

ONE LAST
Summer Escape
IN DEKALB COUNTY, AL



MAKE THE
most of
LATE SUMMER

- Waterfalls, Trails, & Zip Lining Adventures
- Festivals & Local Events
- Local Eats
- Scenic Stays & Cabins
- Day-to-day Itineraries

Discover your Lookout Mountain Getaway

All in **ONE** *place*



DeKalb County is where unforgettable outdoor adventures begin. Chase breathtaking waterfalls, hike scenic mountain trails, or soar through the treetops on a ziplining adventure. There's an experience waiting for every explorer!



Photo by: Ken Hall

Waterfalls

Late summer is one of the best times to chase waterfalls in DeKalb County. Cooler mornings, flowing cascades, and scenic overlooks make every stop a refreshing escape before the seasons begin to change.

[Our Backyard Waterfalls](#)



Hiking Trails

Take advantage of cooler mornings and comfortable afternoons as you explore miles of scenic hiking trails. From peaceful woodland walks to breathtaking canyon overlooks, every trail offers a new way to experience DeKalb County.

[Trails Worth Exploring](#)



Zip Lining

See the mountains from a whole new perspective as you zip through the treetops and take in panoramic views. It's an unforgettable way to end summer and enjoy the beauty of DeKalb County from above.

Highlight of Summer TRADE DAY

DeKalb's Best Hidden Gem!

Every Saturday, the town of Collinsville comes alive with one of Alabama's largest and most beloved outdoor markets. Wander through hundreds of vendors offering antiques, handcrafted goods, fresh produce, home décor, local treats, and one-of-a-kind treasures that make every visit different.

What makes it so special? Hundreds of vendors, decades of history, and the excitement of finding one-of-a-kind treasures have made it a must-visit destination for travelers across the Southeast.



[Plan your Visit](#)

STAY THE WAY
you explore

Wild Weekend Escape

Untamed Acres

Looking for a getaway that's anything but ordinary? Untamed Acres offers a one-of-a-kind glamping and camping experience where families and wildlife lovers can unwind beneath the stars while hearing the distant calls of lions, tigers, and wolves from the neighboring exotic animal preserve. It's an unforgettable escape that blends nature, comfort, and adventure into one wild weekend.



[Go Wild at Untamed Acres](#)

Road Trip Retreat Ready



[Book Your Mentone Stay](#)

Cottages of Mentone

Whether you're shopping the [World's Longest Yard Sale](#) or planning a relaxing mountain escape, the Cottages of Mentone offer the best of both worlds. Nestled along the sale route with stunning bluff views and just minutes from Mentone's charming shops, restaurants, and outdoor attractions, it's the perfect place to unwind after a day of exploring.

Your Trailside Escape

DeSoto State Park Campground

Make DeSoto State Park Campground your home base for one unforgettable outdoor escape. With more than 35 miles of hiking trails winding through 3,000+ acres of forest and waterfalls, it's a dream destination for adventure seekers! Spend your days ziplining through the treetops, kayaking Little River, and discovering everything this mountain getaway has to offer. All while staying close to DeKalb County's top attractions.



[Explore DeSoto State Park](#)

Wake Up on Sand Mountain



Fox Mountain View

Escape to Fox Mountain View, where breathtaking bluff views, unforgettable sunrises, and peaceful evenings create the perfect setting for a romantic getaway or quiet weekend retreat. Perched high above the valley in Flat Rock, this cozy hideaway offers a front-row seat to some of Northeast Alabama's most spectacular scenery while keeping you within easy driving distance of attractions across Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee.

[Escape to Fox Mountain View](#)

Down the Rabbit Hole

The Hatter Country Inn

Step into a storybook at The Hatter Country Inn, where whimsical Alice in Wonderland-inspired suites, homemade breakfasts, and afternoon tea create an unforgettable getaway. Perfect for couples, girlfriends' weekends, tea lovers, and anyone looking for a stay that's as magical as Mentone itself, this charming retreat offers an immersive experience unlike anywhere else in Alabama.



[Step into Hatter Country Inn](#)

Festivals AND EVENTS

[Pete the Cat Day \(August 1\)](#)

[World's Longest Yard Sale \(August 6 - 9\)](#)

[Third Saturday Sunset Cruise-In \(August 15\)](#)

[Eyffe UFO Day \(August 22\)](#)

[Copper Collective Market \(August 28-29\)](#)

[Boom Days Heritage Celebration \(September 18 - 19\)](#)

[Finders Keepers Consignment Sale \(September 19 - 26\)](#)



Celebrate 2026 Alabama Restaurant Week (August 15 - 26) by supporting DeKalb County's locally owned restaurants. Discover hometown favorites, enjoy unforgettable Southern flavors, and see how many stops from [Alabama's 100 Dishes to Eat](#) list you can check off while exploring the county.

[Bar-B-Q Place - JoJo Potatoes](#)

[The Spot Coffee Shop - Bacon Turkey Panini](#)

[Vintage 1889 - Cuban Sandwich](#)

[Wildflower Cafe - Tomato Pie](#)

[Katy's Katfish - Catfish & Chicken Fingers](#)

Discover More Local Fare

The secret is
GETTING OUT

Where Late Summer Adventures Begin...



Photo by: Loc Giang

The Ultimate Waterfall Drive

As the days grow a little cooler and the crowds begin to fade, DeKalb County becomes the perfect place to experience the beauty of Northeast Alabama. From winding scenic drives and towering waterfalls to peaceful hiking trails and breathtaking canyon overlooks, every adventure offers a chance to slow down and reconnect with nature before fall arrives.

Discover the unforgettable Waterfall Loop, where four stunning waterfalls are tucked along one scenic route, or venture into DeSoto State Park to uncover hidden trails, moss-covered streams, and secluded natural wonders beyond the park's most popular stops. Just beyond, Little River Canyon reveals one of Alabama's most dramatic landscapes, with rugged sandstone cliffs, rushing waters, and panoramic overlooks that make every visit unforgettable.

Together, these outdoor treasures showcase why DeKalb County continues to be one of Alabama's premier destinations for waterfall lovers, hikers, photographers, and anyone looking to experience the changing seasons surrounded by extraordinary scenery.



Explore DeSoto's Best-Kept
Secrets



Journey Through Little River
Canyon

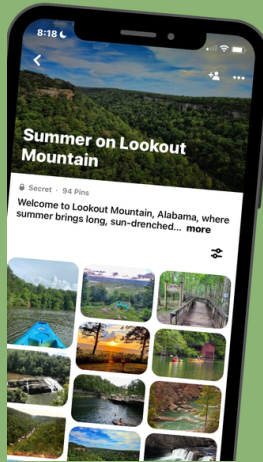
Still planning YOUR SUMMER ESCAPE?



Itineraries

Still need help planning your perfect summer escape? DeKalb County is full of unforgettable experiences, and narrowing it down can feel overwhelming, but that's exactly what we're here for. The [Waterfall Tour](#) is your guide to the best of Lookout and Sand Mountain, from the dramatic overlooks and waterfalls of Little River Canyon to the beauty of Buck's Pocket State Park.

[Explore the Waterfall Tour](#)



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