

VIRGINIA MOUNTAINS

The VIRGINIA MOUNTAINS region connects small towns and vibrant cities through scenic drives in the western reaches of the state. With breathtaking views and a wealth of fresh air adventures - from America's East Coast Mountain Biking Capital to vast and winding blueways - this outdoor mecca invites you to breathe it all in, wander to your heart's content and stay awhile among charming towns and vibrant cities.

The Lemon Hotel, Paint Bank

This cheery, bright hotel in all its lemon-yellow appearance is a great escape to a bygone era with today's modern luxuries. Spacious suites showcase curated antiques and collectables with different themes reflecting the various fruits grown on the property (apples, blueberries and pears, to name a few).

Add these experiences to your travel bucket list for the region!



The Virginia Maple Syrup Trail, Highland County

Highland County is widely known for its annual Maple Festival, as well as being one of the southernmost places in the United States where pure maple syrup can be made, due to the high elevations of the Appalachian Mountains. Take an agritourism adventure to learn how maple syrup is produced and connect with the local farmers who work so hard for such sweet rewards.

Jackson River Scenic Trail, Alleghany Highlands

Developed from an old railroad bed this 17-mile trail is ideal for family hikes and rides. The scenic landscape includes the Jackson River which runs adjacent to the trail, and provides a natural habitat for reproducing wild trout, as well as offers waterfall and river views for nature lovers.

Roanoke's Vibrant Black Culture

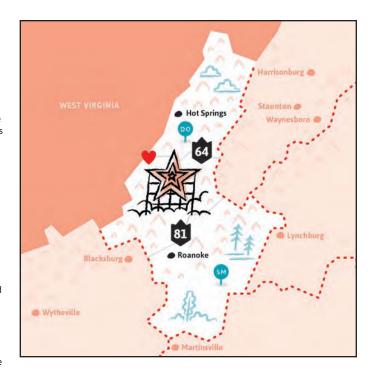
An integral part of the history and future of Virginia's Blue Ridge, Roanoke's vibrant Black culture is reflected in historic sites celebrating notable trailblazers like Booker T. Washington and Oliver White Hill, as well as in the Black-owned shops and restaurants throughout the region. While visiting, be sure to take the self-guided walking tour through the Historic Gainsboro neighborhood, a thriving hub of Roanoke's Black community during the first half of the 20th century.

1772 Rooftop on Main, Fincastle The Ba

This rooftop bar and restaurant offers craft cocktails, seasonal small plates and a gorgeous view of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Award-winning mixology and a delectable menu provide a relaxing evening after taking in all the nearby sights and activities.

The BackYard, Forest

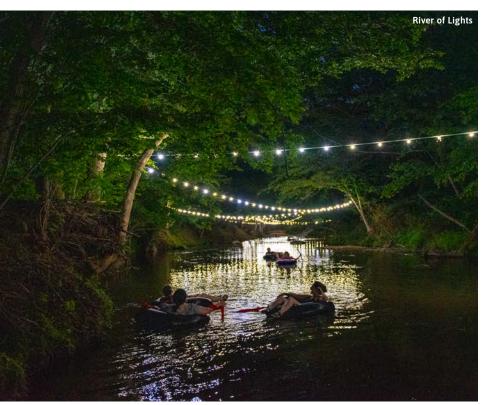
Gather the family for weekend campfires and outdoor movie nights! This outdoor food court boasts over a dozen food trucks that will please every palate, from barbecue, wings and hot dogs to ice cream, kettle corn and pie.



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Your local guide to

FRANKLIN COUNTY





Day trip, road trip or extended stay - make Franklin County your future destination. Our rural community has plenty of open spaces, great views, small towns and welcoming people. As a land of two lakes, four rivers and 10,000 springs, with a landscape spanning from the crest of the Blue Ridge down to the Piedmont with the foothills in between, we offer a little something for everyone.

RIVER OF LIGHTS

For the One-of-a-Kind Experience Lovers

Float under nearly a million twinkling lights along the Pigg River during their annual River of Lights event! This unique nighttime event takes place every Friday and Saturday night during the month

CONCERTS BY CANOE

For the Music Lovers

After you've gotten your fill of Americana music along the Crooked Road: Virginia's Heritage Music Trail and inside The Harvester Music Performance Center, hop into a canoe, kayak, tube or float and paddle your way to the front row of Philpott Lake's floating stage for the Summer Concert Series! This free event featuring three performances by different local bands is fun for all ages and offers the perfect combination of summer fun, outdoor recreation and live music in a gorgeous setting. (You can also bring your own chairs and blankets to grab a spot on the grass if that's more your

MOUNTAIN BIKING BLISS

For the Adrenaline Lovers

Waid Park, which is managed by Franklin County Parks and Recreation and part of the Blue Ridge Off-Road Cyclists (BROC) IMBA chapter, has been described as a 500-acre playground. Its 15-mile trail system is perfect for the mountain biker looking for a diverse riding experience. Waid Park currently has a Bicycle Skills Loop ideal for warmup laps and balance bikes, two progressive jump lines, wooden drops and unique features around every berm. The trail system is actively growing, with a new flow trail opening Spring 2022. It's also home to the WooHoo at Waid Sprint Enduro. This five-stage spring enduro utilizes the newest and most progressive features in the VBR Enduro Series Waid Park trail network. Be ready for rock gardens, man-made jumps and sections with fast back-to-back corners and a bit of sprinting for those wanting to win this timed competition.



Do it all in Franklin County, Virginia

Franklin County, deemed the land between the lakes, is a distinct outdoor destination along the Blue Ridge Parkway. It is a landscape woven with miles of roads, trails, and waters perfect for adventures of all kinds. Bike along nearly 50 miles of scenic byways or at Waid Park. You can paddle on one of five blueways, including Philpott Lake. Or spend the day boating on one of two lakes, including Smith Mountain Lake. Finish the day with a craft beverage at one of our fine wineries, breweries, or distilleries.



(540) 483-3030 VisitFranklinCountyVA.com

















Welcome Center at

Virginia Tourism Corporation Mile Marker 2, I-64 Eastbound Covington 24426 540-559-3010

Blue Ridge Parkway vc 828-348-3400; nps.gov/blri. **

ALLEGHANY HIGHLANDS

Includes Clifton Forge, Covington, Low Moor, Millboro

Alleghany Highlands Chamber of Commerce & Tourism 110 Mall Rd., Covington;

540-962-2178; visitalleghanyhighlands.com. Beautiful mountain views, endless outdoor recreation and two walkable downtowns with locally owned shops and restaurants. Historic treasures and a thriving arts community. Get away, enjoy - it's uniquely Alleghany! ➡️♣

THINGS TO DO

Alleghany Highlands Arts and

439 E. Ridgeway St., Clifton Forge; 540-862-4447: highlandsartsandcraft.org. Art center, art gallery, shopping, art classes, events.

Alleghany Highlands Blueway 110 Mall Rd., Covington;

540-962-2178; alleghanyhighlandsblueway.com. Miles of scenic rivers and shoreline on two pristine lakes.

Alleghany Highlands Genealogical Society

515 E. Pine St., Covington: 540 962-1501; ahgscov.org. Library old photos and records.

Alleghany Highlands Industrial Heritage and Discovery Technology Center

149 S. Maple Ave., Covington; 540-965-0149. Coming Soon! Builds on the history of materials-oriented industries in the region.

Alleghany Highlands Trails 110 Mall Rd., Covington; 540-962-2178; alleghan yhigh land strails.com Hundreds of miles

of challenging trails with

Alleghany Historical Society Covington Depot 149 Maple Ave.

Covington; 540-965-0149; alleghanyhistorical.org. Restored 1908 C&O passenger depot and 1890 freight depot. 🖚 🖔

Blue Spring Run Farm 3901 Blue Spring Run Rd., Covington; 540-747-2055; bluespringrunfarm.com. Tours, seasonal produce. haked goods and sweet treats available year-round.

C&O Railway Heritage Center 705 Main St., Clifton Forge; 540-862-8653; cohs.org. Railway heritage museum that tells the story of C&O Railway, - 5

Clifton Forge School of the

518 Church St., Clifton Forge; 540-862-7275; cfsota.org. Offers a large array of classes specializing in the arts.

Douthat State Park vo

14239 Douthat State Park Rd., Millboro; 540-862-8100; virginiastateparks.gov/douthat. \$ ~~ & &

Eastern National Children's Forest

State Route 18, James River Ranger District, Covington: 540-962-2214: visitalleghanyhighlands.com. Planted by children, a unique site offering an easy hike.

Falling Spring Falls Scenic overlook on Rt. 220

north of Covington. Covington: 540-962-2178: visitalleghanyhighlands.com Remarkable cascading 80-foot waterfall with a roadside overlook.

Historic Humpback Bridge 1-64 Exit 10 to Rt. 60 travel 1/2 mile east or take Rt. 60 west from Covington Covington; 540-962-2178; visitalleghanyhighlands. com. The oldest bridge of this

style in existence; wayside park. A **Historic Masonic Theatre**

510 Main St., Clifton Forge 540-862-5655 historicmasonictheatre.com. Constructed in 1905, now used as a performing arts center.

Jack Mason's Tavern & Brewery

400 E. Ridgeway St., Clifton Forge; 540-862-5624; iackmasonstavern.com Open 4-9pm Monday-Thursday and 11am-9pm Friday-Sunday for lunch, dinner, craft beer and lots of fun...See you in Clifton Forge! &

Jackson River Scenic Trail Alleghany County Parks & Rec. Covington: 540-863-6622: alleghanyhighlandstrails. com. 14.4-mile trail for biking,

hiking and horseback riding. **Jackson River Sports Complex**

870 W. Edgemont Dr., Covington; 540-965-6360; covington.va.us. State-of-the art sports facility. Athletic fields, tennis courts, driving range, amphitheater. 🖚 📽 🖔

Lake Moomaw, Gathright Dam and Morris Hill Campground South end of Lake Moomaw, Morris Hill Rd., Covington;

540-962-2178 visitalleghanyhighlands.com Nestled in the scenic Allegheny Mountains; camping, boating, fishing and swimming.

Main Street Park/Engine 701 Main St., Covington; 540-962-6360; covington.va.us. Six-acre community park with the refurbished 701 Steam Engine.

Masonic Amphitheatre 513 Church St., Clifton Forge; 540-862-5655 historic masonic theatre. com. A unique venue that offers entertainment in music and theater

performances. 🖚 🛎 🛦

Oakland Church & Cemetery Low Moor/Selma Rd. (Old R 60). Low Moor: 540-962-2178 visitalleghanvhighlands.com. Served as hospital during Civil

War; Confederate soldiers buried here. River Rock Amphitheatre 870 W. Edgemont Dr. Covington; 540-965-6360;

covington.va.us. Seasonal entertainment in a unique venue. 🖚 📽 🖧

Wrightsville Heritage Museum 702 Wrightstown Rd., Rt. 60 and 220 Exit 16 off I-64, Covington; 540-962-6787; tmfndt.wix.com/ themcclintonfoundation. Historical artifacts, paintings, furniture, machinery, clothing some dating back to slavery.

BEDFORD AREA

Includes Big Island, Forest

Bedford Area Welcome Center vo US 460 & 122, Bedford; 540-587-5681;

destinationbedfordva.com Bedford offers outdoor recreation, wineries, breweries. shopping and unique dining and lodging. RV hook-ups, available. 二、

THINGS TO DO

Bedford Boys Tribute Center 102 North Bridge St

Bedford, 540-425-5598: bedfordboystributecenter.com View personal items of Bedford Boys in historic downtown site. 🖚 🖔

Bedford Museum and Genealogical Library

201 E. Main St., Bedford; 540-586-4520: bedfordvamuseum org. Local history and exhibits. Hours Monday-Saturday.

The Bedford Wine Trail

816 Burks Hill Rd. Bedford; 540-587-5681; destinationbedfordva.com/ experiences/heer-wine Savor the flavor of exquisite wine varieties and enjoy wonderful views. 🖚📽

Big Otter Mill

Rt. 122 North, Bedford; 434-660-1587; bigottermill. com. Historic mill that hosts events and group tours by appointment.

Bower Center for the Arts 305 North Bridge St., Bedford; 540-586-4235; bowercenter. org. Cultural center with art exhibits, concerts, workshops throughout the year.

Hunter's Raid Civil War Trail 816 Burks Hill Rd., Bedford; 540-587-5681: civilwartrails. org. Bedford hosts four sites Information at Bedford Area Welcome Center. ←

National D-Day Memorial 3 Overlord Cir Bedford: 540-586-3329; dday.org. National forces who participated in D-Day, \$ == &

Peaks of Otter Milepost 86, Blue Ridge Pkwy., Redford: 540-586-4496 peaksofotter.com. Hiking, fishing, wildflower trails, picnic areas, campgrounds, spectacular mountain views.

Sedalia Center 1108 Sedalia School Rd., Big Island: 434-299-5080: sedaliacenter org. Venue hosting concerts, festivals,

workshops and more. Camping

available. \$ 🖚 📽 🕹 Thomas Jefferson's Poplar

1542 Bateman Bridge Rd., Forest 24551; 434-525-1806; poplarforest.org. Pursue happiness! Discover Jefferson's personal retreat. Ongoing restoration and archaeology.

The Wharton House

315 North Bridge St., Bedford; 540-587-5681: bedfordhistory org 1883 Italianate house and gardens. Gardens open to

BOTETOURT COUNTY Includes Buchanan, Daleville, Eagle

Rock, Fincastle

Botetourt County Chamber of Commerce

1324 Roanoke Rd., Suite 4, Daleville; 540-566-8812; botetourtchamber.com. Visit Botetourt located in the heart of Virginia's Blue Ridge.

THINGS TO DO

Blacksmith Shop/Wysong Park West Main St., Fincastle; 540-473-3077; hisfin.org. Circa 1840, containing blacksmith tools and history of the family who owned it.

Botetourt County Historic Circuit Courthouse

1 West Main St., Fincastle: 540-473-8274; hisfin.org. Original, primary source genealogy documents dating to the early 1700's

Botetourt County Historical Museum

Courthouse Square, Fincastle; 540-473-8394: bothistsoc.wordpress.com. Houses hundreds of artifacts and historic interpretations of **Botetourt County**

Buchanan Historic Theatre 19778 Main St., Buchanan; 540-

254-1155; buchanantheatre. com. Big Screen in small town. National Register of Historic Places \$

Fincastle Historic District Historic Fincastle, Inc. 20 West Main St. Fincastle: 540-473-3077; hisfin.org. A virtual museum of American architecture from 1770's-20th century. 🖚📽

Fincastle Library Genealogy

Room 11 Academy St., Fincastle; 540-928-2700: botetourtva gov/libraries/genealogy.php. Botetourt once extended through seven present-day states. Genealogical resources available. 🖚

James Matten Early Cabin 121 Murray St., Fincastle; 540 473-3077; hisfin.org. Furnished historic cabin, circa 1796 scheduled tours available.

Roaring Run Recreation Area 450 Roaring Run Rd Fagle Rock; 540-928-2130; visitvbr com/botetourt. Early 1800s iron furnace: leisurely hike to exquisite water fall.

Upper James River Water Trail 640 Lowe St., Buchanan; 540-254-8012

upperiamesriverwatertrail com. Blueway with nine public access points, kayaking, tubing, canoeing, fishing.

COUNTY OF BATH

Includes Millboro, Hot Springs, Warm Springs

Visitor Information Gazebo Junction of Route 39 & 220, Warm Springs; 540-839-7202: discoverhath.com Find information on local attractions, outdoor recreation, lodging, dining and shopping.

THINGS TO DO

Bacova Beer

2814 Main St., Hot Springs; 540-839-2217: bacovabeer com. Bath County's only craft brewery, a favorite spot for visitors and locals.

Bath County Historical Society Museum

99 Courthouse Hill, Warm Springs; 540-839-2543; hathcountyhistory.org. Historical museum and research library. Call for seasonal hours. 🖚

Blowing Springs

Route 39, 7608 Mountain Valley Rd., Warm Springs; 540-839-2521. Hiking, wildlife, birding, fishing. 📽

Bolar Mountain Recreational

Rt 600 756 Twin Ridge Dr Warm Springs; 540-839-2521; discoverbath.com. Swimming, camping, fishing, hunting, boating, hiking, wildlife, birding, picnic area. 🖚 📽

Coursey Springs Fish Hatchery 300 Hatchery Ln., Millboro; 540-925-2343; dgif.state. va.us. Free guided tours, 365 days a year.

Dan Ingalls Overlook Mountain Valley Rd., Rt. 39, Warm Springs. Discoverbath com Scenic overlook interpretive signage and hiking trail.

Dominion Back Creek Recreation Area

Route 600, 316 Power Station Dr., Warm Springs; 540-279-4136; discoverbath.com. Swimming, hiking, non-power boating, picnic areas.

Douthat State Park

14239 Douthat State Park Rd., Millboro: 540-862-8100; virginiastateparks.gov. \$ ----

Garth Newel Music Center

403 Garth Newel Ln., Hot Springs; 540-839-5018; garthnewel.org. World-class chamber music venue. Live music and special programs year round.

Hidden Valley Recreational Area

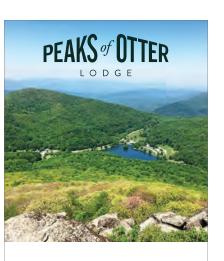
1531 Hidden Vallev Rd., Warm Springs: 540-839-2521; discoverbath.com. Camping, fishing, hiking and biking trails, birding, wildlife. 🖚 📽

Inn at Gristmill Square 118 Old Germantown Rd., Warm Springs; 540-839-2231; gristmillsquare.com. Boutique accommodations in the Village of Warm Springs with award-winning restaurant and outdoor poo (in season)

The Inn at Warm Springs

12968 Sam Snead Hwy., Warm Springs; 540-839-5351; theinnatwarmsprings.com. Historic B&B Inn with on-site tavern and coffee shop.

Lake Moomaw at Bolar Mountain Recreational Area 756 Twin Ridge Dr., Warm Springs; 877-444-6777; discoverbath com. A renowned fishing snot Activities include boating, fishing, hiking, biking, camping. 🖚 📽



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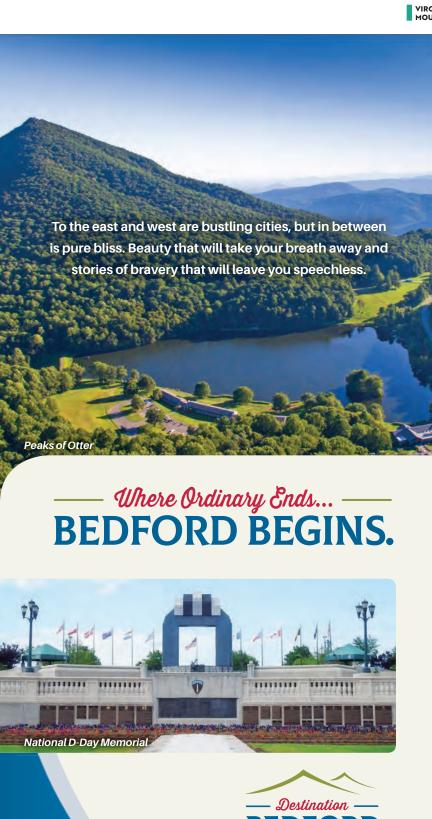
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VIRGINIA'S WESTERN HIGHLANDS

is located along the state's border with West Virginia in a peaceful portion of Virginia's mountains. The four-county region has wide-open spaces and plenty of room to roam. With amazing natural beauty, outdoor adventures and charming mountain towns, the region offers the very best of what visitors love about Virginia's mountains.

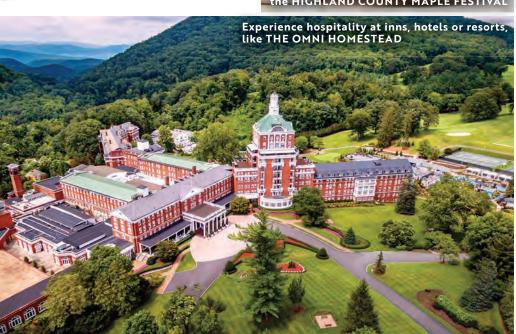
As you would expect of a place with the word Highlands in its name, the unspoiled mountain views are breathtaking and turn every drive into a scenic drive, usually leading to a few surprises. A journey through the four counties of Craig, Alleghany, Bath and Highland will include exploring unique towns, fun-filled festivals, delicious food and plenty of hospitality.

Plan your getaway ONLINE: Begin your adventure at VaWesternHighlands.com











Virginia's Western Highlands



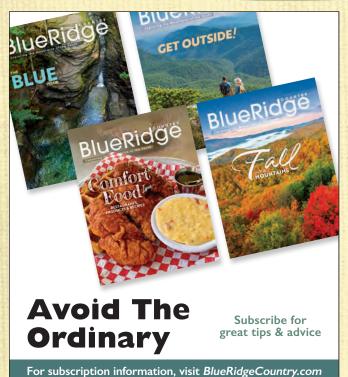


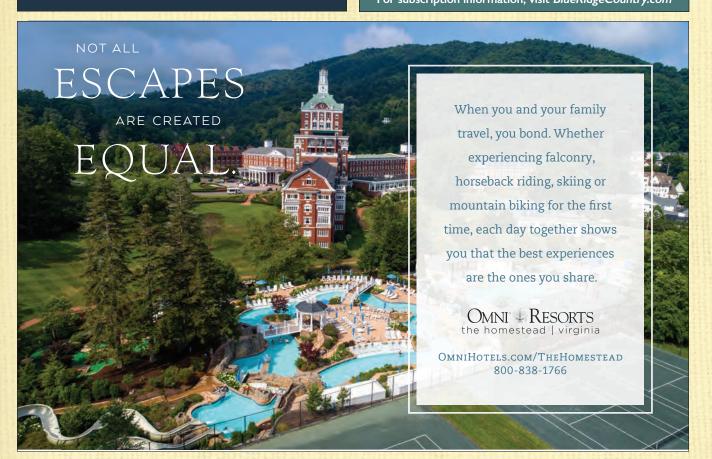
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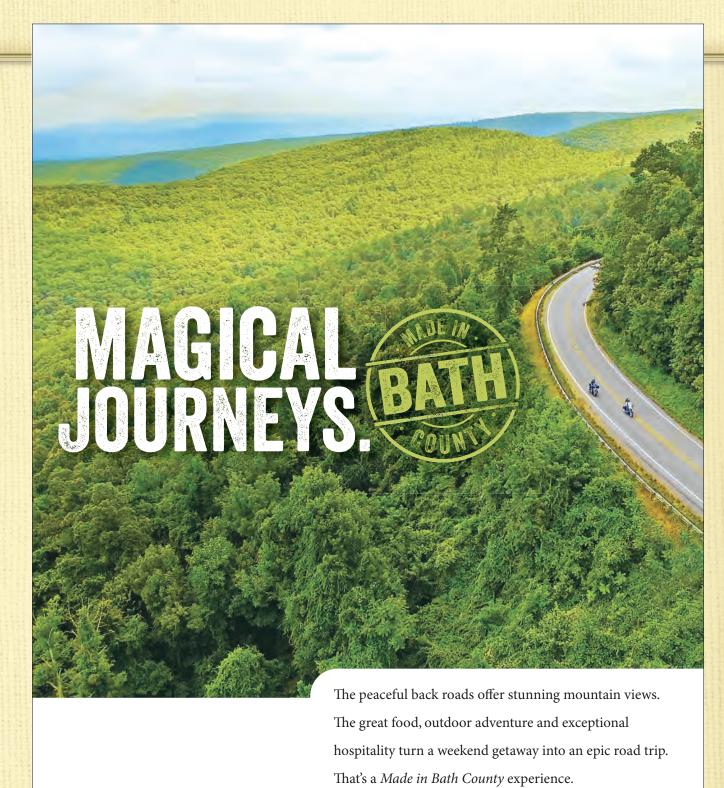


EXPLORE VIRGINIA'S WESTERN HIGHLANDS, where mountain views, charming towns and outdoor fun can be found around every bend in the road.





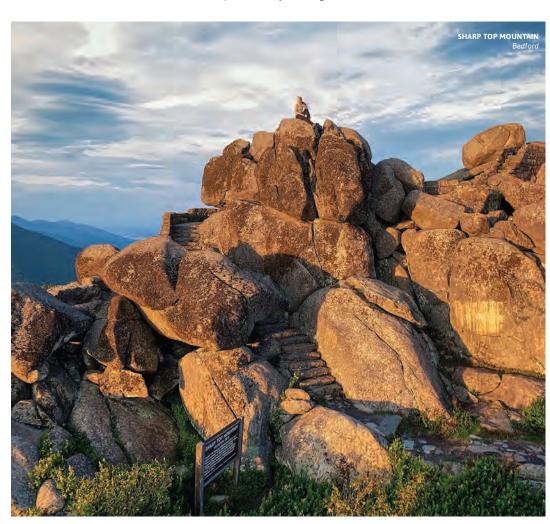






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VIRGINIA IS FOR MOUNTAIN LOWERS



Milk House Market

46 Old Dairy Rd., Warm Springs; 540-839-6455; facebook com/ HomesteadMilkHouse. Gourmet grocery store and deli, fresh sandwiches, soups and other goodies.

Pumped Storage Station

Route 600, 316 Power Station Dr., Warm Springs; 540-279-4136: discoverbath.com. Cited as one of the nation's most outstanding engineering

Vine Cottage Inn 7402 Sam Snead Hwy.,

Hot Springs; 540-839-2422; Vinecottageinn.com. Distinctive B&B: Bath County's best kept secret.

Warm Springs & West Warm Springs Historic District Near Junction of Rt. 39 and 220, Warm Springs. Discoverbath.com. Historic buildings, churches and county courthouse. The area includes inns shops and restaurants

Preserve

Route 39 and Route 703, Warm Springs; 540-839-3599; nature.org. Trails known for amazing diversity of natural communities, plants, animals.

CRAIG COUNTY Includes New Castle, Paint Bank

Craig County Tourism

108 Court St., New Castle: 540-864-5010; visitcraigcountyva. com. Enormous outdoor playground, 300 square miles and no traffic lights! 🖚 📽

Craig County Visitor

303 Main St.. New Castle: 540-864-8978: craigcountypubliclibrary.org. Information on Craig County and historic New Castle. Start of the Craig County Barn Quilt

THINGS TO DO

Fenwick Mines Day Use Area 128 Old Jeep Rd., New Castle; 540-552-4641; fs.usda.gov. Hiking and horse trails, pond, picnic areas, handicap accessible.

Warm Springs Mountain

New Castle Town Park 210 Salem Ave., New Castle; 540-864-2200; visitcraigcountyva.com. Play equipment picnic area LOVEworks; restaurants and shopping nearby.

Old Brick Hotel & Genealogy Library

141 Court St., New Castle; 540-864-7023; visitcraigcountyva.com. Three floors of local history and artifacts, three log cabins.

Paint Bank Fish Hatchery 14505 Paint Bank Rd., Paint Bank; 540-897-5401; dgif. virginia.org. Open 7am-3:30pm daily. Family-friendly trout viewing experience.

FRANKLIN COUNTY/ **ROCKY MOUNT**

Includes Axton Boones Mill Ferrum, Hardy, Moneta, Penhook

Franklin Office of Economic Development - Tourism 1255 Franklin St., Suite 112, Rocky Mount: 540-483-3030: visitfranklincountyva.com. The Gateway to the Virginia Mountains Region and much more. &

THINGS TO DO

The 1769 Old Chapel Church 436 Old Chapel Rd., Penhook; 540-483-0687: visitfranklincountyva.com. Restored historic church, oldest timber-frame structure in Southwest Virginia.

Blue Ridge Institute and Farm Museum

Ferrum College, Ferrum; 540-365-4416: blueridgeinstitute. org. State center for Blue Ridge folklore. Folk life exhibits.

Franklin County Historical Society Museum and Research Library 460 S. Main St., Rocky

Mount: 540-483-1890: franklincountyvirginia historicalsoc.org. Explore local history and research family roots. Annual special events.

Harvester Performance Center 450 Franklin St., Rocky Mount; 540-484-8277; harvester-music. com. Amazing sounds in a historic hardware store! 175 shows yearly!

Historic Boones Mill N&W

24 Depot Dr., Boones Mill; 540-334-5404; townofboonesmill org. National Register listed, built in 1892 and public restoration project.

Jubal A. Early Homeplace

455 Old Hollow Ln., Hardy; 540-719-0511; jubalearly. org. 1814 home of General Jubal Early. Listed in National Register, no admission fee.

Philpott Lake-Franklin County

1058 Philpott Dam Rd., Bassett 276-629-2703; virginia.org. Swimming, boating, fishing, hiking, campgrounds, six beaches, nine boat launches.

Rocky Mount Center for the

220 Franklin St., Rocky Mount; 540-483-1317; rockymountarts. org. Galleries, gift shop, regional art, artisan studios and demonstrations.

Smith Mountain Lake Moneta: 540-721-1203:

visitsmithmountainlake com 500 shoreline miles.

Turkeycock Wildlife

Management Area State Route 619, Axton; 804-367-1000; dgif.virginia.gov/ wmas. 2,679 acres, hiking and wildlife opportunities, dense hardwood covered mountain.

HIGHLAND COUNTY

Includes McDowell, Monterey

Highland County Visitor

61 Highland Center Dr., Monterey; 540-468-2550; highlandcounty.org. Maple Festival, hiking, barn quilt trail nfo. 🚗 🕹

THINGS TO DO

100th Anniversary Tol'able David Movie Celebration

161 Mansion House Rd McDowell: 540-396-4478: highlandcountyhistory.com/ tol-able-david-movie. 1921 classic silent film driving tour brochure, exhibit and showings.

George Washington and Jefferson National Forests

Highland County Monterey 540-839-2521; fs.usda.gov/ gwj. Outdoor recreation in the beautiful Appalachian mountains of Virginia.

Highland County Barn Quilt

Highland County, Monterey; 540-468-2550; highlandcounty. org/barn-quilt-trail. Find nearly 60 colorful wooden barn quilts around the county!

Highland County Maple Sugar Camps

Various Locations in Highland County; 540-468-2550; highlandcounty.org. Visit camps to discover Virginia Maple Syrup! Call for

Highland County Museum 161 Mansion House Rd., McDowell; 540-396-4478; highlandcountyhistory.com. Explore Highland County's rich heritage and Civil War history!

Highland County Veterans Memorial and Walk of Honor

165 W. Main St., Monterey; 540-468-2347; highlandcounty.org/things-to-do. Highland County's tribute to our area's veterans.

Highland Wildlife Management Area

Highland County, Monterey; 804-367-1000; dwr.virginia.gov/wma/highland. Over 14,000 acres of outdoor recreation opportunities.

McDowell Battlefield

Just East of McDowell along Rt. 250, McDowell; 540-396-4478; highlandcountyhistory.com. Experience this unspoiled, mountain Civil War battlefield with interpretive signage.

Sounding Knob Fire Tower

Sounding Knob Rd., Monterey; 804-218-4525; highlandcounty.org/things-to-do. Climb over 100 steps for unspoiled views sunrise to sunset.

Virginia Maple Syrup Trail

8 Sugar Camps Throughout Highland County, Monterey; 540-468-2550; virginiamaplesyrup.com. Tour eight local sugar camps and get your passport

ROANOKE

Includes Vinton

Virginia's Blue Ridge Visitors Center

101 Shenandoah Ave. NE, Roanoke; 540-342-6025; visitybr.com. Off I-81, Exit 143 and Parkway Milepost 120. Open daily. 🖚 🛎 🖔

Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge 101 Shenandoah Ave. NE. Roanoke: 540-342-6025: visitvbr.com. Virginia's Blue Ridge, a metro-mountain vacation destination.

THINGS TO DO

Center in the Square

1 Market Sq., SE, Roanoke; 540-342-5700; centerinthesquare.org. Nonprofit with FREE admission to aquariums, gardens and rooftop views.

Crystal Spring Pump Station

2012 South Jefferson St., Roanoke; 540-982-5465; roanokehistory.org. View the great fly-wheel rotating and the pistons pumping.

Eleanor D. Wilson Museum at Hollins University 8009 Fishburn Dr., Wetherill Visual Arts Center. Roanoke; 540-362-6532; hollins.edu/museum. Features the work of renowned, emerging and

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regional artists. 🖚 🖔

BRP Milepost 115, 56 Roanoke River Parkway Rd., Roanoke; 540-427-1800; explorepark.org. Hiking trails, adventure course disc golf, camping and visitor center.

Grandin Theatre

1310 Grandin Rd., SW, Roanoke; 540-345-6377; grandintheatre.com. Historic nonprofit theater showing first run and vintage films.

Harrison Museum of African-American Culture 1 Market Sq. SE, Roanoke; 540-857-4395;

harrisonmuseum.com. Showcasing the art and history of local/regional/national African

High Ground Veterans Monument 814 Washington Ave., Vinton; 540-983-0645;

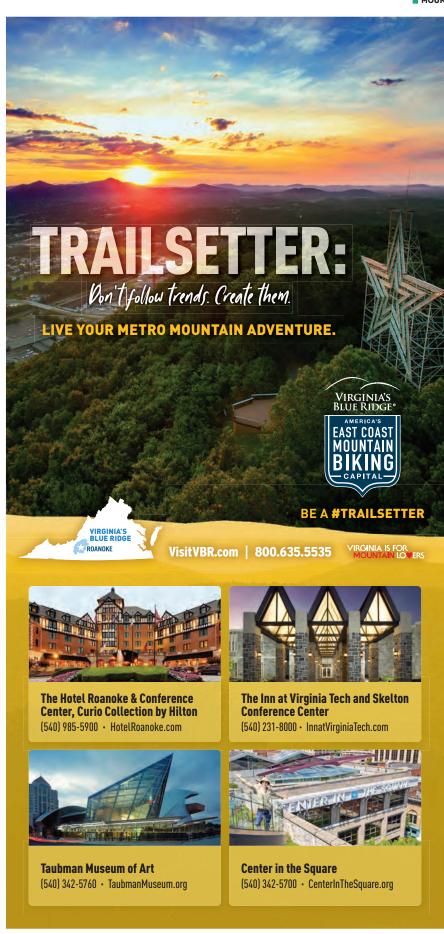
vintonva.gov. Honoring veterans who serve and who have served. ==

History Museum of Western Virginia

101 Shenandoah Ave. NE, Roanoke; 540-982-5465; roanokehistory.org. Exhibits and programs on the history of Western Virginia. \$ --- &

Jefferson Center

541 Luck Ave., Ste. 221, Roanoke; 540-345-2550; jeffcenter.org. Historic performing arts theater, art gallery. 🖚





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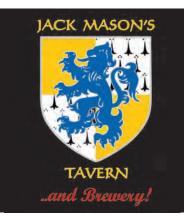


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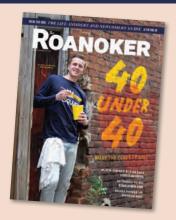


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