

Pecans

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We are still stuck in the 5:00 a.m. wake-up mode after being up that early every morning for the past week, hence this morning we were awake long before dawn. We brought in our summer clothes from the outside storage and refilled it with our winter clothes, had a leisurely breakfast but didn't get on the road until 10:30. We only had a five-hour drive ahead of us so we weren't in a big rush. The weather forecast was calling for the possibility of showers and a high of 25C (77F).

Just a few kilometres down the road we decided to stop at a pecan retailer. They had billboards all along the highway that looked inviting and we had never been to one before. [Ellis Bros. Pecans](#) was a great find. They are located at exit 109 off of the I-75 Highway in southern Georgia. You have to drive another mile down a small road fringed by cotton fields and a reddish soil to a large pecan orchard. The store was clean, bright and large and they carried anything pecan you can imagine. We initially went there to buy some roasted pecans and ended up spending over \$70 on a variety of things. We bought spiced pecans, praline pecans, pecan brittle, white chocolate-covered pecans, pecan syrup, garlic pecans and a pecan pie! More proof that you should never shop when you are hungry and so much for healthy eating!

We got back on the road and arrived at the campground in Tampa at 5:30. Rick's sister Gayle and her husband Graham Allen are staying at [Bay Bayou RV Park](#) and had reserved a site

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for us a while ago. We settled in and are looking forward to spending a couple of weeks here before we move on.