



Falcon Rest Mansion & Gardens

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WHERE HISTORY
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Fast Facts about Falcon Rest

- The Falcon Rest Mansion & Gardens is a historic tourist attraction that's open to the public seven days a week, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Walk-in tourists are welcome any time during those hours. There is an admission charge for tours.
- Falcon Rest is "the Victorian mansion where history is fun." Our guides tell lighthearted stories about the interesting people who've inhabited it over the years, rather than merely reciting dry dates and describing the antiques.
- It was built in 1896 by Clay Faulkner, who promised his wife "the grandest mansion in Tennessee" if she would move 2-1/2 miles from town to be next to the mill where he manufactured Gorilla Pants, "so strong even a gorilla couldn't tear them apart."
- The 10,000 sq.ft. solid brick mansion has been called "Tennessee's Biltmore" by PBS, It had all the modern systems the North Carolina Biltmore had when it was built in the 1890s: indoor plumbing, electric lights, central steam heat, telephones, even a primitive form of air conditioning.
- Our Victorian Tea Room and Victorian Gift Shop, located in the Visitor Center next door to the mansion, are also open 9 to 5 daily. Walk-ins are welcome for lunch and shopping, and people can come just to eat or shop without doing the tour.
- We do history-based entertainment shows for tour groups from senior adults to students in our Victorian Carriage House. Groups of 20 or more can schedule performances any time. Individuals can join in performances already scheduled with advance notice.
- We also host Christmas parties, special events and weddings in the Victorian Carriage House and the grounds.
- The mansion is only used for tours and **is not** a bed and breakfast. We do have four bed and breakfast suites in other buildings on the grounds. They are called Falcon Manor: Bed & Breakfast at Falcon Rest. Corporate rates are available for business travelers Sunday thru Thursday nights.
- Our website, www.falconrest.com, has up-to-date information on all our services.

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