

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO AUGUSTA AND THE MASTERS GOLF TOURNAMENT, GEORGIA

LOCATION: Augusta is located in east-central Georgia, on the border with South Carolina. The city was founded in 1736, on the southwest bank of the Savannah River. It is situated on the “fall line” which divides the Piedmont from the Coastal Plain, and historically marked the head of navigation for sea-going ships. The city has become a major southern resort center, with the emphasis on golf. The Masters Tournament is held in April, at the Augusta National Golf Course, a private course. Boat-racing on the river, and equestrian activities are also featured attractions. Elevations are within a few hundred feet of sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:13	10:58	11:58	13:00	13:53	14:20	14:09	13:24	12:25	11:23	10:29	9:59
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	5:46	6:46	8:00	9:19	10:08	10:17	9:29	9:30	8:39	8:14	6:53	5:38
AREA OF BLUE SKY	40%	43%	44%	48%	46%	45%	40%	44%	47%	56%	50%	41%
LOW FOR MONTH	19°	21°	27°	35°	45°	57°	63°	62°	51°	36°	25°	20°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	37°	39°	45°	52°	60°	68°	71°	70°	65°	53°	43°	37°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	57°	60°	68°	76°	84°	90°	91°	90°	86°	77°	67°	58°
HIGH FOR MONTH	74°	77°	83°	89°	94°	99°	99°	98°	95°	88°	81°	76°
FROSTY MORNINGS	40%	32%	12%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	17%	38%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	2%	19%	49%	66%	59%	28%	1%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	55%	51%	48%	46%	48%	51%	56%	56%	55%	50%	50%	54%
DRY DAYS	69%	64%	68%	73%	72%	64%	62%	62%	76%	81%	77%	71%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	79%	77%	78%	84%	81%	79%	77%	80%	84%	88%	87%	82%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.61	0.73	0.73	0.55	0.54	0.68	0.79	0.74	0.57	0.41	0.41	0.54
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	2%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	1%	5%	8%	12%	19%	30%	37%	27%	11%	4%	2%	1%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	11%	9%	6%	7%	6%	4%	5%	10%	12%	10%	12%	13%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 67% of the year’s daylight hours. This might range from a low of 56% in December and January, to a high of 73% in May. The year’s lowest temperature should be close to 15°, and the highest should be near 101°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you feel) will be five or six degrees higher than actual ones during the peak of summer, and some three degrees lower than actual ones in the cooler months. Spring and summer are generally considered the nicest of the four seasons, with October a particular favorite. Winters are mild, with half the years passing without even a snow flurry. Summers are hot and humid.