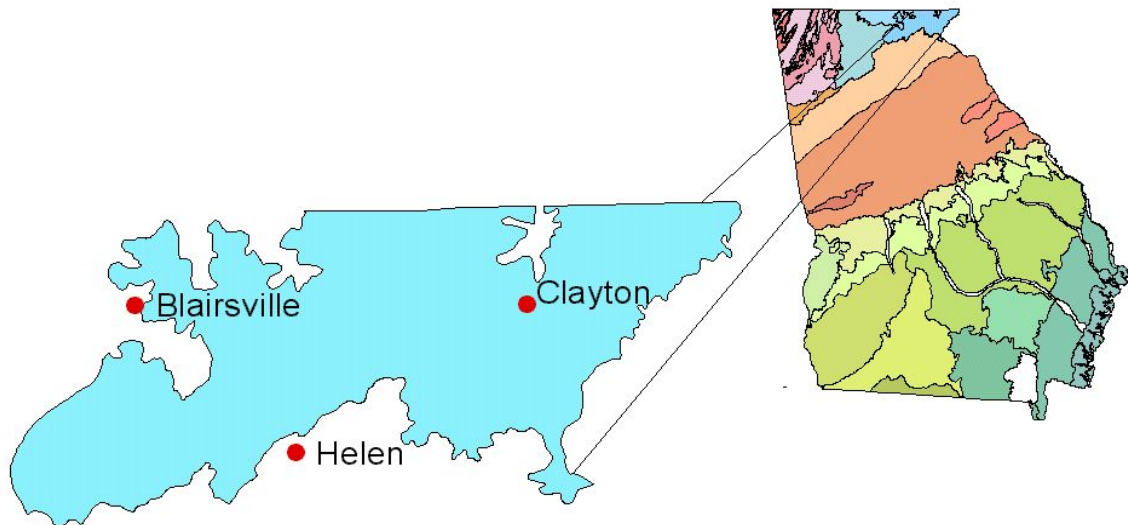




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66d - Southern Crystalline Ridges & Mountains



66d. The **Southern Crystalline Ridges and Mountains** contain the highest and wettest mountains in Georgia. These occur primarily on Precambrian-age igneous and high-grade metamorphic rocks. The common crystalline rock types include gneiss, schist, and quartzite, covered by well-drained, acidic, brownish, loamy soils. Some mafic and ultramafic rocks also occur here, producing more basic soils. Elevations of this rough, dissected region are typically 1800-4000 feet, with Brasstown Bald Mountain, the highest point in Georgia, reaching 4,784 feet. Although there are a few small areas of pasture and apple orchards, the region is mostly forested.



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Metric	Metric Category
Diptera Taxa	Richness
% Plecoptera	Composition
% Odonata	
% Dominant Individuals	Tolerance/Intolerance
% Shredder	Functional Feeding Group
Clinger Taxa	Habit