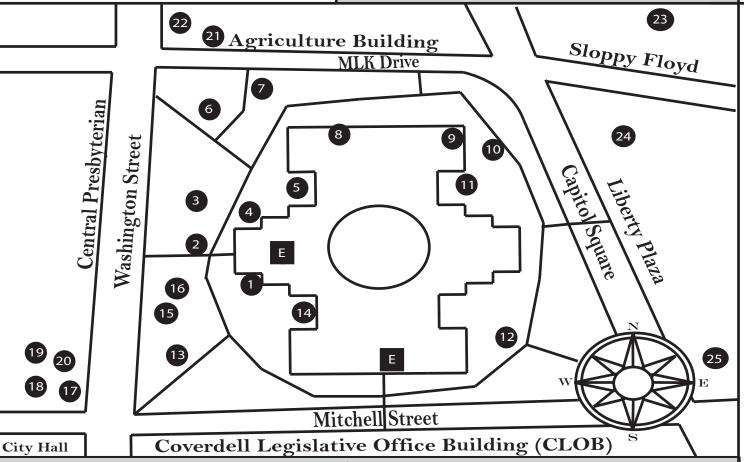


## Georgia State Capitol Grounds Self-Guided Tour





## History

- In 1889, Edbrooke and Burnham's "Temple of Democracy" with Greek and Roman influences was completed for just under \$1 million. The western pediment depicts commerce, industry, justice, prosperity, and the Georgia Coat of Arms.
- To the **northeast**, the cornerstone was not the first stone placed; rather, it symbolized a new beginning in the new Capitol. This block contains a time capsule filled with legal documents, mementos, and a Bible.
- Miss Freedom was added in 1887 before the building was finished. She stands at 22 ½ feet tall and weighs 1250 pounds. Monuments, signage, and the trees on Capitol Grounds were added 1907 and later.
- Between **1958 and 1959**, citizens of Dahlonega donated the first layer of gold to the dome to commemorate their town's role in the Georgia gold rush, which began in 1829.
- The west stairway has also been the site of historic moments including Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's funeral procession, a memorable protest called tractorcade (seen in the museum), and Jimmy Carter's gubernatorial speech "The time for racial discrimination is over."

- 1) National Historic Landmark, marker
- 2) Spanish Cannons
- 3) U.S. Coast Survey
- 4) UDC Civil War Plaques
- 5) Jimmy Carter
- 6) John Brown Gordon
- 7) Loblolly Pine
- 8) Georgia Military Institute Cannons
- 9) Cornerstone
- 10) Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
- 11) Expelled Because of Their Color
- 12) Eugene Talmadge
- 13) Joseph and Elizabeth Brown
- 14) Ellis Arnall
- 15) Richard Brevard Russell
- **16) Daniel Boone Trail Highway**
- 17) Talmadge Plaza, marker
- 18) Herman Talmadge
- 19 ) Second Baptist Church of Atlanta
- 20) Thomas E. Watson
- 21) American Kennel Club
- 22) St. Phillips Church, marker
- 23) Sloppy Floyd Memorials
- 24) Statue of Liberty, replica
- 25) Liberty Bell, replica
- E) Entrances

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