

# WHAT I LEARNED TODAY ON MY GEORGIA TEXTILE ADVENTURE AT THE JULIETTE GORDON LOW BIRTHPLACE

## ABOUT THE HISTORY Of GEORGIA

1. Early Georgia was a silk colony
2. Georgians grew indigo to make blue dye
3. Cotton was the major crop in 19th-century Georgia

## ABOUT TEXTILES

1. Four natural fibers are cotton, silk, linen and wool
2. Fibers are spun and woven to make fabric
3. Weaving is humanity's oldest craft and first technology

## ABOUT HISTORY

1. Things change over time
2. Some things are the same in 2006 as in 1886 or 1786
3. Some things are different in 2006 from 1886 or 1786

## ABOUT THE GORDON FAMILY

1. Juliette Gordon Low (1860- 1927) started the Girl Scouts in 1912. Her first company of Girl Guides in Scotland learned to spin to make money for their families.
2. William Washington Gordon II was a cotton factor. He bought and sold cotton for a living. He helped start the Cotton Exchange.
3. William Washington Gordon I started the Central of Georgia Railroad to bring the crops to the port of Savannah.