



Capital City/Lake Murray Country



SCorecard

[Timberlake Golf Course](#), Chapin, SC

803-345-9909, info@timberlakecountryclub.com



You can pack your clubs in your boat and pull up for a round of play at Timberlake Golf Course. The popular course features 6,709 yards of play on 18 holes designed by Willard Byrd. The course plays to its unique location along the shores of Lake Murray with some creative water hazards. Enjoy some time in the 19th hole bar and grill.

[The Blue Marlin](#), Columbia, SC

803-799-3838, briandukes@yahoo.com

This seafood restaurant's menu features local and regional ingredients and plenty of options. Choose from four seafood soups or salads topped with salmon, crab, oysters and more. Numerous fish entrees are available, as well as the good old favorites: fried seafood platters.

[Terra](#), Columbia, SC

803-791-3443, howard@terrasc.com

In Latin, Terra means earth or land, which is a fitting name for a restaurant that prides itself on "making a conscious effort to support local farmers." With appetizers like BBQ Lamb Shoulder Stuffed Mac & Cheese Gratin and Smoked Trout Hoecake, it is hard to save room for another course. Choose from entrees like Pan Seared Wild Striped Bass with creamed leeks, wilted spinach and potato hay or one of four wood fire pizza selections.

Sizzlin' Summer Concert Series, Columbia, SC

803-545-3111, jmstringer@columbiasc.net

The Sizzlin' Summer Concert Series brings country, bluegrass, classic and blues to downtown Finlay Park every Saturday from mid-June through mid-August. Catch some tunes from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m.





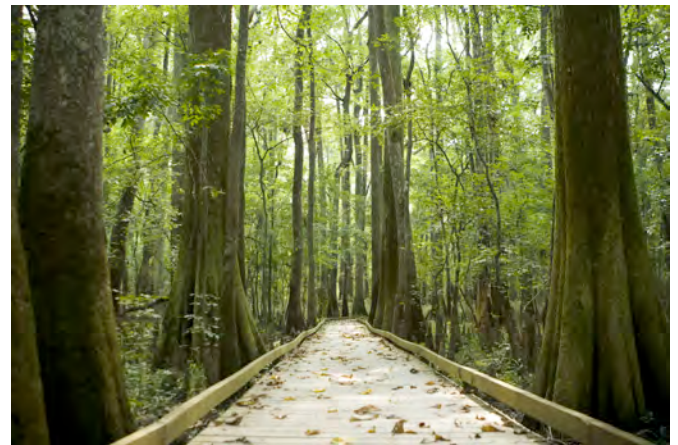
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[EdVenture Children's Museum](#), Columbia, SC
803-779-3100, info@edventure.org

Visit South Carolina's largest children's museum to learn about the human body, other cultures, careers and more. Kids can stop into the Aha Factory to take part in daily creative art projects. To really explore the human body, children and adults can explore the innards of Eddie, a 40-foot model of a 10-year-old boy.

[Congaree National Park](#), Hopkins, SC
803-776-4396 ext. 0, Harry_Hafer@nps.gov
Hike, camp, fish, canoe or kayak in Congaree National Park, the state's only national park. Every Saturday and Sunday, rangers lead a free* canoe trip along Cedar Trip (canoes and life jackets provided!), but you must call ahead to make reservations. Additionally, there are several free* guided walks like Owl Prowls. **FREE**



[July 4th Celebration at Lake Murray](#), Columbia, SC
803-781-5940, amy@lakemurraycountry.com
Join the boat parade, or watch from the sidelines, as hundreds of boats compete for the title of "most patriotic." You can also enjoy the largest fireworks display in SC celebrating the fourth and viewed from a four county area after nightfall. **FREE**



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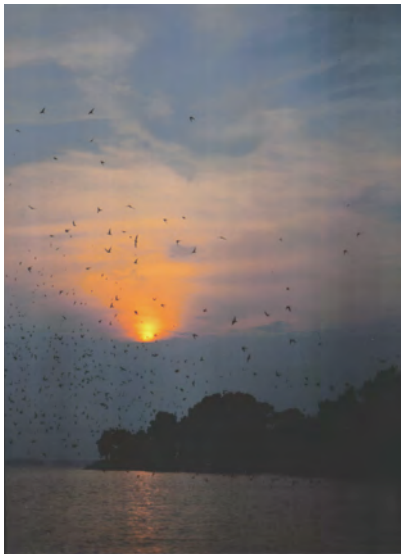


[Lexington County Museum](#), Lexington, SC
803-359-8369, Museum@lex-co.com

With 36 buildings (including a unique pigeon house) on site dating from 1770 to the Civil War era, the Lexington County Museum is a great place to brush up on history. Historical artifacts like quilts, medical supplies and furnishings help interpret life in 18th and 19th century Lexington County. Hands-on exploration and a real glimpse into the past make this a top spot to stop. *FREE*



Other Fun



Purple Martins, Columbia (Bomb Island/Lake Murray), SC
Bomb Island, located in the middle of Lake Murray, is North America's first officially designated Purple Martin sanctuary and the world's largest purple martin roosting area. On summer evenings in July and August, boats gather at dusk to witness the wonder of thousands and thousands of Purple Martins returning to roost. [Lake Murray Tours](#) has a Purple Marlin Tour to catch all the action.

[Flight Deck Restaurant](#), Lexington, SC
803-957-5990, takeoff@flightdeckrestaurant.net

This aviation-themed restaurant has a menu to please everyone in the family. With airplane memorabilia lining the walls and an arcade for kids young and old, Flight Deck Restaurant is perfect for multi-generational groups.