



## TAIL OF THE DRAGON ROBBINSVILLE

WITH 318 CURVES OVER 11 MILES. TAIL OF THE DRAGON IS A CAN'T MISS SCENIC ROAD. DRIVE CAREFULLY FOR SAFETY AND TO MAKE SURE YOU CAN SOAK IN THE BEAUTIFUL SCENERY ALONG THE ROUTE.

A FAMOUS SPOT FOR HIKERS TO ENJOY THE VIEW ALONG THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL. LUCKILY, YOU CAN ALSO ENJOY THE BEAUTIFUL SCENERY WITHOUT HAVING TO HIKE ALL 2,190 MILES OF THE TRAIL.

**RIVER EARTH ADVENTURES** 

FONTANA DAM

MARS HILL

MAX PATCH HOT SPRINGS

MAX PATCH, LOCATED ON THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL IS A BALD MOUNTAIN TOP THAT WAS CLEARED FOR PASTORAL LAND IN THE 1800S. TODAY, IT PROVIDES 360° VIEWS OF THE SMOKY MOUNTAINS - ONE LOCALS SAY MIGHT BE THE BEST VIEW IN THE WHOLE REGION.

**BARN OUILT TRAILS OF WESTERN NC** 

EMBARKING ON A HISTORIC OUILTING TRAIL IS LIKE A TREASURE HUNT THROUGH WESTERN NC'S LANDSCAPE AND HISTORY. FINDING THE COLORFUL PATTERNS ON HISTORIC BARNS IS A GREAT WAY TO SEE THE **REGION WHILE LEARNING ABOUT** THE TRADITIONS OF AGRICULTURE AND CRAFTSMANSHIP THAT DEFINE



• HIKE YELLOW CREEK FALLS • ENJOY LUNCH ALONG THE RIVER AT TAPOCO LODGE • TAKE A DIP AT CHEOAH POINT

FEW THINGS BEAT SPLASHING THROUGH THE WATAUGA RIVER ON A SUNNY DAY ON A WHITEWATER RAFTING **ADVENTURE WITH FRIENDS AND** FAMILY. RIVER AND EARTH ADVENTURES OFFERS SOMETHING FOR ALL AGES AND COMFORT LEVELS, NEWCOMERS AND DAREDEVILS WELCOME.

HOT SPRINGS HOSTS MARY HELEN AND MARION **RECOMMEND:** FOR A TASTE OF THE TOWN, EAT AT SPRING CREEK TAVERN ARTISUN GALLERY & CAFE BIG PILLOW BREWING FOR PICNIC PROVISIONS AND A GREAT

BOTTLE OF WINE HEAD TO VASTE

RIVIÈRE APPALACHIAN BODEGA.

## **APPALACHIAN HERITAGE.**



HAYWOOD COUNTY **OUILT TRAIL** 

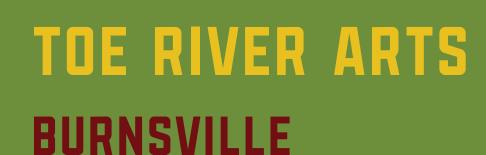


**JOYCE KILMER FOREST** ROBBINSVILLE

JOYCE KILMER MEMORIAL FOREST IS HOME TO SOME OF THE ONLY OLD







**GROWTH TREES LEFT IN THE EASTERN US. GO THERE TO EXPERIENCE WHAT** THE NATURAL SCENERY OF NORTH CAROLINA WAS LIKE BEFORE IT WAS DEVELOPED.

GLASS, HOME DÉCOR, AND LOCALLY AUTHORED

BOOKS, THIS NON-PROFIT IS A PERFECT STOP TO ENJOY A WIDE VARIETY OF LOCAL **ARTWORK ALL IN ONE PLACE.** 



ONE OF THE BEST PLACES FOR A GEM MINING EXPERIENCE IN THE NATION, BRING YOUR FAMILY ON THIS FUN TRIP LEARNING HOW TO FIND GEMS FROM SEEMINGLY ORDINARY ROCKS. THE BEST PART IS THAT YOU GET TO KEEP

ROAN MOUNTAIN BAKERSVILLE

**ROAN MOUNTAIN IS HOME TO THE** LARGEST NATURAL RHODODENDRON GARDEN IN THE WORLD. SPRING IS THE PERFECT TIME TO GO SEE THESE GORGEOUS FLOWERS BLOSSOMING. COME FOR THE RHODODENDRON FESTIVAL JUNE 16 - 18TH.

YANCEY COUNTY IS HOME TO A WORLD-CLASS POPULATION OF ARTISTS AND MAKERS, AND YOU CAN EXPERIENCE THEM FOR YOURSELF WITH THE HELP OF THE TOE RIVER ARTS COUNCIL. DON'T MISS THE TOE RIVER ARTS SPRING STUDIO TOUR JUNE 3 - 5 FOR AN INTIMATE WEEKEND WITH LOCAL ARTISTS AS THEY SHOWCASE THEIR "JOURNEY OF THE ARTS".

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