



FRANKLIN

History and modernity coexist in Franklin, which is located 20 miles south of Nashville. The quaint 15-block downtown is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and has racked up accolades like “Great American Main Street,” “Most Romantic Main Street” and “Terrific Walkable Town,” to name just a few. This is a place where you very well may overhear someone proclaim “I just love Franklin!” while strolling the sidewalk—and odds are that you’ll automatically sigh in contented agreement. Surrounded by residential neighborhoods and dominated by Victorian architecture, the central town square is host to an eclectic mix of 70 boutique and antique shops, a dozen dining options and the newly restored Franklin Theatre. Also here are several Civil War sites including The Carter House, built in 1830, and neighboring Lotz House, built in 1858, which together were the scene of the pivotal Battle of Franklin; and Carnton Plantation, which served as a makeshift Civil War field hospital. And keep an eye out for celebrities—loads of country music stars have homes in the area.