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What is there to do at George T. Bagby State park?

Well we've got hiking, we've got fishing, we've got golfing. We've got a 60-slip marina. You can go boating. You can enjoy yourself in one of our lovely lodge rooms or our cottages. We also have a full service restaurant and conference center. We have hosted numerous—probably I'd be better off saying hundreds of family reunions. And we have been known to do quite a few weddings as well.

What makes George T. Bagby State Park so special?

It's location and the people. Not just the employees here, but the town itself where Bagby is located at. It's definitely the people. We have a matriarch of the community. James E Coleman, who still frequents the park almost on a daily basis, we actually have one of our conference rooms named after him. His daughter does a lot of the plants in the park. And it's just a very—it's a family oriented park and location in town.

What are some nearby attractions?

Well we've got other parks. We've got Providence Canyon. We've got Kolomoki Mounds State Park. We've got Florence Marina. In addition to those which are a part of the Georgia State Park System and really are just awesome places to visit, we've also, in Ft Gaines, the little town here, we've got the fort, which tells you all about what this area is all about. But within the state park system, just here, within I'd say a 30-mile radius, you've got four awesome parks: Kolomoki Mounds, Florence Marina, Providence Canyon, and by far the best, George T Bagby State Lodge Park.

What makes George T. Bagby State Park so relaxing?

Yes. In the evening time, diners in our restaurant and guests that want to take their evening walks, they are just in awe of the wonderful, the most beautiful sunsets. They are—it's like a rainbow in a sunset. The color is just awesome out over the lake. You can sit and relax there. There's not yoga exercise or any type of a de-stressing tape that you could listen to that could be better than watching the sunset on George T Bagby's lake.