

Quick Trips

Featured Family Destination:

Greensboro

Raleigh

Charlotte

Greensboro, NC

Named after Major Nathaniel Greene, commander of the American forces at the Battle of Guilford Court House in 1781, Greensboro remains a major textile headquarters and home to many North Carolinians. Upon arriving at the J. Douglas Gaylon Depot, visitors can admire the mural of the Southern Railway network during the 1920s. This station holds memories of the rich history that composes the urban city Greensboro has become today.

Since the station is located in downtown Greensboro, visitors will find all the fun and entertainment they seek right outside the station's doors.

For a fun and educational afternoon for the whole family, check out the **Greensboro Children's Museum**, located at 220 N. Church Street. Kids will experience hands-on education as they explore a variety of exhibits. Hours are Tuesday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and Sunday, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Check out the museum's website for admission fees and accommodations.

Traveling with older children? They may enjoy a visit to the **Greensboro Historical Museum**, which gives attendees an in-depth and personal look at the rich history of Greensboro through interactive exhibitions and live displays. The museum is located at 130 Summit Avenue. Hours are from Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free.

For an even further exploration in the world of history, be sure to check out the **International Civil Rights Center & Museum** on 134 S. Elm Street. This memorial to the "Greensboro Four" and those who fought for the freedom of all oppressed people is a humbling experience for all members of the family to learn, as it honors America's not-too-distant past. The museum's



Depart on Train 73 from:

Raleigh	6:45 am
Cary	6:58 am
Durham	7:19 am
Arrive in Greensboro	8:21 am

Depart Greensboro on Train 76

Arrive:	
Durham	7:57 pm
Cary	8:18 pm
Raleigh	8:36 pm

Depart on Train 80 from:

Charlotte	7:00 am
Kannapolis	7:25 am
Salisbury	7:43 am
Arrive in Greensboro	8:39 am

Depart Greensboro on Train 79

Arrive:	
Salisbury	7:55 pm
Kannapolis	8:12 pm
Charlotte	8:44 pm

For more details about these events, other events or travel plans, visit GoDowntownRaleigh.com.

summer hours (April-September) are Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission for adults is \$10, students is \$8 and children ages 6-12 is \$6. Children under 5 years are free with a paying adult.

Visitors can also enjoy a relaxing day in the city in one of Greensboro's many parks and greenways, including **Center City Park**, located on 200 N. Elm Street. Families can play in the lush fields or enjoy a picnic from home or carried out from one of the many restaurants nearby.

For a taste of the local art scene, check out **Greenhill Gallery** on 200 N. Davie Street. Families can admire artworks from local artists for free during the gallery hours of Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Sunday, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. This is an interactive experience offered at Greenhill which allows parents and kids to explore techniques and styles utilized by artists from all over the world. ArtQuest hours are from Tuesday-Saturday, 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.; Wednesday "Family Night", 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.; and Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. On "Family Night" Wednesday, admission is free, while other nights are \$5 per adult and \$5 per child.

The city of Greensboro also offers an array of local kid-friendly dining options:

Crafted, The Art of the Taco

American, tacos, seafood, vegetarian, gluten free, healthy options, lunch, dinner.

219 S. Elm St., Greensboro
(336) 273-0030

Hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.

Dame's Chicken & Waffles

American, fried chicken, waffles, vegetarian, gluten free, healthy options, live entertainment, dinner, brunch

301 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., Greensboro
(336) 275-7333

Hours: Tuesday-Thursday, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Fincastles Diner

American, burgers, seafood, fries, fried green tomatoes, fresh bread, dinner, lunch

215 S. Elm St., Greensboro
(336) 272-8968

Hours: Monday-Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday-Saturday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Natty Greene's Pub & Brewing Co.

American, salads, sandwiches, burgers, brewery, local beer, vegetarian, healthy options, dinner, lunch, brunch

345 S. Elm St., Greensboro
(336) 274-1373

Hours: Dining: Monday-Saturday, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.. Bar: Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m. to midnight; Thursday-Saturday, 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.; Sunday, 12 p.m. to midnight

Cheesecakes by Alex

Desserts, bakery, cakes, cupcakes, muffins, turnovers, cookies, pastries, coffee.

315 S. Elm St., Greensboro
(336) 273-0970

Hours: Tuesday-Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday-Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

If you and your family are in need for entertainment during a weekend stay in the city, be sure to come up on the First Friday of the month! First Friday is a free monthly self-guided walking tour that includes some of the Greensboro's most eclectic shops, art galleries, studios, museums, and venues. Shops stay open longer so families can buy from local vendors or dine at their favorite restaurant while listening to live local music heard all over downtown. Past First Fridays have included belly dancing, caricatures, pottery demos, public picnics, open air markets, puppet shows, live music, spoken word and more!

