

Scenic Driving Tour



Gold Fever Tour 22.9 TOTAL MILES

There's gold in them there Foothills...see if you can find it on this fun and exciting tour that tells the tale of the NC Gold Rush and provides you with a chance to find some of your own.

Start at the Rutherford County Courthouse: 229 N. Main Street Rutherfordton, NC

- 1. The Bechtler House**
130 W. 6th St., Rutherfordton, NC 28139
 - » From Main Street turn LEFT onto 6th Street
Bechtler House is on the right
POINTS OF INTEREST DOWNTOWN: KidSenses Museum, Cherry Bounce Trail
- 2. The Bechtler Historic Mint Park**
342 Gilboa Church Rd., Rutherfordton, NC 28139
 - » Turn LEFT/EAST back onto 6th St.
Then LEFT/NORTH at stop sign onto Main St. (US Hwy 221 N) > Go 2.7 miles
 - » Turn RIGHT onto Gilboa Church Rd. > Go .4 miles
Bechtler Historic Mint Park is on the right

- 3. Thermal City Gold Mine**
5240 US Hwy 221, Union Mills, NC 28167
 - » Turn LEFT back onto Gilboa Church Rd.
Then RIGHT at stop sign onto US Hwy 221 N
> Go 8 miles
 - » Turn RIGHT into Thermal City Gold Mine

Do you have gold fever?

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