

What are the features of Georgia's 5 geographic regions? (SS8G1b)

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Region Name	Location/Size	Landforms/Water Features	Natural Resources (crops, soil, trees)	Other Facts (cities, statistic, nickname)
Appalachian Plateau	NW corner  Smallest	Limestone caves, deep canyons, rock formations Flat-topped mountains separated by narrow valley Waterfalls	Soil is a mixture of limestone, shale, and sandstone  Hardwood forests  Pastures	AKA Cumberland Plateau Called the TAG corner  Cloudland Canyon is here  Elevation up to 2,000 feet
Ridge and Valley	Runs from Polk and Bartow counties northward into Chattanooga, TN	Low, open valleys  Narrow ridges capped with limestone	Soil is a mixture of shale and limestone in ridges and a mixture of limestone and clay in valleys  Apple orchards, pastures,	Known for textile/carpet industries – Dalton is carpet capital of the world
Blue Ridge	Northeastern part of state  100 miles wide and covers 2,000 square miles	Mountains – Brasstown Bald (GA's highest point) is here  Waterfalls – Amicalola Falls is here  Deep Gorges – Tallulah Gorge	Precipitation from this region provides water for entire state  Soil is sandy loam – a mix of clay sand and organic matter – and clay  Hardwood forests, veggies and apples	Southern terminus of AT is in this region
Piedmont	Begins in foothills of mountains and goes to middle of state  1/3 of state's area	Gentle, sloping hills in north and flatlands in south  Granite based landforms  Chattahoochee, Flint, Ocmulgee, Oconee Rivers	Well-drained soil (loam and clay)  Hardwood timber and pine  Lots of ag products – wheat, soybeans, cattle	Piedmont means foot of the mountains  ½ of state's population lives here b/c ATL is in this region
Coastal Plain	3/5 of state's area  Largest	Inner CP – underground water Outer CP – Naval stores/pulp production  Islands – 2/3 of land is wilderness sanctuaries  Swamp – Okefenokee is largest swamp in North America	Major ag region of state – Vidalia onions, peanuts, corn  Soil varies from limestone to clay	Divided into inner and outer coastal plain

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