The 2009 tour includes:
A cross section of field conditions in parts of South Central Georgia, harvest clinics, production research at Coastal Plain Experiment Station (UGA), Tifton Campus, Bio-Fuels, on-farm demonstrations, production management, peanut handling and grading facilities.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE: Equipment & Implements, Trailers & Dryers; Regulating Quality – Dome/Storage & Handling, Federal-State Inspection Service; Shelling & Blanching. There will be Low Country Seafood Boil, Cookouts/Dinner, and other special South Georgia world class events. We continue the challenge to bring to the tour new, interesting and quality aspects of our peanut production and processing infrastructure while our hospitality adds a truly southern experience. Final details and itinerary available upon receiving registration.

2009 Georgia Peanut Tour Spotlights
South Central Georgia’s Hospitality and Production Area.
A Lot to See Within an Hour’s Drive of Douglas, Georgia.

We welcome your participation in the 23rd Annual Georgia Peanut Tour to be held Sept. 15-17, 2009. Registration opens at 7:00 a.m. EDT on Wednesday, Sept. 16 at Holiday Inn Express, 1636 S. Peterson Ave., GA Hwy. 32, Douglas, Georgia. The tour begins at 8:00 a.m. EDT at the Holiday Inn Express, with orientation and concludes the day’s schedule at 8:00-8:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Express, Douglas, Georgia. Thursday, Sept. 17, the tour begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends when bus(es) return Thursday at 8:30 p.m.

Tour coordinated by:
GEORGIA PEANUT COMMISSION
UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
Tifton Campus-Griffin Campus
Southwest Research & Education Center, Attapulgus Research & Education Center
USDA/ARS, NATIONAL PEANUT RESEARCH LAB
Early Bird “Hot Topics,” Low Country Boil, Cookout, and Country Buffet

The “Hot Topics” seminar will be held Tuesday, Sept. 15, at 3:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Express. Presentations will include economic and food issues by University of Georgia faculty and scientists on U.S. Peanut Program and Policy, Food/Peanut Health – Safety Issues and Technologies, and Crop Production & Quality Outlook. Registration open during seminar.

The UGA Food Science & Technology Department will prepare samples of new peanut food products developed in their department and help host the Early Bird reception at 5:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Express.

Wednesday’s Country Buffet and reception will start at 6:30 p.m. at Nabila's Restaurant, Fitzgerald, Georgia, and bus(es) will return at 8:00-8:30 p.m. Thursday's reception is at 5:30 p.m. and Low Country Boil at 6:00 p.m. at Blackshank Farm, Tifton, Georgia. Bus(es) will return to lodging at 8:30 p.m.

Lodging and Travel Information:
Registrants are responsible for lodging expenses and transportation to and from lodging before and after the tour. Transportation during the tour is only provided for those who reserve seating when registering. Reserved seating on a bus should board by 8:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn Express, 1636 S. Peterson Ave., Douglas, Georgia, after Orientation on Wednesday morning, Sept. 16.

Lodging in Douglas, Georgia – Confirm lodging and tour rate up to the Sept. 15 tour date, Tuesday-Thursday, Sept. 15-17: Holiday Inn Express, 1636 S. Peterson Ave., Douglas, GA 31535, (912) 384-2100, fax (912) 383-7021. Block of 65 rooms, at the rate of $75 + tax, single/double. Overflow to Hampton Inn, (912) 383-7550 and Jameson Inn, (912) 384-9432, both next door.

Airports: Valdosta airport (60 miles), Albany airport (85 miles), Jacksonville, Florida airport (120 miles or 2.25 hours), Atlanta airport (approximately 180 miles or 3.25 hours).

For special needs, information, or assistance: Emory Murphy, (229) 386-3475, emory@gapeanuts.com to discuss options.

2009 Georgia Peanut Tour Registration Form

Name ____________________________________________________
Address ___________________________________________________
City _________________________ State _______ Zip _____________
Phone _______________________ Fax _______________________
E-mail ___________________________________________________

Complete the following registration information:

Registration: $35.00 per person $___________
(After Aug. 7: $45.00 per person)

Georgia Peanut Tour Shirts/Logo
Columbia Fishing Shirt – Short Sleeve Only
Men: Size _________ Quantity _________ $___________
 Gulfstream color S-XXL-$40, 3XL-4XL-$45
Women: Size _________ Quantity _________ $___________
Antigua Blue color S-XXL-$40, 3XL-4XL-$45

Total Registration: $___________

Credit Card Information: □ MC □ Visa Expiration date: ________
# _______________________________________________________
Name on Card: _____________________________________________
Signature: ____________________________________________

Please return the completed registration form and check to:

Georgia Peanut Tour
Attn: Tammy Pate
P.O. Box 967, Tifton, GA 31793
Phone: (229) 386-3470
E-mail: tammy@gapeanuts.com
Fax: (229) 386-3501

Confirmations will be sent after Aug. 14.

PLEASE HELP US!
For our planning purposes, check the boxes of meals and special events you will be attending during the Georgia Peanut Tour:

Reserve me a seat on the bus. Available first come, first served basis. (International visitors have priority.)

Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2009
□ 3:00 p.m. Hot Topics on Peanuts, Holiday Inn Express, 1636 S. Peterson Ave., Douglas, GA
□ 5:00 p.m. Early Bird/Welcome Reception, Holiday Inn Express
Dinner N/A – On Your Own

Wednesday, Sept. 16, 2009
□ 7:00 to 8:00 a.m. Hot/Continental Breakfast & Registration, Holiday Inn Express
□ 11:45 a.m. Lunch-Cookout, Southeastern Gin and Peanut, Surrency, GA
□ 6:30 p.m. Country Cooking Buffet – Nabila’s Garden Restaurant, Fitzgerald, GA

Thursday, Sept. 17, 2009
□ 11:45 a.m. Lunch – Cookout, Tift County Extension Office, Tifton, GA
□ 5:30 p.m. Ice Box Mixer Reception – 6:00 p.m. Low Country Boil, Blackshank Farm Outdoor Facility, Tifton, GA
□ Special meal requirements (i.e., vegetarian, allergies, etc.): ____________________