

FOUR SEASONS OF FUN

Montgomery is quite an event-full place, offering a wide variety of things to see, do and taste all year long. No matter when you visit, or where your interests lie, we've got something to get you going.



SUMMER *July–September*

Dance and swing your way through the warmer months with multiple ways to enjoy Montgomery's lovely scenery, sounds and flavors.

- City of Montgomery Annual 4th of July "Stay-cation"
- "Performance on the Green" by the Montgomery Ballet
- Alabama Dance Theatre's "Stars on the Riverfront"
- Zelda Fitzgerald's Birthday Celebration
- Montgomery Symphony Orchestra's "Broadway Under the Stars"
- Annual Taste of The River Region
- "Ballet & The Beasts," Montgomery Zoo & Ballet
- Navistar LPGA Classic Golf Tournament

FALL *October–December*

Ferris wheels, "fright" nights and frontiersmen...Oh my. Fall in Montgomery is full of haunts, history and funnel cakes.

- Montgomery Half-Marathon
- Alabama National Fair
- "Dracula" at ASF

- "A Christmas Memory" at ASF
- Riverwalk Wine Festival
- ZooBoo
- Tavern Fest
- Frontier Days at Fort Toulouse
- Alabama Dance Theatre's "Mistletoe,"
- Montgomery Zoo Light Festival
- Capital City Christmas Parade
- The Montgomery Ballet's "The Nutcracker"



WINTER *January–March*

Proof of Montgomery's diverse culture, the list of wintertime events spans everything from opportunities to appreciate (and buy!) fine art to cheering on some bucking broncos.

- Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Service
- Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts Art Auction
- Fitzgerald Gala
- Southeastern Livestock Exposition & Rodeo
- Jasmine Hill Gardens Opens for Spring



SPRING *April–June*

Catch our Biscuits (they're hot!), or get an earful of local bands and national stars at the music-packed Jubilee Cityfest.

- Zoo Weekend
- Opening Night of Biscuits Baseball
- 5th Annual Alabama Book Festival
- ASF Southern Writers Project
- Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts Flimp Festival
- "A Midsummer Night's Dream" at ASF
- "Henry VIII" at ASF
- Jubilee CityFest & Bama's Big Bang



*For a more complete event list and more event details, www.visitingmontgomery.com



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What They Say

WE THINK MONTGOMERY IS A GREAT PLACE TO VISIT, BUT DON'T JUST TAKE OUR WORD FOR IT.

"[In Montgomery] Tourists can stand and look out from the pulpit where Dr. King once preached, and they can visit the basement ... where movement leaders hatched plans for the year-long Montgomery Bus Boycott." *-The Wall Street Journal*

"With the addition of restaurants and nightlife near the Riverwalk Stadium, Montgomery is livelier than ever." *-Southern Living magazine*

"The city [Montgomery] is the civil rights movement's ground zero." *-USA Today*

"Montgomery doesn't try to hide its past. Memorials, tourist sites and a narrated trolley ride tell the stories." *-Atlanta Journal Constitution*

"Harriott II Riverboat brings back the best of the 19th century -- beautiful riverboats cruising the Alabama River."

-Atlanta Journal Constitution

"A visit to the The Civil Rights Memorial in Montgomery is a stirring experience." *-Southeastern Group Tour magazine*

"The Alabama Shakespeare Festival [in Montgomery] is among the largest theatrical festivals in the world, the largest regional theatre in the Southeast, and has developed one of the country's premier laboratories for new plays." *-Alabama Journey magazine*

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When in Montgomery... Do As the Locals Do

Some friendly capital city citizens share the faces, places and things they love in their hometown so you can enjoy them too.



What's so special about the River Region?

"Our River Region is full of natural beauty with our scenic landscapes, abundant wildlife and rivers. We are also blessed to be in an area with a rich history spanning from the civil rights movement all the way to our diverse musical heritage. But the thing I like most about the River Region is the warmth and friendliness of our people and how well we treat each other and those that come to visit."

—Larry Puckett,
Chairman of the Montgomery
Area Chamber of Commerce



What's your favorite Montgomery attraction?

My favorite thing to do is spend time with my wife Terrie and son Kolby enjoying our many local attractions. Last season, we enjoyed the play "Nacirema Society" featuring Jasmine Guy at the Alabama Shakespeare Festival. We also like sporting events including Alabama State University football games and Biscuits baseball games. The best thing about Montgomery is the diversity of our local restaurants ranging from fine Southern cuisine to seafood and my son's favorite: hibachi-style cooking!"

—Willie Durham with State Farm Insurance



What's your favorite historic site?

"The beautiful First United Methodist Church in Old Cloverdale. This church has been an important part of my entire life. And the lovely park in front is the perfect place for a relaxed family picnic. In the summer, make use of the abundant shade provided by the mammoth live oak in the center of the park."

—Carol Gunter,
Public Relations Administrator
for the City of Montgomery



What really says "Montgomery" to you?

"I love the juxtaposition of the old, like the Greek Revival state capitol, and the new, like the entertainment district, downtown. Montgomery has a rich cultural heritage as the birthplace of the civil rights movement, and you can celebrate by visiting museums and meeting people who had a seat at the table when history was made here."

—Monica Allen,
Group Sales Manager, Renaissance
Montgomery Hotel & Spa



What is a good "romantic retreat" for couples?

"Enjoying a beverage at the Capitol Oyster Bar at the Marina while watching the sun set behind the Alabama River is romantic, as is a quiet stroll down the Riverwalk."

—Casey Vaughan,
Public Relations Director
of the Alabama Dance Theatre



What's your favorite way to spend a Saturday in the River Region?

"I like to go to the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts. There is always something fun to do there, from the events they sometimes have to feeding the cute ducks."

—Molly Mitchell, 6 1/2 year old
Town of Pike Road resident



What is the best way to spend a summer/fall afternoon in Wetumpka?

"One of my favorite spots to wile away an afternoon is at the park on the Coosa River. This area offers beautiful views of the river and the trademark Bibb Graves Bridge. The city is now in the process of completing a master plan to develop a river walk area to truly take advantage of all the natural beauty."

—Dennis Fain,
President of the Wetumpka
Chamber of Commerce