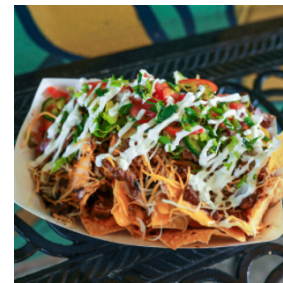# ALACHUA COUNTY ITINERARY OPTIONS

## DOWNTOWN GAINESVILLE LUNCH IDEAS:

Downtown Gainesville is home to over a dozen locally-owned and operated restaurants. Favorite lunch spots include Liquid Ginger offering pan-Asian, sushi and teas; Harry's a seafood restaurant specializing in New Orleans-style Cajun and creole dining; and MoJo BBQ for barbecue and southern food. For casual, open-air, food-court style dining, the 4th Avenue Food Park, located at 409 SW 4th Avenue, is a lively food park featuring some of the area's best pizza, tacos & sandwiches.
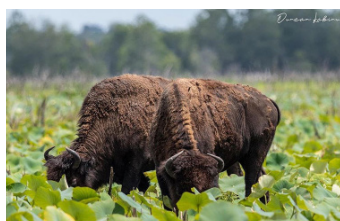
## CHOICES FOR SUGGESTED AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

### Visit Depot Park

Completed in 2016, Depot Park and is an anchor in the revitalization of Gainesville's downtown corridor, which extends further to the South connecting it to the 16.5 mile Gainesville-Hawthorne rails-to-trails. Nearby First Magnitude Brewery boarders Depot Park and the Gainesville-Hawthorne trail.

### Cade Museum for Creativity & Invention

The Cade Museum is committed to transforming communities by inspiring and equipping future inventors, entrepreneurs, and visionaries. Named after Dr. Robert Cade, the lead inventor of Gatorade, the museum opened in 2018 with a generous gift from Dr. Cade and his wife Mary Cade. Led by their daughter, Phoebe Cade Miles and her husband, Richard Miles, the museum offers permanent and rotating exhibits, classes, camps, and the annual Cade Prize. *811 S Main St., Gainesville*

### Discover Paynes Prairie State Park and the La Chua Trail

A National Landmark, Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park is a top attraction for naturalists and outdoor enthusiasts, and is the only place in the Southeast that visitors can experience wild-roaming bison and horses, nearly 300 species of birds, alligators, deer and many other animals. *100 Savannah Blvd, Micanopy, FL*

### Tour Sweetwater Wetlands Park

One of the Southeast's best birding sites, Sweetwater Wetlands Park is just south of downtown Gainesville. The park offers more than 3.5 miles of gravel trails and boardwalks for observing diverse wildlife, including alligators, Florida cracker horses, bison and more than 215 bird species. *325 SW Williston Rd, Gainesville, FL*

Explore the UF Cultural Plaza featuring the region's world-class museums and cultural assets, including the Harn Museum of Art, Florida Museum of Natural History and the Phillips Center for the Performing Arts. *3201 Hull Rd., Gainesville*

### Florida Museum of Natural History and Butterfly Rainforest

A 6,400-square-foot rainforest with a population of more than 1,000 exotic butterflies, plus birds, turtles and fish surrounded by flowering plants and an active waterfall.

### Harn Museum of Art

The Harn is an 112,800-square-foot-facility comprised of over 40,000 sq ft. of exhibition space, 5 gardens, a museum store, café and classrooms. The Harn's collection totals over 13,300 objects including African, Asian, modern and contemporary art, and photography with significant representations of Ancient American and oceanic art, and the world's largest collection of Florida-themed art. *3259 Hull Rd, Gainesville, FL*

# WHERE NATURE AND CULTURE MEET

# ALACHUA COUNTY ITINERARY OPTIONS



Head to Celebration Pointe for a walkable destination for dining, shopping and entertainment, featuring live music surrounded by outdoor seating including Spurrier's Gridiron Grille, one of the state's largest restaurants, featuring a memorabilia museum, farm-to-table ingredients and the rooftop bar Visors, overlooking the Celebration Pointe Promenade. Enjoy a variety of delectable dining options including The Keys, Prime & Pearl, Midici, Sensei Asian Bistro, Sushi Hana, Kilwins, Le Macaron, Dave & Buster's, Miller's Ale House, and more. *4949 Celebration Pointe Ave.*

Celebration Pointe is the site of the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners $30 million investment in a public-private partnership to create the Southeast's premier indoor sports event facility. Conveniently located directly off I-75, the facility will host track and field, basketball, volleyball, cheer, gymnastics, and more.

# HISTORIC TOWNS





## MICANOPY
Named for a Native American Chief, Micanopy was originally founded in 1821 and is the oldest inland town in Florida. It has become a magnet for those seeking a true getaway from urban life. Unique boutiques and cafes line the street, shaded with Spanish Moss-covered Live Oaks.

## HIGH SPRINGS
The Gateway to the Springs. Visit quaint shops and unique restaurants on your road trip to natural Florida. The Santa Fe River and nearby freshwater springs make this historic railroad town an international eco-tourism destination. **New in 2023, the Instagram-able Walldogs Mural series!**

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