

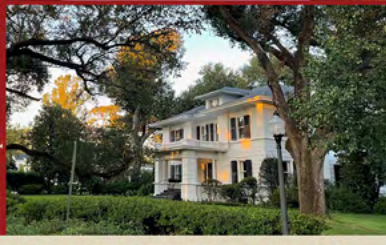
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WELCOME

TO LAUREL & JONES COUNTY

"Jones County is a place like no other. Historically, a refuge for those who think a little differently. To us, it's home – and a beautiful one at that.

We'd love to welcome you and yours and to invite you to stay a while. Explore all Jones County has to offer, support our local businesses and immerse yourself in the experiences that make her worth calling home."

– **ERIN AND BEN NAPIER**
STARS OF HGTV'S HOME TOWN



ABOUT HGTV'S "HOME TOWN"

The HGTV hit series "Home Town" follows Erin and Ben Napier as they welcome new Laurel residents by helping them find and restore historic homes in their inviting hometown. Together, they have shown millions of viewers what Southern hospitality, hard work and a love for history can do for their already charming hometown.





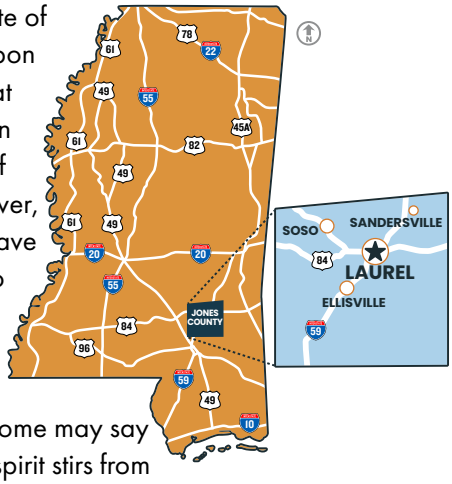
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DISCOVER

THE NEW STATE OF JONES

The New State of Jones rests upon the notion that there exists an "old" State of Jones. However, you do not have to lose one to embrace the other.



A restless – some may say rebellious – spirit stirs from the first generations who settled in Jones County near Ellisville and seceded from the Confederacy to create the Free State of Jones.

As the turn-of-the-century brought the next generation of progressive entrepreneurs leaving their homes in the Midwest to carve out a new home, the population centered on Laurel where the sawmills saw all races working side-by-side, a growing middle class of merchants arise, Mississippi's first museum built and the first public school for African-American children established.

Today, this subtle, rebellious spirit of her residents still lies under the surface as everyone from young families to retirees forsake the ubiquitous surrounds of large, suburban cities for a slower pace of life.

Discover the "New State of Jones"
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EAT

IT'S TIME FOR SOME GOOD SOUTHERN COOKIN'.

Joining us for lunch? Try a little soul food at Pearl's Diner or Wilson's Commissary, or check out the Blue Crab Grill or Charlie's Catfish House for some famous Southern fried catfish and other seafood specialties. Follow your nose to one of our many BBQ or burger stands, or browse VisitJones.com for more traditional fare and cafes throughout the county.

Going out for a night under the downtown lights? Head to Mimmo's Ristorante for an authentic Italian dining experience, or try The Loft for fine dining in an old-world atmosphere.



















From the hand-poured artisan coffee at Manuscript Coffee to the in-house made jerky from the Knight Butcher, or indulging in a fresh treat from one of the many local sweet shops, you just can't go wrong with the great eats here in Jones County.

PLAY

LOOKING FOR AN ADVENTURE?

Visit Mississippi's first art museum, The Lauren Rogers Museum of Art, or one of the state's best veterans museums, the historical Arabian Theatre, a Mississippi Blues Trail marker and more. Try your luck at the Bok Homa Casino in Sandersville or step back in time to the Free State of Jones by visiting the Deason Home in Ellisville. Then, take a walk under the towering live oaks as you explore our most beautiful historic neighborhoods.

Find your outdoor adventures at one of our stunning lakes, campgrounds or parks for a game of pickleball or disc golf. A perfect spot for the kid to stretch their legs! Or, visit the Susan B. Vincent Sportsplex for baseball, softball, soccer, tennis, swimming and a splash pad!













COME PLAY IN JONES COUNTY!

View more details and additional events at **visitjones.com**



SPRING
- Day in the Park
- Touch a Truck
- Crawfest
- Mississippi 50 Trail Run

SUMMER
- LRMA Blues Bash
- July 4th Fireworks Shows

FALL
- Loblolly Festival
- Wing Wars
- South Mississippi Fair
- Merchants' Holiday Open Houses



WINTER
- Christmas Parades and Tree Lightings
- Pancake Day
- Christmas Lights in Mason Park
- Landrum's Christmas
- Merry on the Midway
- Chili Cook Off
- Mardi Gras Parades

SEASONALLY
- Live in Laurel Concerts
- Wine Down Downtown & Other Laurel Main Street Events
- Laurel Little Theatre Performances
- Ellisville Market Days
- Historic District Walking Tours
- Market at The Mill

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SHOP

FROM OUR HOMETOWN TO YOURS.

Jones County is known for the very best in home décor, antiques and vintage markets, but our local shops offer all of that and so much more! Visit any of our Historic Downtowns and shopping districts where you'll find an array of treasures and hidden gems.

From one-of-a-kind art and handmade items, to top shops, custom men's and women's fashions, and more you're sure to return home with some fantastic finds!















Seeking "as seen on TV" shops and items? Visit the Laurel Mercantile Co. family of stores owned by HGTV stars Ben and Erin Napier in downtown Laurel that offer American-made goods, vintage-inspired treasures and timeless home essentials.

Then, explore throughout the county for a large variety of local boutiques and establishments!

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STAY

TRUE SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY AWAITS!

Mama taught us how to treat a guest right with a soft bed, warm towels, and a big Southern breakfast. Stay at one of our beautiful bed and breakfasts or boutique hotels for a full local experience, or choose one of our many national hotel chains for a great night's rest before you head out to discover all Jones County has to offer.











Prefer the great outdoors? Explore our camping and RV options, where you can relax under the stars and wake up ready to dive into your next adventure.

Visit Airbnb.com to search over 150+ unique properties that offer a variety of amenities, including pet friendly and extended stay options. You can even get a little taste of "Home Town" by staying in one of the homes featured on the hit HGTV show.

Whether you are here for one night or more, you will find the perfect accommodations for a relaxing stay in Jones County. Explore the many options at visitjones.com.

PLANNING THE PERFECT DAY IN JONES COUNTY JUST GOT EASIER!

Download the **VISIT WIDGET** app to discover all the best hotels, restaurants, activities, shopping spots and more that Laurel and Jones County have to offer. Create an itinerary to use for step-by-step directions or share with your travel companions for everyone to gear up for the amazing adventure that awaits in Jones County!

Get the app for your iPhone or Android by scanning the QR code below.



Start planning your adventure to Jones County today!



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