Quick TripsFeatured Family Destination:

Charlotte

Cary

Rocky Mount

Cary, NC

From a quaint town to a growing metropolis, Cary had become the ideal location for employees at the Research Triangle to call home. Cary is perfect for those who crave the small-town life while still being within driving distance to a major urban city like Raleigh. Visitors who arrive at the train station will notice that this station places you at the middle intersection of downtown Cary, and all the best attractions and dining options in the city.

For the historians in your family, the Page-Walker Arts & History Center is perfect to learn more about the history of Cary and all who inhabit it. It was initially built as a railroad hotel, and just by the outside architecture, you can sense the deep history that paved the foundation of this city. The center also holds rotating art exhibitions in locations around the Cary area that can be easily accessed with free transportation by the GoCary. The museum is located at 119 Ambassador Loop. The hours are Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.; Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Cary Arts Center, located at 101 Dry Avenue, is the downtown hub of arts activity for Cary. Its historic legacy of education began in the 1870s when Town of Cary founder Allison Frances Page opened Cary Academy, which was officially charted with the state of North Carolina as Cary High School.



With events, performances, gallery exhibitions, the Arts Center is great place to visit. Admission for center viewings are free. Hours September through May are Monday-Thursday, 9a.m.-10p.m., Friday-Saturday, 9a.m.-10:30p.m., Sunday 1p.m.-6p.m. The Center is closed on Sundays June-August.

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Depart on Train 80 from:	
Charlotte	7:00 am
Salisbury	7:43 am
Greensboro	8:39 am
Arrive in Cary	10:02 am
Depart Cary on Train 79	5:29 pm
Arrive:	
Greensboro	6:58 pm
Salisbury	7:55 pm
Charlotte	8:44 pm

Ashworth Drugs, a pharmacy with its own soda fountain, offers a trip back in time. Your family will love the sodas, milkshakes and floats to go down with the best hotdogs you'll find in all of Cary at this "mom-and-pop" shop. View a full menu online. Ashworth Drugs is located at 1005 W. Chatham Street.

Hours: Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

If you aren't in the mood for hotdogs and Coke floats, Downtown Cary is also home to some great kid-friendly dining options, too!

Serendipity Gourmet Deli

Deli, sandwiches, soups, salads, dessert, vegetarian 118 S. Academy St., Cary (919) 469-1655

Hours: Monday-Friday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Once in a Blue Moon Bakery & Café

Bakery, café, coffee, cakes, cookies, pastries, pies, breads, breakfast, croissants, cinnamon rolls, sandwiches, soups, salads

115-G W. Chatham St., Cary

(919) 319-6554

Hours: Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

If you and your family are staying in the city overnight, the Town of Cary hosts a **Starlight Concert Series** every other Friday all summer. The concerts are held at the Page-Walker Arts & History Center at 7 p.m.

