

# **BLYTHEVILLE, ARKANSAS GUIDE**

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## Welcome to Blytheville!



Blytheville is a big city with a small town feel nestled in the heart of the Arkansas Delta. Whether visiting for the first time or a lifelong resident, this charming city offers a unique blend of Southern hospitality, rich history, and vibrant local culture. From its historic downtown filled with architectural treasures to the exciting outdoor adventures that await, Blytheville, Arkansas has something for everyone. Experience delicious local cuisine, discover fascinating museums, and immerse yourself in the warmth of a community where there's always something happening. Explore and thrive Blytheville, Arkansas — a city with deep roots and an exciting future in manufacturing.

### Things to Do in Blytheville

- Blytheville Events on **Eventbrite**
- <u>Arts Council of Mississippi County</u>: local events, performances, and art exhibitions.
- Ritz Theater Events Civic Center Yearround @The Ritz
- Main Street Blytheville Downtown Blytheville Events
- Farmers Markets Nearby
- <u>Mayfest</u> A community festival with live music, food vendors, arts and crafts, and family-friendly activities. Early May @Walker Park
- Walker Park Festival June @Walker Park
- Annual Chili Cookoff October
- Trick o' Treat on Main Street
- <u>Lights of the Delta</u> <u>Video</u> Lights of the Delta, held at the Arkansas Aeroplex from late November to December, is one of the Mid-South's must-see Christmas light displays, featuring over six million lights and 48 major animated displays across 40 acres. This drive-through wonderland offers a magical experience for visitors, who can also stop at Jingle Bell Park for refreshments and photo opportunities. Attracting over 20,000 visitors annually, Lights of the Delta is a cherished holiday tradition for families and friends.
- <u>Blytheville Christmas Parade</u> Annual holiday parade featuring floats, bands, and a visit from Santa Claus. December @Downtown Blytheville
- Mainstreet Historic West Parlor Tour Dec @Downtown Blytheville

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### Parks, Trails, Lakes, Golf & Recreation

Blytheville offers a variety of parks, trails, and recreational areas perfect for outdoor enthusiasts of all ages.

#### **Walker Park**

A large public park located on South Ruddle Road, Walker Park is a community hub with sports facilities, playgrounds, picnic areas, and walking trails. Highlights include a swimming pool, baseball fields, and tennis courts, making it an ideal spot for families and athletes.





### **Big Lake National Wildlife Refuge**

Located northeast of Blytheville, this protected area offers abundant birdwatching, fishing, and hiking opportunities. The diverse wetland habitats attract migratory birds, deer, and other wildlife, providing scenic views and nature experiences year-round

### **Thunder Bayou Golf Links**

A premier 18-hole golf course known for its challenging layout and beautiful surroundings, Thunder Bayou Golf Links is a must-visit for golf enthusiasts looking to enjoy both the game and the scenery.





- Blytheville is surrounded by several **Arksansas State Parks** that provide more outdoor activities, including camping, hiking, and wildlife observation.
- Bytheville Youth Sports Plex
- Blytheville City Parks



### **Historic Blytheville - Founded 1879**

Blytheville's historic downtown area, founded in 1879, is a remarkable collection of architecture and landmarks that showcase the city's rich history. From its commercial roots to its role in the Mississippi Delta region, the area offers a glimpse into Blytheville's past.

#### **Delta Gateway Museum**

Located at 210 W. Main Street, the Delta Gateway Museum highlights the cultural and historical significance of the Arkansas Delta. The exhibits explore local history, agriculture, and the impact of the Mississippi River on the region.

#### **Blytheville Greyhound Bus Station**

A key historical building in the downtown area, the Blytheville Greyhound Bus Station is a preserved example of mid-20th-century transportation architecture. It played an important role in the city's growth as a transportation hub.

#### **Ritz Civic Center**

The Ritz Civic Center, located at 306 W. Main Street, is a beautifully restored historic theater. Originally a 1950s cinema, the center now hosts live performances, movies, and community events, continuing to serve as a vital cultural space in Blytheville.

### **Blytheville Commercial Historic District**

This district is home to several historic buildings from the early 1900s, offering a window into Blytheville's commercial development during that time. The architecture reflects the city's prominence as a regional business center.

- <u>Blytheville Air Force Base Strategic Air Command (SAC) Alert and Weapons Storage Areas Historic District</u>
- <u>Blytheville Air Force Base Capehart Housing Historic District</u>
- Mississippi County Courthouse
- West Main Street Historic District
- United States Highway 61 Arch

## **Blytheville Shopping**



The businesses along <u>Main Street in Blytheville</u> are a true reflection of the community's charm and character, offering a mix of unique products and services that cater to locals and visitors alike. Whether you're looking for a good book, a stylish new outfit, or a memorable gift, these stores provide a variety of options with a personal touch.





- Blytheville Book Company
- Arkham Comics
- Hubbard & Hoke Furniture
- The Main Studio
- Burges Shoe Center
- Me & My Sister
- Main Street in Blytheville

- The New York Store
- Christian World, Inc.
- The 223 Collective
- <u>Delta Marketplace</u>
- Russell's Sales
- 1st & Main Gift Shop
- M & D Outfitters, Inc.



www.colonysquare.co

Colony Square on West Moultrie | Market, Shops & More Colony Square Mall, 205 W Moultrie Dr. Rental Office - Suite C, Blytheville, AR 72315

#### **Interior Spaces Available**

Dance Studios · Artists · Designers · Professional Offices · Small Businesses **Exterior Spaces Available** 

Retail · Spa · Specialty Foods · Boutiques · Antiques · Caterers · Artisans

\*Gourmet food trucks & Farmers Markets Welcome! Call/Text 870-495-8188

### Where to Stay



### **Capri Apartments**

Capri Apartments in Blytheville offers furnished and unfurnished apartments. www.capriblytheville.com

Corporate Housing: We specialize in furnished accommodations for those working in the Steel & Manufacturing Industries. Enjoy the convenience of a fully-furnished apartment with all the comforts of home, plus a welcoming community and peaceful environment at a fraction of the cost of a hotel. Special Offer: 1-month deposit and 1 month of free rent!

Referral Program: Earn rewards when you refer someone to Capri Apartments.

### **Hampton Inn**

Located off the main highway, the Hampton Inn features modern amenities such as a heated indoor pool, free hot breakfast, and spacious rooms with workstations.

### **Holiday Inn**

The Holiday Inn offers standard rooms to suites with separate living areas, an outdoor pool, a fitness center, and an on-site restaurant.

### **Quality Inn & Suites**

For budget-friendly comfort, the Quality Inn & Suites provides a variety of room types, free breakfast, an outdoor pool, and high-speed internet

Each of these accommodations offer unique benefits. Capri Apartments excels for short and long-term stays, while the Hampton Inn, Holiday Inn, and Quality Inn & Suites provide traditional hotel options.

## Eat & Drink in Blytheville





Blytheville's dining scene offers an eclectic mix of Southern comfort food, international flavors, and upscale cuisine. Whether you're craving down-home barbecue, fresh seafood, or a fine dining experience, Blytheville has something for everyone. Here's a roundup of must-visit spots for food lovers...

- **<u>Dixie Pig BBQ</u>** Blytheville is known for its BBQ <u>Watch Video</u>
- Yanks Famous Barbeque Check out this review
- <u>Traveling Grounds Coffee Company</u> The Best Coffee!
- McAdoo's Steak & Lounge
- Kream Kastle Best Burgers!
- <u>Olympian Family Restaurant</u> Casual dining offering a mix of American and Greek cuisine. Gyros, burgers, and homemade desserts. 1600 S. Division St.
- <u>Bistro Eleven 21</u> Upscale restaurant known for its contemporary American dishes and elegant atmosphere. Steaks, seafood, and fine wines. 1121 E. Main
- **<u>El Puerto Mexican Restaurant</u>** Burritos, Taco Salad & more.
- Tacos a la Casita Fajitas!
- <u>Las Brisas</u> Family-friendly restaurant offering authentic Mexican cuisine. Tacos, enchiladas, and margaritas. E. Main Street

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### City of Blytheville, Arkansas

www.cityofblytheville.com

### **Blytheville Schools**

- Arkansas Northeastern College
- <u>Blytheville School District</u> Primary, Elementary, Middle & High School High School offers a variety of academic courses and extracurricular opportunities, with a popular and competitive football team.
- Kipp Charter School

### Hospitals



**Great River Medical Center** serves as the primary healthcare provider for Blytheville and the surrounding area, offering a full spectrum of medical services, including emergency care, surgical procedures, and outpatient services.

## **Airports**

Blytheville is well-connected with access to two key airports.





- Arkansas International Airport (BYH), located nearby, provides regional flights and services.
- Memphis International Airport, about 1.5 hours away, is a major airport that connects Blytheville to national and international destinations.