

Field Trip to Sapelo Island for Friends of the Georgia Museum of Natural History

Join the Friends of GMNH for a trip to Sapelo Island and a stay at the Reynolds Mansion May 11-13, 2012. The cost is \$550 per person including tax. This includes all meals (featuring a seafood feast and special southern breakfast), ferry fee and transportation on the island. Of this amount, \$100 is a tax-deductible donation to the museum. You must be a member in good standing of the Friends of GMNH.

Space is limited so make your reservations early (see below).

Sapelo Island and the Reynolds Mansion.

Step off the ferry onto Sapelo Island and see majestic live oaks, Spanish moss, and beautiful beaches. Go back in time to The Reynolds Mansion, a place where impeccable service and classic architecture greet every guest.



Thomas Spalding, who purchased the south end of the island in 1802, built the original Mansion from tabby, a mixture of lime, shells and water. Rebuilt by Detroit automotive engineer Howard Coffin in 1912, it was sold to tobacco heir Richard Reynolds in 1934. Following Reynolds' death in 1964, most of the island was obtained by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources in 1975. Sapelo Island National Estuarine Research Reserve and University of Georgia Marine Institute are located on the island.

The Mansion's unique architecture creates many interesting and memorable spaces, as well as private spots to read or reflect. The Game Room's billiards and table tennis are available to guests.



Swimming, fishing, hiking and birding on miles of unspoiled beach offer endless possibilities for relaxation and reflection. Sightings of whitetail deer, raccoon, opossum, wild turkey, alligators, armadillos and other animals are common. Sapelo is a birders paradise, with many different shorebirds and other avian species such as the pileated woodpecker and the colorful painted bunting calling the island home permanently or seasonally. Go exploring and see ruins of tabby-constructed structures dating back to the plantation days.

Most information from <http://galodges.com/lodges/reynolds/about/>

For further details about Sapelo Island and the Reynolds Mansion, please use the above link to the website.

Reservations

A \$275 deposit per person must be received by March 15. Final payment is due April 15. Please make checks payable to **Friends of GMNH** and mail to:

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