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Golf

Georgia Veterans Memorial Golf Course



Designed by architect Denis Griffiths and listed on Golf Digest magazine's list of four star-rated courses, Georgia Veterans Memorial Golf Course rests quietly on the shores of Lake Blackshear. Expertly placed mounds, water traps, and plenty of sand bunkers define the holes and enhance the challenge. The Dwarf Bermuda greens are large and sloping and putt as smooth as glass. The wide Tif 419 fairways wind through mounds and stands of tall loblolly pines.

The course is open daily from 8 a.m. until dusk, with club storage. Tee time reservations are taken seven days a week (recommended on weekends and holidays). To schedule a tee time and learn more about the golf packages, call 1-800-434-0982. Light snacks and drinks are available in the clubhouse, and can be enjoyed on the new deck.

In addition to award winning golf, Georgia Veterans Memorial offers a full service pro shop, with both individual and group lessons available. Schedule your next private teaching session where you can enhance your swing and learn a few more tips from the Pro with video recording and viewing. For more information on the pro shop, call (229) 276-2377.

Course Layout: Holes: 18; Yards: 7,059; Rating 72.1; Slope: 130; Par: 72; Bunkers: 105

Individual Rate Includes Cart

Weekday	Greens Fee	Weekend	Greens Fee
18 Holes	\$33.00	18 Holes	\$33.00
18 Holes Senior	\$29.00	18 Holes Senior	\$29.00
18 Holes Veteran	\$25.00	18 Holes Veteran	\$25.00
*Junior 18 (Walk)	\$13.00	*Junior 18 (Walk)	\$13.00
*Junior 18 (with Cart)	\$20.00	*Junior 18 (with Cart)	\$20.00

*Must be accompanied by an adult

Range Balls (30-35 Balls) \$5.00

Group Outings 16 People or more \$30.00



SAM Shortline Train

Take a trip back in time as you enjoy a scenic Georgia train ride through the rolling countryside on the SAM Shortline Excursion Train that goes right through Georgia Veterans Memorial Park and over Lake Blackshear making a stop at the depot in the Park. This 1949 vintage train is named for the original rail spur line that went from Savannah to Americus, GA and then on to Montgomery, Alabama.

Today the SAM Shortline travels between Cordele and Americus, GA. The SAM Shortline's itinerary varies by day and rotates stops at the following scenic locations: Georgia Veterans State Park and Lake Blackshear; Leslie, the home of one of Georgia's most unique museum the Rural Telephone Museum that is situated in a beautifully restored cotton warehouse that showcases antiques, switchboards, classic cars, colorful murals—and, of course, antique telephones; Americus, a Victorian town and home to the Habitat for Humanity's new Global Village; Plains, the small Georgia town made famous by President Jimmy Carter where you can visit President Carter's campaign museum; and Archery, featuring President Jimmy Carter's boyhood farm. The train stops for approximately five minutes at each depot allowing riders to disembark to visit the destination and continue on a later train.

For a complete schedule, pricing, and to make a reservation visit: www.samshortline.com or call: 229-276-0755 or 877-427-2457



Coach



Premium Americus Car



Lounge- Hawkins Car

Adults: \$29.99*	Adults \$39.99*	ALL seats \$49.99*
Children (2-12) \$19.99*	Children \$29.99*	

*Add 8% tax

The MARINA

At Lake Blackshear Resort



At Lake Blackshear Marina, be your own Captain. Explore and enjoy the 9,000 acres of Lake Blackshear. The Marina at Lake Blackshear makes it simple. We offer pontoons for family fun, fishing and cruising. We also have runabouts (ski boats) with 225 HP engines for family fun, skiing, and cruising.

The Group Boat (Party Boat), Liberty Lady is an air conditioned 60 foot boat for groups up to 50. Full food and bar service is available. Captain required on Group Boat.

Boat Rental Rates

	1 Hour	Half Day 4 Hours	Full Day 8 Hours	Overnight	24 Hours
PONTOON 24'/40 HP BINIMI TOP/CAPACITY 10	\$50	\$150	\$245	\$275	\$350
SEA-DOO JET SKI	\$60	--	--	N/A	N/A
FISHING BOAT	\$45	\$135	\$225	\$175	\$249

Lady Liberty Event Boat



Perfect for weddings, rehearsal dinners, reunions, parties or corporate events, the Marina offers the beautiful *Lady Liberty*, a touring boat that can accommodate up to 45 guests for a scenic lake cruise. This air conditioned boat also features a covered upper deck to provide shade. To complete your party planning, Lake Blackshear Resort & Golf Club offers personalized catering services from casual picnics to elegant meals and professional staffing.

Cypress Grill at the Marina

Whether it's a family lunch, romantic sunset moment or a girls' or guys' night out, The Cypress Grill at The Marina will become your favorite spot for casual indoor/outdoor dining and entertainment. Adjacent to The Marina and overlooking Lake Blackshear, The Cypress Grill is easily accessible from boat or land. Choose from a menu of American favorites, including everything from burgers and fries, to fresh fish sandwiches. Open seasonally, The Cypress Grill is the ideal place to kick back for lunch or dinner and enjoy your lake day or take in the nighttime entertainment such as live bands and karaoke nights



FISHING



The well-stocked lake is a paradise for sport fisherman. It is abundant with bass, bream, crappie and catfish on a classic southern impoundment. It features cypress flats, flooded timber and all of the hidden coves and secret fishing holes that make a one-of-a-kind experience for anglers of all skill levels. A valid state fishing license is required and can be purchased at the Visitors Center.

Georgia Resident	Three (3) Day	\$6.50	One (1) Year \$12.00
Non-Resident	Three (3) Day	\$23.00	One (1) Year \$48.00

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[Georgia Veterans State Park has been recognized among the 2015 Top 100 Family Friendly Places to Boat and Fish in the U.S.](#)

Military Museum



The Military Museum pays tribute to veterans from the Revolutionary War through the present day. Visitors may visit the museum and learn about the history of our veterans and walk the outdoor static displays which include: a B-29A Super fortress, jets, a helicopter, tanks, landing craft and artillery.

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For more information about the Military Museum and its hours of operation please contact the Park office at: **229-276-2371**.

Area Attractions

In the heart of Georgia's Presidential Pathway, Lake Blackshear Resort & Golf Club is the perfect jumping off point to explore the history, attractions and culture of this region.

Nearby attractions include:

- Georgia Veterans Memorial State Park Museum(229-276-2371)
- Andersonville National Historic Site, Andersonville – Once called Camp Sumter, Andersonville was one of the Civil War's largest Confederate military prisons.(229-924-0343)
- Jimmy Carter National Historic Site, Plains – Visit the hometown of President Jimmy Carter and see the home he lived in.(229-824-4104)
- Westville – Georgia's Working 1850 Town, a living history museum, which depicts an 1850 west Georgia village. At Westville, visitors can experience a middle-of-the-nineteenth century community in the twenty-first century.
- SAM Shortline Southwest Georgia Excursion Train to historical sites around South Georgia.(229-276-0755)
- Americus – Discover this small town with heart and history. Its attractions include the SAM Shortline Excursion Train, 1892 Windsor Hotel, Habitat for Humanity's Global Village and Discovery Center, and 1921 Rylander Theatre.
- Mennonite Community, Montezuma
- Georgia Cotton Museum, Vienna – The history of cotton is told with the aid of farm tools, cotton bolls, periodicals, a cotton bale, and other agricultural artifacts.(229-268-2045)
- Georgia Agrirama Agricultural Museum, Tifton
- Georgia Telephone Museum, Leslie – Displays one of the most complete telephone collections in the world, with more than 1,500 phones. Included is the 1875 telephone the Alexander Graham Bell took to the World's Fair in Philadelphia.(229-874-4786)
- Air Force Museum, Warner Robins
- Jefferson Davis Memorial State Historic Site(229-831-2335)
- The Plains School, Plains- Jimmy Carter's old high school is now a museum dedicated to the 39th President.
- Macon Museum of Arts and Sciences, Macon- A multi-faceted institution featuring diverse exhibitions in fine art, astronomy and natural history.
- Tubman African American Museum, Macon- Georgia's largest African-American museum, the Tubman museum, is dedicated to the preservation of African-American culture, history and art.
- Thronateeska Heritage Center, Albany- Hosting three attractions: the Museum of History, the Wetherbee Planetarium and the Discovery Center.
- Chehaw Wild Animal Park, Albany- An 800-acre recreation facility that includes a campground and zoo with both native and exotic animals roaming in natural habitats.(229-430-5275)
- Providence Canyon State Conservation Park, Lumpkin- A strange land formation called The Little Grand Canyon.(1-800-864-7275or229-838-6202)
- Little Ocmulgee State Park, McRae- A Lake and beach, lodge and restaurant are located inside Little Ocmulgee State Park. An 18-hole golf course, fishing, canoeing and hiking are available activities.

- Kolomoki Mounds Historic Park, Blakely- The seven earthen mounds within Kolomoki Mounds Historic Park date back to between 350AD and 750AD, representing some of the oldest mounds in Georgia. A museum is located on-site, displaying a partially excavated burial mound. Other park activities include fishing, boating, canoeing and swimming.
- George T. Bagby State Park, Fort Gaines- A restaurant and an 18-hole golf course. The park also offers a marina with boat ramp. Activities in the park include boating, fishing, swimming, water skiing, volleyball and hiking.
- Wild Adventures, Valdosta- Nine rollercoasters, a waterpark, an animal park, concerts and special events throughout the year are what greets guests of Wild Adventures.
- Flint River Aquarium(229-639-2650)
- Habitat for Humanity International Global Village(866-924-5823)

Dining in Cordele, Georgia

Burger King of Cordele

1109 16th Ave E, Cordele, GA

Captain D's

[Captain D's](#)

1710 E 16th Ave, Cordele, GA

Carter Burger's

[Carter Burger's](#)

1213 S 7th St, Cordele, GA

Cordele Recreation Parlor

105 W 11th Ave, Cordele, GA

Cordelia's Restaurant

[Cordelia's Restaurant](#)

2459 U.S. 280, Cordele, GA

Cracker Barrel

1905 Central Ave, Cordele, GA

Cypress Grill

2459 U.S. 280, Cordele, GA

Daphne Lodge

2502 U.S. 280, Cordele, GA

El Girasol Mexican Restaurant

102 14th Ave W, Cordele, GA

Golden Corral Family Steaks & Buffet

2110 E 16th Ave, Cordele, GA

Hardee's of Cordele

1702 E 16th Ave, Cordele, GA

McDonald's of Cordele

1613 East 16th Avenue, Cordele, GA

Smoakies Bar-B-Que

107 Cemetery Ln, Cordele, GA

Sonic Drive In

1015 E 16th Ave, Cordele, GA

Chick fil A

1711 E 16th Ave, Cordele, GA

T.J.'s Restaurant

1712 E 16th Ave, Cordele, GA

Wendy's

1515 E 16th Ave, Cordele, GA

16 East

(229) 273-9611

1309 16th Avenue East, Cordele, GA

The Cove at Lake Blackshear

(229)273-4441

2528 U.S. 280, Cordele, GA

Dairy Queen

(229) 271-6937

2302 Highway 300, Cordele, GA

Daylight Donuts

(229) 513-3159

1614 East 16th Avenue, Cordele, GA

Denny's

(229) 276-0962

2115 16th Avenue East, Cordele, GA

Krystal Restaurant

(229) 273-5967

1815 E 16th Ave Cordele

Little Caesar's Pizza

(229) 273-5967

817 West 16th Avenue, Cordele, GA

Riley's Deli

(229)273-3354

106 West 16th Avenue, Cordele, GA

Subway

(229) 273-9895

1814 16th Avenue East, Cordele, GA

Tri-County Seafood

(229) 513-3397

401 Pecan Street South, Cordele, GA

Zaxby's

(229) 273-2223

907 Central Ave, Cordele, GA 31015