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Visitors Guide
Located just a short drive north from Atlanta, Blairsville-Union County is your base camp for adventure in the heart of North Georgia’s Blue Ridge Mountains. Here, you’ll find Georgia’s highest point, Brasstown Bald, as well as stunning waterfalls, pristine mountain lakes, and enough festivals, fairs and cultural attractions to keep you busy for a “month of Sundays”!

The famed Appalachian Trail winds through on its 2,192-mile journey to Maine, and visitors can explore one of Georgia’s oldest and most beloved parks, Vogel State Park. Clear-blue lakes are ringed by soaring mountains, and cascading waterfalls are always just a short hike away. Grab a kayak, canoe or paddleboard and head out on Lake Trahlyta, Lake Winfield Scott or the Nottely River. Or, rent a comfy pontoon boat for a day on the water at Lake Nottely.

In the southern corner of the county, the small town of Suches is reached by curvy mountain roads, perfect for cruising. Here in “The Valley Above the Clouds,” you can hike a variety of trails, camp in an old-growth forest or cast for trout below the Chattahoochee National Fish Hatchery.

Back in town, you’ll find Blairsville bustling with amazing food, great boutiques and antique stores, historic sites and much more. Fairs and festivals seem to happen at the drop of a hat, so be prepared to have some fun — whether it’s bellying up to the table for a biscuit-eatin’ contest at the annual Sorghum Festival or “tossing the caber” at the Scottish Festival & Highland Games.

From fine art to folk art, country to classical, you’ll also find that Union County is no cultural backwater. Our area boasts a strong creative community with wonderful artisans, galleries, exhibits, theater arts and musical offerings.

And you’ll see that we take recreation seriously here. The ultimate green space, Meeks Park is our version of Central Park, with miles of trails and meandering rivers. It has everything from a pool and kid’s “splash pad” to an 18-hole disc golf course, skateboard park and baseball fields. It’s also the perfect place to watch the annual 4th of July fireworks or enjoy an art festival.
**Pick Your Path**
*Take a relaxing amble along Butternut Creek or a multi-day hike on the famed Appalachian Trail.*

Around here, there’s a trail for everyone — from dog-walkers and kids on training wheels to long-distance backpackers and mountain bikers. Just a mile west of downtown, *Meeks Park* is home to more than 4.5 miles of groomed, mostly level trails. Nature lovers and photographers will enjoy the gentle .5-mile *Sosebee Cove Trail* off GA 180, which takes you through a second-growth forest. Other easy area hikes include

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the Nottely Dam Reservoir Trail and the scenic path to Helton Creek Falls.

For a more strenuous hike, the Jacks Knob Trail stretches 4.5 miles from Brasstown Bald to the top of Wolfpen Ridge. Or lace 'em up and tackle the 5.5-mile Arkaquah Trail that leads to Track Rock Gap. The Coosa Backcountry Trail loops 12.5 miles in the rugged mountains near Vogel State Park. The Duncan Ridge Trail, Slaughter Creek Trail, Dockery Lake Trail and Bear Hair Gap Trail are just a few others.

Of course, the most famous trail in the area is the white-blazed Appalachian Trail. Completed in 1937, the AT winds through the Chattahoochee National Forest, generally following the southern boundary of Union County after beginning at Springer Mountain in nearby Gilmer County. Altitudes along the Georgia section reach a high of 4,461 feet at Blood Mountain. At Neel Gap, the famed footpath passes through the Walasi-Yi Center, a historic stone building built by the Civilian Conservation Corps. Now home to hiking outfitter Mountain Crossings, it has some of the best views around. (Go to VisitBlairsvilleGA.com for more details on our area's many hiking trails.)

**History Comes Alive Outdoors**

During The Great Depression in the 1930s, FDR’s New Deal program put young men to work through the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC). One of their projects, Vogel State Park, includes a CCC museum, as well as campsites, cottages, a 22-acre lake with a swimming beach, mini golf course, hiking trails and more. Lake Winfield Scott was the CCC’s final project in Georgia. At an elevation of 2,854 feet, this small, clear reservoir is perfect for swimming, paddling or relaxing on the sandy beach.

One mile north of Vogel, the historic Reece Heritage Farm explores the life of famed “Farmer Poet” Byron Herbert Reece (1917-1958) with early-1900s buildings and exhibits that capture rural life in Appalachia. Located about 7 miles east of Blairsville, Track Rock Gap Archaeological Area is the site of several soapstone boulders with more than 100 petroglyphs, most likely carved by Cherokee Indians who were once native to the area.

The views are breathtaking from atop Brasstown Bald, which, at 4,784 feet, is the highest natural point in Georgia. The visitor center features an extensive museum and presentations on area forestry practices.

**Explore historic landmarks, attractions and museums on the Union County History Trail**

(visitblairsvillega.com/union-county-history-trail).

- **BRASSTOWN BALD RECREATION AREA**, 706-896-4137, cfaia.org
- **COOPER CREEK RECREATION AREA**, 706-745-6928, fs.usda.gov
- **HAMILTON GARDENS AT LAKE CHATUGE**, 706-970-0011, hamiltongardens.org
- **LAKE WINFIELD SCOTT RECREATION AREA**, 706-745-6928, cfaia.org
- **MEEKS PARK**, 706-439-6074, unioncountyga.gov/parks-recreation
- **MOUNTAIN CROSSINGS AT WALASI-YI**, 706-745-6095, mountaincrossings.com
- **REECE FARM**, 706-745-2034, unioncountyga.gov/reecefarm
- **TRACK ROCK GAP ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREA**, 706-745-6928, fs.usda.gov
- **VOGEL STATE PARK**, 706-745-2628, gastateparks.org/Vogel
Down on the Farm
Get back to your roots with a homegrown, handmade or natural agritourism adventure.

From farmers markets to moonshine, vineyards to festivals, Union County’s agricultural roots reach most everywhere you go. Buy fresh produce from our farmers; pet alpacas at our local ranches; sip wine and listen to musicians at our wineries. Or attend a local festival (see page 8) that celebrates our Appalachian heritage with great food and entertainment.

Every Saturday morning and Tuesday afternoon during the summer, the Union County Farmers Market offers a variety of local produce, handmade goods, and fresh goods from our area farmers and artisans. The market is held every Saturday morning from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM and every Tuesday afternoon from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM at the Union County Civic Center, located at 1736 Main Street, Blairsville, GA 30512.

From a gurgle to a roar, all that clear mountain water has to go somewhere. And around here, that means waterfalls (some of the best in the United States, in fact). These breathtaking cascades are easy to get to — and definitely worth a walk in the woods.

**Trahlyta Falls** is located directly below Lake Trahlyta in Vogel State Park. This beautiful stepping-stone waterfall cascades some 40 feet and is accessible via a short, steep, but definitely worth-it 1-mile loop access trail. (From Blairsville, take US 19/129 south 11 miles and turn right into Vogel State Park. The falls are located on the north side of the lake, which is named for a Cherokee maiden who is buried a few miles from the park at Stonepile Gap.)

**Helton Creek Falls** is actually a pair of falls tucked away in a lovely rhododendron grove in the Chattahoochee National Forest. The lower falls drops over a 30-foot ledge, tumbling to a pool below. The second, upper falls drops at least 60 feet. The approach trail includes a well-maintained stairway and an observation platform accessed via an easy .2-mile hike. Be sure to bring your swimsuit for a shockingly cold dip on a hot summer day. (From Blairsville, take US 19/129 south 11.5 miles. Turn left on the first paved road past the entrance to Vogel State Park. Go approx. .5 mile on the paved road and then continue on a gravel road approx. 1.5 miles to a small parking area. Trailhead will be on right.)

Other area waterfalls within a short drive from Blairsville include **DeSoto Falls** (off 19/129 about 15 miles south of Blairsville), and **Raven Cliff Falls** and **Dukes Creek Falls**, both located off GA 348. **High Shoals Creek Falls** and **Horse Trough Falls** can be accessed off GA 17/75. And the popular **Anna Ruby Falls** near Unicoi State Park in Helen features a visitor center, picnic tables, fishing and a paved trail.

For detailed information about all the waterfalls in Union County and North Georgia, download the **North Georgia Waterfall App** for your smartphone from Google Play or the Apple App Store.
Market is filled to the brim with farmers, bakers and artisans. At other times, you can head straight to the source. 7M Family Farms grows fruits and veggies year-round, and supplies many local restaurants and markets. Whimsy Flower Farm bursts with blooms spring through fall. Southern Tree Plantation adds joy to the holidays with Christmas trees and tours. Logan Turnpike Mill grinds its own flours and grits. And Mercier Orchards offers seasonal U-picks for strawberries, blueberries, peaches and apples. Established in 1930, the Georgia Mountain Research & Education Center is a working agricultural station for UGA students, and features beautiful botanical and vegetable gardens, a historic cannery, museum and agricultural exhibits.

- 7M Family Farms, 706-835-1607
- GEORGIA MOUNTAIN RESEARCH & EDUCATION CENTER, 706-745-2655, gmrec.uga.edu
- LOGAN TURNPIKE MILL, 800-844-7487, loganturnpikemill.com
- MERCIER ORCHARDS, 706-632-3411, mercierorchards.com
- SOUTHERN TREE PLANTATION, 706-745-0601, southerntreeplantation.com
- UNION COUNTY FARMERS MARKET, 706-439-6043, ucfarmersmarket.com
- WHIMSY FLOWER FARM, 706-994-0671, whimsyflowerfarm.com

Animals Make Everything Better
Want to get up-close and personal with an alpaca? Head to Jerae’s Unity Alpacas or Lasso the Moon Alpaca Farm, where visitors can take a tour and purchase a variety of alpaca fiber products. Prefer to go over the mountains and through the woods on horseback? Area stables cater to riders of all ages with guided trail rides, hayrides and custom excursions.

- A STEP ABOVE STABLES, 706-745-9051, astepabovestables.com
- APPALACHIAN TRAIL RIDES, 706-374-0362, appalachiantrailrides.com

A Great Place to Wine & Unwind
Here in the “Napa Valley of the South,” wine lovers can enjoy tastings, tours, wine weekends, live music and special events. Prefer your spirits a little stronger? Step back in time with a visit to a real, working distillery.

- CRANE CREEK VINEYARDS, 706-379-1236, cranecreekvineyards.com
- GRANDADDY MIMM’S DISTILLERY, 706-781-1829, mimmsmoonshine.com
- HIGHTOWER CREEK VINEYARDS, 706-896-8963, hightowercreekvineyards.com
- MERCIER ORCHARDS, 706-632-3411, mercierorchards.com
- ODOM SPRINGS VINEYARDS, 706-745-3094, odomspringsvineyards.com
- PARADISE HILLS RESORT & SPA, 706-745-7483, paradisehillsga.com
Quit Wishing & Start Fishing!
Whether you want to wet a fly or just “drown some worms,” you’ll find plenty of excellent fishing spots throughout the mountains.

Fertile waters and low fishing pressure combine to make Lake Nottely one of the best bass fishing lakes in North Georgia. Both 20-acre Lake Trahlyta in Vogel State Park and its feeder stream, Wolf Creek, are stocked with rainbow trout from the nearby Chattahoochee National Fish Hatchery. Warm water species include largemouth bass and sunfish.

During the winter, fishing and boating are permitted on 18-acre Lake Winfield Scott, where you’ll find a paved launch located near the head of the lake. Rock Creek, downstream from the fish hatchery in Suches, is regularly stocked with rainbows and is a great access point for families and junior anglers. Cooper Creek and Mulky Creek, both within the 1,240-acre Cooper Creek Recreation Area, are popular spots for both stocked and wild trout.

The fishing is good for rock and smallmouth bass as well as rainbow and brown trout at Deep Hole Recreation Area. A canoe launch provides easy access to the Toccoa River.

Georgia fishing licenses are available at the Vogel State Park Visitors Center or Walmart, online at takemefishing.org or georgiawildlife.com, or by phone at 800-366-2661.

Marinas & Boat Rentals
Our area marinas will set you up for an incredible day on the water — whether it’s putting around on a pontoon boat or throwing some serious wake with a high-performance jet ski or wakeboard boat.

- **AQUA TIKI**, 706-400-2069, aquatiki.net
- **MOUNTAIN VIEW MARINA**, 828-644-5451, mountainviewmarina.com
- **NORTH GEORGIA WATERSPORTS**, 706-835-1222, northgeorgiawatersports.com
- **NOTTELY BOAT CLUB & MARINA**, 706-897-9499, coolestplaceingeorgia.com
- **NOTTELY MARINA**, 706-745-3638, nottelymarinainc.com
- **THE RIDGES RESORT & MARINA**, 706-896-2262, theridgesresort.com
- **YOUNG HARRIS WATER SPORTS**, 706-896-0834, yhwatersports.com

Fishing, Rafting, Kayaking & More
Grab a paddle (or a pole!) and discover your own quiet stretch of clear mountain water.

- **FLY FISH BLUE RIDGE**, 706-455-5640, flyfishblueridge.com
- **HUGHES OUTDOORS**, 706-745-1340, hughes-outdoors.com
- **NOONTOOTLA CREEK FARMS**, 706-781-4019, ncfga.com
• **NOTTELY RIVER CAMPGROUND, CABINS & TUBING**, 706-745-6711, nottelyrivercampground.com

• **OCOEE RAFTING**, 800-251-4800, ocoearafting.com

• **ROLLING THUNDER RIVER COMPANY**, 800-408-7238, rollingthunderriverco.com

• **WILDWATER**, 866-319-8870, wildwaterrafting.com

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**Golf Courses**

Maybe it’s just us, but the ball does seem to fly a little farther in our clear mountain air! Swing for the greens on one of our three area courses.

• **BRASSTOWN VALLEY RESORT**, 706-379-9900, brasstownvalley.com

• **BUTTERNUT CREEK GOLF COURSE**, 706-439-6076, butternutcreekgolf.com

• **OLD UNION GOLF COURSE**, 706-745-4653, olduniongolf.com

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**Family Fun**

From gem-mining and escape rooms to ziplining and movies, there’s no such thing as a dull day when it comes to family fun.

• **ASKA MINING**, 706-258-4854, askaminingcompany.com

• **BLAIRSVILLE CINEMA**, 706-745-1000, blairsvillecinema.com

• **BLUE RIDGE COMMUNITY THEATER**, 706-632-9191, blueridgecommunitytheater.com

• **BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAINS ARTS ASSOCIATION**, 706-632-2144, blueridgearts.net

• **ESCAPE ROOM BLUE RIDGE**, 706-258-3803, escaperoomblueridge.com

• **FIELDSTONE CINEMAS 6**, 706-896-6843, fieldstonecinemas6.com

• **GALAXY BOWLING**, 706-745-4444, galaxybowling.net

• **GEORGIA MOUNTAIN FAIRGROUNDS**, 706-896-4191, georgiamountainfairgrounds.com

• **JOHN C. CAMPBELL FOLK SCHOOL**, 800-365-5724, folkschool.org

• **PEACOCK PERFORMING ARTS CENTER**, 828-389-2787, thepeacocknc.org

• **PIGS GONE AMUK MINI GOLF**, 706-835-7427, jimmssmokinque.com

• **RIDGERUNNER ZIPLINES**, 828-421-8119, ridgerunnerzips.com

• **TANK TOWN USA**, 706-633-6072, tanktownusa.com

• **WAGONMASTER RANCH RESORT ADVENTURE PARK, BOAT TOURS & EVENT CENTER**, 828-494-9521, wagonmasterranch.com

• **WING N IT SEAPLANE ADVENTURES**, 678-971-9922, wingnitadventures.com

• **ZIPLINE CANOPY TOURS OF BLUE RIDGE**, 800-251-4800, zipblueridge.com

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For a full listing of area attractions, shops & restaurants, plus helpful information to plan your visit, please visit the Chamber’s website at VisitBlairsvilleGA.com

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Downtown Blairsville
Festivals & Events
The celebrations go on year-round.

Spring
- Thru-Hiker Season Kick-Off Party
- Wine Highway Weekend
- Georgia Mountain Storytelling Festival
- Appalachian Food & Wine Trail
- Spring Arts, Crafts & Music Festival
- Memorial Day Parade

Summer
- Blairsville Scottish Festival & Highland Games
- Mountain Fling
- Lake Nottely Boat Parade
- Independence Day Festivities
- Butternut Creek Festival
- Blairsville Professional Rodeo
- Green Bean Festival
- A Taste of the Mountains

Fall
- Mountain Heritage Festival
- Blairsville Extreme Adventure Race (BEAR)
- Mountain Music Day Festival
- Mountain Music & Arts & Crafts Festival
- Indian Summer Festival & Run Above the Clouds
- Blairsville Sorghum Festival
- Fall Hoedown at Vogel State Park
- Hometown Halloween on the Square

Holiday
- Mistletoe Market
- Kris Kringle Mountain Market
- Christmas Parade & Holiday on the Square
- Tour of Trees
- Holly Jolly Christmas
- Tree Lighting at Vogel State Park

Recurring Events
- Cruise-In on the Square (April-October)
- Friday Night Concert Series (May-October)
- Union County Farmers Market (June-October)

Charm to Spare
Sunrise Grocery named one of the “South’s Most Charming General Stores” by Southern Living.

The Choestoe Valley wouldn’t be the same without this quaint general store. First opened in the early 1920s, it’s been in the Clemmons family since 1983. Current owners Jason and Jesica Clemmons have added their own warm touches throughout the store. Jason, a photographer whose art is featured in Atlanta’s Hartsfield-Jackson Airport (and in this brochure), displays and sells his framed photos. Jesica makes uniquely scented handmade soaps that come with a note explaining the area’s history. In addition to the famous boiled peanuts and fresh produce, the store offers snacks and camping supplies, perfect if you’re headed to nearby Vogel State Park.
Accommodations

No settling for cookie-cutter accommodations here! Lodging choices range from rustic to luxurious — everything from quaint cottages and cabins to upscale resorts.

BED & BREAKFAST, CABINS, COTTAGES & RENTALS

- 2’S COMPANY FARM CREEK CABINS, 706-781-2500, farmcreekcabins.com
- ABOVE THE REST LUXURY CABINS, 706-374-2057, abovetherestcabins.com
- ALPINE CABINS, 706-745-7589, alpinecabins.com
- APPALACHIAN LAND COMPANY, 828-837-9199, appalachianland.com
- CABINS AT HIGHLAND FALLS, 706-781-1550, highlandfallscabins.com
- COZY COVE CABIN RENTALS, 706-745-2468, cozycovocabinrentals.com
- ENCHANTED MOUNTAIN RETREATS, 706-781-3892, georgiaemr.com
- ENOTA MOUNTAIN RETREAT, 706-896-9966, enota.com
- ESCAPE TO BLUE RIDGE, 866-618-2521, escapetoblueridge.com
- KILIN TYME CABINS, 706-745-1900, kilintymecabins.com
- KOEHLER LOG CABIN, 813-930-0336, koehlerlogcabin.com
- MAJESTIC MOUNTAIN GETAWAYS, 706-379-9929, majesticmountaingetaways.com
- MISTY MOUNTAIN INN & COTTAGES, 706-745-4786
- MOUNTAIN PAWS CABIN RENTALS, 706-781-3892, mountainpawscabinrentals.com
- MY MOUNTAIN CABIN RENTALS, 706-374-4111, 1mymountain.com
- NOONTOOTLA CREEK FARMS, 706-781-4019, (706) 838-0585, ncfga.com
- NOTTELY RIVER CAMPGROUND, CABINS & TUBING, 706-745-6711, nottelyrivercampground.com
- PARADISE HILLS RESORT & SPA, 877-745-7483, paradisehillsga.com
- SHADY REST VACATION RENTAL, 404-202-8043, myshadyrest.com
- SUNRISE RIVER CABINS, 706-745-5877, sunrisecabins.com
- TRACKROCK CAMPGROUND & CABINS, (706) 745-2420, trackrock.com
- VOGEL STATE PARK, 706-745-2628, georgiastateparks.org/vogel
- WAGONMASTER RANCH RESORT ADVENTURE PARK, 828-494-9521, wagonmastrochanch.com
- WYNDHAM VACATION RENTALS – NORTH GEORGIA, 855-544-8310, wyndhamvacationrentals.com
- YOUR HOME IN THE WOODS B&B, 706-745-9337, yourhomeinthewoods.com

CAMPGROUNDS & RV PARKS

- CROSSING CREEKS RV RESORT & SPA, 706-835-1111, crossingcreeksrvresort.com
- LAKE NOTTELY RV PARK, 706-745-4523, lnrvpark.com
- POTEETE CREEK CAMPGROUND, 706-439-6103, unioncountyga.gov
- TWO WHEELS OF SUCHES, 706-973-1671, twowheelsofsuches.com
- WHISPERING PINES CAMPGROUND & CAMPING CABINS, 706-374-6494, whisperingpinescampground.com
- WILDCAT LODGE AND CAMPGROUND, 706-973-0321, facebook.com/WildcatSuches

HOTELS, MOTELS & RESORTS

- BEST WESTERN MILTON INN, 706-745-6995, bestwestern.com/miltoninn
- BRASSTOWN VALLEY RESORT & SPA, 706-379-9900, brasstownvalley.com
- COMFORT INN OF BLAIRSVILLE, 706-745-6844, choicehotels.com
- COPPERHEAD LODGE, 706-835-7433, copperheadlodge.com
- LAKE CHATUGE LODGE, 706-896-5253, lakechatugelodge.com
- THE RIDGES RESORT, 706-896-2262, theridgesresort.com
- SEASONS INN, 706-745-1631, seasons-inn.com
4 Seasons to Play
Each season brings something new — and a new reason to visit.

Spring is spectacular and mild, bursting with vivid blooms. Sun-kissed summers are made for the water. Fall is crisp and filled with brilliant foliage. And winters are fireplace-cozy with just a dusting or two of snow.

Overall, we’re significantly cooler than other cities in the Southeast (and sometimes snowier!) thanks to our higher elevation. We’re protected from hurricanes and tornadoes for the most part. Occasionally we’ll catch the tail end of a tropical storm with heavy rain, or a small funnel cloud will pop up briefly, but these events are infrequent and rarely cause much trouble.

Epic Drives
Getting there is half the fun with these scenic drives!

North Georgia’s scenic byways dip, wind and curve through some of the most scenic areas of the state.

GEORGIA MOUNTAIN PARKWAY
Follow I-575 from Atlanta and take in the quaint towns of Ellijay, Blue Ridge, Blairsville, Young Harris and Hiawassee. — georgiamountainparkway.com

SOUTHERN HIGHROADS TRAIL
This scenic loop through the mountains of Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina explores the beauty, diversity and rich history of Appalachia. — southernhighroads.org

THE GAUNTLET
A favorite of motorcyclists and car buffs, this route features 133 miles of scenic roads and overlooks with plenty of twists and curves. — gauntletga.com

WOLF PEN GAP ROAD
At just 26 miles long, this stretch of GA 180 is one of the most challenging natural routes in the state. — openroadjourney.com

THE SUCHES LOOP
This demanding route is great for viewing three of North Georgia’s mountain passes — Neel Gap, Hester Gap and Stonepile Gap — and is exceptionally beautiful in the fall. — motorcycleroads.com

RUSSELL-BRASSTOWN SCENIC BYWAY
This 41-mile loop (GA 348, 180 & 17/75) takes you through amazing scenery, plus Brasstown Bald, hiking trails and waterfalls. — n-georgia.com/russell-brasstown-scenic-tour.htm