2022 Media Kit





VISITVBR.COM

Virginia's Blue Ridge Website Metrics for 2021



2021 Unique Website Visitors: 1,722,383





Desktop 21.54%



Tablet 4.63%



Mobile **73.84%**

Top Geographic Locations

- 1. Roanoke-Lynchburg, VA
- 2. Washington, DC
- 3. Norfolk-Portsmouth-Newport News
- 4. Richmond-Petersburg
- 5. Baltimore, MD
- 6. Charlottesville, VA
- 7. Charlotte, NC
- 8. Raleigh-Durham, NC
- 9. New York, NY
- 10. Greensboro-High Point-Winston-Salem

INTERNAL MARKET: 20.79%

EXTERNAL MARKETS: 79.21%

Note: While Roanoke-Lynchburg is No. 1 on the list, it's still just over 20% of the total - meaning nearly 80% of the people coming to our website are in other places around the country. Our audience is LARGELY external.

FREE VBR PARTNER OPPORTUNITIES





Do you have an upcoming event?

Submit it to our online calendar or email

Holly Marden (hmarden@visitvbr.com)

for more information.

Is your listing on VisitVBR.com up to date?

Be sure your listing, images, copy and amenities are updated for visitors to see! You could be listed in various sections of the website.

Add VBR with your messaging!

Access our Branding Kit_at
visitvbr.com/partner/branding-kit, or
contact Marlee Richardson
(mrichardson@visitvbr.com)
for more information.

Are you interested in participating in VBR's Public Relations Program?

Visit VBR's public relations team continues to promote Virginia's Blue Ridge as a premier travel destination through placements in national and international media outlets. In 2021, Visit VBR helped generate over 300 media mentions for the region in publications such as Southern Living, Garden & Gun, USA Today, AAA World Magazine, Washington Post, Forbes, and The Local Palate. Contact PR Manager, Kathryn Lucas (klucas@visitvbr.com) for more information!



Hemispheres

TRAVEL+ LEISURE Southern Living











The Washington Post VIRGINIA

VBR E-NEWSLETTER FEATURED PARTNER MONTHLY PROGRAM



Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge has an opt-in database of over 32,200.

\$500

Each participant receives:

- ✓ Image
- ✓ Headline/Title
- ✓ 25-30 words of copy
- Direct Link to Partner Website



Blue Ridge Marathon

See if you have what it takes to conquer America's Toughest Road Marathon! The Blue Ridge Marathon includes 7,430 feet of elevation change and the opportunity to run on the iconic Blue Ridge Parkway. This year's race takes place Saturday, April 17 and there is still time to register

Race Info >

UPCOMING EVENTS

Opening Day at Poplar Forest Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest

March 15

Spring Fling Poker Run Virginia Museum of Transportation

March 20

Roanoke's Selfle Tour Wasena Park

March 25

Harvester Performance Center March 18

Dog Bowl Market

Black Dog Salvage March 21

5PT'S Outdoors: Dead Reckoning Opossum Day at Explore Park

Winness Dark March 26-27

& Eric Gales

Explore Park March 27

Mill Mountain Zoo

The Hackensaw Boys & Cruz

Harvester Performance Center

March 20

March 21

SEE MORE EVENTS



Kid Friendly Fun in Virginia's Blue Ridge

Your kids will love all the things to do in Virginia's Blue Ridge, including museums with nteractive exhibits and incredible trails for outdoor recreation. Find all kinds of ideas for your next family vacation to the Blue Ridge Mountains!

Kid Friendly Things to Do >



VBR Cheers Trail

The Virginia's Blue Ridge Cheers Trail features local craft breweries, wineries, and distilleries. Download our Cheers Trail Passport to your mobile device and check in at participating locations to receive exclusive special offers & discounts!

Explore the Cheers Trail >



VBR E-NEWSLETTER NICHE MARKET PROGRAM



VBR E-Newsletter Niche Market Program Partner Option

Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge has an optin database of over 32,200. Within this database, we have consumers interested in niche markets.

Outdoors (13,250+)

May, August, December & February ('23

Arts & Culture (8,100+)

April, July, October & January ('23)

Family Fun (6, 100+)

June, September, November & March ('23)

\$300

Each participant receives:

- ✓ Image
- ✓ Title/Headline
- ✓ 25-30 words of copy
- ✓ Direct link to Partner Website



20 Experiences for Hiking Lovers

Take in the stunning views from the Appalachian Trail. Enjoy a walk to a scenic waterfall. Snap a picture of the Roanoke Star. Virginia's Blue Ridge is a playground of awesome hikes!

List of Hiking Experiences



Outdoor Patios

It's all fresco season in the Blue Ridge Mountains! Take advantage of the many restaurants, bars, coffee shops, breweries, wineries, and distilleries that feature great outdoor patio space!

Patio Locations



VBR E-NEWSLETTER CUSTOMIZED PROGRAM



VBR E-Newsletter Customized Program

Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge an opt-in database of over 32,200 for e-mail communications.

This program provides the opportunity to build a custom email that will be distributed to the Visit VBR database.

Customized Sponsorship

- **□** 32,200+
- Monthly
 - □ Limit One Partner Per Month
- ☐ Send your own customized e-newsletter to VBR's database

\$800

Each property receives:

- ✓ Image
- ✓ Brief Description
- Link to Partner Website



Warm Up with Tastings at the Taubman

From international wines to bourbon and bacon, you're sure to have a delicious time in Virginia's Blue Ridge!

The Taubman Museum of Art in the heart of downtown Roanoke is pleased to present a trio of tasting events that are sure to warm your spirits this winter!

Wine + Dine | Thursday, January 18

Begin your evening with a wine reception and guided tour of the galleries with nationally acclaimed exhibiting artist Joan Tanner. Then retreat to an intimate theater for a guided, Spanish-themed four-course dining experience with Pablo Rodriguez, the third generation vineyard owner responsible for Hispano Bodegas wines.

International Wine Festival | Sunday, January 28
Sample more than 30 wines from around the world (along with a few craft beers for good measure!) while you enjoy live music and expertly paired hors d'oeuvres and desserts at the Fifth Annual International Wine Festival, presented by Kroger. Seasoned wine stewards will enhance your experience with tasting notes to help you discover your favorite new wines. If you're staying within a 15-minute radius of the Museum, a designated driver courtesy of Coca-Cola will even return you after the event!

Bourbon + Bacon | Friday, February 9
The name deliciously says it all: generous pours and tapas-style savory pork creations by local chefs. Round out your culinary experience with a spotlight talk by Virginia Tech Senior Instructor John Boyer about whiskey-making traditions, dance along to live music, and visit the galleries to enjoy hundreds of original works on view.

Enjoy One or More!

Click Here to Get Your Tickets Before They're Gone!

Tastings at the Taubman are generously sponsored in part by: Kroger | Coca Cola | The Mountain FM | City Magazine

VBR E-NEWSLETTER LOCAL FEATURES PROGRAM



LOCAL FEATURES!

With any VBR E-Newsletter

\$100

Each participant receives:

√ 7-8 words of copy

✓ Direct link to Partner Website



Awesome Spots for Camping

Camping is a perfect way to enjoy the great outdoors in Virginia's Blue Ridge! The region offers a variety of camping experiences, ranging from rugged and remote in the national forest to waterfront glamping on the James River. Plan your next overnight adventure.

Where to Camp

UPCOMING EVENTS

Roanoke's Selfle Tour

March 25

Tab Benoît & Samantha Fish Berglund Center Parking Lot

Berglund Center Parking Lot April 7

Harvester Outdoors - The Beach

Harvester Performance Center April 21 Outdoor Movie Night: The Long Start to the Journey Mill Mountain Park

Mill Mountain Park April 2

Foot Levelers Blue Ridge Marathon, Half Marathon &

Anthem StarK Elmwood Park April 17

h 66th Annual Vinton Dogwood Festival

Town of Vinton April 23-24

SEE MORE EVENTS

Outdoor Movie Night: The Long Buchanan Cherry Blossoms

Town of Buchanan April 2-11

Smith Mountain Lake Restaurant

Various Restaurants April 19-25

Hiking Tour & Wine Tasting

Beliveau Farm Winery Every other Sunday



Blue Ridge Marathon - America's Toughest Road Race

Roanoke River Voted a Top Urban Kayaking Spot

Top Adventure Town Itinerary for an Epic Road Trip

Starr Hill Releases Special Beer for IRONMAN 70.3

Town of Rocky Mount to Develop Celeste Park

FEATURED INSTAGRAM STORY/REEL





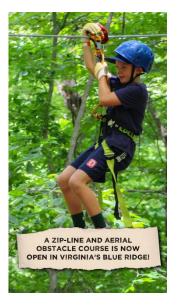
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Virginia's Blue Ridge

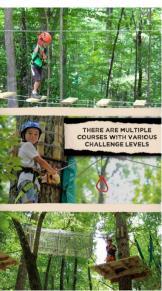
Based in Roanoke, we are the official destination marketing organization for Virginia's Blue Ridge. Join the fun and be a #Trailsetter!

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101 Shenandoah Ave NE, Roanoke, Virginia









Featured Instagram Story/REEL

- ☐ On-site photography
- ☐ Up to five images story/trivia
- ☐ VBR to post on Social Media with partner tag

\$400

Partner receives content

BLOG POST | SPONSORED CONTENT



6 Fun Experiences with Starr Hill Brewery in Roanoke

Tuesday, August 27, 2019 4:00 PM by Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge



Since opening its doors in fall 2017, the **Starr Hill Pilot Brewery & Side Stage** in Roanoke has been an integral part of the craft beer scene in Virginia's Blue Ridge.

With the company's original location and presence in Charlottesville, as well as its product being distributed in local markets, Starr Hill Brewery already had a strong reputation among craft beer fans in the region, but the addition of an onsite location and tasting room helped take the experience to the next level.

Now, visitors to Virginia's Blue Ridge get to check out #StarrCity.

The Starr Hill Pilot Brewery & Side Stage is located in The Bridges development in Roanoke, and it's a perfect spot to incorporate into a variety of adventures.

It's conveniently located near Downtown Roanoke, the Roanoke River Greenway & Blueway, Mill Mountain Park, and the Blue Ridge Parkway.

As you plan the next way to be a #trailsetter in Virginia's Blue Ridge, here are 6 fun ways you can make Starr Hill part of the experience!

Blog Post on VisitVBR.com

- Provides longterm SEO
- ☐ Shows within VBR search
- Can drive social media to link
- ☐ VBR to share with VTC content program

\$500

Limit 1 partner per month

THE BLUE RIDGE DIGEST



The Blue Ridge Digest is the most widely available travel publication in the mountains! 50,000 copies printed per issue. Distribution areas include North Georgia to Charlottesville, Pidgeon Forge/Gatlinburg to Boone, and many NC, VA and TN AAA offices. Distribution at attractions, motels and almost all travel information centers in the mountains.

Magazine includes information the mountain visitor needs; area map, stories of the region, area calendar of events. You can view past issues at www.blueridgedigest.com



\$225/Issue

Summer (June – August)

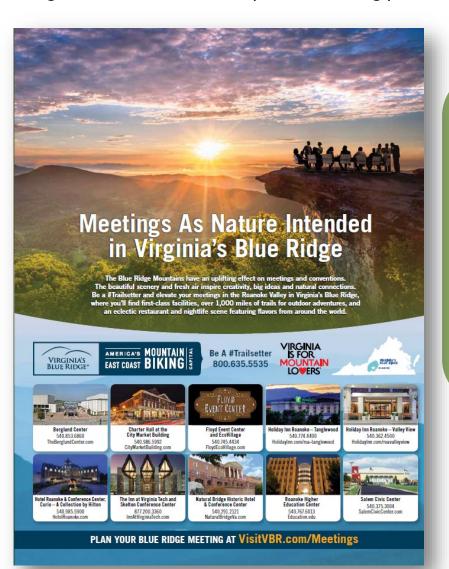
Fall (August – November)

VIRGINIA BUSINESS-VIRGINIA MEETING & CONFERENCE PLANNER



This special section is bound in the October issue of Virginia Business, reaching over 27,500 businesses, professional and government leaders in Virginia; including pass-along, reaching over 75,000 individuals.

In addition, it is printed as a stand-alone piece and distributed at the VSAE Fall Educational Symposium & Expo in Richmond, reaching a prime audience of Virginia association and corporate meeting planners.



\$700

October 2022 Issue

Each participant receives:

- ✓ 1 Image
- ✓ Phone & website
 - ✓ Participant description in the editorial section.

2023 VIRGINIA TRAVEL GUIDE



Be a part of Virginia's primary fulfillment piece!
The Virginia Travel Guide is the State's exclusive fulfillment piece
Used By 1 Million+ Travelers

Reach millions of visitors planning their Virginia vacations. Put the power of Virginia's marketing campaign to work for you! Synergy & research drive the Travel Guide like never before. Engage the Virginia visitor with the interactive digital edition.

- Print Distribution= 500,000
- Every page of Virginia.org promotes the Travel Guide.

\$750

Each participant receives:

- ✓ Free Listing
- ✓ Access to Leads
- ✓ Includes Digital Guide



VisitVBR.com Advertising with DTN





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