

U.S. CIVIL RIGHTS TRAIL JOURNEY

GEORGIA

REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

1929 — 1968

*"Free at last, Free at last,
Thank God Almighty
I'm Free at last."*

CORETTA SCOTT KING

1927 — 2006

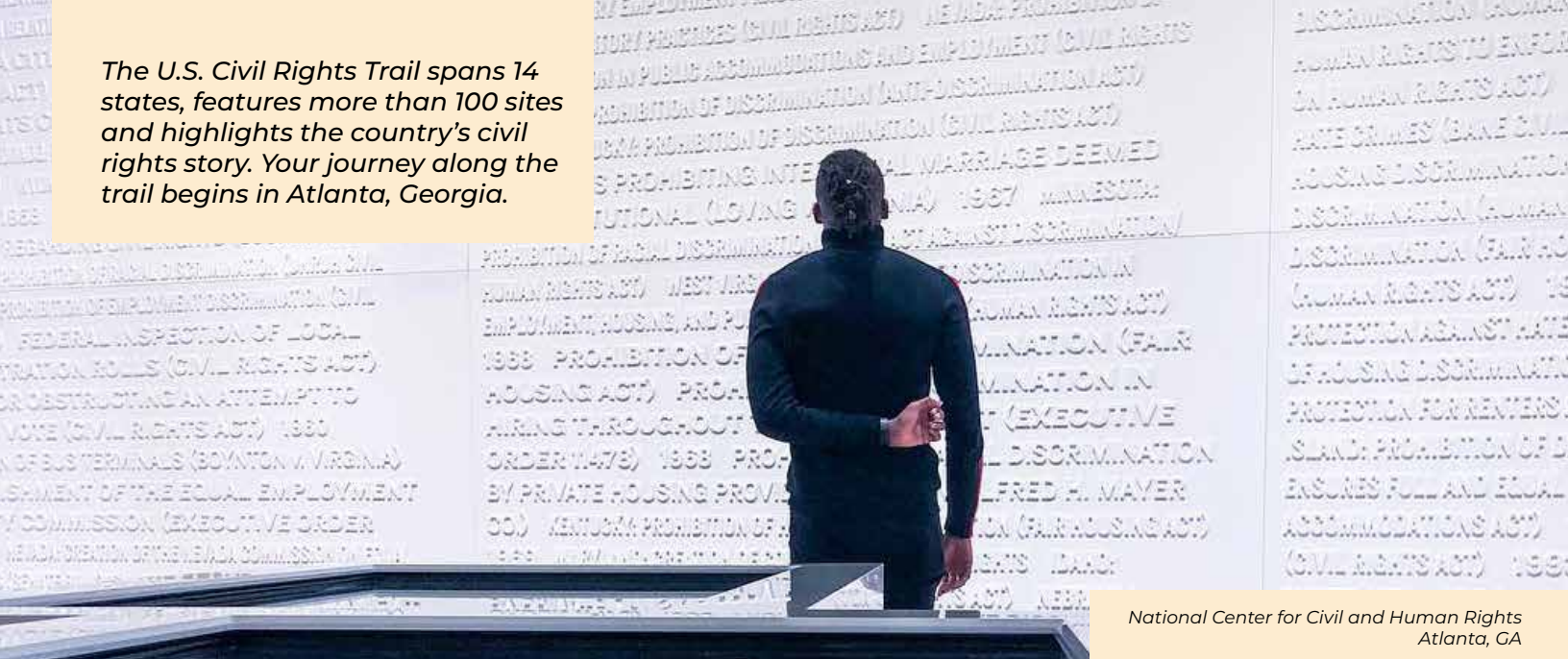
*"And now abide Faith, Hope,
Love, These Three; but the
greatest of these is Love."
1 Cor. 13:13*





Atlanta - Albany (2 hrs. 48 mins.)

The U.S. Civil Rights Trail spans 14 states, features more than 100 sites and highlights the country's civil rights story. Your journey along the trail begins in Atlanta, Georgia.



National Center for Civil and Human Rights
Atlanta, GA

DAY 1 – ATLANTA

National Center for Civil and Human Rights

Atlanta was the birthplace of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. It was where he grew up, followed in his father's footsteps and became a minister at Ebenezer Baptist Church. Georgia was also the setting of the Albany Movement and the home of many organizations that spearheaded civil rights efforts and demonstrations across the state and region.



National Center for Civil and Human Rights

Plan to spend several hours at the National Center for Civil and Human Rights. This engaging cultural attraction connects the American Civil Rights Movement to today's global human rights movements. Explore individual galleries reflecting a combination of powerful imagery, compelling artifacts and poignant storytelling. The Martin Luther King Jr. Collection gallery features a rotating exhibition of items from the Morehouse College Martin Luther King Jr. Collection, allowing visitors to view Dr. King's personal papers and items. Leave inspired and empowered to join the ongoing dialogue about human rights in your community.



National Center for Civil and Human Rights
Atlanta, GA

DAY 2 – ATLANTA

Martin Luther King Jr. National Historical Park > Martin Luther King Jr. Birth Home > Ebenezer Baptist Church > The King Center > APEX Museum > Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum



*MLK Jr. National Historical Site
Atlanta, GA*

Start your day in Atlanta's Sweet Auburn Historic District. Concentrated along a short mile and a half of Auburn Avenue, this area reflects the history, heritage and achievements of Atlanta's African-Americans and is home to several stops along the U.S. Civil Rights Trail.



*Martin Luther King Jr. Birth Home
Atlanta, GA*

The Martin Luther King Jr. National Historical Park

The Martin Luther King Jr. National Historical Park reflects the life of this great leader. Tour the **Martin Luther King Jr. Birth Home** to see where Dr. King was born and lived during the first 12 years of his life. Listen to the sermons and speeches of Dr. King at **Ebenezer Baptist Church** and browse exhibits about the history of the church. Visit **The King Center**, which continues to spread Dr. King's radical, nonviolent ministry through educational and inspirational materials, and pay your respects at Dr. and Mrs. King's tomb and view the eternal flame.

APEX Museum

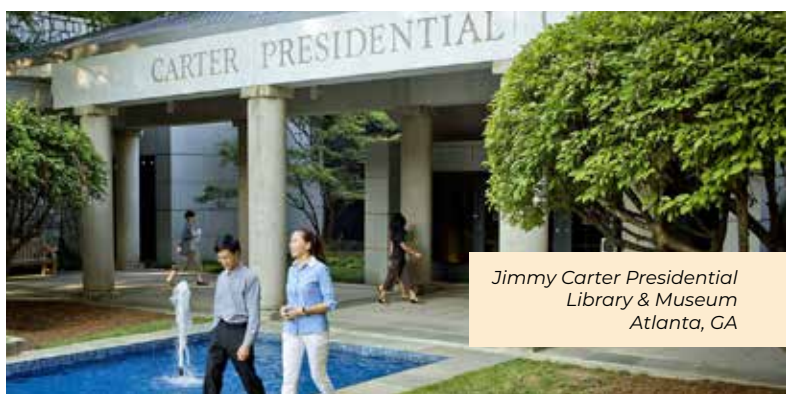
Continue on Auburn Avenue to the APEX (African-American Panoramic Experience) Museum. The museum is devoted entirely to African-American history as a means of promoting cultural awareness and the social contributions of African-Americans in Georgia.



*APEX Museum
Atlanta, GA*

Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum

Spend the afternoon at the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum. Explore the Faith exhibit, which includes photographs of Martin Luther King Sr., as well as the Day in the Life of a President exhibit showcasing video of former President Carter visiting the Lorraine Motel after the death of Martin Luther King Jr.



*Jimmy Carter Presidential
Library & Museum
Atlanta, GA*



Old Mount Zion Baptist Church
Albany, GA

DAY 3 – ALBANY

Albany Civil Rights Institute > Shiloh Baptist Church

Depart Atlanta and head south on I-75 to GA-300 South to Albany. This city in southwestern Georgia was a key location of civil rights efforts in the region. In 1961, local activists from the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, the NAACP and other organizations formed the Albany Movement, a desegregation campaign. In 1962, the Freedom Singers emerged from Albany with a goal of educating communities about civil rights through song. They performed at the March on Washington in 1963.

Albany Civil Rights Institute

Visit the state-of-the-art Albany Civil Rights Institute and experience the legacy of those who have passed on and the stories of those who remain. The museum tour ends in the **Old Mount Zion Baptist Church** Sanctuary. Here, Dr. King spoke to a crowd of 1,500 that overflowed, filling the streets and the church across the street, Shiloh Baptist Church.



Albany Civil Rights Institute
Albany, GA



Shiloh Baptist Church
Albany, GA

Shiloh Baptist Church

Walk in Dr. King's footsteps from Old Mount Zion Baptist to Shiloh Baptist Church, where he started Albany's famous civil rights march to the Trailways bus station. While in Albany, drive through Albany State University, a historically Black university. The fine arts building on campus was the result of a \$3 million donation from Ray Charles, who was born in Albany and made famous "Georgia on My Mind," the state song of Georgia. Charles is memorialized with a park on Front Street, featuring a life-size bronze sculpture of him sitting at his piano.

This concludes your U.S. Civil Rights Trail journey in Georgia.