

AtlantaTips

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Getting Around - MARTA (light rail)

[MARTA](#) is the light rail system for getting around much of downtown Atlanta, including to the airport. The Westin Peachtree is across the street, to the left, from the Peachtree Center rail stop on the Red and Gold train lines. More details about MARTA and Atlanta are available as an MP3 interview on [Feathercast Episode 37](#).

Purchase tickets in the "http://www.itsmarta.com/fares-passes.aspx" machines. You can buy a one-way pass (with a magstrip) for \$2.00. You can also buy a card with stored value if you plan on taking the train more than a few times; it's cheaper. **REMEMBER** to keep your ticket with you - you will need it to exit the system at your destination.

Convenience Shopping

The hotel has a convenience shop, bar, basic food, and the [SunDial](#) (revolving restaurant on the 73rd floor with glass-enclosed elevator). Also a Starbucks with bar drinks next to Registration on the 5th floor (open only 6am to 6pm).

The closest [Whole Foods](#) market (2.1 miles).

The closest major drugstore: [CVS](#), right next to the Five Points MARTA station, on an open pedestrian mall area; closes early; not a great neighborhood late at night (1 mile).

Georgia Aquarium

- 225 Baker Street Atlanta, GA 30313 404-581-4000

Monday - Thursday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Friday - Sunday: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

\$27 Admission

Less than 1 mile from your Hotel.

Reviews:

- jukka: I visited the Aquarium on Sunday. It wasn't very educational (I had expected more information on the various species and environments on display), but still very interesting and quite entertaining.

Fernbank Museum – Natural History, Dinosaurs, etc...

- 767 Clifton Road, N.E. Atlanta, GA 30307

Information: 404.929.6300 Tickets: 404.929.6400

10am-5pm most days of the week

<http://www.fernbankmuseum.org/>

High Museum of Art, Folk Art and Photography Galleries

- 30 John Wesley Dobbs Avenue Atlanta, GA 30303 (404) 577-6940

Taking MARTA? South of Peachtree Center Station. Branch of the acclaimed High Museum of Art located in the heart of the downtown business and convention district. Free admission. Features folk art and photography travelling exhibitions.

Center for Puppetry Arts

- 1404 Spring Street Atlanta, GA (404) 873-3391

Taking MARTA? Take MARTA to the Arts Center Station and walk two blocks west.

Very cool place and has some great exhibits, but everything this month is geared towards kids.

Outdoor Activities

<http://atlanta.about.com/cs/parksrecreation/a/grtoutdoorsatl.htm>

If you like Theatre:

<http://www.atlantaperforms.com/tickets/atlantix.asp>