** • Mentone • 256-634-4673 & 800-889-4244

**Raven Haven** • Mentone • 256-634-4310

**The Secret B&B & Cabins** • Leesburg • 256-523-3825

#### Motels

**Best Western** • Rainsville • 866-212-5004

**Country Hearth Inn & Suites** • Fort Payne • 256-845-2949 & 800-4-Choice

**Days Inn** • Fort Payne • 256-845-2085 & 800-329-7466

**DeSoto State Park Lodge** • Fort Payne • 256-845-5380 & 800-568-8840

**Econo Lodge** • Fort Payne • 256-845-4013 & 800-221-2222

**Hampton Inn** • Fort Payne • 256-304-2600

**Holiday Inn Express** • Fort Payne • 256-997-1020 & 800-Holiday

#### Cabins

**An Angels Rest** • Fort Payne • 256-845-4170

**Appalachian Cabin Rental** • Mentone • 205-415-8785

**Bass House & Roosters Rest** • Fort Payne • 205-533-6111

**Bear Creek Log Cabins** • Fort Payne • 256-845-2584

**Chalet's of Mentone** • Mentone • 256-657-8330

**Chesnut Bay Resort** • Leesburg • 256-526-7778

**Chestnut Oaks Cottage** • Mentone • 256-845-6000

**Cloudmont** • Mentone • 256-634-4344

**DeSoto State Park** • Fort Payne • 256-845-5380 & 800-568-8840

**Dusk Downing Heights** • Mentone • 850-661-0678, 850-656-9605 & 205-807-9909

**Granny Dollar Holler** • Mentone • 256-254-0872 or 256-516-3141

**High Horse Lodge** • Cloudland • 706-398-0858

**Lebanon Courthouse** • Fort Payne • 256-844-7298

**Little River Retreats** • Mentone • 256-997-6939

**Lookout Creek Farm** • Valley Head • 256-635-6420

**Mentone Cabins** • Mentone • 888-560-0492 706-413-0533

**Mentone Log Cabins** • Mentone • 256-657-4335

**Mentone Mountain Getaways** • Mentone • 888-920-8445

**Mentone Rentals** • Mentone • 256-634-4777

**Monk's Cove** • Mentone • 256-634-4006

**Mountain Crest Cabins** • Mentone • 251-649-1514 & 251-402-4227

**Parkway Rentals** • Fort Payne • 256-845-6795

**Rock Bluff Rentals** • Mentone • 256-634-8180

**The Secret Cabins & B&B** • Leesburg • 256-523-3825

**Stoneridge Cottage** • Mentone • 256-634-9031

**TAS Lodging Rentals** • Fort Payne • 256-997-9577

**The Wilderness** • Mentone • 770-630-4581

**Camping**

**Buck's Pocket State Park** • Grove Oak • 256-659-2000

**DeKalb County Public Lake** • Sylvania • 256-657-1300

**DeSoto State Park** • Fort Payne • 256-845-5075 & 800-252-7275

**Little River RV Park** • Fort Payne • 256-619-2267

**Mentone Campground** • Mentone • 256-634-8483

**TAS Lodging Rentals** • Fort Payne • 256-997-9577

**Wills Creek RV Park** • Fort Payne • 256-845-6703 & 866-465-1114

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