Presidential Pathways

Discover some of nature's most breathtaking natural wonders in a region known as much for its simple style as its tie to two influential American presidents. Blaze a path along the rails, trails and scenic waterways of West Georgia while brushing upon history, indulging in nostalgia & basking in the warmth of the Presidential Pathways region. (Exploregeorgia.org)

Counties

County	Creation Date	County Seat	Courthouse Record Loss*
Chattahoochee	1854	Cusseta	No
Coweta	1826	Newnan	No
Crisp	1905	Cordele	No
Dooly	1821	Vienna	Yes
Harris	1827	Hamilton	No
Heard	1830	Franklin	Yes
Macon	1837	Oglethorpe	Yes
Marion	1827	Buena Vista	Yes
Meriwether	1827	Greenville	Yes
Muscogee	1825	Columbus	Yes
Pike	1822	Zebulon	No
Schley	1857	Ellaville	No
Spalding	1851	Griffin	Yes
Stewart	1830	Lumpkin	Yes
Sumter	1831	Americus	No
Talbot	1827	Talbotton	Yes
Taylor	1852	Butler	No
Troup	1825	LaGrange	Yes
Upson	1824	Thomaston	No
Webster	1853	Preston	Yes

*A Courthouse loss does not mean all records were lost, contact the courthouse for available records.

Cities

Americus
Andersonville
Buena Vista
Butler
Columbus
Concord
Cordele
Cusseta
Ellaville
Franklin
Gay
Grantville
Greenville
Griffin
Hamilton
Hogansville
LaGrange
Leslie
Lone Oak
Lumpkin
Luthersville
Manchester
Molena
Montezuma
Newnan
Oglethorpe
Omaha
Pine Mountain
Plains
Preston
Reynolds
Richland
Senoia
Sharpsburg
Talbotton
The Rock
Thomaston
Unadilla
Vienna
Warm Springs
Waverly Hall
West Point
Williamson
Woodbury
Zebulon

Genealogical Societies

- Muscogee Genealogical Society, Columbus,
- Southside Genealogical Society, www.griffinhistory.com/southside-genealogical-society, Griffin,
- Coweta County Genealogical Society, www.ccgsinc.org , Newnan,

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Historical Societies

- Cordele-Crisp County Historical Society, 1109 Stewart Ave., Cordele
- Griffin Spalding Historical Society, www.griffinhistory.com , 633 Meriwether Street, Griffin
- Heard County Historical Society, www.heardhistory.com, Franklin
- Macon County Historical Society, https://www.maconcountyga.gov/macon-county-historical-museum.cfm , Montezuma
- Meriwether Historical Society, Facebook page
- Newnan – Coweta Historical Society, www.newnancowetahistoricalsociety.com, Newnan
- Stewart County Historical Commission, Facebook page, Board & Cotton Streets, Lumpkin,
- Troup County Historical Society & Archives, www.trouparchives.org , LaGrange
- Upson Historical Society, Post Office Box 363, Thomaston,
- Chattahoochee Valley Historical Society, https://cvhistoricalsociety.org

Repositories

- Chattahoochee Valley Libraries, Genealogy and Family History Department, www.cvlga.org Columbus
- Columbus State University Archives and Special Collections, https://www.columbusstate.edu/archives, Columbus
- Cobb Memorial Archives, www.chamberscountylibrary.org/cobb-archives-genealogy, Valley, Alabama; covers Meriwether and Troup Counties in Georgia and Chambers County in Alabama
- Lake Blackshear Regional Library, www.lbrls.org/genealogy , Americus
- Thomaston-Upson Archives, www.thomastonupsonarchives.org , Thomaston
- Troup-Harris-Coweta Regional Library, www.Thrl.org , LaGrange

Resources

- Family Search Wiki - https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Georgia,_United_States_Genealogy
- Georgia Archives – www.georgiaarchives.org, Morrow
- Georgia Historical Society, www.GeorgiaHistory.com , Savannah
- National Archives & Records Administration (NARA), www.archives.gov/Atlanta , Morrow
- Newberry Library – Atlas of Historical County Boundaries - www.digital.newberry.org/ahcb/
- University of Georgia Press, Georgia Open History Library, https://ugapress.manifoldapp.org/, Athens