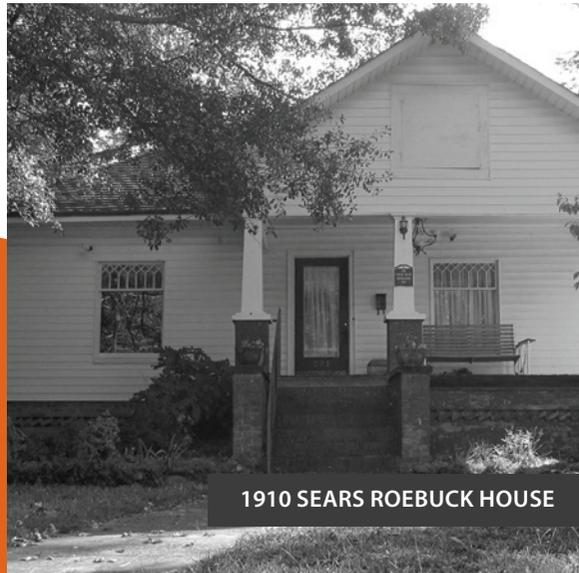
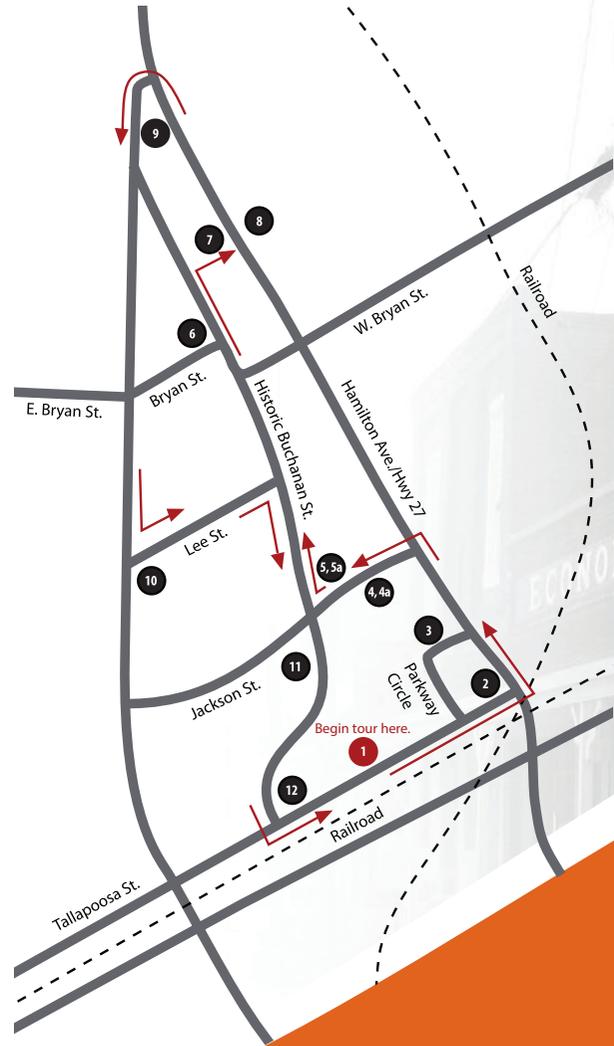


Bremen is here because of the railroads. This was a place where two separate lines crossed paths — the Chattanooga, Rome and Columbus Railroad and the Georgia Pacific.

With one railroad running east to west and the other running north to south, it didn't take long for entrepreneurs to notice that this was a distinct logistical advantage. Bremen became a shipping hub for raw materials and products that were moving through the Southeast. Soon, Bremen became a thriving manufacturing town, known for the suits that were made here.

A great deal of history has been made in this community. Years have passed. Industries have changed. Economies have evolved. And although Bremen is still known for its quality suits, it is also working to attract new industries.

Once again, Bremen is graced with good geography. The city is at the base of the Atlanta, Birmingham and Chattanooga (ABC) triangle. This connects Bremen to an extensive highway network that provides local industries with a distinct logistical advantage.



1910 SEARS ROEBUCK HOUSE



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Use this guide to exercise your mind and body. The entire historic loop of this walking tour is one mile.

1. CITY HALL, 232 TALLAPOOSA STREET

If you'd seen this sign before Sept. 5, 1883, it would have probably read "Kramer City Hall." On that day, the town of Kramer was incorporated and given the name Bremen. It was originally named for a German immigrant who owned a local vineyard, but the name was changed at Kramer's request to honor the city of Bremen, Germany.

2. MA WALKER'S SODA FOUNTAIN, 244 TALLAPOOSA STREET (NOW PRISSY PAWS)

Ma Walker's Soda Fountain stood here on the corner during the 1960s. In a time when our nation put a man on the moon and was beginning a civil rights movement, we imagine there were lots of great conversations had over Ma's famous hot fudge sundaes.

3. MANGHAM HOTEL, 122 PARKWAY CIRCLE (NOW PARKWAY APARTMENTS)

This building was moved from its original location. It was quite a fancy place when it was originally built in 1900 and was frequented by out-of-town guests coming in with the railroad. The specialty of the house? Braised quail on toast. The hotel didn't survive, but the quail did. You can still hear them calling "bobwhite" in the fields surrounding Bremen.

4. SEWELL MILL TEXTILE MUSEUM, 126 HAMILTON STREET

This facility was established in September 2009 to serve as the first multipurpose community and professional center for the residents of Haralson County. The museum is a catalyst and support system for social gatherings, community functions and artisan endeavors. Built in 1918, this historic building gives honor and remembrance to our region's glorious past as "The Clothing Center of The South."
Turn left onto Jackson Street.

4A. SOUTHERN QUILT TRAIL PATTERN

The name of this quilt pattern is "Scissors Over Bowtie." It's a pattern that was made to commemorate the textile industry.
(See the painting on the side of Sewell Mill building.)

5. 1910 SEARS ROEBUCK HOUSE, 201 NORTH BUCHANAN STREET

This house was a ready-to-assemble kit sold through mail order by Sears, Roebuck and Company. Sears reported that more than 70,000 of these homes were sold in North America between 1908 and 1940. Shipped via railroad boxcar, these kits included all the materials needed to build a house. Many were assembled by the homeowners, friends, relatives and neighbors, much like a traditional barn raising.

5A. SOUTHERN QUILT TRAIL PATTERN

The name of this quilt pattern is "Broken Star." It's a pattern that is traced back to the 1890s, during a time when this area was still recovering from the effects of the Civil War.
(See the painting on the side of the Sears Roebuck house.)

6. OLD FARM HOUSE, 304 BUCHANAN STREET

This farmhouse has classic Victorian lines with shingle details on the eaves of the house, as well as the original brick chimneys. The spacious porch might have been a perfect place to cool down in Bremen's pre-air conditioner days.

7. BREMEN VETERANS MEMORIAL, HAMILTON AVENUE ACROSS FROM THE LIBRARY

Here Haralson County thanks its war veterans. From World War I to present, all who made the sacrifice are honored here.
(Take the cement path on the right, through the park.)

8. WARREN P. SEWELL LIBRARY, 315 HAMILTON AVENUE

Recently renovated, it's the site of old Hamilton College (1893). To the right of the library you can see "Jeanette's Garden," in honor of all deceased members of the garden club. Built in 1932.

9. TRIANGLE GROCERY STORE, 322 GORDON STREET

Built in 1936 in this small triangle of road, this store was perfectly situated to be a town-gathering place.

9A. SOUTHERN QUILT TRAIL PATTERN

The name of this quilt pattern is "Dresden Plate."
**(See the painting on side of Triangle Grocery Store.
Turn left onto Gordon Street.)**

10. HERITAGE HOUSE COMMUNITY CENTER, 211 GORDON STREET (CIRCA 1940)

Construction for the grand house was halted during World War II and didn't start again until the war was over. It currently serves as an event center and will eventually house the Bremen Heritage and Railroad Museum. The small building in the back was known as a "milk house."
(Take Lee Street, then take a right back onto Buchanan Street.)

11. HISTORIC BUCHANAN STREET

This early commercial district housed all sorts of shops and restaurants during the early 1900s.

12. CITY FOUNTAIN, TALLAPOOSA STREET

This fountain was built near the site of an old well where livestock was watered during the 1890s.

12A. THE RAILROAD, TALLAPOOSA STREET

Feel free to sit by the fountain and watch the trains travel through the city. This is a great photo opportunity. Coal trains travel north and south; Amtrak and freight trains travel east and west.



Restrooms are available along this route.



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