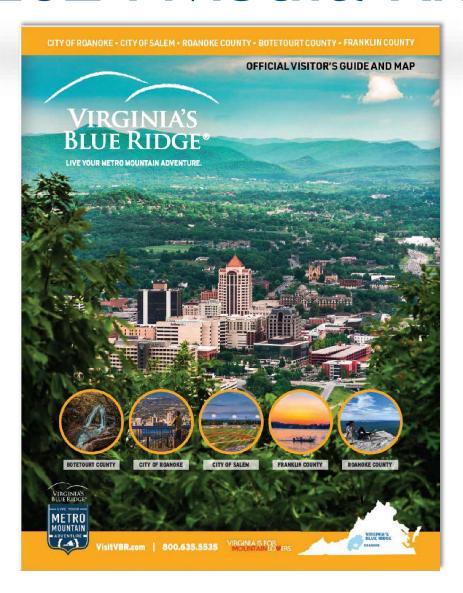
2024 Media Kit





Virginia's Blue Ridge Website Metrics



2023 Unique Website Visitors: 1,949,347





21.5%



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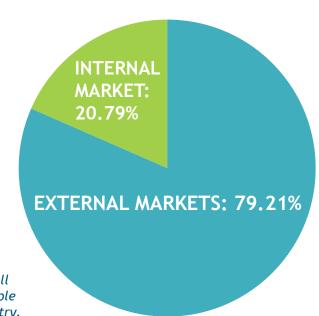


Mobile 75%

Top Geographic Locations

- 1. Roanoke-Lynchburg
- 2. Washington, DC
- 3. Baltimore
- 4. Norfolk-Newport News
- 5. New York
- 6. Richmond
- 7. Atlanta
- 8. Philadelphia
- 9. Raleigh-Durham
- 10. Charlotte

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@visitybr.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 Cheryl Morales (cmorales@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 2022, 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 Director of PR, Kathryn Lucas (klucas@visitvbr.com) for more information!





















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 to participate.

Race Info >

UPCOMING EVENTS

Opening Day at Poplar Forest

Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest March 15

Spring Filing 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 Oposeum Day at Explore Park

& Eric Gales Wasena Park March 26-27

Explore Park March 27

Mill Mountain Zoo

The Hackensaw Boys & Cruz

Harvester Performance Center

March 20

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March 21

SEE MORE EVENTS



Kid Friendly Fun in Virginia's Blue Ridge

four 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 o 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 ('24 - '25)

Arts & Culture (8,100+)

April, July, October & January ('24 - '25)

Family Fun (6, 100+)

June, September, November & March ('24 - '25)

\$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-minuter radius of the Museum, a designated driver courtesy of CocaCola 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



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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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

\$100

Each participant receives: ✓ 7-8 words of copy Direct link to Partner Website Rosnoke's Selfle Tour March 25

Tab Benoit & Samantha Fish

Boys Harvester Performance Center

April 21

Outdoor Movie Night: The Long Buchanan Cherry Blossoms Start to the Journey Mill Mountain Park

April 2 Foot Levelers Blue Ridge Marathon, Half Marathon &

Anthem Stark Elmwood Park

Harvester Outdoors - The Beach 66th Annual Vinton Dogwood Festival

Town of Vinton April 23-24

Smith Mountain Lake Restaurant Week

Various Restaurants April 19-25

Hiking Tour & Wine Tasting Beliveau Farm Winery Every other Sunday



Blue Ridge Marathon - America's Toughest Road Race

SEE MORE EVENTS

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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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



Roanoke Rail Yard Dawgs: Hockey in Virginia's Blue Ridge

Monday, November 13, 2023 7:00 AM by Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge



When it comes to hockey, Virginia might not be the first place that comes to mind. But tucked away in the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains is the Roanoke Rail Yard Dawgs, a team that's been making a name for itself in the world of professional ice backey.

Part of the Southern Professional Hockey League, the Dawgs are now the fifth professional hockey team to represent the Roanoke Region. On October 21, 2016, the Rail Yard Dawgs debuted in front of a lively, sold-out **Berglund Center** crowd and haven't looked back since on their quest to dominate minor league hockey.

Extremely popular among the Roanoke community, the energy inside Berglund Center during a Rail Yard Dawgs game is infectious. This popularity is due, in part, to the down-to-earth vibe of the team.

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)

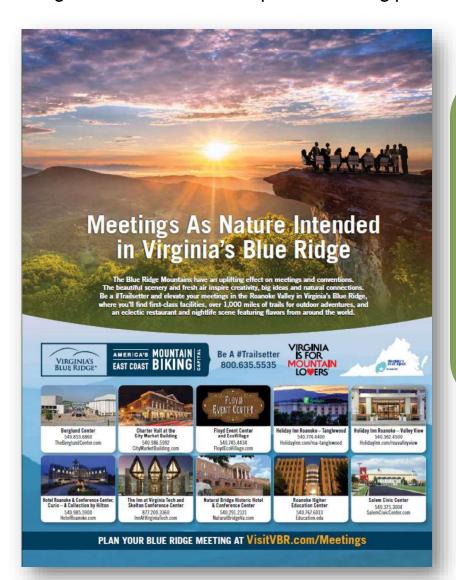
Fall (August – November)

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 2024 Issue

Each participant receives:

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

2024 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



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