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NORTH CAROLINA  
SMOKY MOUNTAIN  
BLUEWAYSGreat Rivers and Great Lakes  
of the Great SmokiesNORTH CAROLINA  
SMOKY MOUNTAIN BLUEWAYS  
167 MILES OF WATERWAYSDESTINATION  
*Blueways*

The Only National Water Trail in North Carolina: The Great Rivers & The Great Lakes of The Great Smokies. This trail is one of 33 in the National Water Trails System. It is located in the Little Tennessee Watershed, containing portions of the five major rivers:

**Cheoah River**      **Little Tennessee River**  
**Nantahala River**   **Oconaluftee River**  
**Tuckasegee River**

To learn more about the North Carolina Smoky Mountain Blueways, visit [www.nrtdatabase.org/trailDetail](http://www.nrtdatabase.org/trailDetail)



Grab a copy of the Blueways map from the Smoky Mountain Host Visitor Center, 4437 Georgia Road, Franklin, NC 828-369-9606 or online at [smokymountainblueways.com](http://smokymountainblueways.com).

### **Cheoah River**

Located near Robbinsville.

Unique Features: Exciting Rapids—Class IV & V (during release days)

One of the most physically demanding rivers in the world!

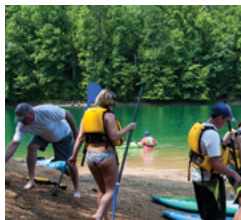


### **Fontana Lake**

Offers best smallmouth bass fishing.

Enjoy: Boating, Floating & Kayaking.

Hikers enjoy views from observation tower on Clingmans Dome.



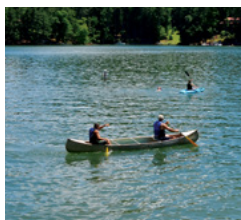
### **Lake Glenville**

Only 8 miles from Cashiers.

26 miles of shoreline.

Highest elevation lake east of the Mississippi.

Known to avid fisherman for smallmouth Bass.



### **Little Tennessee River**

River & Watershed comprise one of the richest archaeological areas in the SE of U.S.

River drains portions of 3 national forests: Chattahoochee, Cherokee & Nantahala.

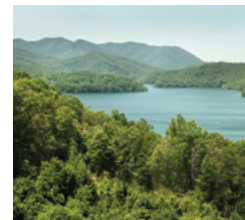


### **Nantahala Lake**

Only place to find Kokanee Salmon in the Southeast.

Sits above Nantahala Gorge.

Known for scenic beauty, crystal-clear waters, excellent fishing.



### **Nantahala River**

Offers family-friendly rapids & kayaking.

America's most popular 8 miles of rapids—Class II & III.

One the top 100 Trout streams in U.S.



### **Oconaluftee River**

Considered sacred waters by the Cherokee.

Popular for: Canoeing, Tubing & Wading, Fishing.

River drops 2,000 feet over 10 miles

Famous for Rainbow, Brook & Brown Trout.

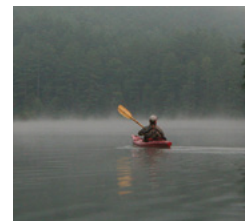


### **Santeetlah Lake**

8 miles from Appalachian Trail.

50 primitive campsites & 200 miles of trails—Cheoah District.

Variety of fishing: Bass, Crappie, Walleye, Bream & Trout.



### **Tuckasegee River**

Known as the "Tuck".

Popular for Floating, Fishing, Tubing, Canoeing, Rafting, Kayaking & Fly Fishing.







# A few reasons to #LOVENCSMOKIES

## WESTERN NC REGION

Most of the Highest-Elevation Mountains in the U.S.  
[smokymountains.com/park/blog](http://smokymountains.com/park/blog)

## SEE UNIQUE VIEWS

From The Great Smoky Mountains Railroad • [gsmr.com](http://gsmr.com)

## THE NANTAHALA OUTDOOR CENTER

Best Outfitters on Earth per National Geographic Adventure Magazine • [noc.com](http://noc.com)

## GET LUCKY

Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Resort, Cherokee and/or Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino & Hotel, Murphy • [caesars.com](http://caesars.com)

## ABSORB CULTURE

Cherokee showcases History of Tribe, Living Re-enactments of Village Life & Authentic Cherokee artwork • [cherokeesmokies.com](http://cherokeesmokies.com)



## NANTAHALA & PISGAH NATIONAL FORESTS

Two of the most visited National Forests in the U.S. • [fs.usda.gov](http://fs.usda.gov)

## PRISTINE WATERWAYS

Best Trout fishing in the world  
[discoverjackson.com/outdoors/fishing](http://discoverjackson.com/outdoors/fishing)

## RICH APPALACHIAN HERITAGE

See craftsmanship found in handcrafted furniture, pottery, quilts and music • [blueridgeheritage.com](http://blueridgeheritage.com)

## BLUEGRASS

Enjoy great local music and traditional clogging  
[blueridgemusicnc.com](http://blueridgemusicnc.com)

## WATER, WATER, WATER

Swimming, waterfalls, rafting, kayaking, canoeing, paddleboarding, tubing, fishing and blueways • [visitsmokies.org](http://visitsmokies.org)

## DRIVE AWAY YOUR TROUBLES

Blue Ridge Parkway, Cherokee Skyway, and NC Scenic Byways  
[ncdot.gov/scenic](http://ncdot.gov/scenic)





# CAMPGROUNDS AND

# RECREATION AREAS

NANTAHALA NATIONAL FOREST			Camping	Picnic Area	Restrooms	Trailer Space	Trailer Dump Station	Showers
1	Balsam Lake	Open April-Oct		•				
2	Bob Allison Campground	Open year-round		•	•			
3	Cable Cove	Open April-Oct	•	•	•	•		
4	Cheoah Point	Open April-Oct	•	•	•	•		
5	Cherokee Lake	Open year-round		•	•			
6	Cliffside Lake	Open May-Oct	•	•	•			
7	Ferebee Memorial	Open year-round		•				
8	Fires Creek	Open year-round		•	•			
9	Horse Cove*	Open year-round	•		•	•		
10	Hurricane Primitive	Open April 16-Dec 31	•			•		
11	Jackrabbit Mountain	Open May-Sept	•	•	•	•	•	•
12	Joyce Kilmer	Open year-round		•	•			
13	Nantahala Gorge	Open year-round		•				
14	Rattler Ford***	Open mid-Apr-mid Oct						•
15	Snowbird	Open year-round		•	•			
16	Standing Indian	Open April-Nov	•	•	•	•	•	•
17	Sunburst	Open May-Nov	•	•		•		
18	Tsali	Open April-Oct	•	•		•		•
19	Van Hook Glade	Open May-Oct	•		•	•		
20	Wayah Bald	Open April 16-Dec 31		•	•			
21	Whiteside Mountain	Open year-round						
22	Whitewater Falls	Open year-round			•			

NANTAHALA NATIONAL FOREST			Drinking Water	Handicap Accessible	Hiking Trail	Horse Trail	Bike Trail	Swimming	Boat Ramp	Canoe/Rafting	Fishing	Scenic Views	Amphitheater	Information	Fee Required
1	Balsam Lake			•	•						•				
2	Bob Allison		•		•										
3	Cable Cove		•						•		•				•
4	Cheoah Point		•		•				•		•				•
5	Cherokee Lake		•	•								•			
6	Cliffside Lake		•		•			•			•				•
7	Ferebee Memorial									•	•				
8	Fires Creek					•						•			
9	Horse Cove*		•								•				•
10	Hurricane Primitive				•	•					•				
11	Jackrabbit Mountain		•	•				•	•		•	•			•
12	Joyce Kilmer		•		•									•	
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15	Snowbird										•				
16	Standing Indian		•	•							•				•
17	Sunburst		•												•
18	Tsali		•	•	•	•			•		•				•
19	Van Hook Glade		•												•
20	Wayah Bald				•							•			
21	Whiteside Mountain				•							•			
22	Whitewater Falls				•							•			

GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK			Camping	Picnic Area	Restrooms	Trailer Space	Trailer Dump Station	Showers
1	Balsam Mountain*	Open year-round	•	•	•	•		
2	Cades Cove**	Open year-round	•	•	•	•		
3	Cataloochee	Open April-Oct	•	•	•	•		
4	Deep Creek	Open May-Oct	•	•	•	•		
5	Elkmont*	Open year-round	•	•	•	•		
6	Smokemont**	Open year-round	•	•	•	•		

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2	Cades Cove**		•	•	•	•					•	•		•	•
3	Cataloochee		•		•							•			•
4	Deep Creek		•		•	•					•				•
5	Elkmont*		•	•	•						•	•		•	•
6	Smokemont**		•	•	•	•					•	•		•	•

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\*In winter no water or fee \*\*Weather permitting  
 \*\*\*For reservations: 877-444-6777 or visit recreation.gov

Call the ranger station (828-524-4410) if you have additional questions about facilities and activities.



# HIKING, BIKING AND HORSEBACK RIDING TRAILS

TRAIL NAME	Miles	Easy	Moderate	Difficult	Bike Trail	Horse Trail	Fishing	Handicap Accessible
Appalachian Trail to Charlie's Bunion	4		•	•				
Appalachian Trail to Wesser Bald	2		•					
Bartram Trail	37.7	•						
Benton Mackaye Trail	300	•	•	•				
Big Indian Horse Trail	8		•			•	•	
Big Snowbird Trail	12.7			•			•	
Fire Mountain Trails	10.5			•	•			
Fires Creek Area Trails	.3-5.4	•	•	•		•	•	
Fontana Village Trails	20	•	•	•	•			
Jackrabbit Mountain	14	•	•		•			
Jackrabbit Mountain Trail	2.5	•					•	
Joyce Kilmer Memorial Trail	2	•					•	
Mallonee Trail	5	•					•	•
Maple Springs Observation Point	800	•						•
Mountains-to-Sea Trail	108			•	•	•		
Panthertown Valley	30		•		•			
Santeetlah Bike Trails	15	•	•		•			
Santeetlah Lake Trail	15			•	•			
Tsali Recreation Area	15		•		•	•		
Western Carolina University Trail	6.6		•		•			
Whiteside Mountain Trail	2	•						
Yellow Mountain Trail	6.4		•					



## FUN FOR *the Kids* AND KIDS AT HEART

### TUBING

Smoky Mountain River Adventures & Smoky Mountain Tubing, Sylva & Cherokee

Deep Creek Tubing, Bryson City

### MINI GOLF

Fontana Village Resort, Pool & mini golf. Fontana Dam

### GEM MINING

Mason's Ruby & Sapphire Mine, Sheffield Gem Mine, Gold City Gem Mine, Rose Creek Gem Mine, Primitive Outback, Kayaking & Gem Mining, Andy's Trout Farm, Jackson Hole Trading Post & Gem Mine, Deep Creek Gem Mine, Franklin, Highlands, Bryson City & Murphy

### RAILROAD

Great Smoky Mountains Railroad, Bryson City

### TROUT FISHING

Andy's Trout Farm and Scaly Mountain Outdoor Center, Franklin & Highlands

### BISON VIEWING

Buffalo Creek Vacations, Clyde

### WINTER ACTIVITIES

Highlands Outpost Summer & Winter tubing, ice skating. Highlands

### ARCADE/BOWLING

Harrah's Cherokee & Valley River Casino Resorts (Ultra Star Multi-tainment Center) Arcade & bowling. Cherokee & Murphy

Fontana Village Resort, Arcade & bowling. Fontana Dam

### WHITewater RAFTING

Nantahala Outdoor Center, Carolina Outfitters, Rolling Thunder, Wildwater and Brookside, Bryson City. Ages 7+.

### ZIPLINING

Nantahala Outdoor Center, Wildwater and Highlands Aerial Park, Bryson City & Highlands

### GOAT FEEDING & VIEWING

Goats On The Roof, Tiger, GA





## MUST-DO ADVENTURES IN THE *North Carolina Great Smokies*

### TAKE A TRIP ON THE GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS RAILROAD

Departing from historic Bryson City, this scenic excursion railroad has a variety of trips and packages for any kind of adventure. Take in the fresh air while riding on open-air gondola car trips, or enjoy a gourmet meal in a first-class dining car during the food-friendly trips. • [gsmr.com](http://gsmr.com)

### BOOK AN ADVENTURE WITH NANTAHALA OUTDOOR CENTER

Named "One of the Best Outfitters on Earth" by National Geographic Adventure, Nantahala Outdoor Center offers a range of adventures to get your family enjoying the outdoors. Choose from family-friendly outdoor adventures including Nantahala River whitewater rafting, a new Mountaintop Zip Line Tour in the Nantahala Gorge and a family-friendly Zip Line Adventure Park. • [noc.com](http://noc.com)

### FEEL THE INFLUENCE OF CHEROKEE

Located in the heart of Western North Carolina, Cherokee is a culture, a people and a sovereign nation. Take a mud-spattering romp through the nearby Great Smoky Mountains, while hearing the creation legend in the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, or watch the profound outdoor drama "Unto These Hills." See how the Cherokee lived two and a half centuries ago at the Oconaluftee Indian Village, an authentic working village with dwellings, residents and artisans right out of the 1760s. Plan. Play. Visit. And discover at [visitchokeenc.com](http://visitchokeenc.com)



### COUNT YOUR LUCK AT HARRAH'S CHEROKEE CASINO AND RESORT

A casino, luxury hotel with fine dining options, world-renowned spa and event center, Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Resort offers a luxurious experience within the North Carolina Smoky Mountains. The new Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino & Hotel in Murphy offers many of the same amazing amenities with over 60,000 square feet of gaming. Book your stay at [caesars.com/harrahs-chokeee](http://caesars.com/harrahs-chokeee)

### MOSEY ALONG THE BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY OR NC SCENIC BYWAYS

Named "America's Favorite Drive", the Parkway—a National Scenic Byway—offers 469 miles connecting the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in North Carolina to the Shenandoah National Park in Virginia. If you need to stretch your legs, there are ample recreational opportunities for all ages and abilities just off the road. However long you drive, make sure to get out and personally witness the natural beauty of one of the world's most diverse displays of flora and fauna. • [blueridgeparkway.org](http://blueridgeparkway.org)

North Carolina's 62 scenic byways allow travelers to experience some of the state's history, geography, and breathtaking views while avoiding the faster pace and commercial areas found along major highways. • [ncdot.gov/scenic](http://ncdot.gov/scenic)

### UNWIND AT BREWERIES AND WINERIES

The explosion of craft breweries is happening all over the Smokies! Craft breweries are now operating in Andrews, Bryson City, Cashiers, Cherokee, Franklin, Hayesville, Highlands, Murphy, Sylva and Waynesville, with more opening all the time. Travelers could spend days exploring each small town's unique breweries and never visit the same place twice. • [avlbrewers.com](http://avlbrewers.com)

While you wind your way through the mountains, take some time to explore the scenic beauty and taste the fruits of our vineyards. Western North Carolina's wineries and vineyards provide the perfect setting to imbibe, relax and revel in the natural beauty of this region. Visit [ncwine.org](http://ncwine.org) for a helpful interactive map of all the wineries in the region.





# National Parks AND National Forests

## BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY

The most visited unit of the National Park System, the Blue Ridge Parkway is known for its stunning views, abundant hiking trails, picnic areas, campsites and informational exhibits. Named "America's Favorite Drive," the Parkway offers 469 miles connecting the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in NC to the Shenandoah National Park in VA and is definitely worth the trip. Experience the world's most diverse display of flora and fauna. [blueridgeparkway.org](http://blueridgeparkway.org)

## GREAT SMOKY MOUNTAINS NATIONAL PARK

Straddling NC and TN, the Great Smoky Mountains National Park encompasses over half-a-million acres, making it the largest national park in the East. It has more species of plants, animals and insects than anywhere else in the world, rivaling even the rainforests. Hike on one of the more than 900 miles of trails in the park. Locals agree that the NC side of the park is considered more pristine and tranquil and is less heavily used than the TN side. [nps.gov](http://nps.gov)

## THE FOLKWAYS OF APPALACHIA

Just off of U.S. Highway 441 through Great Smoky Mountains National Park sits Mingus Mill, a historic gristmill built in 1886 and a living piece of Smoky Mountain history. Visitors can purchase corn meal and other mill-related items while seeing how a real mill works. Just a half mile down the road at the Oconaluftee Visitor Center, you'll find The Mountain Farm Museum. *Mingus Creek Trail, Cherokee, NC*

## NANTAHALA NATIONAL FOREST

Nantahala National Forest is the largest of the four national forests in North Carolina, covering just over half-a-million acres. There are more than 27,000 acres of designated wilderness found in its hills, including Elllicott Rock, Joyce Kilmer-Slickrock and the Southern Nantahala Wilderness.

The Nantahala National Forest is renowned for whitewater rafting, mountain biking, camping and hiking. World-renowned trails including The Appalachian Trail, Bartram's Trail and the Mountains-To-Sea Trail all meander through the forest. [fs.fed.us](http://fs.fed.us)

## PISGAH NATIONAL FOREST

The Pisgah National Forest began as a part of George Vanderbilt's private estate. The area west of Vanderbilt's Asheville Biltmore Estate was sold to the federal government after his death in 1914 and became the first tracts of the now half-million-acre Pisgah National Forest. Today, Pisgah is home to the Shining Rock Wilderness Area, Max Patch, the Harmon Den Bear Preserve, The Cradle of Forestry and Sliding Rock. • [fs.fed.us](http://fs.fed.us)







## OUTDOOR EXPERIENCES FOR THE *Whole Family*

### FISHING

Nationally recognized for native and stocked trout, fishermen are happy to explore the many lakes, creeks and rivers that run through the area. Cherokee is a former site of the U.S. National Fly Fishing Championships and offers some of the best fishing in the U.S. You'll fall in love with the beautiful freestone streams stocked with trout that flow through Qualla Boundary. Jackson County has a fly-fishing trail that is sure to amaze, considering it was the first of its kind in the country. If that isn't enough, now Swain County has one too and Bryson City is home to the Fly Fishing Museum Of the Southern Appalachians!

Nonresident and resident fishing permits and licenses can be purchased online. Special tribal fishing permits can be acquired to fish on the Qualla Boundary of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians at [fishcherokee.com](http://fishcherokee.com). State fishing licenses can be acquired at [ncwildlife.org/licensing](http://ncwildlife.org/licensing).

### GEM MINING

Many gem mines in the region offer a wonderful experience as adults and children sift through locally mined soil to try and uncover valuable stones. Deep Creek Tubing/Campground, Bryson City; Sheffield Gem Mine, Franklin; Gold City Gem Mines, Franklin; Jackson Hole Gem Mines, Highlands; Mason's Ruby and Sapphire Mine, Franklin; Rose Creek Mine, Franklin; Primitive Outback Kayaking & Gem Mining, Otto; and Andy's Trout Farm, Otto all offer an unforgettable experience.

### GOLFING

Gentle slopes and woods-rimmed fairways beckon pros and amateurs alike to indulge in a relaxing, scenic game at Sequoyah National Golf Club, NC and Sky Valley Country Club, GA.

### HORSEBACK RIDING

Whether it's an all-day ride with a picnic or a shorter excursion, children and adults of all ages will enjoy a guided horseback-riding trip through the mountains. To book a trip, check out one of the many operating stables in the Smokies, including Arrowmont Stables & Cabins, Cataloochee Ranch, Chunky Gal Stables and Smokemont Stables.

### MOTORCYCLING

For a winding trip through the mountains, take a tour on The Dragon, which is considered "**THE DESTINATION**" for thousands of motorcycle and sports car fans throughout the spring, summer and fall. Along your way, stop by Deal's Gap Motorcycle Resort for a bite to eat, shop or a place to stay. Motorcycle sales and services are available at Smoky Mountain Steel Horses in Waynesville.

### MOUNTAIN BIKING AND HIKING TRAILS

Whether you want short or long, difficult or easy, trees or waterways, there are mountain biking and hiking trails for every adventure, and then more trails on top of that.

### RAFTING AND KAYAKING

The North Carolina Great Smokies are known for whitewater rafting. Named "One of the Best Outfitters on Earth" by National Geographic Adventure, Nantahala Outdoor Center offers a wide array of adventures for everyone in your group. If you're looking for tamer, family-friendly river experiences, the Tuckasegee River and the Little Tennessee River are perfect places to get children out on the water. There are plenty of companies that book trips on these rivers, including Smoky Mountain River Adventures in Whittier and Primitive Outback Kayaking & Gem Mining in Otto. For more exciting rafting experiences, check out Brookside, Carolina Outfitters, Rolling Thunder and Wildwater.

### SNOW TUBING

Downhill tubing in the North Carolina Smokies offer breathtaking mountain views. Celebrate the outdoors and have more fun than ever this winter by snow tubing and ice skating at Highlands Outpost. The town of Highlands has an ice skating rink at Kelsey-Hutchinson Park.

### WATER TUBING AND PADDLEBOARDING

One of summer's sweetest pleasures in the North Carolina Smokies is floating along the cool mountain waters. No tube? No worries. All four rivers have companies to outfit you with a tube. Some more popular spots are Deep Creek Tubing in Bryson City; Smoky Mountain Tubing on the Oconaluftee River in Cherokee; Smoky Mountain Adventures in Whittier; on the Tuckasegee River and Primitive Outback on the Little Tennessee River south of Franklin in Otto. If standing is more your thing, try the increasingly popular paddleboarding.

### ZIP LINING

If you've taken the time to see the forest from the trails, perhaps it's time to get a bird's-eye view. Three popular spots are the Nantahala Outdoor Center in Bryson City; Wildwater Nantahala Gorge Adventure Center in Wesser and the Highlands Aerial Park at Scaly Mountain.



## *Outdoor Experiences*

### **THE COWEE MOUND**

In 2007, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians purchased 70 acres along the Little Tennessee River that included the historic Cowee Mound and Village Site, thought to date from approximately 600 A.D. The transaction was made possible with assistance from Mainspring (then the Land Trust for the Little Tennessee) and the N.C. Clean Water Management Trust Fund. There is a conservation easement on the property that permanently protects its conservation values and prevents commercial and residential development.

The council house of the Cherokee town of Cowee was located on this mound in the 18th century, when the town of Cowee served as the principal diplomatic and commercial center of the mountain Cherokee. Cowee is considered one of the most significant archaeological sites of the Mississippian period in North Carolina, where the presence of agriculture on the bottomlands dates back at least 3,000 years.

**Located in Cowee Historical District on Highway 28, Franklin, NC.**



### **THE NIKWASI MOUND**

Franklin's oldest structure has become its newest tourist attraction. Driving through town on Business U.S. 441, it's easy to overlook Nikwasi Mound, especially if traffic is heavy. The mound sits between the northbound and southbound lanes, marked only by two historical markers. Once, it was the center of one of the Cherokees' most important towns, which encompassed some 100 acres. It first appears on maps in 1544 but could have existed for centuries before that.

It was the site of treaty talks with South Carolina in 1727. Talks presumably were held in a council house atop the mound. At that time, the village had some 150 residents. Further negotiations were held in 1730, as noted on the older and smaller of the two markers.

**Located on Main Street in downtown Franklin, NC.**



# Scenic Byways



Follow the byways, and you will see some of the most breathtaking scenery in the North Carolina Great Smokies. Designated specifically to give visitors and residents a chance to experience a bit of North Carolina history, geography and culture, they also raise awareness for the protection and preservation of area treasures. For more information, visit [ncdot.gov/scenic](http://ncdot.gov/scenic) to guide your tour along the region's Scenic Byways.



## 1 CHEROHALA SKYWAY

Esquire magazine said, "It's like driving through a car commercial." Connecting the Cherokee National Forest to the Nantahala National Forest, this clean, smooth highway encourages you to open up your sports car or pause your RV for a sandwich and the beautiful sights. And the skyway vs. byway bit? Once you drive it, you'll understand.

**20 miles • 45 minutes • Graham County**

## 2 FOREST HERITAGE SCENIC BYWAY

Take off on U.S. 276 North from Brevard on the Forest Heritage Scenic Byway to see the Cradle of Forestry, the Pink Beds and Shining Rock Wilderness.

**65 miles • 2 hours**

**Haywood, Transylvania and Jackson counties**

## 3 INDIAN LAKES SCENIC BYWAY

Where NC 28 meets U.S. 129 near the Tennessee border, fans of crystalline lakes (especially those featuring Indian names) will find their calling. Just leave what's known as "The Dragon" and discover the first landmark, Fontana Dam. From there, you'll have a hard time watching the road as you pass the likes of Fontana Village and Stecoah on the way to the byway's meandering end.

**57 miles • 1.5 hours**

**Swain, Graham and Cherokee counties**

## 4 NANTAHALA BYWAY

The Cherokee used "Nantahala" to mean "Land of the Noonday Sun." Why noonday? Well, likely for the steep walls that frame the Nantahala Gorge from the morning sun, an impressive site you'll tour as part of this swirling byway. Nearby, the Nantahala River has become legendary for its whitewater. Just depart from Marble, head east and don't stop until you pass Wesser.

**43 miles • 1.5 hours**

**Cherokee, Graham, Jackson and Swain counties**

## 5 SMOKY MOUNTAIN SCENIC BYWAY

Travel through the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, renowned for its diverse plant and animal life. A trip along this road puts you in close proximity to some of North Carolina's most captivating wildlife, and gives a glimpse of the Southern Appalachian pioneer culture that once dominated the region. Just hop off the Blue Ridge Parkway onto U.S. 441 near the Qualla Boundary of the Cherokee Indian Reservation and head north into Tennessee.

**16.5 miles • 35 minutes • Swain County**

## 6 WATERFALL BYWAY

Strangely powerful or eerily tranquil, waterfalls do have a way of casting a spell. If you happen to be a fan, this is your byway. Winding 98 miles and featuring more than 200 distinct waterfalls, it begins at U.S. 64's intersection with NC 215. Where it ends is likely somewhere far deeper within you.

**98 miles • 3.5 hours**

**Clay, Jackson, Macon and Transylvania counties**

## 7 WHITewater WAY

Quick: You have three guesses as to what you'll encounter on this scenic byway. The aptly named Whitewater Way is named for Whitewater Falls, which is the highest waterfall east of the Rockies. Take NC 281 and hike the many trails leading to spectacular rushing water. Bathroom breaks are a must.

**9 miles • 20 minutes**

**Transylvania and Jackson counties**

# CHASING WATERFALLS

	WATERFALLS	TOWN	COUNTY
1	<b>Big Laurel Falls &amp; Mooney Falls</b>	Otto	Macon
2	<b>Bridal Veil Falls</b>	Highlands	Macon
3	<b>Bust-Yer-Butt Falls</b>	Highlands	Macon
4	<b>Carlton Falls</b>	Sapphire	Jackson
5	<b>Chasteen Creek Falls</b>	Cherokee	Swain
6	<b>Courthouse Falls</b>	Balsam Grove	Transylvania
7	<b>Cullasaja Falls</b>	Franklin	Macon
8	<b>Dry Falls</b>	Highlands	Macon
9	<b>Frolictown Falls</b>	Sapphire	Jackson
10	<b>Glen Falls</b>	Highlands	Macon
11	<b>Gina Falls</b>	Sylva	Jackson
12	<b>Granny Burrell Falls</b>	Sapphire	Jackson
13	<b>Greenland Creek Falls</b>	Sapphire	Jackson
14	<b>High Falls</b>	Glenville	Jackson
15	<b>Indian Creek Falls</b>	Bryson City	Swain
16	<b>Jawbone Falls</b>	Glenville	Jackson
17	<b>Juney Whank Falls</b>	Bryson City	Swain
18	<b>Leatherwood Falls @ Fires Creek</b>	Hayesville	Clay
19	<b>Looking Glass Falls</b>	Brevard	Transylvania
20	<b>Mingo Falls</b>	Cherokee	Qualla Boundary

WATERFALL NUMBERS CORRESPONDS WITH FOLD-OUT MAP

DESCRIPTION
Easy 0.5-mile trail, 30-foot cascading falls, tumbles into pool.
Visible from U.S. 64, waterfall drops 45 feet, can walk behind.
Popular swimming hole, can jump off a boulder.
In Panthertown Valley, variety of photo ops.
Great stop for campers staying at Smokemont Campground.
Hike 1/2 mile, pool at base is deep, water is clear & cold.
250 foot falls, cascades viewable from road, safest approach on Franklin side.
Also known as Upper Cullasaja Falls, 65-foot fall, NW of Highlands.
15-foot waterfall, vertical drop, great stop on Great Wall Trail.
One-mile trail hike is steep & rough but consist of three 60 foot falls each.
In Pinnacle Park, near urban area, 35-foot upper drop with cascades below.
Kid-friendly-sliding, swimming, sunbathing @ beach, large pool.
Steep cascade drops on boulder ledges, cascades into deep pool.
Also known as Cullowhee Falls, has two-section free fall over cliff.
Easy 1.6 mile round trip hike allows you to enjoy two beautiful waterfalls.
Small island downstream & a pool, picturesque spot.
Divided in upper & lower, both viewed from footbridge, 90 foot drop.
75-foot falls visible from picnic area. Paved trail, great for kids!
Roadside gorgeous views, just off Blue Ridge Pkwy, near Brevard.
120 foot high, tallest in the southern Appalachians.



	WATERFALLS	TOWN	COUNTY
21	Moses Creek Falls	Cullowhee	Jackson
22	Mouse Creek Falls	Waynesville	Haywood
23	North Shoal Creek Falls	Murphy	Cherokee
24	Rainbow Falls	Brevard	Transylvania
25	Rock Slab Falls	Cherokee	Swain
26	Rough Butt Creek Falls	Cullowhee	Jackson
27	Rufus Morgan Falls	Franklin	Macon
28	Sassafras Falls	Robbinsville	Graham
29	Secret Falls	Highlands	Macon
30	Schoolhouse Falls	Sapphire	Jackson
31	Silver Run Falls	Cashiers	Jackson
32	Sliding Rock	Brevard	Transylvania
33	Soco Falls	Maggie Valley	Jackson
34	Tom Branch Falls	Bryson City	Swain
35	Toxaway Falls	Brevard	Transylvania
36	Whitewater Falls	Cashiers	Jackson
37	Yellow Creek Falls	Robbinsville	Graham

WATERFALL NUMBERS CORRESPONDS WITH FOLD-OUT MAP

DESCRIPTION
Calling all daredevils: 100-foot, a bit difficult to see, steep.
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Best in Summer, 18-foot falls of Panthertown Valley, a mix of cascades.
200 yard trail, 25-foot falls, observation points.
Near Brevard, sliders ride water 60-foot flat, 8 ft. pool.
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150-foot falls, seen by car, US64 E. near Rosman.
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[recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/232486](http://recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/232486)



### Mingo Falls

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[www.nps.gov/grsm/planyourvisit/mingo-falls.htm](http://www.nps.gov/grsm/planyourvisit/mingo-falls.htm)



### Soco Falls

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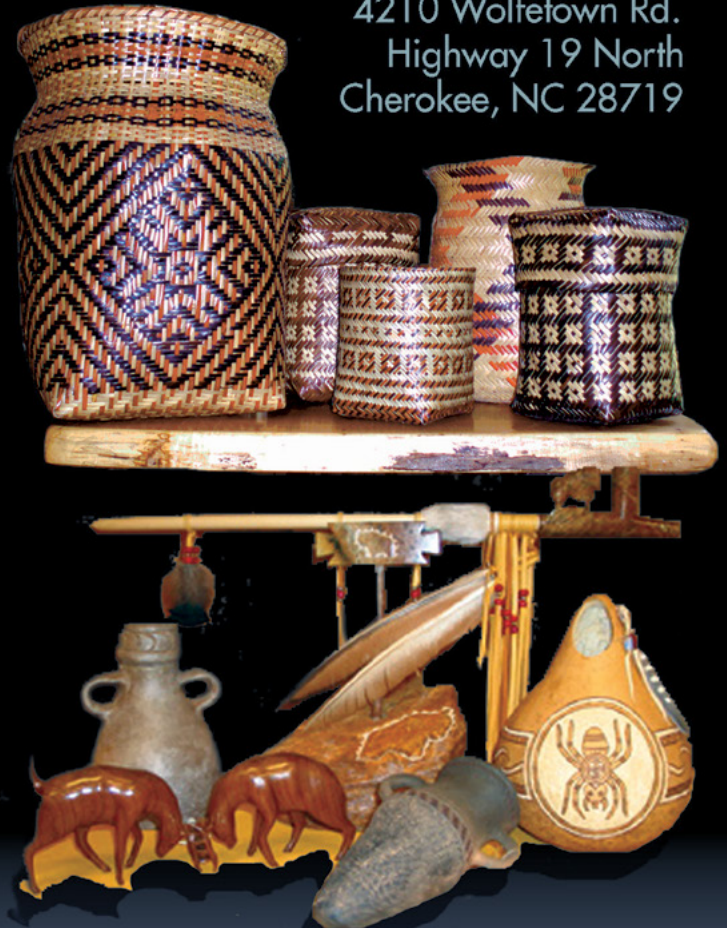
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traditionalhands.com

## VISITOR INFORMATION

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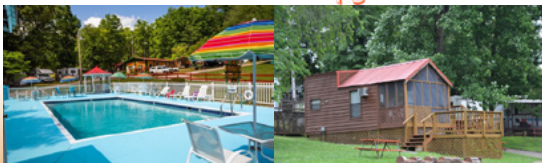
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### Junaluska Memorial

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## OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

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### Cherochala Skyway

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### The Benton MacKaye Trail

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### Nantahala Byway

The steep walls that frame the Nantahala Gorge are an impressive site you'll tour as part of this swirling byway. Nearby, the Nantahala River has become legendary for its whitewater. Just depart from Marble, head east and don't stop until you pass Wesser. 43 miles • 1.5 hours Travels through Cherokee, Graham, Jackson & Swain counties. [ncdot.gov/travel/scenic](http://ncdot.gov/travel/scenic)



### Snowbird (Nantahala National Forest)

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### Cheoah Point (Nantahala National Forest)

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### Horse Cove (Nantahala National Forest)

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### Cable Cove (Nantahala National Forest)

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Follow a 3.5-mile trail to multiple wide, steep falls about 45 feet high.

### Big Snowbird Trail

12.7 miles, difficult, fishing Trailhead: Big Snowbird Road. The first four miles are recommended for day hikes.

### Tsali (Nantahala National Forest)

Open April-October. Off NC 28 past Bryson City, or if coming from Robbinsville NC 143 until you reach NC 28, go east. Entrance on north side of NC 28, well-marked. Camping, picnic, trailer space, showers, drinking water, hiking trail, horse trail, bike trail, boat ramp, fishing, fee required.



### Rattler Ford Group Campground (Nantahala National Forest)

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### Yellow Creek Falls

Travel U.S. 129 North from Robbinsville. Go two miles past the Yellow Creek Road intersection and the parking area and trailhead/sign will be on the right. Walk 0.33 mile to falls.

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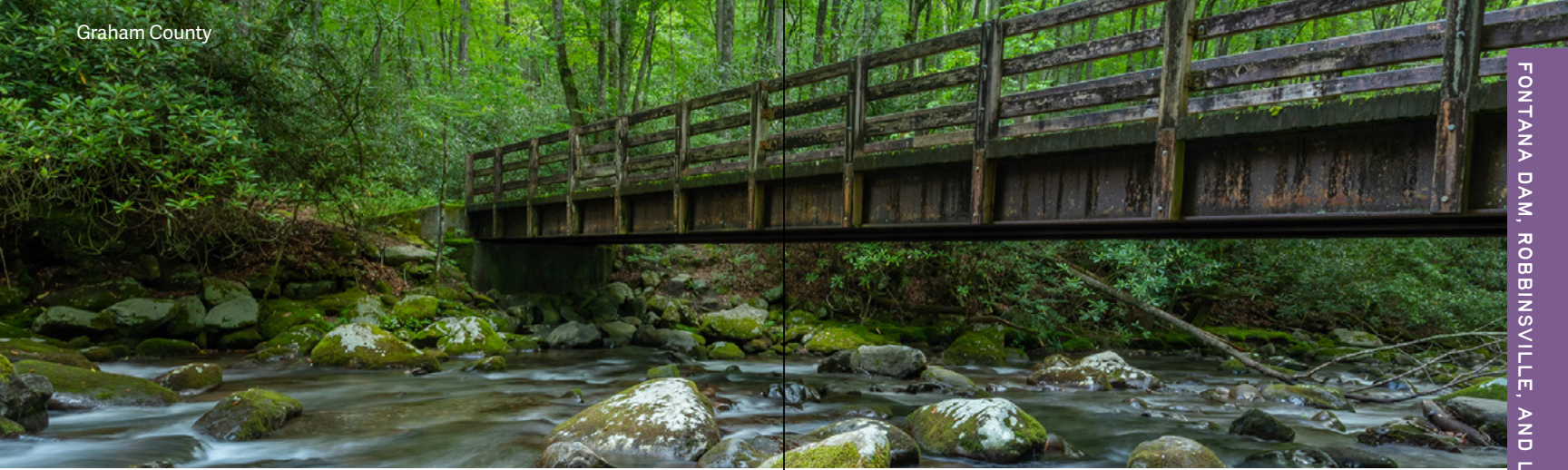
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**OUTDOOR ACTIVITY**

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**VISITOR INFORMATION**

**Fontana Dam & Visitor Center**

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## ARTS/CRAFTS

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## BLUEWAYS

### The Little Tennessee River

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### Nantahala Lake

Nantahala Lake sits above the Nantahala Gorge and is known for its scenic beauty and crystal-clear waters. The lake offers recreational opportunities that include fishing, swimming, boating, skiing and many other activities.  
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## CULTURE/MUSEUM

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828-349-1945  
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scottishtartansmuseum.org



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The Rickman Store is a historic site, open every Saturday from May through December from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Music jam sessions start at noon.  
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Franklin, NC 28734

### Gibson Bottoms

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antiques, outdoors, historic.  
98 Hyatt Rd.  
Franklin, NC 28734  
828-524-3161  
[visitfranklinnc.com](http://visitfranklinnc.com)

### Franklin/ Nantahala Tourism Development Committee



Promoting tourism  
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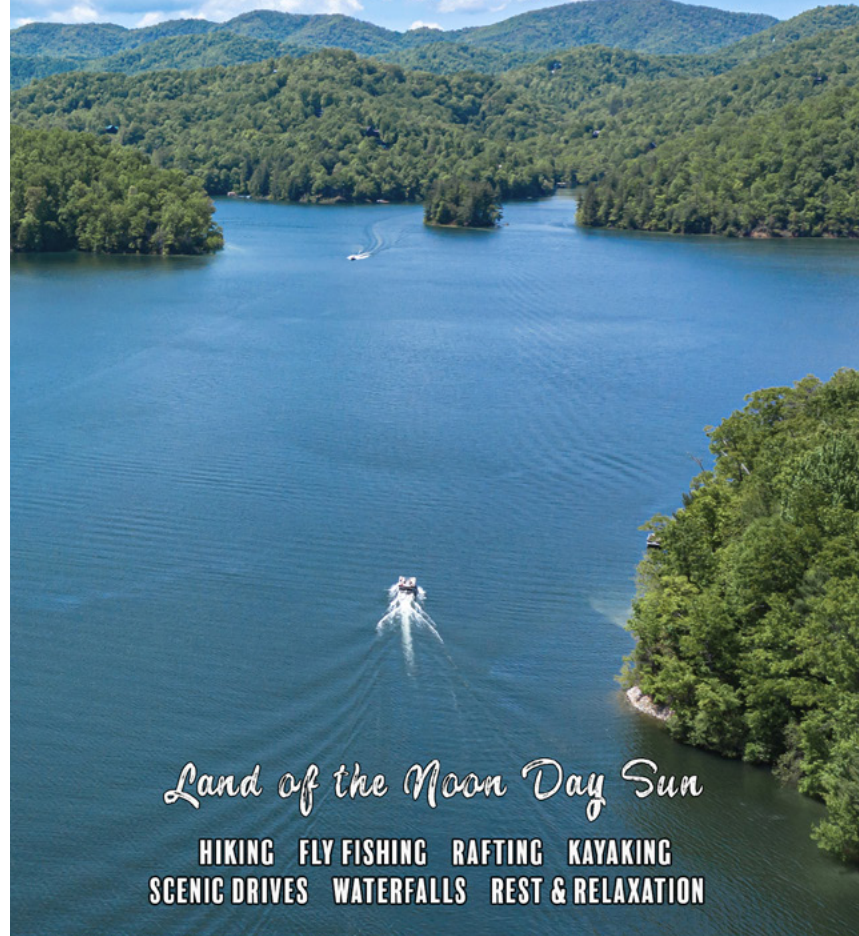


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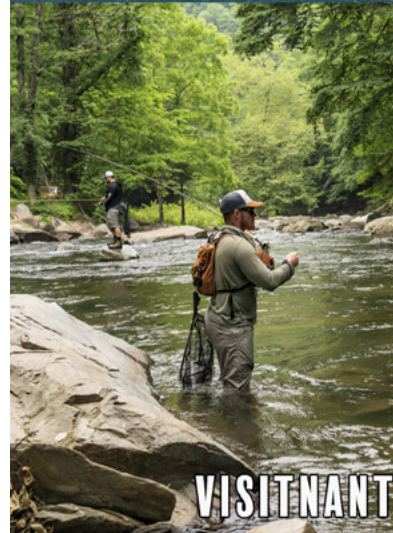
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15 MILES ← FROM MURPHY

133 MILES → TO ATLANTA



35 MILES FROM FRANKLIN, NC

REFERRED TO AS: "THE SECRET JEWEL OF  
WESTERN NC"

## 2 VIBRANT COMMUNITIES:

- ★ **HAYESVILLE** – Packed with boating, hiking, mountain biking and fishing spots. Lake Chatuge is a water haven. See a Pumpkin fly at the Pumpkin Chunkin Festival [claychambernc.com](http://claychambernc.com)
- ★ **BRASSTOWN** – Scenic Area. John C. Campbell Folk School offers a variety of classes, 800-365-5724 • [folkschool.org](http://folkschool.org)

## HIDDEN GEMS AND POPULAR ATTRACTIONS:

- ★ **THE COPPER DOOR** – Named one of the best restaurants in the country. [thecopperdoor.com](http://thecopperdoor.com)
- ★ **GOLDHAGEN STUDIO GALLERY** – International glass-blowing artist. Has created pieces for Coca-Cola, Walt-Disney, Philips Arena. 828-389-8847 • [goldhagenartglass.com](http://goldhagenartglass.com)
- ★ **CHATUGE DAM & RECREATION AREA** – Hike and see the Dam. Picnic area, playground, easy walk or run. Facilities available. 1407 Chatuge Dam Rd., Hayesville.

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## ARTS/CRAFTS

### John C. Campbell Folk School

Since 1925. Offering courses in craft, music and dance. On-campus housing. Visitors welcome.  
1 Folk School Rd.  
Brasstown, NC 28902  
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## CULTURAL/MUSEUM

### Clay County Historical & Arts Museum

Dedicated to preserving local history & culture at the Historical Jail. We are open Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend. We will be open Tuesday-Saturday from 10am-4pm. During September & October, we will be open on Fridays & Saturdays only.  
21 Davis Loop  
Hayesville, NC 28904  
828.389.6814  
[clayhistoryarts.org](http://clayhistoryarts.org)

### Historic Hayesville

Historic Hayesville Centennial Exhibit featuring downtown businesses, history & events.  
116 Sanderson St.  
Hayesville, NC 28904  
828-389-1862  
[historichayesvilleinc.com](http://historichayesvilleinc.com)

## DINING

### The Copper Door



Fine dining featuring aged steaks, fresh seafood, full bar, award-winning wine list; Reservations Recommended.  
2 Sullivan St.  
Hayesville, NC 28904  
828-389-8460  
[thecopperdoor.com](http://thecopperdoor.com)



[folkschool.org](http://folkschool.org)  
828-837-2775



[olivesporch.org](http://olivesporch.org)  
828-837-1885

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## EVENT/WEDDING

### Clay County Courthouse/ Beal Center

Restored 1888 courthouse in the square, perfect venue for weddings, family gatherings, celebrations of life.  
246 Main St.  
Hayesville, NC 28904  
828-415-1623  
[bealcenter.org](http://bealcenter.org)





## LODGING

### Deerfield Inn

All rooms overlook beautiful Lake Chatuge. Amenities include mini-fridge, microwave, Wi-Fi, satellite TV, Non-smoking. Pets welcome.  
40 Chatuge Ln.  
Hayesville, NC 28904  
828-389-8272  
deerfield-inn.com

### Hinton Rural Life Center

Retreat. Reflect. Renew.  
Hinton Center accommodations venue helps fund healthy, effective communities of faith. Pets welcome.  
2330 Hinton Center Rd.  
Hayesville, NC 28904  
828-389-8336 • 866-389-8336  
hintoncenter.org

### The Enchanted Forest

Each cabin is uniquely designed. Alice's White Bunny Cottage, Snow White's Cottage, the Candy Cabin, Sugar Shack, Double Decker Bus, RV sites and more.  
9594 Tusquittee Rd  
Hayesville, NC 28904  
941-276-8142  
magicalmountainresorts.com/home

## CAMPGROUND

### Sundowner RV Village

RV, NC mountains, camping, Georgia, Lake Chatuge, park models, year-round, spacious, shady sites, adults.  
42 Sundowner Circle  
Hayesville, NC 28904  
828-389-3241  
joyce@sundownerrvillage.net  
sundownerrvillage.net

## OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

### Waterfall Byway

Winding 98 miles and featuring more than 200 distinct waterfalls, it begins at U.S. 64's intersection with NC 215.  
98 miles • 3.5 hours  
Travels through Clay, Jackson, Macon and Transylvania counties.  
ncdot.gov/travel/scenic

## OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

### Jackrabbit Mountain Trail

15 miles, easy, fishing, hiking, biking. Trailhead: Jackrabbit Recreation Area. Trail offers an excellent view of Lake Chatuge and provides lake fishing access as well. At Lake Chatuge get on NC 175, turn onto Jackrabbit Road, signed parking area on left.



### Nantahala National Forest

Open year-round Picnic, restrooms, drinking water, hiking trail.



### Lake Chatuge

Lake Chatuge's abundance of scenic coves along its 133 mile shoreline are great for fishing, swimming, boating, camping and other water sports.

### Fires Creek Area Trails

0.3–5.4 miles, easy/moderate/difficult, fishing, hiking, biking, horse trails  
Trailhead: Fires Creek Recreation Area. Offers a number of excellent trails, including a designated horseback trail and horse camp. Cover Loop is an easy 0.3-mile trail that is handicap-accessible. Other popular foot trails include Leatherwood Loop Trail (0.7 mile), Leatherwood Branch Access (3.5 miles) and Cover Trail, which follows Fires Creek for approximately five miles.

### Leatherwood Falls

25' falls visible from picnic area.



### Quannassee Path

Two-mile Cherokee History Trail, downtown, depicting culture of Cherokee people at five historical sites.

Loris Mountain





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**THEATER**



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Events, children's plays, dance, concerts, shows, entertainment.  
301 Church St.  
Hayesville, NC 28904  
828-389-2787  
[thepeacocknc.org](http://thepeacocknc.org)

**VISITOR INFORMATION**

**Clay County Chamber of Commerce**



Chamber of Commerce and visitors center for information.  
96 Sanderson St.  
Hayesville, NC 28904  
828-389-3704  
[claychambernc.com](http://claychambernc.com)

**Clay County Communities Revitalization Association**

Visit historic courthouse, music sculpture, Cherokee homestead. Hike/Bike 15-mile Jackrabbit Trails & Quanassee Path.  
PO Box 1533  
Hayesville, NC 28904  
828-389-6531  
[cccra-nc.org](http://cccra-nc.org)



Downtown Hayesville



# Experience HIGHLANDS, CASHIERS, SAPPHIRE & SCALY MOUNTAIN

37 MILES ← FROM SYLVA

19 MILES → TO FRANKLIN



ONLY 2.5 HOURS FROM ATLANTA, GEORGIA

## 5 VIBRANT COMMUNITIES:

- ★ **CASHIERS** – Offers gorgeous scenery and waterfalls.
- ★ **GLENVILLE** – Popular lakeside vacation community, Lake Glenville.
- ★ **HIGHLANDS** – Quaint town surrounded by Nantahala National Forest and situated at an elevation of 4,118 feet.
- ★ **SAPPHIRE** – Known for resorts, hiking, forests, stunning waterfalls. 8 miles from Cashiers.
- ★ **SCALY MOUNTAIN** – Winter and summer tubing, ice skating, gem mining, trout fishing, hiking trails. 6 miles from Highlands. [scalymountain.com](http://scalymountain.com)

## HIDDEN GEMS AND POPULAR ATTRACTIONS:

- ★ In the heart of Great Smoky Mountains, these communities offer fine dining, antique shops, golf courses, boutiques, art galleries and breweries
- ★ **THE SHADOW OF THE BEAR** – Witness this natural phenomenon from February–March and in November.
- ★ **LAKE GLENVILLE** – Public beach access, swimming, boating

[HIGHLANDSCHAMBER.ORG](http://HIGHLANDSCHAMBER.ORG)  
[CASHIERSAREACHAMBER.COM](http://CASHIERSAREACHAMBER.COM)

## BLUEWAYS

### Lake Glenville

Lake Glenville is a reservoir located 8 miles from Cashiers, North Carolina. It's a tourist destination for kayakers, canoers, water skiers and pleasure-boat enthusiasts who found a cool retreat in the Southeast's otherwise boiling summers



## CULTURAL/MUSEUM

### Highlands Museum & Historical Village

A village composed of several restored buildings, with historical exhibits in the museum.  
524 N 4th St.  
Highlands, NC 28741  
828-787-1050  
[highlandshistory.com](http://highlandshistory.com)

### Cashiers Historical Society

Exhibiting the largest known collection of handcrafted "plain-style" furniture, on-site walking trails, historic schoolhouse, pavilion with restrooms, picnic tables, Civil War Trail.  
1940 NC 107 S  
Cashiers, NC 28717  
(828) 743-5471  
[cashiershistoricalsociety.org](http://cashiershistoricalsociety.org)

## DINING

### Blue Hound Barbecue

BBQ crafted from locally sourced meats, produce and wood. Everything is made from scratch and with love!  
7420 Dillard Rd  
Scaly Mountain, NC 28775  
[Bluehoundbarbecue.com](http://Bluehoundbarbecue.com)

## WINERY

### The Vineyard at High Holly

The Vineyard at High Holly is a 28-acre private retreat in Scaly Mountain, NC with phenomenal views of the Blue Ridge Mountains.  
37 High Holly Rd,  
Scaly Mountain, NC 28775  
(828) 482-5573  
[thevineyardathighholly.com/](http://thevineyardathighholly.com/)

## GEM MINES & SHOPS

### Jackson Hole Trading Post

Cleanest mine around. Help for inexperienced. On Waterfall drive between Franklin and Highlands. Handicap-accessible. Pets welcome. Open May 1–Dec. 1.  
9770 Highlands Rd. Hwy 64 E  
Highlands, NC 28741  
828-524-5850  
[jacksonholegemmine.com](http://jacksonholegemmine.com)

## LODGING

### Hotel Cashiers

A pet friendly boutique inn and wine bar located in the center of Cashiers.  
7 Slab Town Rd.  
Cashiers, NC 28717  
828-743-7706  
[hotelcashiers.com](http://hotelcashiers.com)

### Fire Mountain Inn, Cabins and Treehouses

A secluded mountaintop hideaway on hundreds of acres with breathtaking long-range mountain views. Pets welcome.  
700 Happy Hill Rd.  
Highlands, NC 28775  
828-526-4446 • 800-775-4446  
[firemt.com](http://firemt.com)



Dry Falls



## LODGING

### Buckwood Log Lodge

Log homes and villas. Secluded water and mountain views. Year-round, fireplace, porches, AC, TV, laundry. Pets welcome. 120 Little Falls Rd. Highlands, NC 28741 828-524-4811 • 866-524-4811 buckwood.com

## OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

### Highlands Outpost

Snow tubing, ice skating, summer tubing, gem mine, trout fishing, gift shop, café, family-friendly. 7420 Dillard Rd. Scaly Mountain, NC 28775 828-526-3737 highlandsoutpost.com



### Highlands Aerial Park

Ziplines! Located at an elevation of 3,620 feet, high atop High Holly Mountain. 9625 Dillard Rd. Scaly Mountain, NC 28775 828-526-8773 • 855-947-6344 highlandsaerialpark.com



### Waterfall Byway

Strangely powerful or eerily tranquil, waterfalls do have a way of casting a spell. If you happen to be a fan, this is your byway. Winding 98 miles and featuring more than 200 distinct waterfalls, it begins at U.S. 64's intersection with NC 215. 98 miles • 3.5 hours Travel through Clay, Jackson, Macon and Transylvania counties.



### Whiteside Mountain (Nantahala National Forest)

Open year-round. Hiking trails, scenic views.



### Bridal Veil Falls

Visible from U.S. 64, this beautiful waterfall drops 120 feet.



### Cullasaja Falls

Visible from U.S. 64, this 250-foot waterfall is accessible by a 0.5-mile steep trail.

### Dry Falls

3.5 miles west of Highlands, a paved walkway takes you to and through the 75-foot falls

### Whitewater Falls

Open year-round Restrooms, hiking trails, scenic views. At 411 feet, this is the highest waterfall in the eastern U.S. From U.S. 64 to Sapphire, turn onto NC 281. Entrance is in about 8 miles.

### Panthertown Valley

Nearly 30 miles of trails branches off from the area's old main roads, 21 of which are open to bikes.

### Whiteside Mountain Trail

2 miles, easy Trailhead: Whiteside Mountain parking area. The loop trail features a view of the highest vertical drop in the eastern U.S. at 750 feet.



## THEATER

### Mountain Theatre Company

Mountain Theatre Company is Western North Carolina's premier professional theatre, producing Broadway-caliber productions from May-Dec. 507 Chestnut Street Highlands, NC 28741 (828)526-2695 mountaintheatre.com/

## VISITOR INFORMATION

### Cashiers Area Chamber of Commerce

Visit for area information, maps, event calendars, dining, shopping, recreation guides and more. 202 Hwy U.S. 64 W Cashiers, NC 28717 828-743-5191 cashiersareachamber.com

### Highlands Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center

Conveniently located on Hwy 64 to help visitors plan their stay! (Free parking behind building) 108 Main St. Highlands, NC 28741 828-526-2112 highlandschamber.org

# PLATEAU PLAYGROUND

## PLAY AT A HIGHER LEVEL

The Atlanta side of Highlands offers a plethora of fun! Featuring the only public **golf course** on the Plateau, adventures at **Highlands Aerial Park**, the highest rated zipline adventure park, with family challenge courses, giant swing, guided UTV tours, free nature trails, and **Highlands Outpost**, with year round mountain coaster, tubing, gem mining, and cafe. **Waterfalls** (Estatoah, Mud Creek, Middle Creek), **Hiking Trails** (Bartram, Sky Valley, High Holly), and **Scenic Overlooks** offer a great mountain experience for all ages.

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15 MILES → TO HAYESVILLE



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FIND YOUR ADVENTURE OR TAKE IN THE BREATHTAKING MOUNTAIN VIEWS

2 VIBRANT COMMUNITIES:

- ★ **MURPHY** – Situated at the confluence of the Hiwassee & Valley rivers. Filled with mountains, lakes, rivers and streams providing breathtaking views.
- ★ **ANDREWS** – Marvel at the beautiful Andrews Valley. Unlimited outdoor activities. Some structures are listed on the National Historical Register.

HIDDEN GEMS AND POPULAR ATTRACTIONS:

- ★ **FIELDS OF THE WOOD** – Celebrate Christian heritage and see the Ten Commandments built on a mountain. Picnic area. Free admission. [cogop.org](http://cogop.org)
- ★ **HANGING DOG RECREATION AREA** – Five minutes from Murphy, great destination for scenic drive or a day outing. Offers year-round access to Hiwassee Lake. Boating, fishing and picnicing. [fs.usda.gov](http://fs.usda.gov)
- ★ **HERITAGE PARK DISC GOLF COURSE** – The park offers public 18-hole disc golf course, jogging, walking and open space. 155 Wilson St. Andrews, NC • [udisc.com/courses/heritage.park](http://udisc.com/courses/heritage.park)

VISITCHEROKEECOUNTYNC.COM  
ANDREWSCHAMBER.COM  
CHEROKEECOUNTYCHAMBER.COM

AGRITOURISM

Visit NC Farms

Find area agritourism, including fresh local food, activities, farmer's markets, trails, and local shopping. Contact Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce at 828-837-2242 or [info@cherokeecountychamber.com](mailto:info@cherokeecountychamber.com) for more information.

The Murphy Farmer's Market

100% locally sourced crafts & produce. Find over 40 vendors featuring fresh veggies, fruits, livestock, plants, jams, jellies, goats milk, cheese, meats, chicken, baked goods, and honey. Downtown Murphy at the L & N Depot. 9:00 am–1:00 pm. April–Oct. 4 Railroad St. Murphy, NC 28906 828-644-8677

ARTS/CRAFTS

John C. Campbell Folk School

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Olive's Porch

A Folk School experience in downtown Murphy featuring classroom space, a retail shop showcasing the work of Appalachian artists, and a studio space dedicated to the Artists in Residence program. 27 Peachtree St. Murphy, NC 28906 828-837-1885 [olivesporch.org](http://olivesporch.org)

BREWERY/WINERY

FernCrest Winery

Handcrafted wines, wine tastings, wine by bottle or glass, local cheeses, jams, art, wine merchandise, custom baskets. 1060 Main St. Andrews, NC 28901 828-321-1600 [ferncrestwinery.com](http://ferncrestwinery.com)

Valley River Vineyards

A small family owned vineyard and winery since 2004. The vineyard offers north America grapes and Vinifera grapes. Camping, wildlife watching & walking trails. 4689 Martins Creek Rd. Murphy, NC 28906 828-516-9772 [valleyrivervineyardsnc@gmail.com](mailto:valleyrivervineyardsnc@gmail.com) [valleyrivervineyards.com](http://valleyrivervineyards.com)

CASINO

Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino and Hotel

60,000 square feet of state-of-the-art gaming space, slots, traditional table games, food market, restaurant. 777 Casino Pkwy Murphy, NC 28906 828-422-7777 [caesars.com/harrahs-cherokee-valley-river](http://caesars.com/harrahs-cherokee-valley-river)

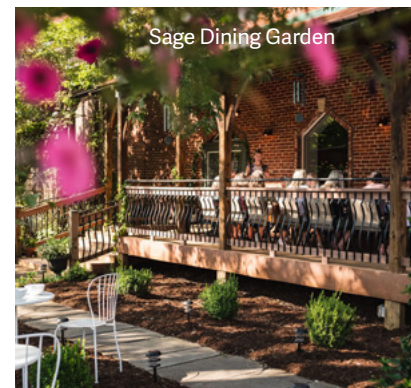
CULTURAL/MUSEUM

Andrews Art Museum

Exhibits featuring local and regional artists. Corner of Chestnut and Third streets. 125 Chestnut St. Andrews, NC 28901 828-361-2781 [www.vcahs.com](http://www.vcahs.com)



Andrews Trail Tour



Sage Dining Garden



## CULTURAL/MUSEUM

### Cherokee County Historical Museum

Artifacts and exhibits showcasing local history, Trail of Tears Interpretations Center. 87 Peachtree St. Murphy, NC 28906 828.837.6792 [cherokeecounty-nc.gov/183/historicalmuseum](http://cherokeecounty-nc.gov/183/historicalmuseum)

## DINING

### Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino and Hotel

Food market. 777 Casino Pkwy Murphy, NC 28906 Nathan's Famous Panda Express Earl of Sandwich Starbucks Mo'e's Southwest Grill

### The Landing Café, Ultra Star Multi-Tainment Center

Hearty southern breakfast, burgers to crab cakes for lunch & dinner, bowling food, beverages, bar. 777 Casino Pkwy Murphy, NC 28906 828-422-5309 [valleyriver.ultrastarnc.com/food](http://valleyriver.ultrastarnc.com/food)

### Julie's Place

A casual dining restaurant with an extensive menu, focus of comfort food but also extensive menu of wraps, burgers, salads, etc. 30 NC Hwy 141 Murphy, NC 28906 828-837-8881 [juliesplacerecstaurant.com](http://juliesplacerecstaurant.com)

### Sage

An elevated dining experience in Andrews, NC. Exceptional cuisine, impeccable service—a culinary gem in the scenic Blue Ridge Mountains 983 Main St, Ste 101 Andrews, NC 28901 828-498-0332 [Sageandrewsnc.com](http://Sageandrewsnc.com)

## EVENT/WEDDING

### Hawkesdene

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### McGuires Millrace Farm

Wedding & Elopement Venue. Special Events, Celebrations, Galas. Seating for up to 200. Lodging: 6 rooms/30 people. 600 Hendrix Rd. Murphy, NC 28906 828-837-0015 [mcguiresmillracefarm.com](http://mcguiresmillracefarm.com)

## FAMILY ATTRACTION

### Andrews Valley Rail Tours

Andrews Valley Rail Tours offers RailBike rides and Speeder Cart Tours in Andrews, NC. Enjoy the beauty of the valley from a different perspective. 345 Locust St. Andrews, NC 28901 828-557-4021 [andrewsvalleyrailtours.com](http://andrewsvalleyrailtours.com)

### Ultra Star Multi-Tainment Center

Harrah's Cherokee, hottest new arcade games, Strikes Lounge, boutique bowling, billiards, packages, events, parties. 777 Casino Pkwy Murphy, NC 28906 828-422-5306 • [ultrastarnc.com](http://ultrastarnc.com)



## LODGING

### Quality Inn

The Quality Inn in Andrews is located in the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains and is minutes away from Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino. The hotel offers free hot breakfast and is close to nearby attractions. 138 Upper Valley River Ln. Andrews, NC 28901 828-321-2176 [choicehotels.com/north-carolina/andrews/quality-inn-hotels](http://choicehotels.com/north-carolina/andrews/quality-inn-hotels)

## CAMPGROUND

### Mountain Riders River Front Camping

Cabins, spacious RV sites & tent sites all directly on the river. 2380 Stewart Rd. Andrews, NC 28901 [Edchowning@bellsouth.net](mailto:Edchowning@bellsouth.net)

### Murphy Peace Valley KOA Holiday

Peaceful retreat in the heart of the Smoky Mountains. Riverfront RV sites, deluxe cabins next to casino. Pets welcome. 117 Happy Valley Rd. Marble, NC 28905 800-562-9382 [www.koa.com/campgrounds/murphy/](http://www.koa.com/campgrounds/murphy/)



### Valley River RV Resort

All RV, 30/50 amp, WiFi, grills, luxury clubhouse, groups, pool, spa, exercise facilities, fishing lake, pets. 65 Old Tomotla Rd. Marble, NC 28905 828-385-4220 • [valleyriverrv.com](http://valleyriverrv.com)

### Persimmon Creek RV Park

We offer a limited selection of premium RV sites that emphasize exclusivity, solitude, and ample space to connect with nature, family, and friends. 200 Sunny Point Rd. Murphy, NC 28906 828-644-5800 [Persimmoncreekcampground.com](http://Persimmoncreekcampground.com)

## OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

### The Benton MacKaye Trail

Approximately 300 miles in length and starts 0.2 miles down the Appalachian Trail from Springer Mountain, GA traveling north through TN and NC. Features many scenic views of surrounding mountains, waterfalls, streams and wildlife. For more information visit [bmta.org](http://bmta.org) and Facebook.

### Welch Farm River Access

This 57-acre property along the Valley River is conserved and open to the public for fishing, walking, wildlife viewing, or as a boat access. A portion is leased to local farmers and a portion is left wild for the numerous bird species you will encounter. Located off Hwy 74 between Andrews and Murphy, and designated by a brown DOT sign. [mainspringconserves.org](http://mainspringconserves.org)

### Mountains-to-Sea Road Bike Route

Murphy is the start of this on-road 736-mile multi-use bicycle route. The route crosses the entire state, from west to east, through the mid-section of North Carolina. Routes are detailed in the list of maps provided by the North Carolina Department of Transportation. Maps can be ordered at no cost. [ncdot.gov/bikeped](http://ncdot.gov/bikeped)

### TransAmerica Trail

[transamtrail.com](http://transamtrail.com)





**Andrews Valley Rail Tours**  
www.AndrewsValleyRailTours.com  
(828) 557-4021  
Experience the beauty of the Great Smoky Mountains Railroad tracks with a Guided RailBike adventure in Andrews, NC, for an unforgettable outdoor experience.



## OUTDOOR ACTIVITY

### Piney Knob Bike Trails

Wonderful 13.5-miles of trails for hikers and cyclists alike. When on Hwy 74, heading toward Murphy, take a right at the Casino intersection onto Regal Rd. Travel about .5 miles until you reach Piney Knob Rd on the right. This is a narrow gravel road about 3 miles long to get to the parking area of the trails.  
[www.pineyknobtrails.com](http://www.pineyknobtrails.com)

### Murphy River Walk and Canoe Trail

Beautiful greenway with 2+ miles of walking trails. The trail follows the Valley River and the Hiwassee Rivers. Whether you take the trail on foot or put in for an easy paddle along the canoe trails, you'll enjoy the ecology and cultural heritage along the way.

### Cherokee Lake Trail (Nantahala National Forest)



Open year-round. Picnic, restrooms, drinking water, handicap-accessible, fishing.

## REAL ESTATE

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5530 W U.S. 64 Hwy.  
Murphy, NC 28906  
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[carolinamtnhome.com](http://carolinamtnhome.com)

## VISITOR INFORMATION



### Murphy Visitor Center and Andrews Rest Area

Tourism information center with locations in Murphy, NC and Andrews, NC.  
20 Tennessee St.  
Murphy, NC 28906  
50 Cover Ave.  
Andrews, NC 28901  
828-557-0602  
[visitccnc.com](http://visitccnc.com)

### Andrews Chamber & Welcome Center

Historic Downtown, RailBike Tours, Rafting, Biking, Hiking, Fishing, Shops, Restaurants, Wineries, Breweries, Festivals, Wagon Train.  
955 Main St.  
Andrews, NC 28901  
828-321-3584  
[visitandrewsnc.com](http://visitandrewsnc.com)

### Cherokee County Chamber of Commerce and Welcome Center



On Hwy 64. Visit for resources in our area! Parking for cars and RVs. Pets welcome.  
805 U.S. Hwy 64 W  
Murphy, NC 28906  
828-837-2242  
[CherokeeCountyChamber.com](http://CherokeeCountyChamber.com)

### NC Rest Area

Travel Information available  
Cherokee County at Andrews  
US Hwy 19/129

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38 MILES → TO HIGHLANDS



21 MILES FROM FRANKLIN, NC

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#### 4 VIBRANT COMMUNITIES:

- ★ **BALSAM** – Includes the highest point along the Blue Ridge Parkway in Jackson County.
- ★ **CULLOWHEE** – Home of Western Carolina University which offers robust performing arts scene!
- ★ **DILLSBORO** – Nestled along the Tuckasegee River, it's famous for pottery shops, and special events: ColorFest, WNC Pottery Festival & December Lights & Luminaries.
- ★ **SYLVA** – Sylva's Main Street frames the most photographed Courthouse in NC.

#### HIDDEN GEMS AND POPULAR ATTRACTIONS:

- ★ **ALE TRAIL** – The famous Ale Trail's main hub is downtown Sylva with 10 craft breweries. Field Guide: [DiscoverJacksonNC.com/AleTrail](http://DiscoverJacksonNC.com/AleTrail)
- ★ **HIKE PINNACLE PARK** – See panoramic views of Sylva, streams & waterfalls. Strenuous Terrain.
- ★ **GREETINGS FROM SYLVA MURAL** – Selfie time on Mill Street across from White Moon Coffee
- ★ **THE AMERICAN MUSEUM OF THE HOUSE CAT** – Private collection. 828-476-9376 [wnccatmuseum.org](http://wnccatmuseum.org)
- ★ **MOUNTAIN HERITAGE CENTER** – A regional resource for education, research and history. Located at Western North Carolina.

DISCOVERJACKSONNC.COM  
VISIT DILLSBORO.ORG  
MOUNTAINLOVERS.COM

#### AGRITOURISM

##### The Whee-Market-Cullowhee's Craft & Farmer's Market

All year round, every Tuesday.  
3pm - 6pm.  
113 Market St.  
Cullowhee, NC 28723  
828-476-0334  
[cullowheemarket.org](http://cullowheemarket.org)

##### Jackson County Farmer's Market

Farmer's market offering locally grown and crafted products.  
April–October: Wednesdays 3:30-6:30 at Innovation Station, Dillsboro. Saturdays 9-Noon at Bridge Park, Sylva. November–March, Saturdays at Bridge Park, Sylva.  
23 Central St.  
Sylva, NC 28779  
828-393-5236  
[facebook.com/TheJacksonCountyFarmersMarket](http://facebook.com/TheJacksonCountyFarmersMarket)

#### ARTS/CRAFTS

##### Dogwood Crafters

Traditional and contemporary arts and crafts can be found within the shop's eleven rooms.  
90 Webster St.  
Dillsboro, NC 28725  
828-586-2248  
[dogwoodcrafters.com](http://dogwoodcrafters.com)

#### BLUEWAYS

##### Tuckasegee River

The Tuckasegee, is a popular river for tubing, floating, canoeing, rafting and kayaking.  
[smokymountainblueways.com](http://smokymountainblueways.com)



#### CULTURAL/MUSEUM

##### American Museum of the House Cat

Experience a multimedia collection of feline antiques sure to delight, entertain, and educate the cat enthusiast.  
5063 US 441 Hwy S  
Sylva, NC 28779  
828-476-9376  
[wnccatmuseum.org](http://wnccatmuseum.org)



##### Mountain Heritage Center

Extensive displays of Western North Carolina and Southern Appalachian history.  
Western Carolina University  
Second Floor Hunter Library  
176 Central Dr. #240 Cullowhee, NC 28723  
Call to confirm hours  
828-227-7129  
[wcu.edu/engage/mountain-heritage-center/about-us/index.aspx](http://wcu.edu/engage/mountain-heritage-center/about-us/index.aspx)

Downtown Sylva





## DINING

### City Lights Cafe

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3 E Jackson St.  
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828-586-9441

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Sylva, NC 28779  
[Creeksideoysterhouse.com](http://Creeksideoysterhouse.com)

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678 W Main St.  
Sylva, NC 28779  
828-586-8989 • [lulusonmain.com](http://lulusonmain.com)



## BREWERY/WINERY

### Innovation Brewing

Taproom with house-made craft beers & guest taps including hard cider & wine! Food truck & pizza shop on-site.  
414 W. Main Street  
Sylva, NC 28779  
[innovation-brewing.com/](http://innovation-brewing.com/)  
(828) 586-5918

### Innovation Station

An Innovation Brewing taproom & event space. Craft beer, hard cider, wine, & more on tap! Rotating food trucks.  
40 Depot Street  
Dillsboro, NC 28779  
[Innovation-brewing.com](http://Innovation-brewing.com)  
(828) 226-0262

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### Appalachian Mural Trail

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828-293-2239 • muraltrail.com

## OUTDOOR EVENTS

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828-586-2155  
mountainlovers.com/on-the-creek

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Whittier, NC 28789  
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smokymountainriveradventures.com

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mountainlovers.com



### Jackson County TDA

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discoverjacksonnc.com



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828-586-1439  
dillsboronc.info

### Dillsboro Merchants Association

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#### Waynesville Tailgate Market

Fruits, vegetables, black walnuts, organic food and other homemade products. Wednesday & Saturday, 8–noon; Mid-May to end of October. 171 Legion Drive at the American Legion in Waynesville behind Bogart's restaurant. 828-456-1830 [visitsmokies.com/attractions/waynesville-tailgate-market/](http://visitsmokies.com/attractions/waynesville-tailgate-market/)

### BREWERY/WINERY

#### B&C Winery

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### CULTURAL/MUSEUM

#### Canton Area Historical Museum

Displays focusing on the cultural history of Canton and Haywood County. 36 Park St. Canton, NC 28716 828-646-3412 [blueridgeheritage.com/destinations/canton-area-historical-museum](http://blueridgeheritage.com/destinations/canton-area-historical-museum)





## CULTURAL/MUSEUM

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49 Shelton St.  
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wheelsthroughtime.com

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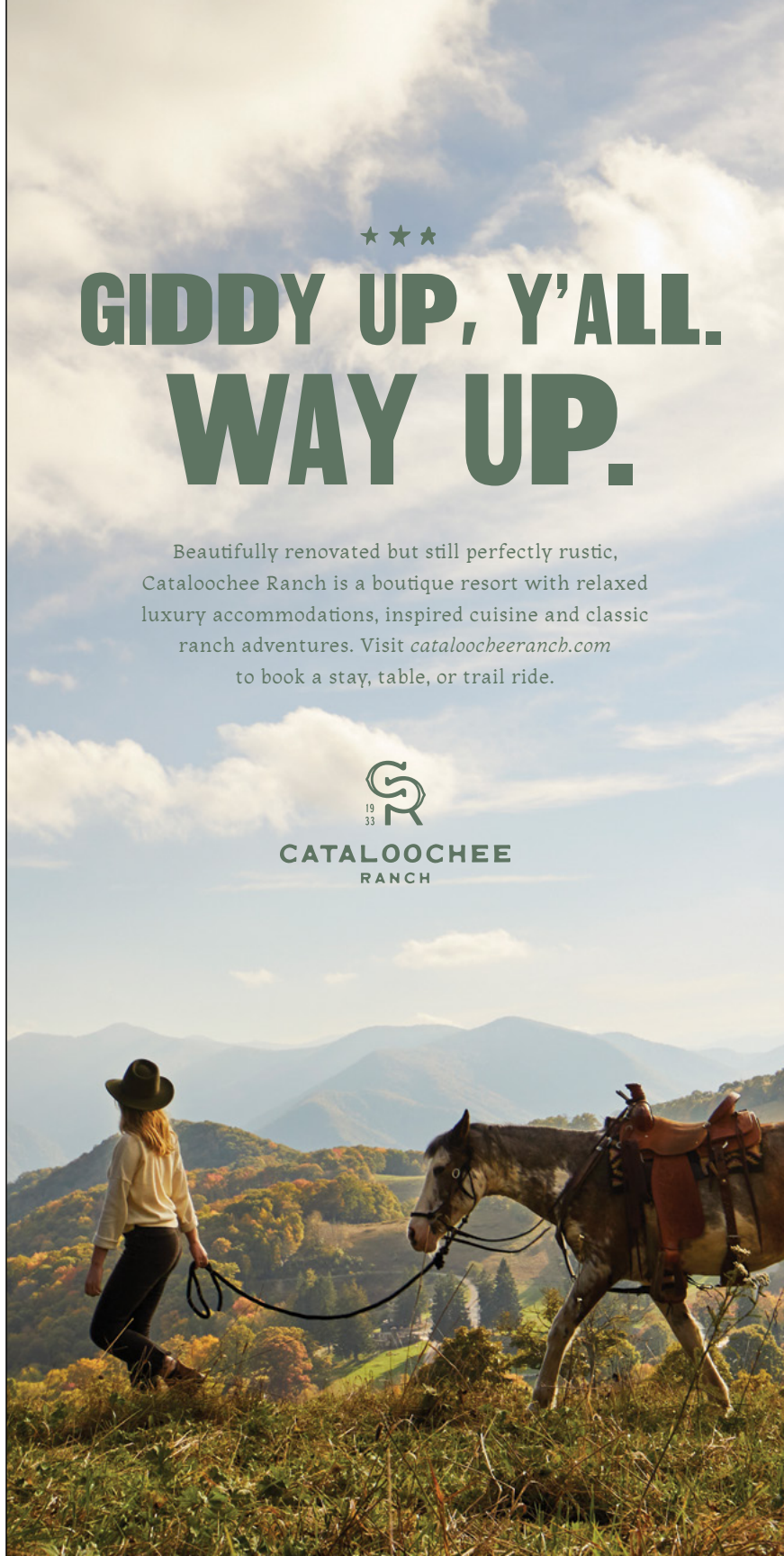
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### The Swag

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### Mountains-to-Sea Trail

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## VISITOR INFORMATION

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3987 Soco Rd. Maggie Valley  
828-926-0866



### Haywood County Tourism Development Authority

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




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### VISITOR INFORMATION

#### Blue Ridge National Heritage Area

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