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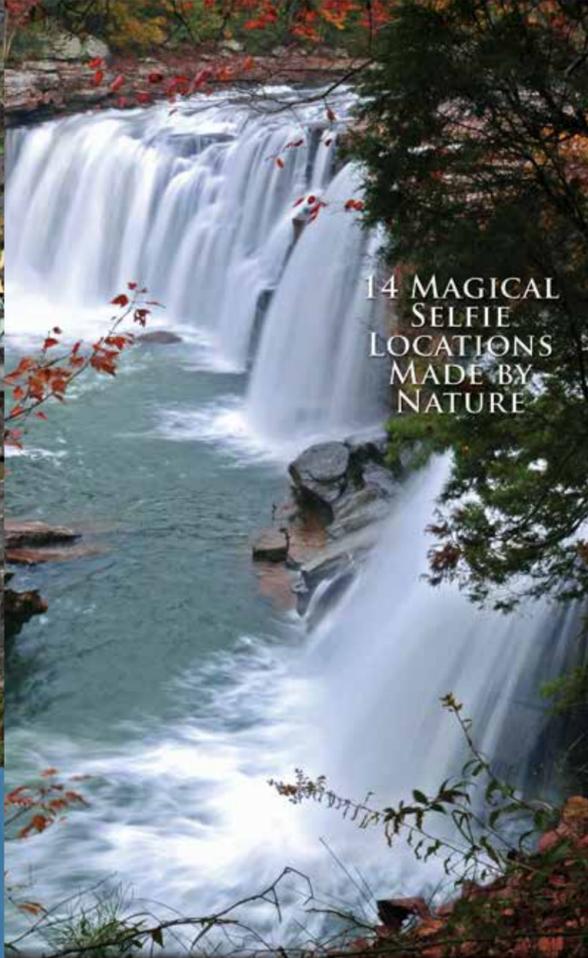


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## Noccalula Falls

1500 Noccalula Rd.  
Noccalula Falls Park, Gadsden, Alabama  
Named after a Creek Indian princess, Noccalula Falls stands 90 feet tall and is one of the most visited natural attractions in the state. When rain conditions are normal, the waterfall is around 20 feet with a smaller waterfall located a little to the right of the higher fall. While heavy rains cause the two falls to merge into one wider waterfall. [www.cityofgadsden.com](http://www.cityofgadsden.com)



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<b>COLDWATER FALLS</b> Spring Park, Tuscumbia, Alabama GPS: N 34 43.789 W 87 42.205	<b>DeSOTO FALLS</b> Mentone, Alabama GPS: N 34 32.920 W 85 35.433	<b>GRACE'S HIGH FALLS</b> Fort Payne, Alabama GPS: N 34 21.281 W 85 40.387	<b>HIGH FALLS</b> Geraldine, Alabama GPS: N 34° 23.923 W 086° 3.975	<b>KINLOCK FALLS</b> Bankhead National Forest, Wren, Alabama GPS: N 34° 18.382 W 087° 0.176	<b>LACEFIELD FALLS</b> Tuscumbia, Alabama GPS: N 34° 37.269 W 087° 7.854	<b>LITTLE RIVER FALLS</b> Gaylesville, Alabama GPS: N 34 23.612 W 85 37.574
<b>MARDIS MILL FALLS</b> Oneonta, Alabama GPS: N 34 02.405 W 86 34.171	<b>MYSTIC FALLS</b> In Rock Bridge Canyon Equestrian Park, 1942 Hwy 172, Hodges, AL 35571	<b>NOCICALULA FALLS</b> Gadsden, Alabama GPS: N 354.02.293 W 86 01.590	<b>PISGAH GORGE FALLS</b> Pisgah, Alabama GPS: N 34° 40.283 W 085°	<b>RAINBOW FALLS</b> Dismals Canyon, Phil Campbell, Ala. GPS: N 34 19.380 W 87 46.570	<b>TURKEY FOOT FALLS</b> Double Springs, Alabama GPS: N 34° 17.080 W 087° 4.350	<b>WILSON DAM FALLS</b> Florence, Alabama GPS: N 34° 47.643 W 087° 7.587

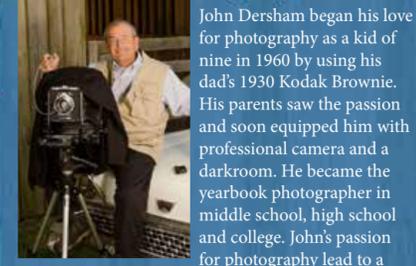
## About North Alabama

North Alabama marks the southern extremity of the beautiful Appalachian Mountains. The mighty Tennessee River cuts a large valley across our width, creating an abundance of creeks, streams, rivers, mountains, and lakes. Here you will find level highlands from 700 to 800 feet, a narrow strip of gentle rolling lowlands varying in elevation from 500 to 800 feet on each side of the Tennessee River, and a rugged section with steep mountain-sides, deep narrow valleys, and flat mountain-tops from 400 to 1,800 feet.

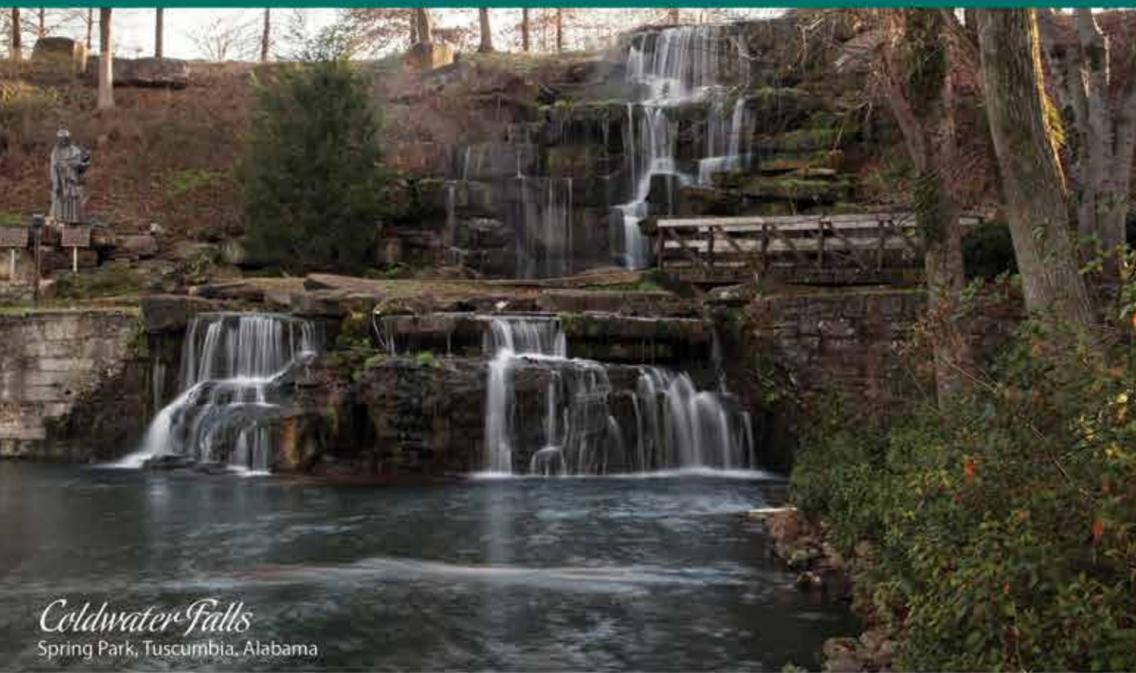
Preserving and enjoying nature is a rich part of our heritage. Our area includes the Bankhead National Forest, the Sipsey Wilderness Area, Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge, eight expansive lakes, millions of acres of woodlands, and hundreds of miles of nature-based trails.

From magical waterfalls, kayaking and white water rafting, to the world's largest space museum and homes of American legends Helen Keller and Jesse Owens, we invite you to come explore and see what each of the 16 counties of North Alabama have to offer.

## Meet the Photographer

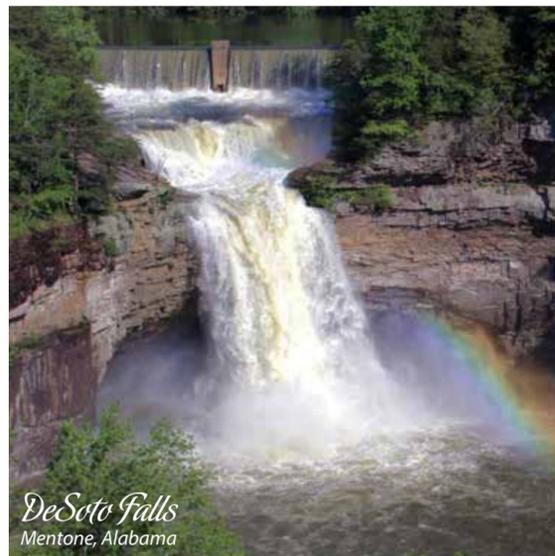


John Dersham began his love for photography as a kid of nine in 1960 by using his dad's 1930 Kodak Brownie. His parents saw the passion and soon equipped him with professional camera and a darkroom. He became the yearbook photographer in middle school, high school and college. John's passion for photography led to a 30-year career in management at Eastman Kodak Company. John resides in North Alabama in Fort Payne near the Little River Canyon National Preserve.



*Coldwater Falls*  
Spring Park, Tusculumbia, Alabama

[www.ColbertCountyTourism.org](http://www.ColbertCountyTourism.org)  
Coldwater Falls is a man-made waterfall that is constructed with over 2,000 tons of sandstone. It is located at Spring Park in Tusculumbia and stretches 80 feet wide and is 42 feet tall. Each day over 4.3 million gallons of water flow over the falls.



*DeSoto Falls*  
Mentone, Alabama

[www.DiscoverLookoutMountain.com](http://www.DiscoverLookoutMountain.com)  
One of the most photographed points of interest in Alabama, DeSoto Falls is also one of the tallest (107 ft.) and most visited waterfall locations in the state. It also features numerous smaller falls. The waterfall has a concrete dam above the falls, which was built in 1925 for Alabama's first hydroelectric power plant, which is of historical significance.



*Rainbow Falls*  
Dismals Canyon near Phil Campbell, Alabama

[www.vVisitFranklinCoAl.com](http://www.vVisitFranklinCoAl.com)  
Located in northwest Alabama, Rainbow Falls is nestled in a small canyon known as The Dismals, featuring two waterfalls, many various rock formations, and a 3/4-mile trail through the canyon. Dismals Canyon is a National Natural Landmark and is noted as one of the finest examples of ecological and geological features composing our nation's natural history. Pristine wilderness, romantic cabins, secluded campsites, hiking, swimming, canoeing, wildflowers, a country store, and more. Cabins and group tours available year round by reservation.



*Grace's High Falls*  
Fort Payne, Alabama

[www.DiscoverLookoutMountain.com](http://www.DiscoverLookoutMountain.com)  
Located within the 14,000 acres Little River Canyon National Preserve is Grace's High Falls. Though only seasonal, this waterfall is one of Alabama's highest waterfalls. At over 700 feet high, the waterfall features a view you can't find anywhere else. When rainfall is high, a significant amount of smaller creeks and waterfalls can be seen while exploring the area.



*High Falls*  
Geraldine, Alabama

[www.JacksonCountyChamber.com](http://www.JacksonCountyChamber.com)  
High Falls waterfall is considered a hidden treasure in Alabama to many state residents. Located within High Falls County Park, High Falls waterfall is 55 feet high and close to 300 feet wide! In seasons of heavy rains, the entire width of the waterfall is overflowing. The park also features a natural bridge at the bottom of the waterfalls, along with a walking bridge that crosses over the waterfall.



*Wilson Dam Falls*  
Florence, Alabama

[www.VisitFlorenceAL.com](http://www.VisitFlorenceAL.com)  
Wilson Dam is on the Tennessee River near Florence. It is the only neoclassical-style dam in the Tennessee Valley Authority system, integrating themes of ancient Roman and Greek architecture into the modern structure. The waterfall is on a high rock wall adjacent to the dam. Small feeder creeks run through the natural area and create this waterfall on an adjacent cliff wall.



*Kinlock Falls*  
South of Moulton Alabama

[www.fs.usda.gov](http://www.fs.usda.gov)  
Kinlock Falls is a cascade waterfall that drops 15 feet over a span of 20 feet. Though Kinlock Falls is not a high waterfall, it features a magnificent view, along with being an area that people come to swim. Located along Hubbard Creek in the Bankhead National Forest.



*Lacefield Falls*  
Tuscumbia, Alabama

[www.ColbertCountyTourism.org](http://www.ColbertCountyTourism.org)  
Lacefield Falls is located in Cane Creek Canyon Nature Preserve just south of Tuscumbia. A large swath of wild streams, box canyons, waterfalls, rock shelters, and sandstone bluffs encompassing 700 acres remains nearly as pristine and wild as it did centuries ago.



*Mardis Mill Falls*  
Oneonta, Alabama

[www.BlountOneontaChamber.org](http://www.BlountOneontaChamber.org)  
Located on Grave's Creek which feeds into The Black Warrior / Locust Fork River. The falls are roughly 35-feet wide and the water drops 16-feet. Also known as Graves Creek Falls.



*Turkey Foot Falls*  
Double Springs, Alabama

[www.fs.usda.gov](http://www.fs.usda.gov)  
Within a 30-minute walk from the Sipsey River Picnic Grounds and Recreation Area, the main developed access area off of County Road 6 (Cranal Road). Turkey Foot Creek runs through a sandstone canyon then empties into the Sipsey Fork. The area is rich in Native American and pioneer history.



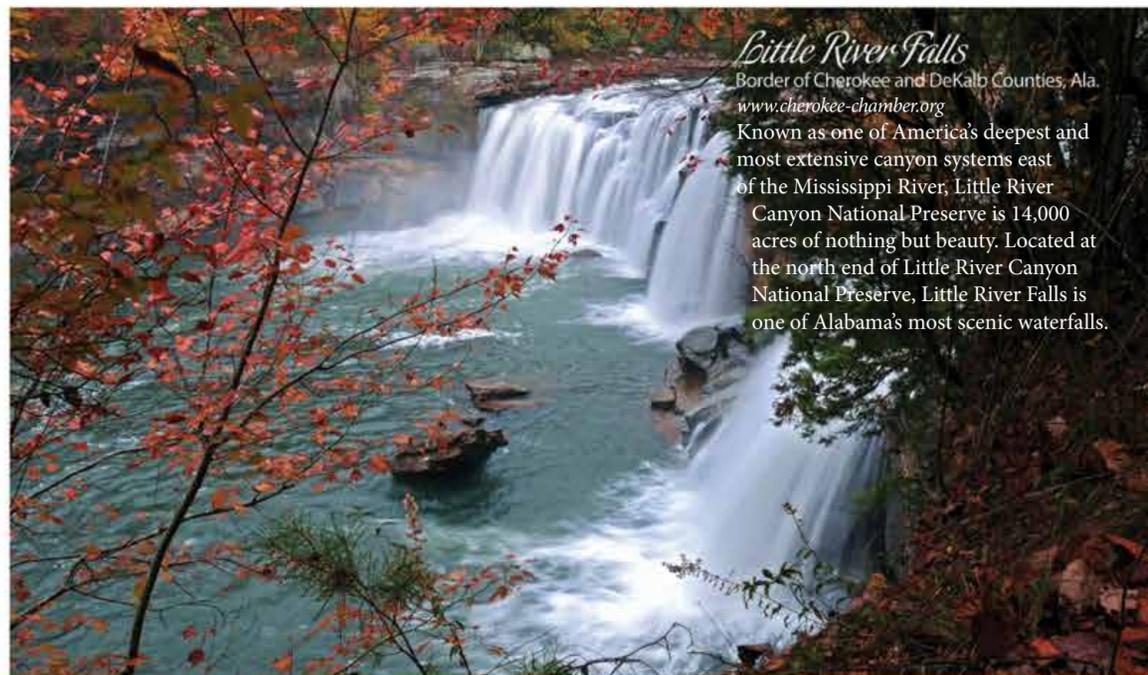
*Mystic Falls*  
Hodges, Alabama

[www.vVisitFranklinCoAl.com](http://www.vVisitFranklinCoAl.com)  
Located in Rock Bridge Canyon Equestrian Park, this popular cascading waterfall is located just off Canyon Road. The site was given its name by Jasper and Mary Avery who developed the area for public enjoyment in the 1950's.



*Pisgah Forge Falls*  
Pisgah, Alabama

[www.JacksonCountyChamber.com](http://www.JacksonCountyChamber.com)  
This gorge is located within Sand Mountain at Pisgah. At a total of 600 feet spread out over 1.5 miles, the gorge includes two large waterfalls that are each close to 100 feet tall.



*Little River Falls*  
Border of Cherokee and DeKalb Counties, Ala.  
[www.cherokee-chamber.org](http://www.cherokee-chamber.org)

Known as one of America's deepest and most extensive canyon systems east of the Mississippi River, Little River Canyon National Preserve is 14,000 acres of nothing but beauty. Located at the north end of Little River Canyon National Preserve, Little River Falls is one of Alabama's most scenic waterfalls.