



# BOTETOURT COUNTY

FINCASTLE

BUCHANAN

TROUTVILLE



Botetourt County is filled with rolling hills, miles of hiking trails including the Appalachian Trail, scenic rivers and streams, beautiful countryside, and historic small towns, all set against majestic mountain backdrops.




**APPALACHIAN TRAIL**





**Established in 1770, Botetourt County (Bot-a-tot) celebrated its 250th anniversary in 2020.**



A two-story white house with a metal roof, black shutters, and a balcony. The house is surrounded by trees and landscaping. A large tree is on the left, and a white picket fence is on the right. The house has a sign that says "25 East Main B&B" above the entrance. An American flag is flying on the right side of the house. The house is set on a brick driveway with large green bushes in front.

These small towns offer a glimpse of 18th century history through their architecture. Each town is connected by hiking, mountain biking, and winery trails creating a journey you won't want to miss.

**EAST MAIN B&B**



# WELCOME TO FINCASTLE







Indulge in a self-guided historical walking tour. Roam historic streets once walked by Thomas Jefferson and Lewis and Clark.



**Spend a day at the Botetourt County Historical Society & Museum, which preserves the rich history of a county that once stretched to the Mississippi River.**







**Enjoy the many local art galleries along Main Street and find Appalachian craftworks made by hand using traditional techniques passed down through generations.**





**Botetourt County, rich with agriculture, offers plenty of ways to enjoy fresh produce.**

**Find bold, fresh flavors and panoramic views at 1772 Rooftop on Main and recipes sure to impress by the Pie Lady, a sweet and savory local pie shop.**





Explore further to unearth local produce that makes its way onto menus across the region and beyond.

# THORNFIELD FARM





Thornfield Farm provides local produce and meats to popular Roanoke restaurants and area farmers markets.



**Local female farmer Susanna Thornton and her daughter**

**Follow their daily farm adventures on Instagram  
@ThornfieldFarmer**





Sip and sample award-winning wine at two secluded, scenic wineries in Botetourt County.



BLUE RIDGE VINEYARD




VIRGINIA MOUNTAIN VINEYARDS





**BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY**





The iconic Blue Ridge Parkway, known as America's Favorite Drive, weaves together the small towns of Virginia's Blue Ridge with stunning mountain views for miles and miles...



**Hop off of the Blue Ridge Parkway and head into  
Buchanan, our next small town.**





# WELCOME TO BUCHANAN






This town, once a bustling commerce hub in the 18th century, now offers a quiet destination for antiquing, local art and scenic adventure on the iconic river that passes through it.



BUCHANAN THEATER



*The  
Frame Shop  
& Gallery*

  
Kenny Sexton  
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Step back in time to learn the history of Buchanan on a local walking tour. [Visit over 30 stops in town](#) on this historic trail.

**BUCHANAN FOUNTAIN AND GRILLE**



# BUCHANAN SWINGING BRIDGE

The image shows the Buchanan Swinging Bridge, a historic suspension bridge with a stone pier, crossing a river in a lush, forested area. The bridge has a wooden deck and metal railings, and its structure is supported by a large stone pier. The surrounding landscape is filled with dense green trees and a clear blue sky.

This walkable attraction is the most recognized structure in town. Built as early as 1834, it is the only bridge of its kind along the entire James River.

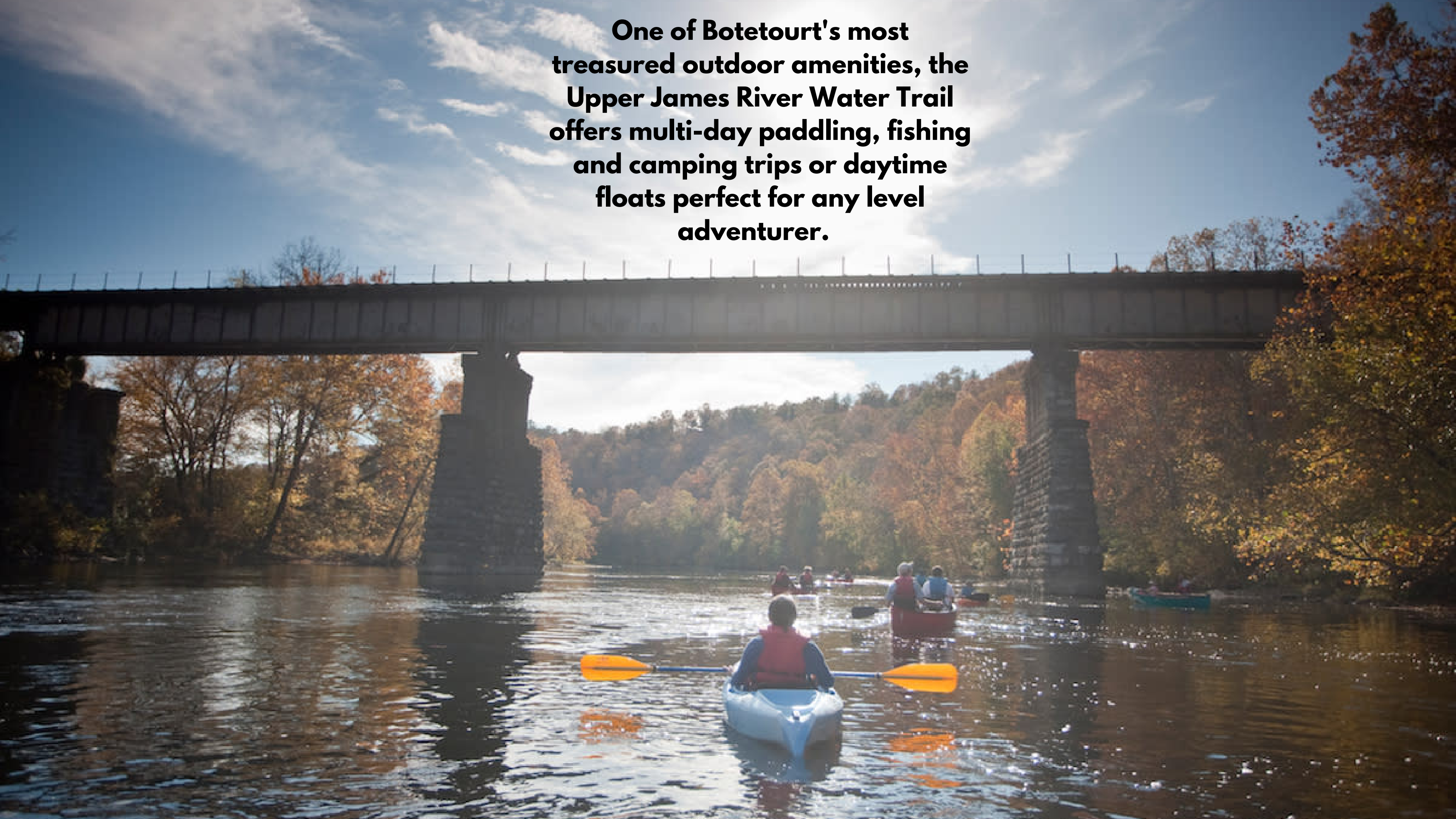




# UPPER JAMES RIVER WATER TRAIL



**One of Botetourt's most treasured outdoor amenities, the Upper James River Water Trail offers multi-day paddling, fishing and camping trips or daytime floats perfect for any level adventurer.**









The portion of the mighty James in Virginia's Blue Ridge is an official Virginia Designated Scenic River. Paddle along miles of pristine, undeveloped shoreline and exciting Class I and II rapids while admiring stunning Blue Ridge Mountain views.





# TWIN RIVER OUTFITTERS



Head to Twin River Outfitters for your paddling adventure needs. Easily rent gear, glamping tents and camp sites, and book shuttle service for your thrilling whitewater rafting trip, lazy day float, or multi-day escape.





Many local farms turn into fall-favorite destinations when the weather gets cooler in the fall. Enjoy seasonal events and produce year-round!

**JETER FARM**



# BEAVER DAM FARM SUNFLOWER FESTIVAL

This spectacular Sunflower Festival takes place in Buchanan annually in September. Enjoy farm to table dinners, local vendors, goat yoga and other events among thousands of stunning sunflowers.



# LAST STOP: TROUTVILLE



Don't miss local hidden gems in this small town. The iconic Appalachian Trail and TransAmerica Bicycle Route 76 wind through the heart of Troutville and along U.S. Route 11, bringing in visitors from all across the country.



**Stop by the Apple Barn and Kelly's Real Deals for a truly unique souvenir.**







**THANK YOU FOR VISITING  
BOTETOURT COUNTY  
IN VIRGINIA'S BLUE RIDGE!**



## MORE BOTETOURL

Get the full scoop on everything there is to do, see, eat, and drink in Botetourt.

## TRANSAMERICA BICYCLE TRAIL

Discover the final section of this cross-country route in Virginia's Blue Ridge.

## FINCASTLE

There's even more to enjoy in this historic town.

## MUST SEE MAIN STREET: BUCHANAN

Learn more about this town with a trip back in time.

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