

# Lost Colonies, Lost Hopes, and Lost Causes: A Cellphone Audio Tour

In this FREE self guided audio tour, you will discover some of the deep and wonderful history of this part of Georgia. Despite being the youngest of the thirteen original American colonies, Georgia's story spans some 12,000 years. Join us as we visit the sites of some of the lost colonies in McDuffie County, hear about lost hopes of those who came seeking fortune, and explore the lost causes in politics and history.

**Step 1:** Proceed to the first stop listed inside this brochure

**Step 2:** Dial the tour number  
**706-715-3397**

**Step 3:** Enter the number of the stop and press #

- Enter another number anytime you are ready, followed by the # key.
- For instructions press the \* key.
- To provide feedback press 0#.
- The call is free but you will use your minutes.

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An Audio Driving Tour  
of McDuffie County Georgia



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# Driving Map



## Driving Tour Stops:

- 1 Lost Lands: The Native Americans**  
*We begin our tour .2 mile south of the Tom Watson Bridge over the Little River on Hwy 78 in the northern edge of McDuffie County. You will notice a pull off with a boat ramp sign on the east side of the highway, please turn down there and enjoy the view of the Little River.*
- 2a The Lost Gold**  
*Follow Hwy 78 south 4.8 miles to Ridge Road, and turn left onto Big Hart Road. Follow Big Hart Road until it runs into Clark's Hill Lake.*
- 2b Lost Ecology: William Bartram**  
*Travel back down Big Hart Road to Hwy 78. Cross over the highway onto Ridge Road. Turn right onto Ridge Road. Follow Ridge Rd 4 miles. At the stop sign, turn left onto Wrightsboro Road and follow it .6 mile to the Wrightsboro Church and Cemetery on the right.*
- 3 The Lost Colony: Wrightsborough**  
*Proceed .2 of a mile south to a pull-off on the left side of the road. Along Wrightsboro Road, there are several markers outlining a bit about the history of the Southern-most Quaker settlement in America. Feel free to stop at each one and explore the history in greater depth.*
- 4 A Lost Tradition: The Fox Hunt**  
*Travel .5 mile down Wrightsborough Road to the entrance of the Bowdre-Rees-Knox House on your left.*
- 5 Lost Frontier: The Rock House**  
*Proceed 1.4 miles down Wrightsborough Road to Three Points Road, bear right and continue on for 4.8 miles to Rock House Road which is a dirt road on your right. Turn right onto Rock House Road and continue .5 mile to the Rock House pull off on the right.*
- 6 Lost Hopes: Hayes Line District**  
*Return to the intersection of Three Points Road and Rock House Road, continue through the stop sign onto Rock House/Twin Oaks Road. Twin Pines will eventually bear to the left, continue along it. At about 1.7 miles you will enter the Hayes Line Historic District.*
- 7 Lost Ideals: Populism & Tom Watson**  
*Proceed 1 mile to the stop sign at the intersection of Twin Oaks Road and Cedar Rock Road, turn right. Cedar Rock Road turns into Hickory Hill Drive; follow it .3 mile to the entrance gate for Hickory Hill.*
- 8 The Lost Cause**  
*From Hickory Hill, turn left onto Hickory Hill Drive, the road becomes Tom Watson Way. Continue .6 mile to the City Cemetery. You may park on the right side of the road at the Methodist Church and walk across to the cemetery.*
- 9 Lost Schools: A Rosenwald Plan**  
*From the Cemetery proceed east on Tom Watson Way to the corner of Main Street, continue through the light .2 mile to Martin Luther King, Jr. St. Turn left onto MLK and continue up .2 mile. As you continue .1 mile up Martin Luther King, Jr., you will come to the Crossroads School on your right, formerly the Pine Street School.*