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RIDGELAND

SOUTH CAROLINA





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YOUR ONLINE RELOCATION RESOURCES

Ridgelandsc.gov

Find everything you need to plan your move to Ridgeland, including helpful links to a download-able version of this publication. You will also find important information about relocating your business under our "Economic Development" tab on the town home page, as well as information about the town and a Business Resource Guide to help any new, expanding, or relocating business.

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HELLO, FUTURE RESIDENT

On behalf of everyone here at the Town of Ridgeland

We would like to welcome you to our area and say thank you for your decision on choosing Ridgeland as your new home!

AUTHENTIC LOWCOUNTRY

Our town is known for its natural beauty, lowcountry culture, historic monuments and attractions, which impress residents and visitors alike. But what makes this town so special, is our strong sense of community and preservation of our rural character.

The town of Ridgeland is nestled right off of interstate 95 and is conveniently located near the cities of Hilton Head, Savannah, Charleston and Beaufort. Ridgeland is situated between major waterways, where all types of adventures and outdoor activities are available. Play a round of golf at Sgt. Jasper, ride your bike through town, and experience everything a small town has to offer. Experience our culture with a walk through the Morris Center for Lowcountry Heritage located downtown as exhibits come to life and gain appreciation of our unique way of life.

The town is an ideal location for individuals, families, and businesses, as our residents and visitors experience competitive quality of life,

a vibrant local economy, and community engagement.

I understand moving is sometimes a scary moment. I was just there, wondering where to live, how the culture and community responds to outsiders, what is there to do around here? But I assure you, just take a weekend to come down and see it for yourself. Take a walk down Main Street and talk to the residents and business owners. Take a drive in your car down through the avenues of oaks to look at the pristine rivers, historic houses, farms, monuments and scenery. You will begin to imagine that Ridgeland is home and there is no better place to be. Because home is where your heart is!

Best wishes,

Joshua T. Rowland

Joshua T. Rowland, Town of Ridgeland
Director of Planning & Community Development



10 REASONS TO MOVE TO RIDGELAND

Want to experience Lowcountry Living? There is no better place to find that feeling, just come and see for yourself.

MORE VISITORS come to Ridgeland than ever before. Over the past few years we have seen many of these visitors become lifetime residents, business owners, and community leaders. Our Residents love the character, authenticity, history, and the close proximity to the coast as well as our unspoiled landscape. Here's 10 reasons why we love living here:

1 OUR BEAUTY IS UNPARALLELED

We may be biased, but Ridgeland's landscape is stunning. Natural archways created by moss draped live oak trees line many of the streets, parks naturally blend into the town, and residents can be seen enjoying the parks activities and shaded areas.

2 HUNGRY? We've got you covered

Whether you're in the mood for something fast, or want to sit down with the family and enjoy your meal, we have all of that and more. Our restaurants provide some of the best BBQ, Seafood, Hispanic food and everything else in between that have visitors traveling from miles. Our tables

are always ready for new guests to become regulars. And we hope to see you at one of our tables!

3 Business Friendly

Ridgeland offers businesses unique infrastructure advantages: we have 3 exits off of I-95, we have rail access, water and sewer, natural gas and two business parks as well as a vibrant downtown.

4 There's Adventure in Our Backyard

Ridgeland offers many opportunities to enjoy life on the water, from all types fishing, to boating

the intercoastal, lakes, and rivers. Want a scenic area to exercise or walk the dogs? Take a bike ride or run through Blue Heron Nature Trail and the boardwalk. If you need it to be a kids play day go out and experience Turpin Park where kids can zipline from the tree house or cool down on the splash pad on those warm summer days or even enjoy the tennis courts. There's always something to do in town. Your Adventure awaits.

5 Historic, Down to our Roots

Thomas Heyward, Jr. (July 28, 1746 – March 6, 1809)

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was a signer of the United States Declaration of Independence as a representative of South Carolina. He was born in St. Luke's Parish, South Carolina and educated at home. He was elected to the Continental Congress in 1775 and signed the Declaration of Independence in 1776.

Heyward returned to South Carolina in 1778 to serve as a judge. Thomas Heyward is entombed near the Old House community in Ridgeland.

The **Battle of Honey Hill** was the third battle of Sherman's March to the Sea, fought November 30, 1864, during the American Civil War. It did not involve Major General William T. Sherman's main force, marching from Atlanta, Georgia, to Savannah, but was a failed Union Army expedition under Maj. Gen. John P. Hatch that attempted to cut off the Charleston and Savannah Railroad in support of Sherman's projected arrival in Savannah. The expedition maps and guides proved wore of regulars and militia, under Col. Charles J. Colcock, with a battery of seven guns across the road. Determined attacks were launched by U.S. Colored Troops (including the 54 th Massachusetts), but the position of the Federal force was such that only one section of artillery could be used at a time, and the Confederates were too well entrenched to be dislodged. Fighting kept up until dark when

Hatch, realizing the impossibility of successfully attacking or turning the flank of the enemy, withdrew to his transports at Boyd's Neck, having lost 89 men killed, 629 wounded, and 28 missing. The Confederate casualties amounted to 8 killed and 39 wounded. 1st Lt. O.W. Bennett was awarded the Medal of Honor. The battlefield is within the town limits of Ridgeland and is preserved as a park with interpretive trails to get the full experience.

6 Ridgeland—Claude Dean Airport Expansion

In partnership with Jasper County, the FAA, and the SCAC the project will include a new 4,200-foot runway while converting the existing runway into a taxiway. The extended runway will allow for larger planes and/or helicopters to land which will allow business planes to land as well as cater to private aviation enthusiasts.

7 Public Safety is Our Commitment to You

The town of Ridgeland's Public Safety is paramount to the surrounding area. The Fire Department maintains a low ISO Rating—critical for your business as well as your homeowner insurance rates. The Ridgeland Police Department also ensures that our citizens are safe and secure.

8 A Real Sense of Community

Nowadays, not many places can say they have a sense of community. We can. With our many community events, the Gopher Hill Festival, our vibrant Farmer's Market, etc. we offer multiple opportunities to connect with neighbors and friends.

9 Downtown

Imagine walking, riding a bike or driving down Main Street into the heart of downtown with palm trees lining the streets. You can shop for furniture, antiques, collectibles, accessories and clothing. Or sit down and have lunch or dinner. Or fill your prescription and buy groceries. Or have your car serviced while you shop. While we may not have everything, you may be surprised to find we have more than you expect.

10 SEE IT FOR YOURSELF!

Ridgeland is one of the last remaining authentic lowcountry towns left. And we're proud of that. Take a weekend trip and come out to see it all for yourself. The Town of Ridgeland is a unique blend of past, present and future; or unique, lowcountry heritage, geography and rural character sets us apart from over-developed places. And we're proud of that too. Come visit us and hopefully you will soon call Ridgeland "home".

By the Numbers

843

= our area code.

4

= The Town of Ridgeland has 4 parks

2

= restaurants on the SC BBQ Trail

1900

= the year the Town of Ridgeland was incorporated.

4,036

= the number of residents per the 2010 Census

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Important Contacts

Public Services

Emergency Services
Call 911

Town of Ridgeland
Town Hall
843-726-7500
Ridgelandsc.gov

Jasper County
843-717-3690
jaspercountysc.gov

Jasper County Chamber of
Commerce
843 726-8126
jaspercountychamber.com

Community Development
843-725-7521
Ridgelandsc.gov

Utilities

SCE&G
1-800-251-7234
sce&g.com

Palmetto Electric
843-726-5551
Palmetto.coop

Water and Sewer Services
843-726-7501
Ridgelandsc.gov

General Services
843-726-7513
Ridgelandsc.gov

Waste Management
888-964-9730
www.wm.com

Hospitals and Healthcare Services

Coastal Carolina Hospital
843-784-8000
coastalhospital.com

Compassion Health Care
843-645-2273
compassionhealthcareinc.com

Real Estate Agencies

Coldwell Banker
843-726-9577
coldwellbanker.com

Kim Malphrus Realty
843-379-4050
kimmalphrusrealty.com

Legacy Realty of the
Lowcountry
843-717-2442
legacyrealtylowcountry.com

Education

Ridgeland Elementary School
843-489-8845
res.jcsd.net

Ridgeland-Hardeeville High
School
843-489-8844

Thomas Heyward Academy
843-726-3107
thomasheyward.org

Step of Faith Christian
Academy
843-726-6100
sfcaweb.org

Legacy Christian Academy
843-717-3107

University of South Carolina-
Beaufort
(843) 521-4100
usc.edu

Technical College of the
Lowcountry
843) 525-8211
tcl.edu

SC DNR Public Boat Ramps in Jasper County

Bolan Hall Landing. County
landing. End of County
Road 387, off Highway US
278, on Euhaw Creek.

Cooks Landing Boat Ramp
Closest intersection is;
cooks boat ramp Cook
Landing Road & Docks
Corner Road Hardeeville,
SC 29927
Ramp is 9/10 of a mile
down Cook Landing Road
from the above
intersection.

Dawson Creek Landing.
County landing. End of
County Road 206, off State
Road 462, on
Coosawatchie River.

Millstone Landing Boat
Ramp
millstone boat ramp near
hardeeville sc Purrysburg
Road & Purrysburg
Landing Road
Hardeeville, SC 29927

NOAA S.C.L. RR. bridge
8670073
New River Landing. County
landing. End of County
Road 218, off State Road
170, on New River.
Turn Bridge Landing.
County landing. Off County
Road 92, off State Road
170, on Wright River.

Salverburg. County
landing. Boyd's Neck, off
State Road 462, on Boyd's
Creek.

Tuten's Landing. County
landing. End of County
Road 249, off State Road
462, on Boyd's Creek and
West Branch Creek.