

Cooper Creek Recreation Area

1,240 acre area featuring camping, picnicking, hiking, fishing, and hunting. A popular area for fishing in Cooper Creek and Mulky Creek for stocked and wild trout. Open late March to end October. **From Blairsville** go west on Old Blue Ridge Hwy. for 3 miles, turn left onto Mulky Gap Rd. Follow road until pavement ends and turns to gravel. Go 3 miles and Cooper Creek is on left. For more information call 706-745-6928.



Fly Fishing

Noontootla Creek Farms

This privately owned farm has over two miles of quality trout water and two miles of wadeable water. Four separate sections, about a half mile each, have both trophy and stream-bred browns and rainbow trout. Noontootla Creek Farms is located in Dial, GA, approximately 20 miles from Blue Ridge and Blairsville. **From Blairsville** take Old Blue Ridge Hwy. to left on Skeenah Gap Rd. Go right onto Hwy 60. Go approx. 1 mile to left on Dial Rd. Take Dial Rd. 2 to 2½ miles over bridge at Toccoa River and go left on Newport Rd. Noontootla Creek Farm is 3½ miles on the right. 706-838-0585 or 706-781-4019.

GA Fishing License Locations:

Vogel State Park Visitors Centers

7485 Vogel State Park
Blairsville, GA 30512
706-745-2628

Sunrise Grocery Store

5817 Gainesville Hwy (19/129S)
Blairsville, GA 30512
706-745-5877

Cooper's Creek Store

S. Coopers Creek Rd.
Suches, GA 30572
706-838-4514

Licenses available online at:

www.takemefishing.org
www.georgiawildlife.dnr.state.ga.us
Or by phone at: 1-800-366-2661

License Type

Annual Fishing License

Resident - \$9.00 Non-Resident- \$45.00

7-Day Fishing License

Resident- NA Non-Resident - \$7.00

1-Day Fishing License

Resident - \$3.50 Non-Resident - \$3.50

2 Year Fishing License

Resident - \$16.00

Trout License

Resident - \$5.00 Non-Resident \$13.00

2-year Trout Fishing

Residents- \$10.00

Hunting/Fishing

Resident- \$17.00 Non-Resident \$100.00

Free Fishing Days

Celebrate National Fishing and Boating Week in June and National Hunting & Fishing Day on the fourth Saturday in September of each year.

Free Fishing Days are declared by the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources to encourage people to try fishing and help celebrate fishing as a wholesome and healthy recreation; promote respect for our state's natural resources, wilderness, and wildlife; and recognize anglers for their contribution of billions of dollars to the state's economy and financial support for programs to conserve and protect our natural resources.

What happens on a Free Fishing Day?

Georgia residents 16 years and older do not need a fishing license, trout license, or Wildlife Management Area license (if you fish at a Public Fishing Area or Waters Creek) to fish the freshwaters and saltwaters of Georgia. This does not include fees at private ponds and lakes.

All other fishing regulations remain in effect.
GA Dept. of Wildlife Resources 770-535-5498

Fishing Guide Service

North Georgia Mountain's Premier Fishing Guide Service 706-745-6569

Contact: Darren Hughes 706-897-3292

They offer two guides with over 30 years of fishing experience on Lake Nottely. You are certain to have a safe, enjoyable outing along with proper knowledge and equipment needed to catch some incredible land locked Striped Bass.

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Fishing In Northeast Georgia



Blairsville-Union County
Chamber of Commerce
78 Blue Ridge Hwy
P.O. Box 789
Blairsville, GA 30514

Toll Free: 877-745-5789

www.VisitBlairsvilleGA.com
info@blairvillechamber.com

From Your Phone:
www.VisitBlairsvilleGA.mobi

Lake Nottely

Fertile waters and low fishing pressure combine to make Lake Nottely one of the best bass fishing lakes in north Georgia. Lake Nottely is a 4,180-acre TVA reservoir on the Nottely River. **For lake access from Blairsville**, take Hwy 19/129N to GA Hwy 325, (Nottely Dam Rd). The most popular species are largemouth bass, crappie, and striped bass. The lake has two marinas - Nottely Marina 706-745-3638 and Cozy Cove Marina 706-745-2468. For more information contact the Georgia Wildlife Resources Division at 770-535-5498 or visit www.gofishingga.com.

Lake Winfield Scott

Fishing and boating are permitted on the 18-acre lake at Winfield Scott during the winter. Boats must have electric motors only. There is a paved launch located near the head of the lake. An accessible fishing dock is also available. If you are lucky enough to catch a winter time trout, make sure to have a trout stamp on your fishing license. **From Blairsville** Take U.S. 19 and 129 south for 10 miles; turn right (west) on Georgia 180 for 7 miles. It is recommended that you contact the Blue Ridge Ranger District for up-to-date information before visiting. 706-745-6928.

Lake Chatuge

This pristine lake named "The Great Blue Hills of God," by the Cherokee has 128 miles of shoreline and is ideal for fishing, swimming, boating and camping. The lake has outcrops of land forming numerous private coves that are for great fishing. **From Blairsville** take Hwy 76E to Hiawassee, GA. For information call at 770-535-5498 or visit www.gofishingga.com

Lake Trahlyta at Vogel State Park

This 20-acre lake is the heart of Vogel State Park, one of the oldest and most popular state parks in Georgia. Lake Trahlyta was built during the Great Depression when Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) workers dammed Wolf Creek to build the lake and the original cabins. Anglers will be most interested in Lake Trahlyta and its feeder stream, Wolf Creek. Both bodies of water receive occasional stockings of rainbow trout. Warm water species including largemouth bass and sunfish are also abundant. **From Blairsville** take Hwy 19/129S for 11 miles to Vogel State Park. 706-745-2628.



Goose Creek Trout Pond

Goose Creek Trout Ponds are "pay ponds". You pay for what you catch and are required to you keep what you catch. The ponds are open most days but call for current prices and hours of operation. **From Blairsville** take U.S. Hwy. 19/129 South for 12 miles. 706-745-5111.

The Trout Pond

This is another "pay pond" located in nearby Fannin County. Call 706-374-2389 for hours of operation. **From Blairsville** take GA Hwy 515 west to mile marker 13. Turn right onto Maple Grove Road the onto Wildlife Trail.

Dockery Lake

Dockery Lake is fed from the chilly headwaters of Waters Creek, tumbling off the slopes of Jacobs Knob along the Appalachian Trail. The pure water is cold enough to support a healthy population of trout. The lake is stocked on a regular basis by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. Anglers can be found here using a rod and reel lakeside or in a canoe or other small craft. No motors are allowed, however. The 0.6-mile Lakeshore Trail snakes around the lake. Short side trails lead to platforms at the water's edge, providing good fishing or lake-viewing spots. A wooden platform with handrails sits over the small dam. It's a good vantage point for lake enthusiasts to take in the entire six acres of the crystalline body of water. **From Blairsville** follow Old Hwy 76, turn left onto Skeenah Gap Rd to Hwy 60. Make a left and look for Forest Service 654. and follow for 1 mile. USDA Forest Service, 706-745-6928.



Deep Hole Recreation Area

Located on the Toccoa River, this recreation area offers camping, boating and fishing. Eight campsites are equipped with tent pads and picnic tables. A canoe launch makes river access easy for floating the Toccoa River Canoe Trail. Fishing is good for rock and smallmouth bass, rainbow and brown trout. Open all year. **From Blairsville** follow Old Hwy 76 and turn left onto Skeenah Gap Rd. Stay on Skeenah Gap until it dead ends into Hwy 60. Turn left and follow Hwy 60 past Rock Creek Rd. Deep Hole Campground is located on the right. USDA Forest Service, 706-745-6928

Nottely River

The Nottely River is a small stream with its headwaters high in the mountains of Union County southeast of Blairsville. It flows northwestward across the county and is the major source stream for the Tennessee Valley Authority's Nottely Lake. You can access the river on Old Highway 76 (at the Bogg Turtle bridge), Nottely River Campground, or Butternut Creek located at Meeks Park. 706-745-6711, or 706-439-6074.



Chattahoochee Fish Hatchery

The hatchery annually distributes 324,000 catchable-size rainbow trout and an additional 460,000 fingerlings to meet mitigation goals. These fish provide 160,000 anglers with an opportunity to land a trout.

May-SPECIAL KIDS FISHING RODEO is for special needs youth from area schools.

June-SENIORS FISHING RODEO -Adults age 55 and older are invited to the hatchery each year. **FAMILY FISHING FESTIVAL**-Youth ages 16 and under have excellent trout fishing opportunities, along with expert demonstrations.

From Blairsville travel west on Old Hwy 76 for approximately 7 miles. Turn left onto Skeenah Gap Road, then left into Hwy 60. Go approximately 4 miles and the hatchery is on the right. Open Monday - Friday 8:00am to 3:00pm 4730 Rock Creek Rd., Suches,GA For more information: 706-838-4723.