

DESTINATIONS

2024 Edition

Restaurants to Eat at

Shops for Groceries, Vegetables, Steak, Fish, Wine, Cheese, and Cigars

Waterfalls to See or Hike

Lakes to Rent a Boat or Kayak On

Rivers to Tube, Paddle or Fish

Courses to Golf

Trails to Horseback Ride

Historical Things to Do

Downtowns to Lunch, Walk or Shop

Casinos for Gambling or Shows

Things for Kids to Do

Massage, Nails and Hair

Dog Boarding

USPS, FedEx or UPS Drop Locations



Geography and History:

Lake Toxaway was founded in 1895. The mountains of Western North Carolina already had national prominence as a vacation destination for wealthy families by then. This area was known for a much cooler, less humid summer Southern climate due to the elevation with fresh air, an abundance of scenic waterfalls, stunning mountain views and outdoor recreation. The region was nicknamed the "Switzerland of America."

The land you are standing on was owned by the manufacturer of Singer Sewing Machines in the early and mid 1900's. The Singer Manufacturing Company harvested timber here to make sewing machine cabinets in Anderson, SC. Singer sold this land to Duke Power as they were building the massive Keowee-Toxaway hydroelectric project nearby because the area was ideal for its steep topography and temperate rain. Marathon Coach (a Prevost converter) designed the first Luxury Motorcoach Resort in a mountain range here in 2000. We have current resort owners here today that bought some of the first lots when the resort was originally developed.

Temperatures and Elevation:

Brevard NC ---- 2231' ---- Typically 5 degrees warmer than Mountain Falls Mountain Falls in Lake Toxaway NC ---- averages 3300' on the Ridge Cashiers NC ---- 3484' ----- Typically 2 degrees cooler than Mountain Falls Highlands NC ---- 4117' ---- Typically 5 degrees cooler than Mountain Falls

Just Exactly Where are You?

You are in the Great Smoky Mountains range in the Blue Ridge Province of the Appalachian Mountains and only a few miles from the Eastern Continental Divide. The name "Smoky" comes from the natural fog that often hangs over the range and presents as large smoke plumes from a distance caused by the vegetation that has a high vapor pressure.

We are a short drive to the Western section of the historic and beautiful 429 mile long Blue Ridge Parkway. To our East is the Pisgah National Forest which is 512,000 acres, part of which was originally part of the Biltmore Estate. To our South is Gorges State Park which is 7,700 acres. And, to our West is Nantahala National Forest which is 531,000 acres.

Rain and Clouds in the Forecast?

Don't be discouraged if you see rain in the forecast or wake up to a cloudy day every once and a while here. If you see an 80% chance of rain in the forecast here, that more than likely means it will rain sometime during the day but it's more likely to come all at once for an hour or so than rain all day long. The mountains provide many microclimates. It is possible to be foggy up on the Ridge, partially cloudy in the valley and clear with blue skies just five minutes from the resort.



Places to Eat:

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Grand Olde Station 5 Minutes Upscale Reserve Historic Train Station Upscale Greystone Inn 11 Minutes Lake Toxaway Views Reserve Mid Osteria Del Monte 5 Minutes Italian Reserve Los Vaqueros 2 Minutes Mid Mexican Panthertown Café 3 Minutes Basic Breakfast and Lunch Villa Amato 1 Minute Basic Pizza

Cashiers/Sapphire:

The Library	16 Minutes	Upscale	Reserve	Think Joanna Gaines
The Orchard	21 Minutes	Upscale	Reserve	Outdoors/ Porch
Canyon Kitchen	20 Minutes	Upscale	Reserve	Farm to Table/ View
Hidden Valley Tavern	14 Minutes	Mid		Lunch/Dinner Inside/Outside
The Fix	16 Minutes	Mid		Brunch, Breakfast, Lunch
Cornucopia	21 Minutes	Mid		Outdoor Porch Dining
Slab Town Pizza	21 Minutes	Mid		Pizza/ Salads/ More
Cashiers Smokehouse	21 Minutes	Basic		BBQ
Slopes Tavern	17 Minutes	Basic		Outdoor Porch Dining
Crossroads Custard	21 Minutes	Ice Cream		

Brevard:

Wild Morsel	25 Minutes	Upscale	Reserve	Farm to Table
Square Root	25 Minutes	Upscale	Reserve	Alleyway
Vescovo	25 Minutes	Upscale	Reserve	Italian
Love Eat Thai Kitchen	25 Minutes	Mid		Thai
Morning Social	25 Minutes	Basic		Trendy Breakfast, Lunch
Cardinal Drive in	23 Minutes	Basic		Vintage Drive in
Farm Taqueria	28 Minutes	Basic		Outdoor Dining
Pisgah Fish Camp	30 Minutes	Basic		Locals Buffet
Sierra Nevada	51 Minutes	Experience		Taproom and Restaurant
Sierra Nevada	51 Minutes	Experience		High Gravity
Kilwins Ice Cream	23 Minutes	Ice Cream/Fu	udge	

Highlands:

The Bridge	37 Minutes	Upscale	Reserve	Outside Porch
Madisons	39 Minutes	Upscale	Reserve	Beef /Seafood
Meritage	37 Minutes	Upscale	Reserve	Outside Patio
Ristorante Paoletti	39 Minutes	Upscale	Reserve	Italian
Wolfgangs	39 Minutes	Upscale	Reserve	Cajun/ German
Wild Thyme	39 Minutes	Mid		Outside

Blue Bike Cafe 36 Minutes Mid Breakfast Lunch Kilwins Ice Cream 39 Minutes Ice Cream/ Fudge



Services:

Emergency: Dial 911

Your Lot's 911 Address is on your Power Pole

Medical Emergencies Day/Night

In-Resort Physicians

Buddy Bethea, MD Internal Med.

The Ridge Lot 4 757-581-8040

Services would be rendered with no remuneration expected or accepted

under any circumstances

Marion VanKirk, MD Ophthalmologist

The Ridge Lot 68 828-280-8481

Please do not call for minor illnesses

ATM Sapphire Country Store 3 Minutes Hwy 64/ Hwy 281

Airport AVL- Asheville 50 Minutes Away

Bus Service Midnight Run Mobile

828-226-0788

Bus Wash Mobile Wash

239-248-1502

Car Rental Enterprise Rent-a-car 30 Minutes Away

87 Forest Gate Drive Pisgah Forest, NC 828-885-6000

Cigars Cashiers Emporium 21 Minutes Away

Coffee Shops Bucks- Cashiers 19 Minutes Away

Dry Cleaners Cardinal Cleaners 19 Minutes Away

828-743-9100 M-F 10:00-4:00

Dog Boarding Mountain Dog Spa 22 Minutes Away

Mills River Dog Camp 44 Minutes Away

828-747-2994

Dog/ Pet Store	Grateful Dog Paws on the Mountain	25 Minutes Away 18 Minutes Away
Dog Vet	Brevard Animal Hospital 828-883-8105	29 Minutes Away
Gas	Sapphire Country Store Hwy 64 and Hwy 281 Gas Prices are lowest in Lake T Higher in Cashiers And even higher in Highlands	3 Minutes Away Toxaway
Groceries Produce Local Wine and Cheese Steaks and Gourmet Foods Convenience Mainline Grocery		3 Minutes Away 18 Minutes Away 1 Minute Away 1 Minute Away 6 Minutes Away 19 Minutes Away 24 Minutes Away 26 Minutes Away 30 Minutes Away
Hair Salon	Tangles Hair Salon 828-743-1898	22 Minutes Away
	*Pisgah Hairtage Salon 828-883-2758	30 Minutes Away
Barber Shop	West Main Barber Shop 828-482-9374	23 Minutes Away- Brevard
	McCalls Barber Shop 828-877-4811	30 Minutes Away- Pisgah For
	Highlands Barber Shop 828-482-9374	40 Minutes Away- Highlands
Hardware Store	ACE Hardware-Sapphire *Zoller's Hardware- Cashiers	3 Minutes 19 Minutes
Home Improvement	Lowes- Brevard	30 Minutes Away
Hospital	Mission Hospital- Asheville 509 Biltmore Avenue 828-213-1111	1 Hour 6 Minutes Away
Hotels	Croystono Inn	11 Minutes Away

Greystone Inn

11 Minutes Away

Upscale

Casual Casual Vintage	Black Bear Lodge Brook Trout Inn Sunset Motel- Brevard	6 Minutes Away 5 Minutes Away 22 Minutes Away
Chain	Hampton Inn Cashiers Holiday Inn Express Brevard Hampton Inn Brevard	14 Minutes Away 28 Minutes Away 31 Minutes Away
Massage	Canyon Spa 828-743-0006 W-Sat 10:00-5:00	20 Minutes Away
	Mantra Massage Studio 828-545-3202 M-Sat 9:00-7:00	20 Minutes Away
	Cashiers Spa and Imagine 828-553-6300 M-Sat 10:00-6:00	21 Minutes Away
Nails	Fashion Nails 828-883-4049	25 Minutes Away- Brevard
	Grace Nails 828-877-5996	30 Minutes Away
USPS Post Office:	US Post Office-Sapphire 17740 Rosman Highway	
UPS Drop Box:	Toxaway Company 15885 Rosman Hwy	2 Minutes Away
FedEx Drop Box:	Midgard Mini Storage 16792 Rosman Hwy	2 Minutes Away
Pharmacy	Cashiers Valley Pharmacy 828-743-3114	20 Minutes Away
	Ingles- Cashiers 828-743-6312	20 Minutes Away
	CVS- Brevard 828-883-3132	28 Minutes Away
	Walgreens- Brevard 828-877-8600	28 Minutes Away
Shooting Range	Bear Arms Indoor Shooting Range 1653 Rosman Hwy, Brevard	20 Minutes Away



The Land of Waterfalls:

Within Steps of the Car:

Toxaway Falls (Top) 2 Minutes Away Over the Bridge on Hwy 64

*Looking Glass Falls 36 Minutes Away Pisgah Forest

Sliding Rock (Parking Fee) 41 Minutes Away Pisgah Forest Slide

Short and Moderate Hikes:

Toxaway Falls (Mid)	6 Minutes Away	Buckberry Hill to Pleas	ant View
*Upper Whitewater (ParkFee)	15 Minutes Away	Gorges State Park	
Bird Walk Falls	25 Minutes Away	Living Waters Camp	Road
*Silver Run	25 Minutes Away	Nantahala Forest	Pool
Moore Cove Falls	38 Minutes Away	Pisgah Forest	
*Dry Falls	40 Minutes Away	Nantahala Forest	Walk Behind

*High Falls 41 Minutes Away Dupont Forest
*Hooker Falls 41 Minutes Away Dupont Forest
Triple Falls 41 Minutes Away Dupont Forest
Dupont Forest

Real Hikes:

*Harris Trail and Falls Within Resort Gorges State Park Rope Climb Rainbow Falls 10 Minutes Away Gorges State Park Strenuous



Lakes:

Lakes with a View

*Lake Toxaway 3 Minutes Away Drive

To circle Lake Toxaway and get a snapshot of the lake's best views, use your phone's navigation system and:

- 1. Set <u>"The Greystone Inn"</u> as a GPS <u>endpoint.</u>
- 2. Once you get to the Greystone Inn, <u>reset your navigation</u> system to <u>"Lake Toxaway Fire Department"</u> as your second end point.
- 3. To get back to the resort from The Fire Station, just type in "Mountain Falls Luxury Motorcoach Resort"

*Lake Glenville 32 Minutes Away Beach, Picnic, Fishing Pier

Set GPS Destination to: Pines Recreation Area, Cullowhee, NC

*Mirror Lake 35 Minutes Away Small, Picturesque

Fairfield Lake (Upper) 16 Minutes Away Private, scenic

Hwy 64 to Emerald Cove Road to Boat Dock Road

Fairfield Road (Lower) 15 Minutes Away Small, Scenic

Hwy 64 to Emerald Cove Road to Gold Creek Road

Lakes with Watercraft Rentals:

*Lake Glenville

Signal Ridge Marina 26 Minutes Away Pontoons, Canoes, Kayaks, SUP

Reserve Online 828-743-2143

Lake Jocassee

Eclectic Sun 38 Minutes Away Pontoons, Canoes, Kayaks, SUP

Reserve Online 864-944-1191 Jocassee Outdoor 864-944-9016 36 Minutes Away

Motorboats, Pontoons, Waterfalls Tours

Lake Kiowee

Lake Keowee Boat 54 Minutes Away Located at South Cove County Park Reserve Online 864-280-2726 Motorboats, Pontoons, Waverunners

Lakes to BYO Watercraft:

Tanasee Creek 25 Minutes Away

Secret to getting there: Take Hwy 281 off of Hwy 64

Set as GPS Destination: Vess Owens Road, Tuckasegee, NC

*Bear Creek Lake 45 Minutes Away

Secret to getting there: Take Hwy 281 off of Hwy 64

Set as GPS Destination: Bear Lake Boat Ramp, Tuckasegee, NC

Rivers

Rosman:

Headwater Outfitters 12 Minutes Away 25 Parkway Road 828-877-3106

Hours: M-TH 8:30-5:30, FR-SUN 8:30-6:00

Fishing Tubing Paddling

<u>Pisgah Forest:</u> 30 Minutes Away

Davidson River Outfitters 49 Pisgah Forest Hwy #6 828-877-4181

Hours: M-F 8:00-5:30, SA-SU 8:00-5:00

Wade Trips Float Trips French Broad Adventures 1-855-985-1268

Whitewater Rafting Ziplines Canyoneering Climbing

Blue Heron Whitewater 1-888-426-7238

Whitewater Rafting Float Trips

Nantahala Outdoor Center (NOC Asheville) 1-828-785-5592

Whitewater Rafting



Private Golf Course:

Mountain Falls No Charge 9 Hole

Par 3

In Resort

Public Golf Courses

Sapphire:

Sapphire National Golf Club

19 Minutes Away

Rated: Good

828-743-1174

Red Bird Golf Links

828-743-1991

23 Minutes Away

Rated: Good

Brevard:

*Sherwood Forest Golf Club

39 Minutes Away

Rated: Better

828-884-7825

This course is an Audubon sanctuary

Connestee Falls Golf Club

44 Minutes Away

Rated: Better

828-885-2005

For prices visit https://connesteefallsgolf.com/rates/



Horseback Riding:

<u>Sapphire:</u>

13 Minutes Away

Whitewater Equestrian Center Reservations: 828-966-9646

Cullowhee:

38 Minutes Away

Arrowmont Stables

Reservations: Online or at 828-743-2762



Historical Things to Do:

Lake Toxaway:

Killer Bees Honey Farm Tour- 9 Minute Drive Tours: FR-SA 9:30 Departure Reservation Required: Online 312-909-5878

Visit <u>www.killerbeeshoney.com</u>

Miss Lucy Cruise around Lake Toxaway- 12 Minute Drive Reservation Required: 828-966-4700

The Miss Lucy escorts guests on relaxing and enjoyable narrated history cruise where you can enjoy a tour of the lake and lavish lakeside homes of the rich and famous. The Miss Lucy is a 26passenger handcrafter mahogany boat made by the hundred-year-old Hacker- Craft Company.

Rosman:

PARI- Pisgah Astronomical Research Institute- 20 Minute Drive

Hours: Call 828-862-5554 Price: Call 828-862-5554

PARI is located at the site of the former Rosman Satellite Tracking Station, which was established by NASA in 1962. The site was part of the worldwide Spacecraft Tracking and Data Acquisition Network and an integral communications link for the manned space programs Project Gemini and Project Apollo. The facility was transferred to the National Security Agency (NSA) in 1981 and, as the Rosman Research Station, was used as a signals intelligence gathering facility. The site was closed by the NSA in 1995 and turned over to the United States Forest Service

Brevard:

Allison Deaver House Museum- 28 Minute Drive

Price: Donation

The Allison Deaver House, known to be the oldest standing frame home west of the Blue Ridge, has remained in virtual unaltered condition for almost two centuries. Still observable are working fireplaces and the original paneling. The interior contains surviving paint finishes, hardware and intact original molding and trim. Here, time has stood still.

Cashiers:

Zachery-Tolbert House and Grounds Museum- 28 Minute Drive

This unique Western North Carolina example of Greek Revivalist Architecture - a European architectural movement introduced in the United States in the 18th century by Thomas Jeffersonhas remained intact for more than 150 years without electricity, indoor plumbing, or central heat. In addition to viewing the eight-room house, one room schoolhouse and cabin, visitors are encouraged to walk the trails, which date back to early times, see the two springs on the property, and view the archaeology exhibits.

Pisgah Forest:

Cradle of Forestry/ Biltmore Forest School- 29 Minute Drive

The Biltmore Forest School was the first school of forestry in North America. The school of "practical forestry" was founded by Carl A. Schenck in 1898 on George W. Vanderbilt's Biltmore Estate near Asheville, North Carolina. The school grounds are now part of Pisgah National Forest in Transylvania County, North Carolina.

Today, the former school forms the basis of the Cradle of Forestry in America, a 6500-acre historic site which features exhibits about forestry and forest conservation history. The site includes the Forest Discovery Center, an indoor forestry museum, gift shop and cafe. There are two guided trails that include several of the school's buildings, a 1914 Climax logging locomotive and a portable sawmill. The Center offers special programs, crafts demonstrations, nature education programs and special events

Flat Rock:

Carl Sandburg Home: 54 Minute Drive

Carl Sandburg Home National Historic Site, located at 81 Carl Sandburg Lane near Hendersonville in the village of Flat Rock, North Carolina, preserves Connemara, the home of Pulitzer Prize-winning poet and writer Carl Sandburg. Though a Midwesterner, Sandburg and his family moved to this home in 1945 for the peace and solitude required for his writing and the more than 30 acres of pastureland required for his wife, Lilian, to raise her champion dairy goats. Sandburg spent the last twenty-two years of his life on this farm and published more than a third of his works while he resided here.

The 264-acre site includes the Sandburg residence, the goat farm, sheds, rolling pastures, mountainside woods, 5 miles of hiking trails on moderate to steep terrain, two small lakes, several ponds, flower and vegetable gardens, and an apple orchard.

<u>Asheville:</u>

The Biltmore Estate: 1 Hour 3 Minute Drive

Biltmore House, the main residence, is a Châteauesque-style mansion built for George Washington Vanderbilt II between 1889 and 1895 and is the largest privately owned house in the United States, at 178,926 square feet of floor space (135,280 square feet of living area). Still owned by George Vanderbilt's descendants, it remains one of the most prominent examples of Gilded Age mansions.



Downtowns to Walk and Shop

Brevard		23 Minutes Away	Local
*Highlands		39 Minutes Away	Upscale
*Hendersonville		53 Minutes Away	Large
Sylva		1 Hour 3 Minutes Away	Local
Franklin	`	1 Hour 6 Minutes Away	Local
Waynesville		1 Hour 20 Minutes Away	Local
*Lake Lure		1 Hour 28 Minutes Away	Local

Casinos:

Harrah's Cherokee Casino 777 Casino Drive Cherokee, NC 28719 828-497-7777 www.ceasars.com/harrah-cherokee 1 Hour 18 Minutes Away

Casino:

Slots, Shows, Gaming, Race and Sports, Poker, Table Games



Things to Do with Kids/ Grandkids

<u>Lake Toxaway:</u>	
Adventures in Outdoor Education	
Earthshine Lodge 828-862-4207	11 Minutes Away
Gem Mining	
Bear Tracks Travel Center 828-862-8992	13 Minutes Away
Sapphire:	
Gem Mining:	
Whitewater Equestrian Center 828-966-9646	13 Minutes Away
Brevard:	
Trout Fishing:	
Morgan Mills Trout Farm 828-553-2217	17 Minutes Away
Your kids hook them, they clean them	
Pucker Up Berry Farm See Elderberries, honeyberries, and sour cherries	27 Minutes Away
Their store also sells fruits, vegetables, flowers, eggs, Tours By Appt For farm tours visit www.puckerupberryfarm.com	and farm gifts
Blacksmithing:	23 Minutes Away

Village Blacksmiths Learn how to be a blacksmith 828-966-7220

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Andy Cove Nature Trail

36 Minutes Away

1600 Pisgah Highway, Pisgah Forest

Open Year Round

This is the perfect trail and hike for kids

Dupont State Forest:

Hunger Games Film Locations

37 Minutes Away

See the filming locations of the Fire scene, River Scene and Pool Scene

For information paste to your browser: https://www.visithendersonvillenc.org/wp-content/uploads/dupont-hunger-games-shots.pdf

Hendersonville:

Hands On Children's Museum

56 Minutes Away

Visit www.handsonwnc.com for hours

Flat Rock, NC:

Skytop Orchard
Apple, Peaches and Pairs Picking.

1 Hour Away

Apple Cider and Donuts Visit www.skytoporchard.com for hours and picking season

Arden, NC:

Mountain Play Lodge 1 Hour Away Indoor Play Center
Visit www.mountainplaylodge.com for hours and pricing 828-676-2120

Saluda:

Alpacas of Merritt Farm: 1 Hr 10 Minutes Away Hours: By Appt 828-371-1254

Asheville:

Western North Carolina Nature Center Bear, Wolf, Ottos, Goats, Owls, Snakes, Bobcats, Cougar, Coyotes, Fox and more Hours: 10:00- 3:30 828-259-8080 For pricing and tickets visit www.wildwnc.corg 1 Hour 15 Minutes Away