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**SPIRITED ADVENTURES**

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**NATURAL HIGHS**

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Pedal power works on water too. Take a two-hour cruise on Lake Norman with *Charlotte Cycleboats* in Cornelius. Bring your own beer or wine and your feet—there are 10 seats for pedalers and a bench seat for five. Prefer paddle power? Kayak or SUP to Fletcher’s *Sierra Nevada Brewing Company*. It’s on the French Broad River, a paddler’s paradise. Then take the Trip in the Woods, a guided walk through the brewery’s forest—with beer samples at the end.

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**CREATURE FEATURES**

Hike with a partner who’s cute (if a bit hairy) and carries your gear at Divine Llama Vineyards in East Bend. Lead a leashed llama on a leisurely 2-mile trek through the hills, then sample some Merlina, a red wine named for one of the female animals. For yoga that’s maaao, not meh, Weeping Radish Farm Brewery in Grandy is your go-to spot. During spring yoga classes, adorable baby goats “help” with poses. At the brewery’s pub or store, buy seasonal Maibock beer (look for the goat on the can). See more goats at The Vineyard and Winery at Catawba Farms in Newton, plus pigs, chickens, barn cats, Henry the peacock and a horse named Major Tom. Tour the vineyard and try some fruity Peach for the Stars.

**DIAMOND DRAWS**

Take yourself out to the ball game in Durham and buy some peanuts, Cracker Jack and cocktails. Durham Bulls Athletic Park, home of the famed Minor League Baseball team, sells canned Gin and Tonic and Vodka Soda from Durham Distillery. Craft beer-lovers score at Fayetteville’s new Segra Stadium, where the Woodpeckers play. The park’s Healy’s Right Field Bar keeps local beers on tap, including Blood Orange Kolsch from Dirtbag Ales Brewery and Taproom in nearby Hope Mills.
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CHEROKEE VOICES FESTIVAL, CHEROKEE
June 13
The culture speaks via storytelling, arts and music at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian.

LUMBEE HOMECOMING FESTIVAL AND Powwow, PEMBROKE
June 26–July 4
About half of the state’s 60,000 Lumbee Tribe members gather for pageants, a parade, an outdoor market and fireworks.

WACCAMAW SIOUAN POWWOW, BOLTON
October 16–17
Learn the history of the Waccamaw Siouan Tribe, sample their cuisine and take in the dance competition.

CHEROKEE WAYS
Drama unfolds in Cherokee on an outdoor stage each summer as the Cherokee Indian story comes to life in *Unto These Hills*. It begins in 1540, when Spanish explorers arrive on the state’s western edge and continues today, as 14,000 tribal members still live in the Great Smoky Mountains.

Get immersed in their culture on a visit to the town of Cherokee. Weavers make baskets, hunters shoot blowguns and workers hull canoes at Oconaluftee Indian Village, which re-creates an 18th-century Cherokee community. Artifacts at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian take visitors on a 13,000-year journey, including the Paleo-Indian period and the Trail of Tears, the tribe’s forced move to Oklahoma. Bonfires at nearby Oconaluftee Islands Park commemorate the journey with lively costumes and movements. Creativity shines at Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, the oldest Native American cooperative in the United States. Pottery, toys and beadwork make meaningful souvenirs.

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**CHIMNEY ROCK**

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**MARION**

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**ROCK STARS**

**TOP GEMS FOUND IN NC**
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Emerald  
Garnet  
Hiddenite  
Kyanite  
Moonstone  
Rose Quartz  
Ruby  
Sapphire  
Tourmaline

State rock: GRANITE  
State precious stone: EMERALD  
State mineral: GOLD

**THERE’S GOLD (AND MORE) IN THESE HILLS**
The Blue Ridge Mountains and foothills, among the oldest formations in the world, contain a complex mix of rock types that time squeezed, fractured and folded into gold, precious gems and minerals—some still waiting to be found.
SIT. HEEL. EXPLORE.

Dogs aren’t just allowed at many of the state’s top attractions—they’re actively welcomed. North Carolina even hired a four-legged travel agent to showcase woof-worthy destinations. Here’s a taste.

**TAIL-WAGGING WELCOMES**

Pupper pampering starts at Dog City USA, Asheville’s Dog Welcome Center, downtown, with free goody cups, drinking fountains and public bathrooms—all tailor-made for dogs. Here, you’ll also get pointers on the city’s canine-friendly shops, restaurants and breweries. Off I-95 in Roanoke Rapids, set Lassie loose at the Halifax County Visitor Center Dog Run, starring a water feature, clean-up station and free treats.

**LAP IT UP**

Sip beer or wine while watching your pooch play at Doggos Dog Park and Pub, Greenboro’s indoor playground for canines. The spacious former gym features off-leash space with rubber floors (easy to clean and easy on dogs’ joints) and tables and stools set along the perimeter for the most entertaining dog-watching around.

**DUCK, DUCK, POOCH**

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SLIDE THE SLOPES

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Asheville’s Biltmore House, the largest home in America, decks its halls for the holidays each year with more than a mile of garland, 120 trees and 26,000 ornaments. Tour during the daytime or at night, when the front lawn alights with luminarias and twinkling trees. In Flat Rock, celebrate famed poet Carl Sandburg during Christmas at Connemara (November 28), held at the Carl Sandburg Home National Historic Site. Enjoy music, stories, treats and crafts at Connemara, the house where the literary legend lived and wrote for much of his life. Sandburg produced a third of his works and won his second Pulitzer Prize here. You can also hike 5 miles of trails, pet goats and pick up volumes of Sandburg’s poetry at the bookstore.

3 PLAY ‘FREE BIRD’
Lake Mattamuskeet gets a big boost of visitors—both human and winged—during the winter months, with more than 250,000 Alaskan tundra swans, snow geese, Canada geese and ducks calling it their temporary home. Visit Swanquarter’s Mattamuskeet National Wildlife Refuge during December’s annual Swan Days Festival to welcome the majestic creatures’ return. Tundra swans—known for their unique calls—also find sanctuary at Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge, where you can spot bald eagles, barred owls and great blue herons too. The occasional black bear meanders among the swans, mallards and great blue herons at Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge near Columbia.

ESTATE WINE
Daytime admission to Biltmore gets you a free tasting at the on-site winery. After sampling from a selection of more than 20 reds, whites and rosés, you can purchase a full glass at the indoor-outdoor bar and take home a bottle from the wine shop. Premium wine experiences include indulgent wine-cheese and wine-chocolate pairings, and a celebration of sparkling wines.
4 CHILL ON THE COAST
With summer crowds gone and temps staying relatively mild (in the 50s), winter’s the time to seize some coastal serenity. Take a 2-mile ferry ride across the Cape Fear River to reach Bald Head Island. Locals and visitors join in on Friday-night marshmallow roasts and fishing trips to catch speckled trout, striped bass and redfish. You’ll also want to climb 108 steps to the top of Old Baldy, the state’s oldest standing lighthouse—it guided many a ship through shoals and storms. Seashell hunters love storms, as the strong winds reveal colorful treasures after low tide. The yellow-gray shells of prized channeled whelk—with signature purple streaks—sit in the sands of Corolla. (They can be up to a foot long.) Comb the beaches of Cape Lookout National Seashore for the Scotch bonnet, the state’s official shell. Look for yellow-brown squares on a white background, the plaid pattern that earned the shell its name.

5 HIKE THE HEIGHTS
The Boone area boasts a beautiful array of winter scenery, from tree-lined hillsides to snow-capped mountaintops. See both on the accessible Boone Greenway trail. Level terrain allows bicycles and wheelchairs to navigate along the New River, passing forests and a covered bridge. Near Brevard, Looking Glass Falls becomes an icy cascade in winter. It’s easy to get to, with parking next to a viewing deck. Demanding winter hikes await in the Piedmont at Stone Mountain State Park, where a 4.5-mile loop takes explorers past the summit and a waterfall. While falls can be pretty, respect Mother Nature and stay safe.

6 DO THE LOCOMOTIVES
Bryson City’s Great Smoky Mountains Railroad brings to life The Polar Express November through December. Dress in your fave pj’s and take a ride to “the North Pole.” During six weekends, Tweetsie Railroad in Blowing Rock hosts Tweetsie Christmas. Ride the train and pose for photos inside a supersize snow globe. Rail excursions and roundhouse turntable rides occur year-round at the N.C. Transportation Museum in Spencer.
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GREEN BOOK LEGACY

Traveling in the South was dangerous for African Americans during the Jim Crow era. *Green Book* helped them navigate. Learn more at North Carolina’s remaining *Green Book* sites and other history-rich venues.

First published as *The Negro Motorist Green Book* by Victor H. Green in 1936, what came to be known simply as *Green Book* was a directory of hotels, restaurants, gas stations and other establishments that African Americans could patronize safely during segregation. Over the years, more than 300 North Carolina businesses appeared in *Green Book*, some still standing—and a few still open—today. The North Carolina African American Heritage Commission’s *Green Book* Project documents and celebrates these businesses, the heart and soul of the state’s African American community. Relive history at actual *Green Book* sites, and visit other places rich in this culture.

**AROUND THE STATE**

At these key sites, trace the important roles of the arts and religion in shaping African American history.

**Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts + Culture, Charlotte**

The 46,500-square-foot venue celebrates the art, history and culture of African Americans and other people of the African diaspora through visual and literary arts, dance, music, film, educational programs, stage productions, and community outreach.

**St. Philips Heritage Center, Winston-Salem**

The center, which is part of the Old Salem Museums and Gardens complex, interprets the historic town of Salem. Established by the Moravians in 1766, Salem was home to many enslaved and free people of African descent. The center includes a rebuilt 1823 log church and the 1861 St. Philips Moravian Church, which is still in use today.

**The Historic Magnolia House, Greensboro**

Established in 1949, the Magnolia House Motel housed families visiting students at nearby historically black colleges, as well as famous African Americans like Ray Charles, Tina Turner, Jackie Robinson and James Baldwin. Six *Green Book* editions listed it as a highly recommended place to stay. Restorations finished in 2012 revived the Victorian building, which now hosts Wednesday- and Thursday-night suppers (think fish and grits), a Sunday jazz brunch, and events like concerts and yoga classes set to live jazz.

**Also in Greensboro**

**International Civil Rights Center and Museum**

Housed in the Woolworth’s building that sparked a desegregation sit-in movement by four North Carolina A&T students in 1960, the museum offers exhibits and artifacts dedicated to civil rights. This year marks the museum’s 10th anniversary along with the 60th anniversary of the sit-in.
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DURHAM
Opened in 1938, Speight’s gave black motorists a place to stop for gas, oil and repairs. Forced to move for a freeway in the 1960s, it was one of the few businesses displaced by urban renewal that reopened. Speight’s still works on cars and displays memorabilia from the shop’s history.

ALSO IN DURHAM
PAULI MURRAY HOUSE
As an African American and women’s rights activist, lawyer, and the first female African American Episcopal priest and saint, Pauli Murray played an integral yet often overlooked role in the most significant movements of the 20th century. Murray spent her childhood years in Durham, where her family home was recently named a National Historic Landmark. The house is being turned into a center for history and social justice.

Around the state
See examples of African American entrepreneurship, education and crafting skill from earlier eras.

THE BLOCK, ASHEVILLE
Asheville’s hub of African American enterprise in the late 19th and early 20th centuries was called The Block. It included restaurants, doctor’s offices, a library and a boarding house. Today, tour company Hood Huggers International offers visits to key sites and long-standing African American-owned businesses such as Benne on Eagle, dishing soul food and history.

HISTORIC JARVISBURG COLORED SCHOOL, CURRITUCK COUNTY
From 1868 until the 1950s, the school was one of few in the county to educate African American children. Today, the living-history museum features exhibits with testimonies from former students. Tours are available Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

THOMAS DAY HOUSE AND UNION TAVERN, MILTON
African American furniture-maker and cabinetmaker Thomas Day ran the state’s most productive shop in the mid-19th century. His feats are recalled at this venue, now getting a new look that will feature some of Day’s actual furniture pieces.

FIND OUT MORE
Most of the North Carolina sites once listed in Green Book have disappeared into history, but you can see many of the businesses in their heyday, thanks to an online image archive. Go to aahc.nc.gov/green-book-project.

SOULFUL SCULPTURE
In Tryon, see a larger-than-life sculpture of singer and civil rights activist Nina Simone, the “High Priestess of Soul.”
Stop and feel this moment. This is one of the simple experiences of joy that life is all about. The moment you take in that deep breath that you didn’t realize you haven’t been taking. The moment you laugh so hard you feel weightless for a second. The moment you reach the apex of your hike and take in the view. These are the moments that matter most when we look back. The busyness of our daily lives often causes us to forget to stop and enjoy the simple moments that matter most.

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Sure, you’ve seen toothy Venus flytraps (and other carnivorous plants) in greenhouses and museums. But you can visit them in the wild in North Carolina.

Park rangers help visitors spot Venus flytraps, some smaller than the palm of your hand.

t’s candy-color grin suggests a sweet personality. But the Venus flytrap is all business, its trigger hairs identifying anything that will supplement its diet. (Carnivorous plants get most nutrients from the air and soil. But mmm, bugs!) Visitors can spot these and other eaters along the ½-mile Carolina Beach State Park Flytrap Trail, part of a 70-mile radius around Wilmington that hosts the only native-growing flytraps in the world.

Flytraps, butterwort (with broad, sticky leaves) and pitcher plants grow along the trail edges, in addition to wildflowers. Stay on the trail to avoid damaging the fragile wetlands. Free guided hikes on weekends can help you spot all the feisty little gems.

LEAVE ‘EM BE Don’t bug the plants as they await their prey. And definitely don’t dig them up—poaching flytraps is illegal.
Another hidden gem

Unplug and experience a few hours of tranquility along the scenic Tar River. Each stroke of your paddle brings you closer to Town Common, where you can catch an outdoor concert or simply enjoy open greenspaces. NC’s Emerald City is filled with countless hidden gems.

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By the Numbers:
The Venus Flytrap

- The full-grown height (in inches) of a typical Venus flytrap plant.
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- The approximate number of days it takes for a flytrap to digest an insect.
- The length of time (in hours) that passes before a flytrap “spits out” something that’s not food (like a pebble or a nut).
- The average number of leaves on a flytrap plant.

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WE’RE CELEBRATING WHAT?

Here’s a riddle: What do liver mush, shad and outhouses have in common? Answer: They all inspire lively events.

February
GREAT OUTHOUSE RACES, SAPPHIRE
Fans of this annual event become flush with excitement as themed outhouses on skis race down a slope at Sapphire Valley Resort. Feeling pooped by the competition? Warm up by the fire and listen to live tunes.

FOOD
LIVER MUSH FESTIVAL
MARION, JUNE
SHELBY, OCTOBER
The name and the ingredient list (pig liver, head parts and cornmeal) may make some squeal with squeamishness, but this regional delicacy is totally worth a taste (try one with mustard) at these summer and fall events.

PUMPKINFEST
FRANKLIN, OCTOBER
BYOP to participate in the World Famous Pumpkin Roll. Participants send their orange orbs down a sloping street, and the person whose gourd goes farthest snags $100.

CREATURES
GRIFTON SHAD FESTIVAL
GRIFTON, APRIL
“Eat Mo Shad” is the hook for this celebration of the Atlantic seaboard fish that’s served fried. It’s the 50th anniversary, so expect the Official Shad Capital of NC to go overboard.

NORTH CAROLINA BLACK BEAR FESTIVAL
PLYMOUTH, JUNE
The coastal black bears around here are some of the biggest on the planet. See them on a tour, but not in the Run with the Bears 5K or Bear Necessities Paddle.

April
CRYPTO PARANORMAL FESTIVAL, LITTLETON
If you’re curious about Bigfoot or UFOs or, better yet, if you’ve seen something unexplainable, you’ll make some new besties during seminars about the paranormal and cryptozoology.

INSECT BITES
BUGFEST, RALEIGH SEPTEMBER
Talk about a food crawl. Try chef-prepared dishes made with crickets, mealworms and grubs at Café Insecta, the most buzzworthy spot at the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences.

JUST PLAIN WACKY
Mark your calendar: Things get a little weird at these oddball festivals.

SPICE IT UP
Hover your phone’s camera to watch the action heat up at the NC Hot Sauce Festival.
When you want all the comforts but not a full-service resort, come home to 200 Main for all your Highlands adventures and excursions. Step outside your door for downtown shopping, dining, arts and performances. Hike the Highlands Plateau Greenway from the trailhead behind the property. Then relax in a hammock on the park-like lawn after a dip in the heated mineral pool.

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WHERE THE CHEFS EAT
Get the inside scoop (ladle?) from the cream of North Carolina’s culinary scene, who dish on their favorite places in the state to dine and unwind.

Many North Carolina restaurants have made their mark on the culinary world, thanks to locally sourced heritage ingredients and creative expressions of globally inspired cuisine. In particular, several chefs have been recognized by the James Beard Foundation, whose awards are the food industry’s Oscars. But this is no cutthroat competition—here, top chefs and their food suppliers collaborate and provide mutual support. In that spirit, we asked five James Beard-named chefs to give a shout-out to key partners and share favorite restaurants and getaways in the state.

ASHLEY CHRISTENSEN’S FAVORITE NC EATERIES: Kindred in Davidson (steak tartare with mussel mayo, and the pastas), Garland in Raleigh (Cauliflower 65, and anything on the features board), Mateo Bar de Tapas in Durham (pan con tomate), and Durham’s Vin Rouge (moules frites, Tartiflette).

As if her “Best Chef: Southeast” James Beard win in 2014 wasn’t enough, Christensen became the first North Carolina chef to win top honors as “Outstanding Chef” in the country at the 2019 awards ceremony. “As a kid, I enjoyed vacationing in the Outer Banks or the mountains,” she says. “Now we love to get away to Davidson for a meal at Kindred.”
GO ON BREAK

Day camps and surf lessons for the kids. Lush oceanfront gardens for the adults. Overflowing with vibrant variety, no two getaways here are alike. From celebrated fresh-to-table restaurants to carriage rides through historic downtown Wilmington, choose to stray off course.
RALEIGH
CHEETIE KUMAR, GARLAND

Our steady partnerships are with Locals Seafood, Beth Moore’s Produce (at the State Farmers Market), Firsthand Foods, Vera Luce Farm, Old Milburnie Farm, Laurel Branch Gardens and Infinity Hundred Farms. For getaways, my husband and I love Atlantic Beach, Topsail or Carolina Beach for a reset.

Where to eat in NC: In Raleigh: Bida Manda Laotian Restaurant (and its sister, Brewery Bhavana); Poole’s Diner; Centro Mexican del Corazón (and the bar upstairs, Gallo Pelón Mezcaleria); Death and Taxes; The Fiction Kitchen.

DAVIDSON
JOE KINDRED, KINDRED

My grandfather built a home on the White Oak River in Swansboro. Growing up, we could catch blue crabs, shrimp and fish off of his dock. Most of my childhood memories were created there, and now we spend practically the entire summer there. I’m teaching my children about all that. We also like going to Grandfather Mountain and Linville Gorge. I also love NC beaches, like Emerald Isle, Wrightsville and Carolina Beach.

Where to eat in NC: Brewery Bhavana in Raleigh. It’s the perfect restaurant for lunch or dinner. Also, the chorizo torta in the back of the Sav/Way Foods grocery store in Charlotte is one of the best things I’ve ever eaten.

ASHEVILLE
MEHERWAN IRANI, CHAI PANI

Our favorite thing to do is spend time in some of Western NC’s smaller towns like Brevard, Waynesville, Sylva and Spruce Pine. About 45 minutes southwest of Asheville off the Blue Ridge Parkway, Graveyard Fields is wild blueberry heaven!

Where to eat in NC: I love Garland and Poole’s Diner in Raleigh; Dashi and Toast in Durham; and Kindred and Haymaker in the Charlotte area. Some of my favorite places to eat in Asheville are Vivian, Cucina 24, Wild Ginger, Taqueria Muñoz, Cúrate, Rocky’s Hot Chicken Shack and All Souls Pizza.
If you’re looking for fun for everyone, you need to visit Carowinds—where the Carolinas come together. Ride the world’s tallest and fastest giga coaster, Fury 325. Immerse yourself in the pint-sized fun of Camp Snoopy. There’s even a massive waterpark to explore and more. Plus, you can stay where you play at the new SpringHill Suites Charlotte at Carowinds.

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GOOD EATS

Catch, Wilmington

KEITH RHODES, CATCH

We source a lot of our produce from Feast Down East, a nonprofit working to grow the local food system. We supplement from our own garden. A hidden gem in Wilmington is Epic Excursions. They offer boat charters that cruise to hidden beaches and islands around Wrightsville Beach.

Where to eat in NC: Pender’s Cafe in Wilmington (cheeseburger), Saint James in Durham (seafood tower), Pho 7 in Jacksonville (pho noodle bowl), and Crawford and Son in Raleigh (salmon tartare).

WILMINGTON

MORE JAMES BEARD NOTABLES

Buxton Hall Barbecue
Asheville
Eastern-style BBQ fans get their fix from chef Elliott Moss. He smokes the pork low and slow (12–15 hours), then serves it with sides like coleslaw and collards.

Benne on Eagle
Asheville
Chefs John Fleer and Ashleigh Shanti mix Appalachian ingredients with cooking traditions from the African diaspora.

The Stanley
Charlotte
Chef Paul Verica and his son, Alex, offer a changing farm-driven menu that reflects the state’s bounty of produce, seafood and meats.

Fullsteam Brewery
Durham
Like the food at this spot founded by Sean Lilly Wilson, the craft beer has a distinct Southern accent. It’s brewed with flavors like sweet potato and persimmon.
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GET DRAGGED INTO IT
Empower yourself with lessons in confidence and control when you get behind the wheel at Roy Hill’s Drag Racing School in Sophia. Hill, a legend in the sport, offers one- and two-day courses in handling a daunting dragster or super stock car. Or watch the pros burn rubber at Rockingham Dragway in Rockingham. The historic strip hosts races all year.

EXPLORE WHEEL ESTATE
Hit speeds of 55 mph in a rental go-kart on the world-class track at GoPro Motorplex in Mooresville. The 0.7-mile, 11-turn course mimics the historic Kartdromo Parma circuit in Italy. No reservations needed—just arrive and drive. Ride hard and get dirty is the motto at Busco Beach and ATV Park in Goldsboro, a muddy mecca that’s open 24/7/365. Drive 2,000 acres of trails, including dirt, sand, water and mudholes.

LEAN IN
If Route 66 is the Mother Road, then the Tail of the Dragon in Deals Gap ought to be the Wacky Uncle Road. With 318 curves along its 11 miles, this stretch of US-129 bordering the Great Smoky Mountains tests drivers with tight turns, some banked like those on a race track. Motorcyclists spend much of the route leaning nearly sideways. The Cherohala Skyway along the state’s western edge boasts views and bends so epic that it’s been named one of the top motorcycle rides in the country.

TASTES OF NASCAR
Video games are good, but they don’t compare to the racing simulators at the NASCAR Hall of Fame in Charlotte. Ultrarealistic iRacing software uses down-to-the-millimeter-accurate versions of actual NASCAR tracks and cars. During the holidays, drive your own car (at a sane speed) on the oval at Charlotte Motor Speedway. The annual Speedway Christmas features 4 million lights.

WAKE UP ON WATER
Whether you’re a newbie or a totally woke wakeboarder, the water’s fine at Jibtopia Wake Park in Semora. It’s a cable park (no tow boats), which makes it easier for beginners to get up on the water. Advanced riders can crank up the speed and add to their repertoire of tricks.
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WRITER ANN MARIE BROWN

RELAXED STATE
North Carolina holds a long-standing allure for health-seekers. No matter the season, you’ll discover a wellness-conscious culture and a wealth of natural beauty—the perfect formula to calm the mind and revive the body. On your next trip, break up with your to-do list and make a date with self-care.
Sometimes a change of altitude is all it takes to change your attitude. In the state’s mountainous west, lift your spirits with wow-inducing waterfalls, cast your cares into a fishing hole and discover the benefits of getting into hot water.

**NATURAL HIGHS**

Press the mental reset button at Sapphire’s Gorges State Park, a temperate rain forest where waterfalls exude negative ions that yield positive effects on the mind and mood. The Rainbow Falls Trail leads to a massive 150-foot-tall cataract—look for a rainbow dancing in its mist. Want more? Keep heading upriver to Turtleback Falls, Drift Falls and Hidden Falls. See them all in just under a 4-mile round-trip.

Combine a nature hike with some yoga and you’ve got yourself one life-changing morning. Guides with Asheville’s Namaste in Nature lead the leisurely jaunt to 100-foot-high Catawba Falls or a view-filled trek on the Appalachian Trail, then through a guided meditation and yoga session. You’ll go home with photos.

If you’ve seen A River Runs Through It, you know there’s zen in fly fishing. North Carolina has 4,000 miles of flowing water that support trout—more than any other southeast state. Get your casting four-count rhythm in sync on the Western North Carolina Fly Fishing Trail. If you only have time for one stop on the trail, try Panthertown Creek, where groves of eastern hemlock and yellow birch shelter quiet pools.

Trout also fill the waters of Burke County. Cast a line at the creeks within South Mountains State Park near Connelly Springs.
ASHEVILLE

Settle into an antigravity chair in a cool, glowing room encased in 5 tons of rock salt crystals—then just breathe. The Salt Spa of Asheville and Himalayan Salt Cave Sanctuary uses halotherapy to release trace minerals into the air, which promotes freer breathing and deep relaxation. After a peaceful session in the cave, indulge in various forms of massage.

BOONE

Start self-care at the Art of Living Retreat Center, an epicenter for inner change. Campus views of the Blue Ridge Mountains will help quiet your mind, but you’ll also learn breathing and meditation techniques, practice yoga, hear talks on philosophy and spirituality, and spend time in the pottery studio. Meals are prepared with organic produce grown on-site.

UNTROUBLED WATERS

Lakeview at Fontana near Bryson City offers liquid nirvana—a treetop soaking cabana where your tub overlooks the forest canopy. Stay the night and walk the wooded trails, get an aromatic hot towel massage, take a yoga class, or just sit on the deck and admire the Fontana Lake view.

Travelers have been “taking the waters” at historic Hot Springs Resort and Spa’s mineral springs since the 1790s. Stress evaporates in the magnesium-rich H2O of a private open-air cabana. Before or after your soak, take the short hike to Lover’s Leap on the Appalachian Trail—it runs right through town—or rent a raft and paddle the free-flowing French Broad River.

In artsy Highlands, the European-style Old Edwards Inn resort beckons with a spa and dual outdoor mineral pools. Lie on a chaise in the serenity solarium (fountains and a stone fireplace) while waiting for an immersive bath ritual and four-hands massage (two therapists knead away).

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PIEDMONT The state’s central region is full of good places to center your mind. Find a healthy state of balance up a cliff, down on a farm, or in the middle of a yoga class or spa treatment. Cold beers and cool breezes are pretty relaxing too.

DANBURY Time spent with nature may be the ultimate de-stressor. Climb on 400-foot-high cliffs, paddle the Dan River or spend the night in a rustic cabin at Hanging Rock State Park. Or just go for a hike—20 miles of wooded trails lead past picturesque waterfalls and high rock cliffs.

CHAPEL HILL Farm life is pretty sweet—just ask the resident honeybees at Honeysuckle Tea House. Lie in a hammock while you sip lavender tea or spoon a smoothie made with the farm’s blueberries. A breeze cools this open-air cafe that overlooks tranquil herb and flower gardens, open summer weekends. Tea House sales fund land and farm conservation.
YOGA WITH A TWIST
What’s your yoga flavor? Winston-Salem has studios galore. If hot yoga and goat yoga seem so last year, it’s time you tried hip-hop yoga. 2B Yoga’s vinyasa-style poses are set to a bust-a-move beat, leaving you feeling simultaneously relaxed and invigorated. Or get your om on with Saturday morning beer yoga at Foothills Brewery. For $10, flow through asanas on the spacious tasting-room floor, then roll up your mat and relax with a pint. It’s the perfect marriage of lotus and lagers.

Elevate your yoga game by taking your practice to the water. The flow yoga classes at Aloha Paddle Sports in Cornelius challenge you to float on a stand-up paddleboard on Lake Norman (and try not to wobble as you move through a series of poses). The benefits? Improved concentration, balance and core strength.

SPA SERENITY
Bid farewell to gravity and the grind as you float effortlessly on 10 inches of skin-temperature saltwater. Dark, silent water tanks at the Floating Shanti in Fayetteville reduce sensory inputs to nearly zero, which downshifts your stress response and slows your racing mind. In Cary, escape to art-filled public spaces on 12 wooded acres at The Umstead Hotel and Spa. The outdoor pool feels like an Alpine spa, with a backdrop of pin oaks and a 3-acre lake.

In Pittsboro, kiss your skin’s impurities goodbye while cocooned in a seaweed body wrap at The Spa at Fearrington. But why stop there? Keep the nurturing going with a classic Swedish massage, or head south to The Spa at Pinehurst for an invigorating cryotherapy treatment. You’ll feel the endorphin boost as your skin is cooled by a subzero blast of air, which helps to remove toxins, control inflammation and improve skin elasticity.
COAST
Miles of sand and water have a way of putting life’s problems in perspective. Explore the coast on boat, board or bike, keeping a gentle pace that minimizes effort and maximizes the sense of escape.

COASTAL CALM
On the Crystal Coast, Cape Lookout National Seashore’s blissfully undeveloped barrier islands can be reached only by boat or ferry and offer few amenities, so pack food and water and stay awhile. Climb up the historic lighthouse (summers only, Wednesday–Sunday), watch for wild horses, hunt for seashells and walk remote beaches.

Nearly surrounded by water, Beaufort has seen 300 years of seafaring history. Hop on a retro-chic Huffy bike from Hungry Town Tours and explore the village’s historic district. The one-speed cruisers are for leisurely riding, not spin class, in keeping with Beaufort’s laid-back pace.

On the Outer Banks, travel to Duck and visit the waterfront Aqua Spa. Treat yourself to a peppermint body scrub and a stress-stripping Sticks and Stone Massage—bamboo rolling followed by stone spine placement.

STORYBOOK SETTINGS
The Kindred Spirit Mailbox is a public box at Sunset Beach holding journal entries penned by visitors. It inspired the work of New Bern-based novelist Nicholas Sparks. New Bern’s self-guided Walk to Remember tour hits the Masonic Theatre and Alfred Cunningham Bridge from Sparks’ The Notebook, plus Union Point Park from A Bend in the Road.

SURF AND PADDLE
WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH
Protected by sandy barrier islands and salt marshes, Wrightsville boasts a consistent shore break and warm waters—ideal for new surfers. Learn basic wave-riding at WB Surf Camp and get an awesome core workout in the process. Take SUP fitness and kayak classes too.

OUTER BANKS
Kitty Hawk Kites offers kayak tours through the maze of canals, creeks and salt marshes at Cape Hatteras National Seashore. Paddle out to a spot that’s perfect for watching sunsets over the water.

INNER BANKS
Power paddle (up to 200 miles) on the Tar-Pamlico River Water Trail. Listen for barred owls and watch for bald eagles, then pull your paddles out of the water and camp at screened-in camping platforms. Inner Banks Outfitters in Washington rents equipment.

YOGA PAIRINGS
At Pineapple Studios in Wilmington, the Yin and Spin workshop pairs a flow yoga class and a private lesson on the potter’s wheel. Draw a breath in the sand at Salty Dog Yoga and Surf, with vinyasa (or eclectic mix) yoga on Carolina Beach. The sand shifts and sinks with every move, adding a challenge to classic poses.

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HANDMADE TALES

MEET your MAKERS

GET TO KNOW THE ARTISTS WHO WEAVE THE STATE’S CULTURAL FABRIC, CREATING WORKS THAT TRAVEL HOME (AND BEYOND) WITH YOU.

WRITER SHAYLA MARTIN
Besides being the name of a popular whiskey, “maker’s mark” is the stamp or other ID that artisans place on their works to let people know who produced them. Come meet the North Carolina makers who leave their marks (literally and figuratively) on the pieces of art, decor and apparel they create. There’s a story behind each item. Then learn about places where you can express your own creative impulses.

**THE MAKERS**

**ELIA BIZZARRI,**
**HILLSBOROUGH**
Known for his elegant Windsor chairs, woodworker Elia Bizzarri works with maple, white pine and oak to handcraft rockers, barstools and side tables in his custom-designed shop.

**MEGAN GEORGE,**
**THE ZEN SUCCULENT,**
**RALEIGH AND DURHAM**
It’s not often that a childhood chore becomes a calling, but that was the case for Megan George. She took care of the plants in her childhood home, and her love of greenery evolved from crafting terrariums with her mother to founding The ZEN Succulent online in 2012. Customers were so drawn to her relaxing and peaceful creations that she has since opened downtown storefronts in both Durham and Raleigh, where she sells her plant designs, indoor greenery and handcrafted gifts. She also teaches monthly succulent terrarium workshops and is often around to share plant stories with visitors.

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STAR MAKERS

STARworks offers artistic educational programs along with a bustling taproom and cafe in Star.

THE MAKERS

SARAH YARBOROUGH AND VICTOR LYTVINENKO, RALEIGH DENIM WORKSHOP

This duo wants to take the blues out of shopping for jeans. What started as a bid to make the perfect pair with traditional tools and techniques evolved into Raleigh Denim, a small-batch, handmade brand that’s won national recognition. At The Curatory, the flagship store in downtown Raleigh, peek into the factory to watch master jeansmiths work. If you buy a pair, look inside for the signature of the person who made them.

BILL JONES, GREENSBORO

After trying architecture, Bill Jones wanted to work more hands-on. That took him to pottery paradise Seagrove, where he threw pots on a wheel and drew striking abstract designs on them. He also worked part-time at STARworks, an arts-centric work community in Star. Jones now works out of his studio in Greensboro. You can find him—and his work—at Krankies Craft Fair in Winston-Salem, NC Ceramic Arts Festival in Asheville and Art in the Park in Blowing Rock.
RIVER ARTS DISTRICT, ASHEVILLE
Visit the studios and galleries of hundreds of artists crafting pottery, jewelry, glasswork, metalwork, woodwork and paintings. The district’s Second Saturday event each month features gallery walks, demonstrations, workshops, live music and wine tastings.

POTTERY TRAIL, SEAGROVE
More than 200 years ago, ceramic artists began making pottery in this small town, now considered the Handmade Pottery Capital of the U.S. Today, nearly 100 shops and galleries sell tableware, folk art and other collectible works.

DOWNTOWN ARTS DISTRICT, WINSTON-SALEM
Founded in 1995, the diverse enclave of galleries, restaurants, artist studios, shops and bars is the site of a themed First Friday Gallery Hop each month from 7 to 10 p.m.
THE MAKERS

**DAMMIT WESLEY, BLKMRKTCLT, CHARLOTTE**
The muralist and mixed-media artist formerly known as Jimi Thompson is a problem solver. When he noticed Charlotte’s artists of color lacked access to studio and exhibition space, he made some. He co-founded BlkMrktCLT, a gallery and studio space for photographers and artists that now also offers design services, video production and events space rental. He engages fellow artists in a monthly open-discussion artist forum, Let’s Talk Dammit, that covers the business of art, including marketing and contracts. The studio is open to the public from 5 to 9 p.m. Fridays, and an exhibition series continues this year.

**JONATHAN BOWLING, GREENVILLE**
Jonathan Bowling turned his childhood love of sculpting into an MFA degree from East Carolina University in Greenville—where he’s been ever since. The skilled, resourceful artist uses a variety of repurposed steel, chains and the occasional golf club to create fantastical animal sculptures, most of them life-size. You can find the eye-catching creatures all over the state, including Guglhupf Bakery in Durham, the Chowan Arts Council in Edenton and in the sculpture park around his Greenville studio on Dickinson Avenue. The studio and shop are open daily, but it’s best to call before you arrive.
Find hand-carved wooden signs and art, white oak baskets, pottery, carved masks, and handmade jewelry at Billy’s store, Hunting Boy Wood Carving.

At Studio Touya, Hitomi and Takuro Shibata built a Japanese-style wood kiln to make simple pottery with natural clays in shades of cream, brick red and chocolate brown. Find their pottery at Ackland Museum Store in Chapel Hill and In Tandem Gallery in Bakersville.

At Chaotic Joy Glassworks, Terri Sigler molds glass pitchers, vases, pumpkins, bowls and the Hearts with Grace keepsake, a way to memorialize loved ones by enfolding their ashes in molten glass.

Snag a RagBag—handbags made with fabric samples, carpet pieces and even game boards—at Monkee’s of Blowing Rock or the Blue Ridge Artisan Center in Wilkesboro.

The school offers classes and workshops in photography, painting, textiles, jewelry, laser cutting, 3-D printing and other media. It also hosts artists residencies and summer arts camp.

Renewable energy sources fuel glassblowing studios, pottery kilns and forges. Learn basic bladesmithing and blacksmithing.

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Better wear loose-fitting clothes for this culinary tour.

Pro tip: When you come to a fork on the road, take it.

STAMEY’S BARBECUE
GREENSBORO
For 90 years, Stamey’s has been slow-cooking pork shoulders over a pit of hardwood hickory coals. It’s a long process—pitmasters come in before dawn to light the fire, and the pork cooks for 8 to 10 hours—but totally worth the wait. Taste for yourself when you order a plate of chopped pork with hush puppies and slaw.

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From the mountains to the sandhills, great barbecue relies on three key ingredients: smoke, skill and time. The nonprofit North Carolina Barbecue Society Historic Barbecue Trail showcases the many little spots and longtime pitmasters who carry on this demanding tradition. The route meanders from Ayden to Murphy. To be selected for the trail, barbecue restaurants must cook their meat over pits fueled by wood or charcoal, make their own sauce, and have operated for at least 12 years (making darn tasty barbecue helps, too). As new joints qualify and, unfortunately, others close, the trail is updated. Don’t worry if you get a little lost along the way. Just follow the smoke.

**NC BARBECUE SOCIETY HISTORIC BARBECUE TRAIL**

**AYDEN TO MURPHY**

**SKYLIGHT INN BBQ**

Locals still know this spot as Pete Jones’ BBQ, honoring the legend who opened the place in 1947 (at age 17). Pete’s family—including grandson and regional ‘cue icon Sam Jones—carries on his tradition of cooking whole hogs over wood, earning raves for the pork sandwiches. Bring cash and a little patience (the lines move fast).

**HERE’S YOUR “Q”**

There are currently 21 stops on the NC Barbecue Society Historic Barbecue Trail. To learn more and view a map of all the locations, visit [ncbbqsociety.com/bbqtrail.html](http://ncbbqsociety.com/bbqtrail.html).
WINKLER BAKERY
WINSTON-SALEM
America’s oldest continuously operating bakery, built in 1800, is in Old Salem Museums and Gardens. Christian Winkler took it over in 1807 and his family ran it for generations. Today, period-costumed bakers demonstrate old techniques and staff greet you at the door with samples of bread and Moravian treats.
**Seafood**
The ocean catch has been lightly fried up in Calabash since 1940. Oyster farming is booming, too. Spring brings soft-shell blue crabs, and there’s caviar from sturgeon raised in Lenoir.

**Cheerwine**
Salisbury’s favorite beverage has been produced in the Rowan County town since 1917. These days, many pockets of the country sell the “Nectar of North Carolina” in stores and restaurants.

**All things pickled**
Grab a souvenir jar of chow chow relish, pickled okra or bread-and-butter pickles. Like it hot? Pick up a pickled version of the famously incendiary Carolina Reaper pepper.

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**Moravian Culinary Trails**

**FORSYTH COUNTY**

When Moravians settled in what is now Winston-Salem in the 18th century, they brought more than a desire for religious freedom. They carried baking traditions from present-day Germany and the Czech Republic, infusing the area with new flavors.

Moravian cookies, the paper-thin treats typically flavored with spices and molasses, have their own trail of bakeries and restaurants that use the cookies as an ingredient. Good news: **Mrs. Hanes’ Moravian Cookies** in Clemmons ships their version anywhere. At **Winkler Bakery** in Old Salem, site of the Moravian settlement, try another tradition: sugar cake, a buttery, sweet, yeast-risen coffee cake. (Fun fact: Mashed potatoes are the secret ingredient.)

Moravian chicken pie is chicken and broth in a crust, no veggies—never call it a pot pie. It’s a Winston-Salem delicacy, and the **Moravian Chicken Pie Trail** takes you to eateries where you can sample local variations.

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**Surry County**

Sonker is a kind of deep-dish cobbler in a crust (similar to a fruit pot pie) that’s popular around here. The dessert’s history is murky, but three things are pretty clear:

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2) Fruit filling is commonly used, although sweet potato variations are also made.
3) It’s completely delicious. The **Sonker Festival** has been held annually near Mount Airy since 1980, with music and competitions for the best sonker. Get your fix the rest of the year on the **Surry Sonker Trail**, which highlights sonker-friendly bakeries, general stores and country restaurants.

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**Sonker Trail Stops**

**Anchored Bakery**
Mount Airy

**Miss Angel’s Heavenly Pies**
Mount Airy

**Hilda’s Place: Where Art Lives**
Pilot Mountain

**Rockford General Store**
Dobson

**Southern on Main**
Elkin

**Skull Camp Smokehouse and Brewery**
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Drive from the tees of golf legends while playing at some of the sport’s greatest venues. North Carolina showcases the designs of Donald Ross and other top course architects.
THE OMNI GROVE PARK INN
ASHEVILLE
Golf legends (Jones, Hogan and Nicklaus) and U.S. presidents have played the Grove Park Golf Course. Designed by Donald Ross in 1926, it was restored to its original character and spirit in 2001. It’s a shortish but accuracy-demanding track with elevated tees that maximize views of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Expect plenty of uphill, downhill and sidehill lies.

LINVILLE GOLF CLUB
LINVILLE
Near the site of the state’s first course (which was later abandoned), the 1924 Donald Ross design was carved with mule-and-pan grading, not tractors. Small, severe greens vex, but it’s a small sacrifice for mountain views and meandering Grandmother Creek. Par-4 No. 3 ranks as one of the sport’s top holes.

PINE NEEDLES LODGE AND GOLF CLUB
SOUTHERN PINES
The course has hosted three U.S. Women’s Opens. A 2017 restoration brought back Donald Ross’ original wide fairway landing zones. Signature No. 3 is a spectacular par 3.

GRANDOVER RESORT
GREENSBORO
The East Course is a bit of a beast—it helps to have some length off the tee. Tricky greens make you earn up-and-downs. The par-5 18th is picture-perfect, with a big lake guarding the green. The longer links-style West Course follows the Piedmont’s naturally rolling terrain and elevation changes. The greens aren’t as severe, but be ready to carry some water hazards.

BRUNSWICK PLANTATION AND GOLF RESORT
CALABASH
Pair two of the three nine-hole tracks in a custom 18. Azalea tests your nerves off the tee. Dogwood’s fairways forgive, but tempt you to cut corners—and find trouble. Plan to score at short, windswept, links-like Magnolia.

PINEHURST RESORT
PINEHURST
It’s Donald Ross’ legendary No. 2 course that makes bucket lists, but this fertile Piedmont golfing ground offers eight other 18-hole layouts, including the No. 9 course, designed by Jack Nicklaus. Golfers of all skill levels can start with The Cradle, a short and fun nine-hole course.

KILMARLIC GOLF CLUB
POWELLS POINT
Golf on the Outer Banks is like a nature walk with a club in your hand. Play amid forests and wetlands on a course that’s not grip-and-rip long, but no patsy, thanks to expert bunkering and frequent water.

MOUNT MITCHELL GOLF CLUB
BURNsville
Hate blind shots? You’ll love Mount Mitchell, a virtually flat layout in the Toe River Valley. Don’t let mountain views distract or you’ll wind up in the unforgiving rough or frequent water—the South Toe River skirts the course, and Still Fork Creek crosses some holes. Buy fish food at the snack bar to feed the big trout on No. 2 and No. 15.
Buildings from the state’s manufacturing heyday have punched their time cards for the last time, changed out of work clothes, and become cool venues for creatives and fun-seekers.

WRITER GARY THOMPSON
**SAXAPAHAW** P is for pub, puppets and produce, all part of Saxapahaw Rivermill, a former cotton mill and dye house on the banks of the Haw River. The historic mill’s buildings have been recast as homes and businesses with easy access to food, music, water and trails. Community gathering spot The Eddy Pub serves up NC beer, plus food sourced from local farms. Paperhand Puppet Intervention stages family-friendly shows with giant puppets and masks made from papier-mâché, cardboard, bamboo and recycled materials. **Saturdays in Saxapahaw** (May to August) includes a farmers market, food trucks and live music. It’s free, but folks chip in for the band when the “swan bucket” comes around.

**DURHAM** Restored redbrick factory buildings that once churned out cigarettes now anchor the American Tobacco Campus, a development of offices, apartments, retail, lodging, and sports and arts venues. At one time, the American Tobacco Company was the biggest cigarette maker in the world. Its Durham operations closed in 1987. Walk through campus past the Lucky Strike-logoed smokestack and water tower, as well as an artificial river with falls. Dine at white tablecloth NanaSteak or sports bar Tobacco Road Sports Cafe, catch Minor League Baseball at Durham Bulls Athletic Park, or walk to a show at the Durham Performing Arts Center. The Aloft Durham Downtown hotel, next to the arts center, offers loft-inspired rooms with modern decor and views of the historic factory buildings.
ROCKY MOUNT Take a cotton to Rocky Mount Mills, a former cotton mill turned to homes, offices, restaurants and breweries. Opened along the Tar River more than 200 years ago, Rocky Mount was one of the state’s oldest cotton mills. Walk the grounds to see its historic buildings—dating from before the Civil War to the mid-20th century—beautifully refit for new uses, such as the region’s only beer incubator. Across the street, Mill Village, once home to mill workers, bustles anew as a modern residential neighborhood.

A tiny-house hotel, River and Twine, offers 20 boutique homes designed for the setting. Each cozy, modern abode comes packed with amenities such as televisions, fridges, microwaves, coffeemakers and Wi-Fi. Lofted sleeping areas add a surprising amount of airiness to each space.

WILMINGTON Once on the wrong side of the tracks—literally, thanks to rail traffic—the Brooklyn Arts District now cries “All aboard!” Set downtown between the Cape Fear River and Smith Creek, the area saw its rebirth gather steam when pharma company PPD moved its headquarters there. Historic St. Andrews Presbyterian Church, saved from demo, became the Brooklyn Arts Center, a venue for weddings and the arts. Cape Fear Community College added the Wilson Center, which hosts concerts and theater productions. New apartments and condos share blocks with old industrial buildings, their residents filling places like Goat and Compass pub and Flytrap Brewing, in an old office building. Other faves include wine and beer bar Palate Bottle Shop and Reserve, The District Kitchen and Cocktails (polished-casual dining), and The Red Eye Bakery, known for pastries, especially croissants.

WHAT’S UP, DOCK? Camp North End in Charlotte invited local artists to paint murals on the doors of its old buildings’ loading docks. See more murals in the venue’s open-air Boileryard space.
Industry Hill rises from working-class roots: It was long a place for factories and warehouses. Structures from that past anchor a hub for creatives, entrepreneurs and fun. The Big Winston Warehouse houses Fiddlin’ Fish Brewing Company and Black Mountain Chocolate. Craft beer maker Wise Man Brewing occupies the 90-plus-year-old Angelo Brothers building. Next door, The Ramkat holds up to 1,000 for concerts. On weekends, live country, bluegrass and folk acts fill Earl’s, a bar and Southern kitchen. Broad Branch Distillery offers tours and a tasting room. New kid Radar Brewing Company opened last year. There’s more beer (and kombucha) at Winston Junction Market, the Saturday farmers market. Gym Rock Box Bouldering caters to climbers. Axe Club of America’s aim is to test yours—it’s the city’s first axe-throwing bar. Maker space Mixxer beckons tech and fabrication geeks. Sunnyside Mercantile sells locally made decor. And a pit stop at The Winston Cup Museum tops off your tank with NASCAR history.
EVERY ADVENTURER FINDS BLISS IN NC, WHETHER RIDING A WAVE, EXPLORING A FOREST OR SOARING HIGH.

WRITER MATT CROSSMAN

Impulsive Charters, Bald Head Island
OLYMPUS DIVE CENTER, MOREHEAD CITY
Dive deep into haunting chapters of maritime history with underwater visits among the roughly 2,000 shipwrecks along the coast. The Graveyard of the Atlantic includes German submarines, a World War I gunboat, British fishing trawlers and 18th-century schooners.

EDENTON BAY CRUISES, EDENTON
The boat is refreshingly quiet, the waves are soothingly calm and the views are spectacular. Bring a snack and a drink aboard Capt. Mark Thesier’s six-passenger Liber-tea as he gives a tour of historic Edenton Bay.

IMPLUSE Charters, BALD HEAD ISLAND
Capt. Paul Thompson’s Deep Drop Trip—the most adventurous of his four voyage options with a specialized electric rod and reel—takes you up to 60 miles offshore. You drop bait there to depths beyond 800 feet. (That’s three times the height of the Statue of Liberty.) The swordfish, tilefish and snowy grouper you catch will be correspondingly huge.

DANIEL BOONE HERITAGE CANOE TRAIL, LEXINGTON
The 22-mile stretch of the Yadkin River combines a history lesson on Daniel Boone with an outdoor adventure. Ten markers highlight the famed outdoorsman’s travels in North Carolina, including Boone’s game lands where he hunted, and Boone’s Cave, where he played as a boy.

NANTAHALA OUTDOOR CENTER, BRYSON CITY
Billed as the nation’s largest outdoor recreation attraction, the center features one of the top paddling schools in the country. Millions of people have taken its whitewater rafting trips; guides also are available for fishing, biking, hiking and climbing.

DEEP CREEK, BRYSON CITY
Tucked within the legendary Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Deep Creek provides gorgeous views of several impressive waterfalls. Most are accessible via easy to moderate hikes from the trailhead near Deep Creek campground, including Juney Whank Falls (0.6 mile), Three Waterfalls Loop (2.4 miles) and Deep Creek-Indian Creek Loop (4.4 miles).

OUTER BANKS SAILING ACADEMY, MANTEO; BLOCKADE RUNNER BEACH RESORT, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH
Whether you are an experienced sailor or don’t know a bowline from a bow tie, these schools have classes to get you out onto the water with the wind rippling through your hair.

KITTY HAWK KITES KITEBOARDING SCHOOL, RODANTHE
Hatteras Island on North Carolina’s Outer Banks is sometimes called the mecca of kiteboarding, and one look at the beach reveals why. Instructors, students and veteran kiteboarders fl  ipping and spinning under the power of wind.

TONY SILVAGNI SURF SCHOOL, CAROLINA BEACH
Slather on some sunscreen, grab a board and paddle out into the waves at this school starring lead instructor Tony Silvagni, a pro surfer with more than a decade’s worth of experience teaching landlubbers to hang 10. Lessons taught by a handful of instructors are available year-round.
MOUNTAINS TO COAST BIKE RIDE
The annual weeklong event organized by Cycle North Carolina takes riders along scenic backroads from the mountains to the coast. The specific route changes each year, but participants can always expect a challenging ride, welcoming hospitality and delicious (and abundant) food.

WHITESIDE MOUNTAIN, CASHIERS
During a hike up a former logging trail, keep an eye out for speedy peregrine falcons that soar above sheer 750-foot-high cliffs resembling sheets of ice.

LINVILLE GORGE, MARION
The trails in this two-county area are as tough as they come—they form an exhausting maze of rocks, roots and endless elevation change. Views of the falls, river, gorge and mountains—especially from the summit of Hawksbill Mountain—make every step worth it. Hard-earned tip: Bring a map, extra water and sturdy shoes.
GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN, LINVILLE
Expect 360-degree views on one of the Blue Ridge Mountains' loftiest peaks (5,946 feet). At the Mile High Swinging Bridge—America's highest suspension footbridge—walk across an 80-foot chasm.

CEDAR CREEK STABLES, LAKE LURE
The Overlook Trail leads horse riders over much of Cedar Creek’s 350 verdant acres. The highlight is a stop atop a mountain ridge that gives this trail its name.

BIKING TRAILS, BREVARD
Cycling is part of the culture here, with dozens of opportunities for mountain biking and road biking. There is enough variety to challenge veterans and to welcome newbies.

MORROW MOUNTAIN STATE PARK
The stars leap out of the darkness at the mountainous observatory. The “Sam Scope” (housed at Mayland Earth to Sky Park and the biggest public telescope in the state) offers views of Saturn’s rings. A smaller on-site telescope is popular with photographers who shoot the heavens. Reservations required.
SKYDIVE COASTAL CAROLINAS, SOUTHPORT
The weird thing about jumping from an airplane and falling toward Earth is that it doesn’t feel like falling. It feels like floating on a cushion of air. Moving 120 mph—the speed you reach as you hurtle toward the Southport coast—never seemed so mellow.

ZIPQUEST WATERFALL AND TREETOP ADVENTURE, FAYETTEVILLE
The moon casts a glow over riders daring enough to take on the NightQuest Waterfall Expedition. The dark enhances the thrill of navigating eight ziplines, three suspension bridges and four spiral staircases.

THE GORGE ZIPLINE SALUDA
Why let the birds have all the fun? The Gorge Zipline sends you flying on one of the fastest and steepest zipline canopy rides in the country. Eleven lines cover 1.25 miles and drop 1,100 feet. Three rappels plunge you into acres of lush old-growth forest.

HIGHLANDS AERIAL PARK, SCALY MOUNTAIN
The Brave Indian Challenge Course was built with kids in mind but thrills adults too. All adventurers expand their comfort zones on ziplines, a suspension bridge, a balance beam and more.

1902 WRIGHT GLIDER EXPERIENCE, NAGS HEAD
Do you have what it takes to fly a glider like the one the Wright Brothers used at Kitty Hawk before they gave birth to powered aviation? Only one is available to rent. With Kitty Hawk Kites, get a running start…and fly.

OBX BIPLANE TOURS, MANTEO
The wind whips across your face as you sit in the open cockpit of a biplane. The large radial engine shakes you, while the views of the coast move you.

DUCK PARASAIL, DUCK
By the time you reach 500 feet, you will no longer be freaked out by the
Fact you are being pulled by a boat and held aloft by a sail. Instead, you will be mesmerized by the 360-degree view of the Outer Banks on one side and the Atlantic Ocean on the other.

**HIGH GRAVITY ADVENTURES, BLOWING ROCK**
Ziplining at top speed is fun. Stopping, not so much—at least not when you have to do it yourself. At High Gravity, guides provide the brakes, allowing guests to lean back and fly. An optional simulated free fall ends the adventure.

**NANTAHALA OUTDOOR CENTER, BRYSON CITY**
Choose from five zipline excursions, including the scene-stealing Mountaintop, with a half-mile zip (the region’s longest) sending riders across Great Smoky Mountains ridgetops.
PICK A PATH

JOURNEY EAST

CHOOSE YOUR INDOOR OR OUTDOOR ADVENTURE
WE GET IT:
You’re excited to reach North Carolina’s 300 miles of stunning coastline. But instead of taking a straight-shot highway trip from the western portions of the state, turn it into an adventure with stops in the vibrant cities and towns along the way. Take our quiz on the next page to find your new favorite destination.

WRITER JESS HOFFERT

LAKE WILSON RESERVOIR, WILSON
A new pedestrian bridge over the water connects a 2-mile trail for walking, biking and viewing nature around the lake.
CHOOSE YOUR DESTINATION

PLAY INDOORS OR OUTDOORS?

I’M ALL IN

FRESH AIR, BABY

HUNGRY?

FEELING ACTIVE?

I’LL EAT LATER

GET IN MY BELLY

LET’S TAKE IT EASY

ARE YOU A SHOPPER?

KINSTON

REVOLUTIONARY WAR

GOLDSBORO

WWI AND BEYOND

GREENVILLE

EARTH, WIND OR WATER?

GETTING SOME CALORIES

BREEZE, PLEASE

LET’S FLOAT

I’LL STAY GROUNDED

NEW BERN

LET’S BURN SOME CALORIES

WILSON

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BOUTIQUE CHIC IN
GOLDSBORO

Score some trendy Bohemia-meets-coastal apparel at Southern Rebel Boutique, one of many unique shops in downtown Goldsboro. Accredited as a Main Street America community for its well-preserved buildings, downtown is also home to Nashona (offering colorful clothes made with Tanzanian fabrics) and the vintage-chic decor at Carolina Pine Country Store. Drive about 15 miles south of town to stock up on gherkins, relishes, peppers and more at the Mt. Olive Pickle Company gift shop.

Just follow your new feathered friends.

Once a source of trade and hydroelectric power, Roanoke Canal now draws hikers, bikers and birds to its 7.5-mile-long path along the river. Stop at the Roanoke Canal Museum for a lesson in history and nature. Birders flock south to Sylvan Heights Bird Park, a hub for exotic species from all over. Spot native herons and hummingbirds on the Wetland Safari Trail.

FLOAT
AND FEEL THE
NEW BERN

History’s never dry out on the water. Learn about the state’s first capital on Cruise the Neuse Boat Tours, or explore the Trent and Neuse rivers yourself via SUP or kayak rental from a local outfitter. On land, the town’s 310-year-old story unfolds on self-guided Historic Heritage Walking Tours. Stop for a cold one and souvenirs at the Birthplace of Pepsi-Cola (it was invented here in 1898).
A area native Vivian Howard put this town on the foodie map in 2006 when she and her husband opened Chef & the Farmer, later featured in the PBS series A Chef’s Life (her new PBS show is South by Somewhere). Try the flash-fried collards at her flagship restaurant, or swim over to her Boiler Room Oyster Bar for oyster happy hour. Nearby Mother Earth Brewing spotlights eco-friendly beers.

**Fayetteville**
Nearby Fort Bragg, a vast military base, celebrates local heroes year-round. Freedom Memorial Park honors veterans of World War I, World War II, Korea, Vietnam and the global war on terrorism. Visit the U.S. Army Airborne and Special Operations Museum for a self-guided tour, then stop for a drink at one of the region’s breweries (most owned by veterans).

**Halifax**
The first official action for independence by any colony was adopted here through the Halifax Resolves on April 12, 1776. Get a taste of pre- and post-Revolutionary War life at Historic Halifax. Guided tours include stops at the 1760 Tap Room and the 1838 Halifax County Jail. Order game-changing mac ‘n’ cheese or shrimp and grits at The Hen and The Hog.
SPOTLIGHT EVENT: 301 ENDLESS YARD SALE
JUNE 19–20
Get ready to make some impromptu pull-overs on a 100-plus-mile stretch of US-301 between Weldon and Dunn. Each year, vendors pop up in front yards and parking lots along the route, as well as at stops like Weldon’s Riverside Mill antique mall, artisan’s gallery and outlet shops, and the Tobacco Farm Life Museum in Kenly.

GET CULTURED IN GREENVILLE
Feel creativity pulse in the Dickinson Avenue District. The indoor Dickinson Avenue Farmers and Makers Market mashes up art, produce, plants and furniture from local sellers. The Greenville Museum of Art’s 800 works include many NC artists and American landscape painters. At Pitt Street Brewing Company, the art of craft beer is always on display (and on tap).

CATCH WILSON’S BREEZE
Thirty whimsical wind-powered structures are the big draw at Vollis Simpson Whirligig Park and Museum. But in just a few years, the park has also become a hub for gatherings like the Wilson Farmers and Artisan Market, plus concerts and films. Disc golfers use the wind to their advantage at Lake Wilson Reservoir and its adjacent park. The water’s popular for kayaking, fishing and small boats (no swimming).
MOUNTAINS

Maggie Valley
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Attractions

The following list of attractions in the Mountains region is arranged alphabetically by city. You may find more detailed information on any of these attractions online at visitnc.com or the individual attraction’s website.

REGIONAL

Appalachian Trail, (828) 254-3708. Approximately 300 miles of this Maine-to-Georgia primitive hiking trail run through North Carolina. This wilderness trail is intended for foot travel only. Rustic shelters, with no services, are 8–12 miles apart. Numerous access points. nctg.co/cqzef

Blue Ridge Parkway, (828) 298-0398. Nicknamed America’s Favorite Drive, this recreation-oriented scenic byway connects the Great Smoky Mountains National Park in North Carolina with the Shenandoah National Park in Virginia. In North Carolina, the parkway extends 252 miles with numerous scenic views beckoning you to slow down and enjoy. nctg.co/CFsRe

French Broad River, (828) 258-8109. The perfect setting for river excursions, running through Madison, Buncombe, Henderson and Transylvania counties. Scenic canoeing, kayaking and tubing with sections ranging from whitewater to gentle trips. The river provides homes to a variety of wildlife and waterfowl, including ospreys, bald eagles, mink, muskrat, deer and bear. nctg.co/cW8eB

Great Smoky Mountains National Park, (866) 436-1200. The largest protected land area east of the Mississippi River. “Nantahala,” a fitting name for the Nantahala Gorge, waterfall east of the Mississippi River. “Nantahala” is a Cherokee word meaning “land of the noon day sun,” a fitting name for the Nantahala Gorge, where the sun only reaches to the valley floor at midday. Nantahala River is popular for whitewater rafting. With more than a half million acres, this is the largest of the four national forests in North Carolina. nctg.co/cpDJZ

New River, The second oldest river in the world, a National and State Wild and Scenic River, and one of the first American Heritage Rivers. North Carolina maintains three parks along the river, each a day’s canoe ride apart. nctg.co/c6nWp

Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail, (864) 461-2828. The trail follows the Revolutionary War route of patriot militia to the Battle of Kings Mountain, South Carolina. Part of the National Trails System. While there are hiking segments, the primary public access is by car along the commemorative motor route. nctg.co/cA3vS

Pisgah National Forest, (828) 257-4200. Comprised of more than 500,000 acres, primarily a hardwood forest with waterfalls and hundreds of miles of trails. Nolichucky River pours through one of the deepest canyons in the East and creates challenging whitewater rafting. Wide variety of outdoor recreation amid the natural beauty of the mountains. nctg.co/c2r9F

ANDREWS

Calaboose Cellars, 565 Aquone Rd., (828) 321-2006. Legend has it our old stone building was once used by the local lawman to lock up hooligans. Now we incarcerate our wines and beers. Stop by for a tasting and tour at the smallest free-standing complete winery in America. nctg.co/cpcQX

RidgeRunner Ziplines, 750 Wakefield Rd., (828) 421-8119. Experience a bird’s-eye view ziplining through the trees in the southern Appalachian mountains. The course has a suspension bridge and 11 lines, some as long as 600 feet. nctg.co/c4ny7

ASHEVILLE

Adventure Center, 85 Expo Dr., (828) 225-2921. Enjoy expansive views of the Asheville skyline via a zipline or hop on a mountain bike on rolling terrain. Head up into the trees on an elevated obstacle course or bring the kids to America’s first zipline adventure designed for kids under 10. nctg.co/crK7Z

Asheville Outlets, 800 Brevard Rd., (828) 667-2308. Save up to 70 percent on America’s most desired brands at this open-air center with about 70 stores. nctg.co/c2NsN

Biltmore, One Approach Rd., (800) 411-3812. Begin with a tour of the 250-room Biltmore House — America’s largest private home — and century-old gardens. Explore the 8,000-acre backyard via a variety of activities from horseback riding to rafting. Antler Hill Village features Biltmore Winery. nctg.co/CMteh

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Botanical Gardens at Asheville, 151 W. T. Weaver Blvd., (828) 252-5990. This 10-acre nature preserve with trails features a variety of plants native to the Southern Appalachian region. nctg.co/cQZoc

Folk Art Center, Blue Ridge Parkway, MP 382, (828) 248-7928. Home of the Southern Highland Craft Guild, representing craft artists from Southern Appalachia. Explore three fine art galleries and observe craft demonstrations. Home to Allandust, the oldest continuously operating craft shop in the United States. nctg.co/cfLJJ

Gray Line Trolley Tour, 36 Montford Ave., (828) 251-8887. Hop aboard our red trolley for a narrated journey through Asheville highlighting history, homes and hot spots of this “City of Surprises.” nctg.co/cWFrX

Grove Arcade, One Page Ave., (828) 252-7799. A public market in 1929, this faniful building has been restored to its original splendor. It now offers a mix of galleries, shops and restaurants. nctg.co/c2z2fB

Highland Brewing Company, 12 Old Charlotte Hwy., Suite 200, (828) 229-3370. We brew the finest and freshest ales in the Southeast from the bestselling Gaelic to our popular winter seasonal. Learn about our brewing and packaging processes with a daily tour. nctg.co/cGGCB

LaZoom Tours, 76 Biltmore Ave. (828) 225-6932. Hop aboard our purple bus for a variety of tours, with outrageous characters, incredible views, loads of area information and lots of laughter. nctg.co/c6F8h

New Belgium Brewing Company, 21 Craven St., (828) 333-6900. Enjoy a 90-minute tour of the brewery then relax at the Liquid Center (LC) or on our river deck overlooking the French Broad River. nctg.co/ctomt

North Carolina Arboretum, 100 Frederick Law Olmsted Way, (828) 667-2462. This 434-acre campus features 65 acres of cultivated gardens, 10 miles of hiking and biking trails, gardens tours, and changing exhibits. nctg.co/cP8BD

River Arts District, Triangle of Clingman, Lyman and Depot Sts., (828) 552-4723. A vast array of artists and working studios set in an urban scene of old factories and historical buildings. Explore the studios and watch while they work, or meet the artists and discuss the creative process. nctg.co/cvyft

Smith-McDowell House Museum, 283 Victoria Rd., (828) 253-9213. Built in 1840, the rooms are showpieces reflecting different decades in the house’s history. nctg.co/cP8K2

Smoky Mountain Adventure Center, 173 Amboy Rd., (828) 321-4446. Experience indoor climbing, plus outdoor boat, tube, stand-up paddleboard and bike rentals. nctg.co/cnNBJ

Southern Appalachian Radio Museum, 106 College St., (828) 225-4447. A public museum in 1929, this fanciful building has been restored to its original splendor. It now offers a mix of galleries, shops and restaurants. nctg.co/c2z2fB

VISITNC.COM
Thomas Wolfe Memorial State Historic Site, 52 N. Market St., (828) 253-8304. Boyhood home of author Thomas Wolfe, fictionalized as Dixieland in his first novel, Look Homeward, Angel. Provides a glimpse into Asheville’s early rise to prominence as a resort for health and recreation, as well as the stories associated with Wolfe’s colorful and turbulent childhood here. nctg.co/cdNkr

Western North Carolina Farmers Market, 570 Brevard Rd., (828) 253-1691. Find farm-fresh fruits and vegetables, jellies, flowers, ornamental plants, Christmas trees and crafts, plus a garden center. nctg.co/cyCyD

Western North Carolina Nature Center, 75 Gashes Creek Rd., (828) 259-8080. Exhibits feature more than 60 species of animals native to Southern Appalachia, such as red and gray wolves, bobcats, cougars and coyotes, plus domestic animals commonly found on Appalachian farms. nctg.co/crQaM

Bakerville
Roan Mountain, NC Hwy. 261, (828) 682-6146. Famous for being the largest naturally growing gardens of Catawba rhododendrons in the world, this high ridge stands 6,285 feet at its highest point. Beyond the gardens are spruce-fir forests and treeless grassy balds. nctg.co/ciTzC

BANNER ELK
Banner Elk Winery, 60 Deer Run Ln., (828) 898-9090. We process locally grown grapes into excellent wines reflecting the unique characterizations of the Appalachian Mountains. nctg.co/crsME

Grandfather Vineyard & Winery, 225 Vineyard Ln., (828) 963-2400. Nestled on the Watauga River at the base of Grandfather Mountain, warm breezes during the day and cool, crisp nights help develop the flavors and balance of our wines. nctg.co/cnTVQ

Sugar Mountain Resort, 1009 Sugar Mountain Dr., (828) 898-4521. Enjoy 125 skiable acres with 21 trails, from beginner to expert, plus snowboarding, ice-skating and snowshoeing. Summer activities include scenic lift rides, mountain biking and hiking. nctg.co/cqo3V

Watauga River, Shawneesaw Ave., (828) 898-9550. Relish whitewater rafting and canoeing on this scenic river. nctg.co/cFrXg

BARNARDSVILLE
Navitat Canopy Adventures, 242 Poverty Branch Rd., (828) 995-8885. Choose from two zipline tours: 10 ziplines, two bridges, two rappels and three short hikes, or three side-by-side “racing-style” ziplines, the longest of which stretches more than 3,600 feet and is 350 feet above the forest floor. nctg.co/c7N4Q

BEECH MOUNTAIN
Beech Mountain Resort, 1007 Beech Mountain Pkwy., (828) 387-2011. The highest ski resort in eastern North America, with 16 slopes and seven lifts for the beginner to seasoned expert. Features an outdoor ice skating rink and snowboarding. In the summer, we’re a mountain biking mecca. nctg.co/cwQca

BLACK MOUNTAIN
Pisgah Brewing Company, 150 Eastside Dr., (828) 689-1910. We specialize in brewing hand-crafted, certified organic beer. Take a tour on Saturday to see how we do it. nctg.co/cA85s

Swannanoa Valley Museum, 223 W. State St., (828) 689-9666. Exhibits reflect the pioneer history of western North Carolina, interpreted in photos and artifacts from the Swannanoa Valley region. nctg.co/cyiQd

BLOWING ROCK
Appalachian Ski Mountain, 940 Ski Mtn. Rd., (828) 295-7528. High Country’s first ski area with three terrain parks, 12 ski slopes, snowboarding and an outdoor ice-skating arena. nctg.co/czkSv

The Blowing Rock, 432 The Rock Rd., (828) 295-7111. Scenic views abound at this immense cliff 4,000 feet above sea level, overlooking Johns River Gorge 3,000 feet below. nctg.co/cKTSw

Blowing Rock Art & History Museum (BRAHM), 159 Ginny Stevens Ln., (828) 295-9099. Exhibits range from works from the permanent collection to exhibitions on loan with a focus on American artists and the history of the mountain region. nctg.co/cvq9q

Doc’s Rock Gem Mine & Appalachian Fossil Museum, 129 Mystery Hill Ln., (828) 264-4499. Sit at the flume and sift through a bucket of mine ore from local gemstone mines to see what gemstones you can find. Our trained geology specialists will teach you all about your gemstones and fossils. nctg.co/cuAjv

High Gravity Adventures, 215 Tweetsie Railroad Ln., (828) 386-6222. Harness up and climb your way through 75 different aerial challenges ranging from 15 to 50 feet off the ground. nctg.co/c7M5H

Julian Price & Moses H. Cone Memorial Parks, Blue Ridge Parkway, MP 297, (828) 963-5911. These two parks make up the largest developed area set aside for public recreation on the Blue Ridge Parkway. Visit the lake with fishing, canoeing and kayaking, plus numerous walking and hiking trails. Also visit the Parkway’s official craft center at Flat Top Manor at the Moses Cone estate and watch mountain handicraft demonstrations. The parks also feature a family cemetery, carriage and apple barn, plus an extensive system of carriage trails. nctg.co/cb2U2

Mystery Hill, 129 Mystery Hill Ln., (828) 264-2792. Experience the varied attractions, including the gravitational natural anomaly, a hands-on Science Center, Giant Bubbles of Bubblerama, 265,000 Native American artifacts and the Moon and Irene Mullins Arrowhead Collection, plus the historic home of the founders of Appalachian State University. nctg.co/cH5Cp

Sky Valley Zip Tours, 634 Sky Ranch Rd., (855) 475-9947. Take a leap of faith via nine ziplines, a cliff jump and a swinging bridge. Countless views later, you’ll have an experience you won’t soon forget. nctg.co/cV9ia

Blue Ridge Parkway near Lake Toxaway

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BOONE
Daniel Boone Native Gardens, 651 Horn in the West Dr. Explore a collection of North American native plants in an informal landscape design, along with an authentic log cabin that once belonged to the Boone family. Take a self-guided tour with gardeners happy to answer questions. nctg.co/cwkw

Foggy Mountain Gem Mine, 4416 NC Hwy. 105 S., (828) 963-4367. Emeralds, sapphires, rubpies, aquamarine, tourmaline, garnet, amethyst, citrine, smoky quartz, topaz and many others are waiting to be discovered. nctg.co/cxwKX

Horn in the West Outdoor Drama, 591 Horn in the West Dr., (828) 264-2120. Follow frontiersman Daniel Boone and the hardy settlers on their journey westward to overcome adversity and spark the fires of a new nation. Summer performances, except Mondays. nctg.co/cwBsk

Turchin Center for the Visual Arts, 423 W. King St., (828) 262-3017. View a blend of new and historically important works by nationally and internationally renowned artists, as well as many of the finest artists of the region. nctg.co/ccTMm

BOSTIC
Bostic Lincoln Center, 112 Depot St., (828) 424-6300. There is substantial evidence that Abraham Lincoln wasn't born in Kentucky, but near Bostic. Visit this one-of-a-kind museum and learn first-hand about Lincoln's North Carolina roots. nctg.co/cvKwB

Defant Whisky Distillery, 228 Redbud Ln., (828) 245-3041. Only the best ingredients, Mother Nature and the defant distilling crew are used. Enjoy a weekday guided tour and culminate your visit with a sampling amid our breathtaking surroundings. nctg.co/cY272

Washburn’s General Store, 2428 Bostic Sunshine Hwy., (828) 245-4123. Established in 1831, this fifth-generation business is recognized as the oldest continually run, family-owned and -operated business in North Carolina. This old country store has both the usual and the unusual. nctg.co/chQZ

BRASSTOWN
John C. Campbell Folk School, One Folk School Rd., (828) 678-7775. Take a self-guided tour of the campus, including the studios, nature trails and History Center. The Craft Shop shows juryed work of more than 300 craftspeople. nctg.co/cw8R

BREVARD
“Land of Waterfalls,” various locations. (828) 884-1900. More than 250 scenic waterfalls are in Transylvania County, from the 400-foot drop of Whitewater Falls (the highest falls east of the Rocky Mountains) to the iconic beauty of Looking Glass and Bridal Veil falls. Many are easily accessible by car, while others involve a hike. nctg.co/czomG

Oskar Blues Brewery Southeast, 342 Mountain Industrial Dr., (828) 885-2337. Visit our tasting room, which features a variety of our outstanding brews, and take a tour to learn how we create our wonderful brews. nctg.co/ccBtd

Silvermont Mansion, 364 E. Main St., (828) 885-2017. A Colonial Revival built in 1902, the home’s second-floor museum reflects the era of the original family. Stroll the park for a variety of themed gardens and a walking trail. nctg.co/c2ymx

Transylvania Heritage Museum, 189 W. Main St., (828) 864-2347. Temporary and permanent displays of heirlooms, artifacts, genealogical exhibits, vintage photographs and other exhibits reflect the history and heritage of Transylvania County. nctg.co/cbMn3

Veterans History Museum of the Carolinas, 21 E. Main St., (828) 884-2141. Unique artifacts, uniforms, weaponry, original newspapers, personal letters and more fascinating pieces weave the great and proud stories of World War I, World War II, Korea, the Cold War, Vietnam, Iraq and Afghanistan. nctg.co/cS2Ym

BRYSON CITY
Carolina Outfitters Whitewater Rafting, 17211 NC Hwy. 19 W., (828) 488-6345. Choose guide-in-boat, guide-assisted or non-guided whitewater rafting trips on the Nantahala River. Inflatable Fennyak/Ducky rentals, too. nctg.co/cjixf

Darnell Farms, 2300 Governors Island Rd., (828) 488-2376. Year-round educational tours explore farm life, farming methods and the history of the land. Check out the open-air local produce store. nctg.co/cPKfN

Fly Fishing Museum of the Southern Appalachians, 210 Main St., (828) 488-3681. Exhibits and videos tell of legendary “stream blazers,” the evolution of rods and reels, basic knots, fly-tying, types of gear and gamedish river fishing scenes, and the history of fly fishing in the southeast. nctg.co/c5dVM

Great Smoky Mountains Railroad, 45 Mitchell St., (828) 586-8811. Journey across fertile valleys and through river gorges during a round-trip excursion with a wide array of ever-changing vegetation, dramatic mountain scenery, and the unique lifestyle and industries of the area. Special themed and holiday rides also take place. nctg.co/cLVMK

Nantahala Gorge Ruby Mine, 19000 US Hwy. 19/74 W., (828) 488-3854. A favorite activity for all ages. Mining takes place rain or shine, as we consult onsite. nctg.co/cQFDr

Nantahala Outdoor Center, 10707 US Hwy. 19 W., (828) 922-3625. Family-friendly adventure rafting and paddling on the Nantahala River. Also enjoy mountain bike rentals, ziplining, lake kayaking, wilderness medicine training and our world-famous paddling school. nctg.co/cjKgY

Smoky Mountain Trains Museum, 100 Greenlee St., (828) 488-9200. A vast collection of 7,000 Lionel engines, cars and accessories, plus an impressive operating layout and children’s activity center. nctg.co/ciYfR

Swain County Heritage Museum, 2 Everett St., (828) 488-7857. In the 1908 historic courthouse, learn through photos, exhibits and video about the life of early settlers, and how the creation of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and Fontana Dam reworked the landscape and changed lives. nctg.co/cumqy

Wildwater Ltd., 10345 US Hwy 19 W., (828) 488-2384. A complete adventure destination with zipline canopy tours, whitewater rafting, half-day Jeep tours and exciting full-day package options. nctg.co/cq9jS

ATTRACTIONS MOUNTAINS
BURNSVILLE
Black Mountain/South Toe Basin, US Hwy. 19 Byp., (828) 682-6146. Two recreation areas with hiking and wild trout fishing, plus swimming and tubing. Most of the trails lead from the river valley to ridgtop of the Black Mountains, the highest range in the East. nctg.co/cchOJ

McElroy House & Museum, 3 Academy St., (828) 678-9837. Highlighting traditional mountain culture and fascinating local history, this historic house also served as headquarters for the Western North Carolina Home Guard during the Civil War. nctg.co/cPUEk

Mount Mitchell State Park, 2388 NC Hwy. 198, (828) 675-4611. Mount Mitchell is the highest peak (6,684 feet) in the eastern United States. Those who ascend this mighty peak will find breathtaking views of the Blue Ridge Mountains, rolling ridges and fertile valleys. nctg.co/cJshr

CANTON
Canton Area Historical Museum, 36 Park St., (828) 646-3412. Aspects of early life at this mountain heritage museum are told through artifacts, records and pictures of earlier times. nctg.co/c6uAF

CEDAR MOUNTAIN
DuPont State Recreational Forest, Transylvania and Henderson counties, (828) 877-6527. More than 10,000 acres of forest feature numerous waterfalls, including High Falls, Hooker Falls, Triple Falls and Bridal Veil Falls. The forest is known for excellent hiking, horseback riding and mountain biking. nctg.co/cerZS

CHEROKEE
Harrah’s Cherokee Casino, 777 Casino Dr., (828) 497-7777. Play live table games with blackjack, roulette, craps and more of your favorites, plus digital blackjack, baccarat and more than 4,100 of the latest Vegas-style slots. nctg.co/cTETs

Mountain Farm Museum and Mingus Mill, 150 US Hwy. 441 N., (828) 497-1900. A collection of 10 historic farm buildings gathered from throughout the Great Smoky Mountains, including a house, barn, springhouse and smokehouse. Built in 1886 and still on its original site, the historic grist mill uses a water-powered turbine instead of a waterwheel to power all of the machinery in the building. nctg.co/cQg7ST

Museum of the Cherokee Indian, 589 Tsali Blvd., (828) 497-3481. This multisensory trip through Cherokee history combines computer-generated images, holographic imaging, specialty lighting and audio with a solid artifact collection. nctg.co/c3EgM

Ocostaaf Indian Village, 218 Drama Rd., (828) 497-2111. On this interactive journey through Cherokee lifestyle and history, your Cherokee guide shows you through winding paths flanked by traditional Cherokee dwellings, work areas and sacred ritual sites. Experience cultural dances and interact with the villagers as they craft and work. nctg.co/c1BM6

Ocostaaf River, (800) 438-1601. Enjoy an easy canoe trip down the river or a picnic at Ocostaaf Island's Picnic Area, which features a walking trail highlighted by a Talking Tree that tells of the significance to the Cherokee culture. nctg.co/clwVQ
**Qualla Arts & Crafts Mutual, 645 Tsali Blvd., (828) 497-3103.** The oldest and leading Native American arts cooperative in the country. Features weaving, decorative beadwork, intricate finger weaving, or sublime wood and stone carvings. nctg.co/cf6at

**Santa’s Land Fun Park & Zoo, 571 Wolfetown Rd., (828) 497-9191.** Family fun with a Christmas theme. In addition to rides, visit Santa and his elves, and watch craftsmen at work. nctg.co/cg9ik

**Smoky Mountain Gold & Ruby Mine, 557 US Hwy. 441 N., (828) 497-6534.** Emeralds, rubies, sapphires, amethysts, garnets, topaz and more at Cherokee’s first and largest gem mine. nctg.co/cy3yd

**Unto These Hills Outdoor Drama, 564 Tsali Blvd., (828) 497-2111.** The story traces the Cherokee people through the zenith of their power, heartbeat of the Trail of Tears, and the present day, where they continue to rewrite their place in the world. nctg.co/cwG4T

**CHIMNEY ROCK**

**Chimney Rock at Chimney Rock State Park, 431 Main St., (828) 625-9611.** Hike the 499-step Outcroppings Trail, or take the elevator and then walk up two flights of stairs to the 315-foot Chimney Rock to see amazing 75-mile views of Hickory Nut Gorge and Lake Lure. Unique hiking trails range from family-friendly with discovery stations to more adventurous, with climbs of more than 400 feet. The Hickory Nut Falls Trail leads to the 404-foot waterfall. The state park offers mostly backcountry hiking. nctg.co/cVMeq

**COLUMBUS**

**House of Flags, 31 Gibson St., (828) 894-5640.** The unique and comprehensive collection of more than 300 United States, military, and international flags includes all 27 full-size U.S. flags from 1776 to 1960. nctg.co/cQfqtD

**Looking Glass Creamery, 335 Harmon Dairy Ln., (828) 222-0383.** We offer an authentic and entertaining guided tour adventure where sustainable farmers share their passion and knowledge. Full-day tours include a farm-sourced lunch and afternoon tours include a tasting. nctg.co/cJbu

**Polk County History Museum, 60 Walker St., (828) 894-3331.** Explore the area’s past via an early 1900s stage coach, antique farm tools and implements, a school display, a home setting, a truck. Don’t miss the 1963 Ford “Mayberry” sheriff’s car signed by Don Knotts. nctg.co/c6K7u

**Russian Chapel Hills Winery, 33 Gibson St., (828) 894-5640.** The unique and comprehensive collection of more than 300 United States, military, and international flags includes all 27 full-size U.S. flags from 1776 to 1960. nctg.co/cQfqtD

**SCOTTISH TARTANS MUSEUM, 86 E. Main St., (828) 524-7472.** The only one of its kind in the United States. Includes the official registry of all publicly known tartans. Original and replica kilts showcase styles from the late 18th century to present day. Other exhibits include Scottish weaponry, a weaving display and details of the Scottish migration to North Carolina, plus their relationship with the Cherokee Indians. nctg.co/co/over1

**Wilderness Trading Co., 5040 Highlands Rd., (828) 524-3871.** The studio, with a combined work area, museum and wildlife art gallery, offers the opportunity to view hundreds of unique specimens from around the world. nctg.co/c53TH

**GLEN ALPINE**

**Churches of the Frescoes - Holy Trinity Church, 120 Glendale School Rd., (336) 982-3076.** Features The Lord’s Supper by Ben Long, a North Carolina native. Other works include Jeffrey Mims’ The Departure of Christ. The church dates to the early 1900s. nctg.co/cEeuH

**HAYESVILLE**

**Burntshirt Vineyards, 2695 Sugarloaf Rd., (828) 685-2402.** Relax with magnificent views of the Blue Ridge Mountains from patios overlooking our vineyards. Savor our award-winning wines that are estate-grown, produced and bottled at this state-of-the-art winery. nctg.co/cU36K

**Hands On! Children’s Museum, 318 N. Main St., (828) 697-8333.** Educational exhibits and programs stimulate the imagination and motivate learning for children ages 1 to 10. Hands-on exhibits include a grocery store, lego ramp, vet hospital and costume theater. nctg.co/cr5S

**Henderson County Heritage Museum, 1 Historic Courthouse Sq., #4, (828) 994-1819.** Housed in the historic courthouse are artifacts, collections, demonstrations and other exhibitions relating to the area’s culture, history, and stories. nctg.co/crItT

**Holmes Educational State Forest, 299 Crab Creek Rd., (828) 692-1000.** Rugged terrain, numerous rock outcroppings and scenic vistas are accessible by a series of well-marked trails, accentuated by exhibits and displays depicting the ecology of the managed forest. nctg.co/cJtFV

**JUMP OFF ROCK, 1433 Laurel Park Hwy.. A scenic overlook provides a panoramic view of rolling pastures, the Blue Ridge and Pisgah mountain ranges. Three hiking trails vary in length and difficulty. nctg.co/czdXk

**MINERAL & LAPIDARY MUSEUM OF HENDERSON COUNTY, 400 N. Main St., (828) 698-1977.** Features the natural beauty of minerals, gems, fossils and artifacts found in North Carolina, the United States and around the world. Displays include a dinosaur egg cluster, fluorescent minerals, geodes, petrified wood and large logs. nctg.co/cESk

**Saint Paul Mountain Vineyards, 578 Chestnut Gap Rd., (828) 685-4002.** Nestled on 10 acres with...
panoramic views of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Sample our Riesling blends, red Cabernets and Chardonnays, each with dry and semisweet versions. nctg.co/cWImd

Team ECCO Aquarium & Shark Lab, 511 N. Main St., (828) 692-8386. The only public aquarium in western North Carolina, with more than 20 tanks that display sea horses, stingrays, shark pups, lion fish and a touch tank. Interactive programs and displays engage all ages. nctg.co/cRJWP

Western North Carolina Air Museum, 1340 Gilbert St., (828) 698-2482. See award-winning restored, replica antique and vintage airplanes, plus aviation artifacts such as manuals, photographs and airplane models. nctg.co/ckkC8

HIDENITE

Emerald Hollow Mine, 484 Emerald Hollow Mine Dr., (828) 635-1126. Dig, sluice or “go creekin’.” Find emeralds, hiddenite, quartz, garnets, sapphires, aquamarine and more. nctg.co/c6CvC

Hiddenite Arts & Heritage Center’s Lucas Mansion, 316 Hiddenite Church Rd., (828) 632-6966. This Victorian mansion houses antiques and collectibles, a local gem and mineral collection, an art gallery with changing exhibits, and a toy and doll collection. nctg.co/ch4Al

Rocky Face Mountain Recreational Area, 4841 Rocky Face Church Rd., (828) 632-1093. This former quarry operation has sheer cliff faces popular with rock climbers. A paved ADA walking track is outside the quarry area, and trails take hikers along the top of the quarry cliffs and to the mountain peak. nctg.co/cspd4

HIGHLANDS

Highlands Area Waterfalls, along US Hwy. 64, (828) 524-64. Bridal Veil Falls (located on US 64/28 W.) cascades 120 feet over the highway. Dry Falls (also on US 64/28 W.) is a 75-foot waterfall that visitors can walk behind. Glen Falls (on NC Hwy. 106 S.) is a series of three large falls, dropping approximately 60 feet each. nctg.co/cgNnM

Highlands Nature Center, 930 Horse Cove Rd., (828) 526-2523. The center has exhibits that include live animals and interactive displays that focus on the biodiversity of the southern Appalachian region. The nearby Botanical Garden has more than 500 species, including several demonstration gardens, wetlands and old-growth plant communities connected by a series of trails and boardwalks. nctg.co/cpApD

Whitewide Mountain, Whitewide Mountain Rd., (828) 528-5841. Named for its sheer, white cliffs, this mountain rises more than 2,100 feet above the Nantahala National Forest. The National Recreation Trail, making a 2-mile loop, winds to the 4,930-foot summit. nctg.co/c9pft

Six Waterpots Vineyard & Winery, 511 N. Main St., (336) 846-1904. Located in the 1904 Victorian courthouse, displays highlight the area’s history. The Virginia Creeper exhibit features a model train connecting towns in Ashe County. The Ore Knob Mine exhibit has a diorama and simulates a 19th-century mine shaft. nctg.co/cmgrC

LAKE JUNALUSKA

World Methodist Museum, 575 N. Lakeshore Dr., (828) 456-7242. Tells the story of John Wesley, his family and the formation of Methodism in the 18th century. Includes the world’s largest collection of Wesleyan Staffordshire pottery, plus rare books and manuscripts. Artifacts depict the field preaching aspect of early Methodism, such as Wesley’s traveling pulpit. nctg.co/c3Y9

LAKE LURE

Beach at Lake Lure & Water Park, 2724 Memorial Hwy., (828) 625-0077. Float on the water, build sand castles or picnic with friends and family. Visit our water park for soaking games, a water slide and water cannons. nctg.co/cmbFZ

Boulderline Adventure Programs, 456 Boland Dr., (828) 625-4913. Six ziplines fly ridge to ridge with “bunny slopes” for ages 3 and up, plus a 32-foot climbing tower and a giant hillside swing. nctg.co/c2f7t

Canopy Ridge Farm, 7115 US Hwy. 64, (828) 625-4500. Nestled in Hickory Nut Gorge. We can accommodate ages 4 and up, providing a carefree yet exhilarating experience for first-time zipliners and thrill-seekers alike, including Zip Zilla, which is more than 1,000 feet long and engineered for speed. nctg.co/chDpK

Lake Lure Tours, 2930 Memorial Hwy., (828) 625-1373. Discover the legends of the lake, landmarks such as those used in the film Dirty Dancing, and learn about the natural and cultural history of Hickory Nut Gorge on this covered boat tour. nctg.co/cdnde

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LAUREL SPRINGS

New River State Park, 335 New River State Park Rd., (336) 982-2367. The park provides a basecamp for exploration of this Natural and Wild Scenic River. Enjoy paddling, fishing and wildlife-viewing. nctg.co/cL4S1

Thistle Meadow Winery, 102 Thistle Meadow, (336) 359-2995. We produce a wide variety of wines—reds, whites and blushes—from grapes grown around the world. nctg.co/cxStP

LEICESTER

Addison Farms Vineyard, 4005 New Leicester Hwy., (828) 581-9463. Our elevation allows for nearly 360 degrees of beautiful mountain views. Contact us about our winemaker’s personal tour and tasting experience, where we’ll take you behind the scenes in our winery, barrel room and tasting room. nctg.co/cy5S2

LENOIR

Caldwell Heritage Museum, 112 Vaiden St., (828) 724-4948. This upcountry plantation home and barn feature excellent collections of period furniture, paintings, household items and Civil War memorabilia. The Bondage and Resistance exhibit room details the slave experience in western North Carolina. nctg.co/cfYys

Fort Defiance, 1792 Fort Defiance Dr., (828) 758-1671. The restored 1792 home of Revolutionary War hero Gen. William Lenoir. Considered to be one of the most unique restorations in the country, the house contains more than 300 pieces of original furnishings and artifacts. nctg.co/cMVgpy

Tuttle Educational State Forest, 3420 Playmore Beach Rd., (828) 757-5608. Explore the wide variety of trees, rolling terrain and clear streams, all accessible by a series of well-marked trails accented by exhibits and displays that explain the ecology of this managed forest. nctg.co/crH1g

Twisted Vine Winery, 487 Legion Rd., (828) 726-3185. Sip handcrafted wines full of Southern tradition, ranging from dry reds and whites, such as Merlot and Chardonnay, to sweet wines including blackberry, peach, muscadine and our special chocolate-strawberry. nctg.co/cFvVp

LINVILLE

Grandfather Mountain, 2050 Blowing Rock Hwy., (828) 733-4337. Known for the 360-degree views from our Mile High Swing Bridge. At this ecologically diverse nature preserve, come eye-to-eye with bears, cougars, otters and eagles in natural habitats. Learn about the natural world from guides, stroll gentle paths or hike rugged trails. nctg.co/cUi13

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Grandfather Mountain State Park, 92872 NC Hwy. 105 S., (828) 737-9522. This 2,456-acre, undeveloped backcountry has spectacular hiking and backpacking. Two entry points to the hiking trails do not require paying admission to the adjoining travel attraction. nctg.co/cz9Wa

LITTLE SWITZERLAND

Emerald Village, 331 McKinney Mine Rd., (828) 765-6483. Go underground in a real mine at the Mining Museum and see old mining equipment and displays. The Company Store re-creates an old mining town. Discovery Mill includes an Antique Music Museum and model railroad exhibit. At Gemstone Mine, you’ll have “buckets” of fun searching for real gems. nctg.co/cWmo5

MAGGIE VALLEY

Cataloochee Ranch Horseback Riding, 119 Ranch Dr., (828) 926-1401. Whether a novice rider, expert or something in between, horseback riding in a quiet, mile-high meadow and along lush forest trails is an experience you’ll never forget. nctg.co/cAVJi

Cataloochee Ski Area & Tube World, 1080 Ski Lodge Rd., (828) 926-0285. One of the first areas to open each season, it utilizes one of the most advanced snowmaking systems in the Southeast on 16 lighted slopes and five lifts, including three moving carpet lifts. Nearby tubing brings memories of childhood sledding. nctg.co/cf4Bj

Dale’s Wheels Through Time Museum, 62 Vintage Ln., (828) 926-8286. See more than 325 classic motorcycles, many of which are operated daily. This unique museum also features dozens of motorcycle-related exhibits. nctg.co/ckR3w

Maggie Valley Rock Shop & Gem Mine, 3894 Soco Rd., (828) 944-0229. Thrill to finding a raw gemstone and then having it set into a work of art. Multiply that by time spent with your family, and you’re making memories that will stand the test of time. nctg.co/cCOu

MARION

Historic Carson House, 1805 US Hwy. 70 W., (828) 724-4948. This upcountry plantation home and barn feature excellent collections of period furniture, paintings, household items and Civil War memorabilia. The Bondage and Resistance exhibit room details the slave experience in western North Carolina. nctg.co/cfYys

Linville Caverns, 19939 US Hwy. 221 N., (828) 756-4171. Guided tours go “inside” Humpback Mountain, where you’ll see amazing mineral color, unique formations, an underground stream with native trout, the “Bottomless Pool” and get a peek into total darkness. nctg.co/cNK4

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Lucky Strike Gold & Gem Mine, 251 Lucky Strike Dr., (828) 738-4893. Pan for gold in a stream that was mined in the early 1800s or look for gemstones in our flumes. nctg.co/cVJk

MARS HILL

Rural Heritage Museum, Mars Hill University, 80 Cascade St., (828) 684-1851. See artifacts relevant to the history and culture of our area and the wide Southern Appalachian region. Changing exhibits and programs are designed to assist in understanding rural heritage. nctg.co/cVgAg

Wolf Ridge Ski Resort, 578 Valley View Cir., (903) 877-4111. Snow tubing, sledding and both day and night skiing with 100 percent snowmaking capability. We offer two double lifts, two quads, a surface lift and a magic carpet. nctg.co/c7xW
MARSHALL

French Broad Adventures, 9800 US Hwy. 25/70, (828) 649-4848. Experience white-water rafting or canyoneering via a variety of guided trips. Zipline adventures on 10 separate lines offer opportunities to rappel from platforms. nctg.co/catE

Madison County Courthouse, Main St., (828) 649-3031. This two-story, Neoclassical Revival brick structure constructed in 1907 at a cost of $30,000 features a conical roof bearing clocks on its alternate faces. It’s capped by a lantern that serves as a pedestal for a statue of Blind Justice. nctg.co/EPm7

MILL SPRING

Parker-Binns Vineyard, 2275 Whiteside Rd., (828) 894-0454. Discover how we bring our passion for fine wines into the beautiful foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Enjoy our excellent wines with our breathtaking scenery for a warm, country feel. nctg.co/LJumb

Tryon International Equestrian Center, 25 International Blvd., (828) 683-1000. One of the premier centers in the equestrian world, it’s geared toward the total enjoyment of competitor and spectator alike. Stop by to watch a competition or training, or attend one of our regular special events, whether it’s equestrian-related or not. nctg.co/cwUIF

MILLS RIVER

Bold Rock Hard Cider, 72 School House Rd., (828) 595-9940. Complimentary daily tours and tastings tell our story. See the apple press where tons of local apples are crushed, and watch the bottling line in operation. nctg.co/cHiOo

Sierra Nevada Brewing Company, 100 Sierra Nevada Way, (828) 681-5300. Venture in for a variety of tours. Trace our history as a craft beer pioneer and see firsthand our drive to make flavorful beer the status quo. A self-guided tour offers bird’s-eye views of our copper-clad brewhouse and a visit to our warehouse and packaging hall. nctg.co/cPUCQ

MORGANTON

Beanstalk Zip Lines at Catawba Meadows, 701 Sanford Dr., (828) 430-3440. A life-size Ewok Village transports visitors from one tree house to the next via sky bridges and multiple ziplines. Challenge your climbing skills on the 32-foot Beanstalk Climbing Tower and on the giant Spider’s Climbing Web. Also explore the Kids’ Adventure Playground, disc golf, beach volleyball and river greenway. nctg.co/cnZti

History Museum of Burke County, 201 W. Meeting St., (828) 437-1777. Docent-led tours give a personalized perspective of the hundreds of artifacts on display, such as a doctor or dentist’s office or beauty shop. Features houseswares and military displays, plus more than 1,000 scale model airplanes. nctg.co/cvFvG

Morganton Railroad Depot & Museum, 624 S. Green St., (828) 438-5272. Restored to its 1916 appearance. Features an extensive collection of 19th- and 20th-century railroad memorabilia, including a 100-piece collection of dining car tableware, a brass bell and a head lamp from the age of steam locomotives. nctg.co/crvz2

Quaker Meadows Plantation, 119 St. Mary’s Church Rd., (828) 437-4104. The Federal-style, circa 1812 McDowell House portrays the history of the life in the 19th century. A detached kitchen has been reconstructed on its original foundation with a kitchen garden nearby. nctg.co/cOEX2

Sam J. Ervin, Jr. Library & Museum, Western Piedmont Community College, Phifer Learning Resources Ctr., 1001 Burkmont Ave., (828) 438-6000. See Senator Sam’s ornate U.S. Senate office desk, complete with papers signifying the business of the day. View professional and family memorabilia, original cartoons from the Watergate era, awards and other materials collected during his many years of service. nctg.co/czVVe

Silver Fork Vineyard & Winery, 9000 Patton Rd., (828) 391-7850. Sample each of our Bordeaux-style white and red wines as you learn the journey the grapes take from vine to glass. nctg.co/cssRg

MURPHY

Cherokee County Historical Museum, 87 Peachtree St., (828) 837-6792. Spotlights the county’s history and reflects the life of the Cherokee Indian with more than 2,000 authentic Cherokee artifacts. See the mineral collection and more than 800 dolls, the oldest dating back to about 1865. nctg.co/cw2u

Fields of the Wood, 10000 NC Hwy. 294, (828) 494-7855. This biblically based theme park features more than 90 acres of walk-through and live nativity exhibits, including a 4,250-foot concrete letters and numbers on an entire mountain slope. Also includes the All Nation’s Cross, Prayer Mountain Chapel and Baptismal Pool, plus nature trails and a duck pond. nctg.co/c5bSct

Harrah’s Cherokee Valley River Casino, 777 Casino Parkway, (828) 447-7777. With more than 1,000 slots and 70 traditional table games, there is something for everyone. nctg.co/cncL7

Notely River Valley Vineyards, 1150 Old Cubelson Rd., (828) 837-7822. We strive for minimal intervention throughout the winemaking process. Our grapes and wines are fashioned after the Old World-style, handcrafted wines of Europe. nctg.co/cHyP2

Valley River Vineyards, 6889 Martins Creek Rd., (828) 637-0869. Producing estate wines from a variety of fruit. Enjoy a “Taste of Southern Appalachia.” nctg.co/cEhDE

NEBO

Lake James State Park, 6683 NC Hwy. 126, (828) 584-7127. The lake offers boating, swimming and fishing in the beautiful, clear waters of the 6,812-acre lake. There are miles of trails open to hiking and mountain biking. nctg.co/cN5wY

South Creek Vineyards & Winery, 2240 South Creek Rd., (828) 652-5729. Taste our award-winning Bordeaux-style wines at our charming, aged Italian Renaissance farmhouse. Meander through vineyards and meet the owners and winemakers. nctg.co/cPVRV

NEWLAND

Linville Falls Winery, 9557 Linville Falls Hwy., (828) 765-1400. We are pioneering wine in the High Country. At an elevation of 3,200 feet, the vines thrive in our mountain climate. nctg.co/cML4B

NORTH WILKESBORO

Copper Barrel Distillery, 508 Main St., (336) 262-6500. We make 100 percent true ’shine, with each drop distilled using grains and produce from North Carolina farms. Take a tour, taste a sip and sit a spell with us. nctg.co/ciLMN

OLD FORT

Mountain Gateway Museum, 24 Water St., (828) 668-9259. Showcases the mountain lifestyle and history from the earliest original inhabitants through the settlement period and into the 20th century. Enjoy self-guided tours through living-history exhibits and antique collections. nctg.co/cWcL1

Old Fort Arrowhead Monument, 25 West Main St., (828) 668-4202. In 1930, this 30-foot granite arrowhead was dedicated to honor the peace between the pioneers and the Native Americans. nctg.co/cxkF5

PENSALAND

Penland Gallery, 3135 Conley Ridge Rd., (828) 761-6291. The Barns houses the studios of the Penland resident artists, full-time craftspeople and other artists when classes are in session. nctg.co/cmHjg

PIGSASH FOREST

Cradle of Forestry in America National Historic Site, 11250 Pisgah Hwy., (828) 877-3130. See hands-on exhibits and a short film at the Forest Discovery Center. Paved trails lead past historic cabins, a logging train and woods where the first forestry school in America operated in the early 1900s. Also craftsman-guided tours, a helicopter simulator and interpretive programs on-site. nctg.co/cH7vM

Pisgah Center for Wildlife Education, 1401 Fish Hatchery Rd., (828) 877-4243. Explore the wonders of North Carolina’s wildlife with aquariums, hands-on exhibits and a garden display, plus the viewing and feeding of trout at the Pisgah Fish Hatchery. nctg.co/cpmDN

Sliding Rock, 7819 Pisgah Hwy., (828) 885-7625. Plunge down a 60-foot slippery cascade into the 50- to 60-degree, 7-foot-deep pool. Plan to wear old shorts and old sneakers. There are observation platforms for those who want to stay dry but still enjoy the fun. nctg.co/cSfY

PURLEAR

Rendezvous Mountain Educational State Forest, 1936 Rendezvous Mtn. Rd., (828) 667-5072. Showcases magnificent mountain hardwoods in one of North Carolina’s most scenic settings. The features are accessible by a series of well-marked trails accented by exhibits and displays depicting the ecology of the managed forest. nctg.co/c9cXe

ROARING GAP

Stone Mountain State Park, 3242 Frank Pkwy., (336) 957-8185. Explore more than 18 miles of hiking and bridle trails and more than 20 miles of trout waters, plus spectacular waterfalls and permitted rock-climbing on the namesake, magnificent 600-foot granite dome. Hutchinson Homestead is a restored mid-19th-century mountain farm. nctg.co/cd6vN

ROBBINSVILLE

Cherokee Skyway, NC Hwy. 143 West, (828) 479-6431. Follows the crest of the Unicoi Mountains through some of the best scenery of the Nantahala and Cherokee (Tennessee) National Forests, thus the name. Enjoy majestic views, scenic hikes or a picnic above the clouds at one of the many overlooks. nctg.co/cMhAr

Joyce Kilmer Memorial Forest, Nantahala National Forest, (828) 479-6431. This ancient hardwood forest has been preserved as a tribute to the poet of Trees, who was killed in action during World War I. The only way to see the impressive memorial forest is on foot via the 2-mile trail. nctg.co/c27rS

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ATTRACTIONS MOUNTAINS

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The Gorge, 166 Honey Bee Dr., (828) 749-2500. Descend an unprecedented 1,100 vertical feet in elevation, sipping from teepee to teepee, in 11 ziplines. Traverse a sky bridge and descend three huge rappels, all through stunning old-growth forest overlooking 18,000 acres of protected Green River gamelands. nctg.co/c2tzTb

Green River, Green River Cove Rd. This scenic river is great for fly fishing in the morning, then tubing or kayaking through Class I, II, and III rapids in the afternoon. nctg.co/kpwef

Green River Adventures, 111 East Main St., (828) 749-2800. Providing adventures for all ages, skill and thrill levels with guided whitewater trips, kayaking instruction, stand-up paddleboarding and our unique waterfall rappelling program in the beautiful Green River Gorge. nctg.co/cL3UK

Pearson’s Falls, 2748 Pearson Falls Rd., (828) 749-2031. Pearson’s Falls is located amid 268 acres of virgin forest and spring-fed streams. On the moderate 1/4-mile trail, observe more than 200 species of fern, flowering plants, algae and moss in the wildflower preserve. nctg.co/chjDn

Sapphire Valley Ski Area & Vordach Zip Line, 127 Cherokee Trail, (828) 743-7683. Ski season brings excellent conditions for beginner and intermediate skiers, plus snow tubing in winter. The Vordach lets you choose from three zipline courses, ranging from the easy and lower Green Course to the more challenging and higher Black Course. Summer activities also include foot golf. nctg.co/cyKv6

SCALY MOUNTAIN

Highlands Aerial Park, 9625 Dillard Rd., (828) 526-8777. This fantastic journey takes you across 15 elements, including seven ziplines. There’s also the family-friendly Brave Indian course and the self-guided, ground-to-air Nature Trail that descends to High Holly Creek. nctg.co/cgLh

Scaly Mountain Outdoor Sports Park, 1420 Dillard Rd., (828) 526-3773. This four-season destination features tubing (snow tubing during winter and summer tubing on artificial turf) plus ice-skating, trout fishing and more. nctg.co/c7U3j

SEVEN DEVILS

Hawksnest Snowtubing and Ziplines, 2058 Skyland Dr., (828) 963-6616. Winter snow tubing lanes are 400 to 1,000 feet long with two moving carpet lifts to bring you back to the top. Zipline year-round on 30 ziplines—including four mega zips up to 2,000 feet long—roaring over water with panoramic views of the High Country. nctg.co/c5hSk

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SPARTA

Allegany Historical Museum, 7 North Main St. (336) 572-2115. Showcases the heritage of the county beginning in 1859 when Alleghany County was formed. Displays highlight artifacts used by local ancestors. The museum features changing monthly exhibits. nctg.co/cL3FD

Doughton Park, Blue Ridge Parkway, MP 238, (336) 572-8877. This 7,000-acre park is the largest recreation area on the Blue Ridge Parkway. Hike or bird-watch along 30 miles of trails, or visit Brinegar Cabin, a well-preserved piece of early mountain life. nctg.co/cbZ2M

SPRUCE PINE

Gem Mountain Gemstone Mine, 13730 NC Hwy. 226, (828) 785-6300. Mine your own gems at one of our two mines, or mine rain or shine using our covered frame. Tour our mines, where aquamarine and emeralds have been found. nctg.co/cCBN

Museum of North Carolina Minerals, 214 Parkway Maintenance Rd., (828) 765-2761. Highlights the rich mineral resources and the mining heritage of this portion of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Discover hands-on, interactive exhibits that explore the creation of these mountains and minerals. nctg.co/cK4K3

The Orchard at Altapass, 1025 Orchard Rd., (828) 863-0523. This 7,000-acre park is the only state park to allow cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. nctg.co/cW9v2

TRAPHILL

Rooaring River Vineyards, 493 Brewer Mill Rd., (336) 957-2332. Our French-inspired vineyard and tasting room embodies the Appalachian spirit, honoring our history and inviting you to share in our unique creation. Enjoy our wines while taking in Blue Ridge Mountain vistas and rhododendron-covered riverbanks. nctg.co/cZnW3

TRYON

Foothills Equestrian Nature Center (FENCE), 3381 Hunting Country Rd., (828) 895-9021. FENCE offers trails within 384 acres of hardwood forest, meadow, and wetland for hikers, bird-watchers, gardeners and astronomers. nctg.co/cCU4

Taylor Mountain Vineyard, 731 Philips Dairy Rd., (828) 817-4376. We keep our vintages small and distinct wines and hard ciders. nctg.co/cUf9e

TODD

Elk Knob State Park, 5564 Meat Camp Rd., (828) 297-7261. One of the highest peaks in the high country at 5,520 feet, and one of the finest trails to experience spectacular views is Todd Summit Trail. It’s the only state park to allow cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. nctg.co/cW9v2

TRAPHILL

Roaring River Vineyards, 493 Brewer Mill Rd., (336) 957-2332. Our French-inspired vineyard and tasting room embodies the Appalachian spirit, honoring our history and inviting you to share in our unique creation. Enjoy our wines while taking in Blue Ridge Mountain vistas and rhododendron-covered riverbanks. nctg.co/cZnW3

TRENTON

Rutledge Vineyards & Winery, 110 Old Railroad Grade Rd., (336) 874-2800. Enjoy our estate wines in the tasting room or on the patio overlooking our 30 acres of vines. nctg.co/cBUL

McBitchie Winery & Ciderworks, 215 Todd Rd., (336) 874-3003. We created North Carolina’s first hard cider from locally grown apples. Our dedication to sustainable growing and low-intervention winemaking has resulted in distinct wines and hard ciders. nctg.co/cUf9e

TRAVERSILLE

Brushy Mountain Motor Sports Park, 2497 Tambor Fork Rd., (828) 835-7766. The largest private, off-highway vehicle park in NC for dirt bikes, ATV’s and side-by-sides. Featuring more than 75 miles of trails on 1,700 acres. nctg.co/c7CkZ

SUNSET CRATER

Sunlight House, 6806 All Healing Springs Rd., (828) 832-2751. Enjoy a large, sandy beach with swimming, an old-fashioned rope swing and water slides for all ages. nctg.co/cZBfG

THURMONT

Jones von Drehle Vineyards & Winery, 134 Old Railroad Grade Rd., (336) 874-2800. Enjoy our estate wines in the tasting room or on the patio overlooking our 30 acres of vines. nctg.co/cUBU

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Foothills Equestrian Nature Center (FENCE), 3381 Hunting Country Rd., (828) 895-9021. FENCE offers trails within 384 acres of hardwood forest, meadow, and wetland for hikers, bird-watchers, gardeners and astronomers. nctg.co/cCU4

Mountain Brook Vineyards, 226, (828) 765-6130. Mine your own gems at one of our unique cabinets. Enjoy our wines while taking in Blue Ridge Mountain vistas and rhododendron-covered riverbanks. nctg.co/cZnW3

Overmountain Vineyards, 2014 Sandy Plains Rd., (828) 883-0523. Walk the vineyards during a tour with a glass in hand as we introduce you to the source of our fabulous wines. Relax in our tasting room or sit in a rockin’ chair on the porch for the mountain views. nctg.co/c6GQ
VALDESE

From This Day Forward Outdoor Drama, Old Colony Players Amphitheatre, 401 N. Church St., (828) 879-2126. The heroic story of the Waldensians from their early years in Italy to the hardships endured in the founding of a colony in America. Performances mid-July to mid-August. nctg.co/cMmYT

Waldensian Heritage Wines, 4940 Villar Ln. NE, (828) 879-2126. With more than 150 years of winemaking experience, take a tour and learn the Waldensians’ secrets to our great-tasting wines. nctg.co/c6eWq

Waldensian Museum, 208 Rodoret St. S., (828) 874-1111. Let the museum introduce you to the heritage of the Waldensians, as each exhibit brings the visitor closer to an understanding of these strong and faithful people. nctg.co/cenof

Waldensian Trail of Faith, 401 Church St., (828) 874-1893. These 15 buildings and monuments, re-created in full scale from their homeland in Italy, portray each phase of these early settlers’ journey to their settlement here. nctg.co/cC4b6

WAYNESVILLE

Cataloochee Valley Tours, US Hwy. 276, (828) 450-7985. Enjoy guided ecotours to one of the most remote parts of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Guides focus on the history of the Valley and the Smokies, with an emphasis on the elk reintroduction. nctg.co/cKDZG

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Cataloochee Ranch
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A Holiday Motel
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Saluda Mountain Lodge
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HOTELS/MOTELS
Hampton Inn & Suites Cashiers
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Mt. Toxaway Motel & Cottages
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Brook Trout Inn
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Wyndham Resort Sapphire Valley
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Black Bear Lodge
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HOTELS/MOTELS
Alleghany Inn
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Town and Country Inn
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Pine Valley Motel
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VACATION RENTALS
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Holiday Inn Express & Suites
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tctg.co/cmFed

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tctg.co/cPE6E

Parkway Inn
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tctg.co/cC7Kc

Super 6
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Oak Hill on Love Lane Bed & Breakfast Inn
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tctg.co/cjPD7

The Yellow House
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Holiday Inn Express
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Buffalo Tavern Bed & Breakfast
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Ashe High Country Vacations
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HOTELS/MOTELS
Gear Head Inn
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Qualla Motel & Cabins
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INNS/Bed & BREAKFASTS
The Chalet Inn
(828) 586-0251
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Chalet Suites Boutique Hotel
(828) 586-0251
tctg.co/cb5By

VACATION RENTALS
Smoky Mountain Country Club
(828) 497-2777
tctg.co/chsKa

WILKESBORO
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Days Inn
(336) 888-1000
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Hampton Inn
(336) 888-5000
tctg.co/cvUyU

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(336) 888-1805
tctg.co/cUHyU

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*Regional national park/forest/seashore
Attractions

The following list of attractions in the Piedmont region is arranged alphabetically by city. You may find more detailed information on any of these attractions online at visitnc.com or the individual attraction's website.

REGIONAL

American Tobacco Trail, (919) 560-4355. Biking, hiking, walking and running along a 12-mile route that runs through Chatham, Durham and Wake counties. nctg.co/cx23Z

Dan River, (336) 627-6270. More than 100 miles of scenic paddling and fishing amidst towering cliffs, mountain laurel, flowering shrubs, fields and woodlands in Caswell, Rockingham and Stokes counties. Paddle easy whitewater to a gentle lazy river. nctg.co/cxJLla

Haw, Rocky and Deep Rivers, (919) 542-8296. These picturesque rivers provide scenic beauty along with canoeing, kayaking and rafting. nctg.co/cfMwc

Jordan Lake State Recreation Area, (919) 362-0586. Nearly 14,000 acres in Wake and Chatham counties. Offers boating, fishing, swimming, hiking and a full-service commercial marina. The largest summertime home of the bald eagle in the eastern United States. nctg.co/cxgjUm

Lake Norman, The largest man-made lake in North Carolina, with more than 500 miles of shoreline reaching into Catawba, Iredell, Lincoln and Mecklenburg counties. Popular outdoor recreation options include fishing, boating, waterskiing, paddleboarding and wakeboarding, swimming, biking and hiking trails. nctg.co/cfWUJ

Pee Dee National Wildlife Refuge, (704) 894-4424. With 5,500 acres and a diverse landscape in Anson and Richmond counties, these distinct habitats include hardwood forests, wetlands and open waters. As a migratory bird sanctuary, specifically waterfowl and other migratory birds, there’s also an abundance of native, nonmigrant wildlife. nctg.co/cxHTU

Uwharrie National Forest, (910) 576-6391. Covers more than 50,000 acres in Davidson, Montgomery and Randolph counties. Explore the scenic Uwharrie, Yadkin and Pee Dee rivers, as well as the Uwharrie Mountains. Outdoor activities include hiking, horseback riding, mountain biking, ATV and off-road trails, as well as many water activities. nctg.co/cxFSU

ABERDEEN

Railhouse Brewery, 105 E. South St., (910) 783-5280. Founded by veterans with a passion and love for finely crafted, flavorful beer. Call ahead for a Saturday tour. nctg.co/cb2NK

ALBEMARLE

Badin Road Drive-In Theater, 2411 Badin Rd., (704) 983-2900. A historic drive-in featuring two screens showing newly released movies, with games to play between showtimes—just as generations have enjoyed for decades. nctg.co/csvPc

Dennis Vineyards Winery, 24043 Endy Rd., (704) 982-6090. Region-specific wines are produced at all levels—dry, semi-dry and sweet—so even the most discerning palate can find a muscadine wine to suit their taste. Also crafting fruit and berry wines, as well as more traditional French varieties. nctg.co/cvGwR

Morrow Mountain State Park, 49104 Morrow Mountain Rd., (704) 982-4402. Choose an adventure, whether it’s hiking, paddling, fishing, swimming or just taking in scenery on one of the highest points in the Piedmont region. Hiking and bridle trails thread the park, reaching from the summit of Morrow Mountain to Lake Tillery. nctg.co/cphK7

Stany County Museum, 245 E. Main St., (704) 986-3777. View a unique collection of artifacts, from examples of Native American art and pottery to restored pioneer homes. nctg.co/cwYw2

Stony Mountain Vineyards, 26730 Mountain Ridge Rd., (704) 982-0922. We craft our wines using European and American varietals. Enjoy a glass of wine on our deck with panoramic views of the Uwharrie Mountains and the lower Yadkin Valley. nctg.co/cxKes

Uwharrie Vineyards, 28014 Austin Rd., (704) 982-9483. Whether you’re a unique wine connoisseur, casual wine-lover or uncorking a bottle for the first time, taste the experience and expertise that we put into every bottle. nctg.co/cnGCb

ANGIER

Gregory Vineyards, 275 Bowling Springs Dr., (919) 894-7700. Escape to a quiet country setting with rolling hills, vineyards and spring-fed lakes. Learn about the art of making wine, moonshine, brandy and fortified wines. nctg.co/c04q6E

APLEX

Cloer Family Vineyards, 8824 Castleberry Rd., (919) 387-5760. Stroll through the vineyards and production area, discover our display of antique wine presses, and have a tasting of each of our wines. During tastings, you’ll learn about the grapes, food pairings and more. nctg.co/c8Bdp

ARCHDALE

Kersey Valley Attractions, 1615 Kersey Valley Rd., (336) 802-9682. One of the largest closed-circuit ziplines in the county. Try your skills at outdoor laser tag, a high rope course or axe throwing. Visit the seasonal corn maze and Spookywoods in October. nctg.co/cpkhu

ASHEBORO

American Classic Motorcycle Museum, 1170 US Hwy. 64 W., (336) 629-9584. One of the largest private collections of antique Harley-Davidson motorcycles in the country. It includes 45 bikes dating from 1936 to 1978. nctg.co/cW6M

Collector’s Antique Mall, 211 Sunset Ave., (336) 629-8105. Features more than 125 dealers in 35,000 square feet of space. nctg.co/cF5W

North Carolina Aviation Museum & Hall of Fame, 2222 G Pilots View Rd., (919) 625-0770. As military artifacts and civilian memorabilia from World War I to the present, including an impressive collection of military vehicles, weapons and equipment, plus a flight simulator and a Piper J-3 Flight flown by Orville Wright. nctg.co/cH3Y

North Carolina Zoo, 4,401 Zoo Pkwy., (800) 488-0444. As the world’s largest zoo, we provide animals room to roam. Enjoy authentic experiences with giraffes, elephants, rhinos, polar bears, cougars, chimps and gorillas. Our Zoofari takes you on an exclusive tour inside the Watani Grasslands. Also enjoy hiking trails and an adventurous Air Hike ropes course. nctg.co/ccCnq

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PISGAH COVERED BRIDGE

Pisgah Covered Bridge, 6925 Pisgah Covered Bridge Rd., (336) 636-0364. One of North Carolina’s two remaining covered bridges. Built in 1911 at a cost of $40, the 54-foot bridge crosses the West Fork Branch of the Little River. nctg.co/cLoRA

Richland Creek ZipLine Canopy Tour, 2728 Fairview Farm Rd., (336) 736-5623. Soar through the forest along Richland Creek and Mendenhall Waterfalls in the shadow of Purgatory Mountain via 14 zip lines, three sky bridges and a swing bridge. nctg.co/cKJ2W

BAILEY

Country Doctor Museum, 7089 Peele Rd., (252) 235-4165. Take a guided tour to hear stories it was like for the country doctor, who was once the sole provider for every illness and medical procedure needed. nctg.co/cfXnD

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BELMONT

Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden, 6500 S. New Hope Rd., (704) 825-4490. More than 110 acres of themed gardens welcome visitors to spectacular sights, including a children’s garden, a conservatory dedicated to the display of tropical plants and orchids, a dry Piedmont prairie, annual and perennial displays, sparkling fountains, walking trails, and more. nctg.co/cpFNY

Muddy River Distillery, 1500 River Dr., #100, (704) 860-8389. The oldest legal rum distillery in North Carolina. We’d love to show you how we ferment, distil, age and bottle our products. nctg.co/cB83G

BENSON

Benson Museum of Local History, 102 W. Main St., (919) 894-1266. See exhibits on farming, home life, local artists, merchants, the State Singing Convention, Benson Mule Days, country doctors, military history and much more. nctg.co/cW6sE

Broadslab Distillery, 4682 NC Hwy. 50 S., (919) 207-1366. Tour North Carolina’s first farm distillery to learn about the all-natural, handcrafted, premium products and how they are made from dirt to bottle by this fifth-generation moonshiner. nctg.co/cLE2L

BETHANIA

Historic Bethania, 5480 Bethania Rd., (336) 922-0434. Established in 1759 as a self-sufficient farming community, which allowed both Moravian and non-Moravian settlers, it offers a living and working town. Explore the restored 1790s Wolff-Moser House, 1894 Alpha Chapel and take a walk down Main Street to see the carefully preserved and restored stores and private homes. nctg.co/cdkSL

BOONVILLE

RagApple Lassie Vineyards, 3724 RagApple Lassie Ln., (336) 367-6600. We grow vinifera grapes “Southern style.” This very eclecticism makes the growing of traditional European grapes on an old Southern farm seem perfectly natural. nctg.co/c6UsZ

Sanders Ridge Winery, 3200 Round Hill Rd., (336) 677-1700. Taste the flavor, unique character and heritage of the Yadkin Valley through our carefully crafted, homegrown and locally influenced wines, crafted exclusively from seven varieties of French wine grapes as well as two native muscadines. nctg.co/cZ5QZ

BROWNS SUMMIT

Haw River State Park, 339 Conference Center Dr., (336) 342-6183. Picturesque terrain makes this the perfect place to connect with nature as it’s home to wetlands of the upper Haw River in a natural ecosystem. nctg.co/cXnJ3

BURLINGTON

Alamance Battleground State Historic Site, 5803 S. NC Hwy. 62, (336) 226-8254. Royal Governor William Tryon led the North Carolina militia against the Regulators in battle on May 16, 1771. The circa 1780 Allen House is a log dwelling characteristic of those lived in by frontier people on the western fringes of the colony. nctg.co/czMKB

Alamance County Historical Museum, 4777 S. NC Hwy. 62, (336) 226-8254. A guided tour includes period outbuildings, a summer kitchen, a family cemetery and outdoor gardens. The museum offers rotating and temporary exhibits dealing with aspects of local history. nctg.co/cPVWlp

Cedarock Historical Farm, 4242 R. Dean Coleman Rd., (336) 229-2410. Provides an example of life on a farm in North Carolina during the late 19th century. Populated with farm animals and antique and replica farm equipment, this comprehensive homestead includes the original cabin, a two-story house, a smokehouse, a carriage shed, a barn, an outhouse and a post office. nctg.co/cvKpF

Conservators Center, 676 E. Hughes Mill Rd., (336) 650-1139. You’re guaranteed a unique and up-close view of breathtaking big cats and wolves—often from just 5 feet away. Be equally enchanted by our smaller residents, including binturongs, New Guinea singing dogs, lemurs and servals. Learn our residents’ individual stories and how we care for them. nctg.co/cxewh

Textile Heritage Museum, 2406 Glencoe St., (336) 270-6774. Exhibit some of the early looms and textile machinery of a bygone era, fabric samples, military uniforms, photographs, documents and journals, early office equipment, and artifacts of the mill workers and the community of Glencoe. nctg.co/cXHF0

Whistlestop Exhibit at Company Shops Station, 101 N. Main St., (336) 270-1444. Housed in a former engine house, this exhibit has a model of Company Shops (as Burlington was once known) with scenes of life in the late 1800s, such as steam and diesel train engines coming through the engine house, murals and more. nctg.co/cDAeN

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Aloha Safari Zoo, 159 Mini Ln., (910) 770-7109. Walk through our rainforest building, reptile room and petting zoo. Take the safari tour to see our big animals, such as Watusi cattle, camels, zebras and even a zebra. Our animals come from a variety of backgrounds. Many are rescues. nctg.co/c5pCM

Carrhage

Black Rock Winery, 6662 US Hwy. 15/501. (910) 295-9511. Using locally grown grapes and fruit, we have a wonderful selection of dry to sweet wines. Being the first vinifera vineyard in the area, we grow several red and white varieties to find out which best suit our conditions. nctg.co/c4vCH

Carthage Historical Museum, 202 Rockingham St., (910) 947-2331. Discover more than 200 years of area history, including several exhibits that reveal the town’s past as the home of a renowned buggy factory, its military ties, and past and present businesses. nctg.co/c0yQd

Cary

Chatham Hill Winery, 8245 Chapel Hill Rd., (919) 380-7135. We’re an urban winery crafting inspired, European-style wines and sharing the story behind each glass. nctg.co/cup2D

Carthage

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Catawba

Great Wagon Road Distilling Company, 232 E. Peterson Dr., (704) 416-4600. Created specifically for kids and families, interactive games and exhibits make it an adventure at every turn. nctg.co/c26nd

Charlotte Regional Farmers Market, 1801 Yorkmont Rd., (704) 357-1269. A friendly place to shop for fresh produce and meats, goat milk products, baked goods, and unique handmade crafts, plus flowers and plants. nctg.co/cg5tR

Discover Plant Science, 301 N. Tryon St. (704) 372-8861. Spend a day here and we’ll introduce you to a world of wonder, where science amazes, educates and entertains regardless of age. nctg.co/crr3t

Doc Porter’s Distillery, 232 E. Peterson Dr., (704) 266-1399. We pride ourselves on creating unique, handcrafted vodka, gin and bourbon.

Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-American Arts + Culture, Levine Center for the Arts, 500 S. Tryon St., (704) 547-3700. Three galleries exhibit art from the Smithsonian and other world-renowned museums, as well as the nationally celebrated John & Vivian Hewitt Collection of African-American Art. nctg.co/cuujfI

Historic Rosedale Plantation, 3427 N. Tryon St. (704) 335-0256. A docent-guided tour of the 15-room, Federal-era home examines life on the antebellum plantation, as well as the architecture and decorative arts in the restored house museum. Plan to spend time in the gardens. nctg.co/cZ6nd

ImaginOn, 300 E. 7th St., (704) 416-4600. Created specifically for kids and families, interactive games and exhibits make it an adventure at every turn. nctg.co/c26nd

Levine Museum of the New South, 200 E. 7th St., (704) 333-1887. This interactive museum houses the nation’s most comprehensive interpretation of post-Civil War Southern history. Hands-on history is both educational and entertaining. nctg.co/czk4v

McDowell Nature Center & Preserve, 17522 York Rd., (704) 914-1128. The center features encounters with native animals, a discovery exhibit hall, and an outdoor habitat garden, while the preserve offers a wide variety of recreational opportunities such as hiking, fishing and canoeing. nctg.co/ckk5R

Mint Museum Randolph, 2730 Randolph Rd., (704) 337-2000. Located in what was once a branch of the United States Mint, intimate galleries invite visitors to engage with the art of the ancient Americas, ceramics and decorative arts, fashion, and European and African art, among other collections. nctg.co/chQK

Mint Museum Uptown, 500 S. Tryon St., (704) 337-2000. Features collections of American, contemporary and European art, plus the relocated Mint Museum of Craft + Design’s permanent collection that documents studio craft from the 19th century to present day. nctg.co/cfww

Charlotte

Bechtler Museum of Modern Art, 620 S. Tryon St. (704) 337-2000. Domsipolitan in nature yet intimate in scale, the collection reflects most of the important art movements and schools from the 20th century, with a deep holding of the School of Paris after World War II. nctg.co/c4bBN

The Billy Graham Library, 4330 Westmore Dr. (704) 987-2000. Billy Graham was one of the most influential voices of the 20th century. Through state-of-the-art multimedia exhibits, films and memorabilia, relive the historic moments of his life and that of his wife, Ruth Bell Graham. nctg.co/c3mSM

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Carowinds, 14523 Carowinds Blvd., (704) 888-2600. World-class rides (including 13 roller coasters), a children’s area, shows and attractions, like our water park, make this one of the most popular family entertainment attractions in the Southeast. Open daily during summer, and weekends in spring and fall. nctg.co/c20cn

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ATTRACTIONS PIEDMONT

NASCAR Hall of Fame, 400 E. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. (704) 347-4400. Honors the history and heritage of NASCAR. This high-tech venue—designed to engage, educate and entertain race fans and nonfans alike—includes artifacts, interactive exhibits and the Hall of Honor. nctg.co/cilSw

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NoDa Brewing Company, 2521 N. Tryon St., (704) 900-6853. Our unique microbrewery offers a variety of small-batch craft beers. Stop by for a tour Thursdays through Sundays. nctg.co/cnhFs

The Olde Mecklenburg Brewery, 4150 Yancey Rd., (704) 525-3644. Charlotte’s oldest microbrewery, we use only the finest ingredients available worldwide and employ traditional, intensive brewing methods to make premium, all-natural beer. Stop in for a weekend tour. nctg.co/cryva

Ray’s Splash Planet, 215 N. Sycamore St., (980) 314-4729. This one-of-a-kind indoor water park features a giant slide, lazy river, vortex pool and water playground. nctg.co/c7mJ3

Topgolf Charlotte, 8024 Savoy Corporate Dr., (704) 612-4745. Tee up in climate-controlled, personalized drives, bay window seating and food and beverage from our chef. nctg.co/cghJX

U.S. National Whitewater Center, 5000 Whitewater Center Pkwy., (704) 391-3900. Alongside mountain biking and running trails, a climbing center, ropes courses and ziplines, the park’s unique feature is a multiple-channel, handcrafted red and white wines made in small batches, as well several varieties of fruit and hand-packed. Tour the winery and vineyards. nctg.co/cHkxV

Clemmons Educational State Forest, 4160 US Hwy. 70, (828) 465-0383. One of only two restored mill is filled with original milling equipment and artifacts. Watch corn being ground into cornmeal and grits. nctg.co/cE6xy

UNC Charlotte Botanical Gardens, UNC Charlotte, 9090 Craver Rd., (704) 687-0721. Highlights include a diverse orchid collection, native carnivorous plants, a huge display of rhododendrons throughout the native garden and a unique Winter Garden. nctg.co/cbzs

Victory Lane Indoor Karting, 2330 Tipton Dr., Ste. 102, (704) 377-3278. Experience two custom race tracks, a NASCAR-style oval and a European-style road course. nctg.co/chxTt

CHERRYVILLE

C. Grier Beam Truck Museum, 111 N. Mountain St., (704) 435-9372. Housed in the original gas station where Carolina Freight had its humble beginnings, explore vintage truck memorabilia spanning seven decades. nctg.co/cmfkw

Cherryville Historical Museum, 109 E. Main St., (704) 435-4116. Exhibits follow the history of the area from the early 1800s to today. nctg.co/cQxWw

CHINA GROVE

The Price of Freedom Museum, 2420 Weaver Rd., (704) 857-7474. Dedicated to the men and women of the United States armed services who paid the ultimate price of freedom. The collection features more than 5,000 artifacts, including rare uniforms. nctg.co/cQxwM

CLAREMONT

Bunker Hill Covered Bridge, Connor Park, 4160 US Hwy. 70, (828) 465-0383. One of only two remaining covered bridges in North Carolina, its 85-foot span was based on a design by well-known Civil War engineer Herman Haupt. nctg.co/cHnbf

CLAYTON

Clemmons Educational State Forest, 2411 Old US 70 W., (919) 553-5651. Pine stands and hardwoods are set on a pleasant rolling terrain highlighting streams and rock formations, all accessible by well-marked pedestrian trails and accentuated by exhibits. nctg.co/c8kx2

Deep River Brewing Company, 700 W. Main St., (910) 585-2296. Ask for a tour (before 6 p.m.) to learn how to strive to use locally grown raw materials for our brews whenever possible. nctg.co/cVhjxV

CLEMMONS

Mrs. Hanes’ Hand-Made Moravian Cookies, 4643 Friedberg Church Rd., (336) 764-1402. The largest hand-made cookie company in the world. Every cookie is hand-rolled, hand-cut and hand-packed. Tours are offered January through October. The viewing area is open year-round for bakery-watching. nctg.co/cyjEUs

Tanglewood Park, 4201 Manor House Cir., (336) 703-6400. The former estate of Will and Kate Reynolds. Enjoy gardens, golf, trails, horseback riding, an aquatic center, tennis, fishing on two stocked lakes and more. nctg.co/c7cTl

COLCORD


Backing Up Classics - Morrison Motor Car Museum, 1545 Concord Pkwy. S., (704) 788-9500. Stroll down a memory lane of fine motorcars with this fascinating collection of antique, classic, ‘50s, ‘60s, muscle and race cars. nctg.co/cZg2q

Bost Grist Mill, 4701 NC Hwy. 200, (704) 782-1600. Built in the early 1800s, this restored mill is filled with original milling equipment and artifacts. Watch corn being ground into cornmeal and grits. nctg.co/cExky

Charlotte Motor Speedway, 5555 Concord Pkwy. S., (800) 455-3200. This superspeedway hosts numerous NASCAR races and other motorsports events. Ask about our tours for CMS and zMAX Dragway. With the NASCAR Racing Experience, you can drive a NASCAR race car or take a NASCAR ride-along. nctg.co/cZfpk

Chip Ganassi Racing, 8500 Westmoreland Dr., (704) 662-9842. The viewing platform puts you into the shop where the latest adjustments are being made and cars are on display. Enjoy vivid photos of past victories and trophies from prestigious races. nctg.co/cWlW3

Concord Mills, 8111 Concord Mills Blvd., (704) 979-3000. Shop more than 200 stores, including manufacturer and retail outlets, off-price retailers and unique specialty stores. nctg.co/cJFkR

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Cougar Run Winery, 363 Church St. N., (704) 788-2746. Stop by for a tour of our handcrafted red and white wines made in small batches, as well several varieties of fruit and seasonal dessert wines. nctg.co/cbzs

Dale Trull, 10099 Weddington Rd., Ste. 102, (704) 782-4340. This self-guided tour features 19 locations that tell the story of Dale Earnhardt Sr.’s life, his legendary NASCAR career and his old stomping grounds. nctg.co/czszP

Hendrick Motorsports, 4400 Papa Joe Hendrick Blvd., (704) 455-3400. Watch teams at work inside viewing areas of the 9/24 and 48/88 race teams, plus see notable cars on display. nctg.co/chkJv

ifly, 7840 Lyles Ln. NW, (704) 851-4359. Rise above the ordinary and feel the thrill of indoor skydiving with all the rush but without the plane or parachute. nctg.co/cwQzn

Catalava County Firefighters Museum, 3597 Herman Seip Rd., (828) 469-0911. See equipment, proudly displayed, that dates back to the early 1900s, including six fire trucks, the oldest of which is a 1936 American LaFrance pumper. nctg.co/cEAst

Seventeen Twelve Spirits, 300 Thornburg Dr. SE, (828) 381-2949. Take a Saturday tour to learn how we craft our locally sourced and hand-bottled bourbon and moonshine. nctg.co/cGLS

COOLEEMEE

RiverPark at Cooleemee Falls, Erwin Temple Church Rd., (336) 751-2325. Swim and ride the little rapids at the Bull Hole. You’re urged to wear an old pair of sneakers because of the slippery bedrock bottom. nctg.co/cDFcc

Textile Heritage Center Museum, 131 Church St., (336) 284-6040. Early 1900s artifacts and photographs give a glimpse of the textile industry and what life was like in a Carolina cotton mill village. nctg.co/cDgW

CONOVER

Aloha Paddle Sports, 17525 W. Catawba Ave., (704) 470-2999. Fun and peaceful stand-up paddleboarding lets you get as close as possible to walking on Lake Norman. You can also glide on top of the water in a kayak. nctg.co/cFxki

D9 Brewing Company, 11318-C Treynor Dr., (704) 457-9368. Enjoy a behind-the-scenes experience, seeing the custom boiler system and the built-in cooling room. You’ll walk out with a new passion and knowledge of craft beer. nctg.co/cnx3e

CREEDEMOOR

Cedar Creek Gallery, 1150 Fleming Rd., (919) 528-1041. The largest selection of quality, hand-made American crafts in the Southeast represents more than 200 craftspeople, many of whom have work in collections at national museums. nctg.co/cSWLW

DALLAS

Gaston County Museum, 131 W. Main St., (704) 922-7691. Tour the circa 1852 main building to see furnished period rooms, a hands-on parlor and furnished historic hotel rooms, plus changing exhibits. The carriage house contains the largest public collection of horse-drawn vehicles in the state. nctg.co/cxalEJ

Green Property
DANBURY

Hanging Rock State Park, 2015 Hanging Rock Park Rd., (336) 593-8480. Hike trails to sheer peaks of bare rock, quiet forests and cascading waterfalls. Mountain lake offers swimming and fishing. nctg.co/cxtr

J.E. Priddy’s General Store, 2121 Sheppard Mill Rd., (336) 593-9786. Stop by and see why there is so much nostalgia attached to this general store built in 1888. nctg.co/cnryH

Wilson-Fulton Museum of Stokes County History, 403 N. Main St., (336) 593-9407. This historic brick home built in the late 1850s features photographs, furniture and household items highlighting the county’s history. nctg.co/c6N6J

DAVIDSON

Belk Visual Arts Center, 315 N. Main St., (704) 894-2344. A vast, permanent collection of artwork, an outdoor sculpture garden and changing exhibits feature local to international artists. nctg.co/c5Kmv

DENTON

Toms Creek Nursery, 6454 Old NC Hwy. 49, (336) 837-2131. Tour this fourth-generation working farm and nursery with growing fields and greenhouses, where nearly 3,000 specimens of trees, ornamentals and groundcovers are cultivated. nctg.co/cGKQa

DOBSON

Fisher River Park, 251 County Home Rd., (336) 401-8239. Enjoy great spots for trout fishing, walking and mountain biking. nctg.co/cZWKh

Herrera Vineyards, 231 Vineyard Ln., (866) 313-8008. We pride ourselves on the tradition of cultivating, harvesting and producing premium wines from fruit we grow exclusively to create our dry, semi-sweet and sweet wines. nctg.co/c3dQo

Rhetts Vineyards, 1890. nctg.co/cohNv

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DURHAM

Bennett Place State Historic Site, 4409 Bennett Memorial Rd., (919) 383-4345. Site of the largest troop surrender at the end of the Civil War. The museum has an extensive collection of artifacts that share the stories of the Bennett family and the final weeks of the war. nctg.co/cahhc

Bull City Brewery, 107 E Parrish St., Ste. 105, (919) 680-2333. Weekly brewery tours offer tastings of the beers on tap. nctg.co/cYH5s

Duke Basketball Museum & Sports Hall of Fame, 306 Towerview Dr., (919) 613-7500. Athletic achievements are showcased with visual, video and audio exhibits, including trophies of national championships. nctg.co/cGW55

Duke Homestead State Historic Site, 2828 Duke Homestead Rd., (919) 477-5498. The Duke family’s mid-1800s home, tobacco barns, original factory and museum showcase the beginnings of the modern-day tobacco industry. nctg.co/cQrTh

Duke Lemur Center, 3705 Old Erwin Rd., (919) 401-7240. Lemurs are some of the most fascinating animals in the world. We offer a variety of tours, such as behind-the-scenes and walking with lemurs. nctg.co/ca1Lb

Duke University Chapel, 401 Chapel Dr., (919) 681-9488. The Neo-Gothic, cathedral-like centerpiece features a Flentrop 5,200-pipe organ, 50-bell carillon and intricate stained-glass windows. nctg.co/cA2Q9

Durham Distillery, 711 Washington St., (919) 937-2121. We create great spirits that both embody and pioneer the New South. Take a quick tour or go behind the scenes to learn about our gins and liqueurs, then enjoy a tasting flight. nctg.co/cZQPE

Eno River State Park, 6101 Cole Mill Rd., (919) 383-1868. The river rolls past mature forests, a historic mill and river bluffs. Nearly 30 miles of trails along a swift, shallow stream are popular with anglers, hikers and paddlers. nctg.co/cPHW6

Golden Belt, 807 E Main St., (919) 967-7700. This former textile mill campus is now a creative arts hub featuring more than 50 artist studios that spill into a central artist-run gallery. nctg.co/cQv24

Hayti Heritage Center, 804 Old Fayetteville St., (919) 683-1705. Once one of America’s most successful African American marketplaces and neighborhoods, today it features African American works and artifacts, plus visual art display galleries. nctg.co/cPJuQ

Historic Stagville, 5828 Old Oxford Hwy., (919) 620-0120. Once among the South’s largest plantation holdings, the site features an 18th-century house, slave quarters and a unique barn. nctg.co/cmdH9

Honeygirl Meadery, 105 Hood St., #6, (919) 399-3058. We make handcrafted meads (wines made with honey) and ferment with added fruits, botanicals and flowers. nctg.co/c7DHJ

Museum of Durham History, 500 W. Main St., (919) 246-9993. We use stories about people, places and things to promote an understanding of diverse perspectives. The History Hub features rotating exhibits. nctg.co/cTfL

See page 168 for local information sources.
Museum of Life + Science, 433 Murray Ave., (919) 220-5429. This interactive science park includes a science center, one of the largest butterfly conservatories on the East Coast and outdoor exhibits for black bears, lemurs and red wolves, plus more than 60 species of live animals, a Dinosaur Trail and more fun. nctg.co/cLb2r

Nasher Museum of Art, Duke University, 2001 Campus Dr., (919) 684-5335. This 65,000-square-foot museum features classical to contemporary works of art, including Duke’s permanent collections as well as special exhibitions and sculpture gardens. nctg.co/cMBAp

North Carolina Central University Art Museum, 1801 Fayetteville St., (919) 530-6211. Showcases collections and temporary exhibitions of 19th- and 20th-century African American art. nctg.co/cJhMD

Sarah P. Duke Gardens, Duke University, 420 Anderson St., (919) 684-3686. One of the premier public gardens in the United States, with more than 200 colorful plant varieties and more than 5 miles of walkways and paths. Walking and trolley tours are available. nctg.co/cZJSpv

21c Museum, 11 N. Corcoran St., (919) 958-6700. Showcasing more than 50,000 square feet of curated exhibitions and site-specific installations that reflect the global nature of contemporary culture. nctg.co/cExNh

West Point on the Eno City Park, 5101 N Roxboro Rd., (919) 471-1623. Located along the Eno River, the park features many historic buildings, such as a reconstructed 1778 working gristmill, plus hiking trails. nctg.co/cHkhq

Cellar 4201, 4201 Apperson Rd., (336) 899-6030. This boutique-style, family-owned vineyard in the Yadkin Valley region grows premium grapes in small lots that are producing fine wines. nctg.co/c7kMd

Divine Llama Vineyards, 5349 Macedonia Rd., (336) 899-2525. A rustic farmhouse tasting room is nestled among 5 acres of vineyards and 20 acres of pastures for llamas and miniature horses. nctg.co/cP6Ex

Flint Hill Vineyards, 2133 Flint Hill Rd., (336) 899-4455. Our tasting room is a restored 1805 farm house on a Century Farm Family nestled among oak trees. nctg.co/cNgyK

EDEN
Three Rivers Outfitters, 413 Church St., (336) 627-6215. We’re happy to set you up with canoes or kayaks for a guided or self-guided leisure trip on the river. nctg.co/c2hz

ELKIN
Adagio Vineyards, 139 Bengle Dr., (336) 258-2333. Our award-winning wines are named with musical terms which depict their origin, composition or sensory characteristics. nctg.co/cADkK

Carolina Heritage Vineyard & Winery, 170 Heritage Vine Way, (336) 366-3301. North Carolina’s first USDA-certified organic vineyard and winery offers award-winning dry and sweet vegan-friendly wines from hybrid and native grapes, as well blueberries, apples and cranberries. nctg.co/cKnKr

Elkin Creek Vineyard, 318 Elkin Creek Mill Rd., (336) 526-5191. Experience wine tastings in a warm and inviting tasting room; enjoy wine selections as you stroll by a gentle waterfall or sit on a creekside swing by the fire pit. nctg.co/ca0FW

Slightly Askew Winery, 913 North Bridge St., (336) 835-2700. Enjoy wine produced from local juices, as well as from some of the best wineries regions around the world. We have dry and semi-dry wines, plus sweet fruit wines. nctg.co/codGE

ELLERBE
Rankin Museum of American Heritage, 131 W. Church St., (919) 652-8788. See rare and unique artifacts of archaeology, paleontology and natural history, such as Native American and early Americana. An enormous fossil collection spans 500 million years. nctg.co/cZjBF

FAIRMONT
Border Belt Farmer’s Museum, 101 Thompson St., (910) 740-8645. Located in the former railroad station depot, the museum houses a variety of interesting agriculturally related exhibits and memorabilia focusing on tobacco, textiles, lumber and general farming life. nctg.co/cVrGG

FAYETTEVILLE
Airborne & Special Operations Museum, 100 Bragg Blvd., (910) 843-2766. Explore the history of the U.S. Army and Special Operations units from 1940 to the present through dramatic exhibitions of uniforms, equipment and personal items. The SOF K-9 Memorial is located nearby. nctg.co/c0LSM

Cape Fear Botanical Garden, 536 N. Eastern Blvd., (910) 272-9061. The urban forest offers specialty gardens, nature trails, steep ravines and waterways, plus a 1800s farmhouse and tobacco barn. nctg.co/c2ajG

The Climbing Place, 436 W. Russell St., (910) 486-9838. The largest indoor rock climbing center in North Carolina contains more than 40,000 climbing holds. 60 top ropes, an overhang area, a gym traverse and thousands of square feet of bouldering surface. nctg.co/cVnVz

Fascinate-U Children’s Museum, 116 Green St., (910) 829-9771. A “mini city” where children 12 and under can pretend and play while learning about jobs. Areas include the Farm, Army Fort, Fire Station, Post Office, Grocery Store and Stage Area. nctg.co/c7m2w

Fayetteville Area Transportation & Local History Museum, 325 Franklin St., (910) 433-1457. Located in the 1890 Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad Depot with engaging, artifact-filled exhibits of the area’s rich history. The annex continues our story with automobiles and airplanes. nctg.co/cNnQ7

Museum of the Cape Fear Historical Complex, 801 Arsenal Ave., (910) 500-4240. The museum interprets regional history with two floors of exhibits, the 1897 Poe House museum and Arsenal Park. nctg.co/cWYP

North Carolina Veterans Park, 300 Bragg Blvd., (910) 433-1457. It’s the first park in the state dedicated to veterans from all branches of the military. View a 3,500-square-foot shoe candle made from 33,500 “dog tags.” Numerous displays and fascinating sculptures add to a unique experience for all ages. nctg.co/cukKj

ZipQuest Waterfall & Treetop Adventure, 553 Carvers Falls Rd., (910) 488-8787. Have a treetop adventure. All-Level platform with eight ziplines and three canopy sky bridges. The Swing Shot flies you seven stories over Carver’s Creek. nctg.co/cZ0Qn

FORT BRAGG
82nd Airborne Division War Memorial Museum, C-6841 Ardennes St., (910) 432-3443. Photographic exhibits, static displays, artifacts and a film tell the history of the 82nd Airborne from 1917 to the present. nctg.co/crt2z

FOUR OAKS
Bentonville Battlefield State Historic Site, 5446 Harper House Rd., (919) 594-0785. The Battle of Bentonville, fought in March 1865, was the last full-scale action of the Civil War in which a Confederate Army was able to mount a tactical offensive against the Union Army. The Harper House has its downstairs interpreted as a functioning field hospital; upstairs has period domestic furnishings. nctg.co/cfgvhn

Howell Woods Environmental Learning Center, 6881 Devil’s Racetrack Rd., (919) 938-0115. Enjoy biking, hiking, horseback riding, fishing and wildlife viewing among this diverse group of ecosystems, including bottomland hardwood forest, open fallon fields and longleaf-loblolly pine forests. nctg.co/cf1X5

FUQUAY-VARINA
Aviator Brewing Company, 209 Technology Park Ln., (919) 567-2357. Our entertaining brewery tour, open to all ages, includes details on the brewing process, packaging, fermentation and more. nctg.co/czVmH

GARNER
RushHour Kar ting, 5335 Raynor Rd., (919) 660-9191. Competitive go-kart racing in our 50,000-square-foot indoor facility features state-of-the-art European-designed Sodikarts racing at speeds of nearly 40 mph. nctg.co/cwLah

GASTONIA
The Schiele Museum of Natural History & Planetarium, 1500 E. Garrison Blvd., (704) 866-8908. Exhibitions and collections interpret North American habitats and wildlife along with more than 400 years of piedmont history. Explore the outdoor nature trail, Backcountry Farm and Catawba Indian Village. nctg.co/cnNP3

GERMANTON
Germanton Vineyard & Winery, 3350 NC Hwy. 8/65, (336) 969-6121. We offer a variety of quality and award-winning wines harvested from this country setting. nctg.co/cGmee

GIBSONVILLE
Grove Winery & Vineyards, 7360 Brooks Bridge Rd., (336) 584-4060. Our artisan winery specializing in growing and crafting exceptional European-style wines. nctg.co/c6r6Z

GOLD HILL
Morgan Ridge Vineyards, 486 John Morgan Rd., (704) 639-0911. We strive to produce the best fruit possible, including seven varietals, to create our award-winning estate wines. nctg.co/cTcrkW

Village of Gold Hill, 770 St. Stephen’s Church Rd., (704) 287-0439. This former 19th-century gold-mining boomtown now offers gold history tours, a hiking/biking trail and a 19th-century mill that once crushed gold-bearing ore. nctg.co/cnJjG

GRAHAM
Graham Historical Museum, 135 W. Elm St., (336) 670-6701. Located in the 1914 Graham Fire House, the museum houses artifacts from the area’s history. nctg.co/cFyfF
GRANITE QUARRY
Old Stone House, 770 Old Stone House Rd., (704) 633-5946. This two-story, 1786 Georgian-style house was stately for its time. Stones on the front of the house were carefully shaped and matched to create a impressive facade for visitors. nctg.co/cP4KN

GREENSBORO
ACC Hall of Champions, Greensboro Coliseum Complex, 1921 W. Gate City Blvd., (336) 315-8411. Honoring past and present Atlantic Coast Conference coaches and athletes with interactive displays and artifacts from games and players. nctg.co/cW4FN

Blandwood Mansion, 447 W. Washington St., (336) 272-5003. Originally constructed in 1796, this is the oldest standing example of Italianate architecture in the United States. A docent-led tour takes you through the restored main building and two reconstructed dependencies: a kitchen and N.C. Gov. John Morehead’s law office. nctg.co/cg6Qx

Celebration Station, 4315 Big Tree Way, (336) 316-0606. Enjoy go-karts, bumper boats, miniature golf, batting cages and more than 100 video and arcade games. nctg.co/cP5bP

Fainting Goat Spirits, 115 W. Lewis St. (336) 275-6221. Stop by for a weekend tour of our true grain-to-glass distillery, meaning we mill, mash, ferment, distill, age and bottle everything in-house. nctg.co/ciS9g

Gardens of Greensboro, various locations, (336) 373-2199. Four public gardens each offer something different. Gateway Gardens is playful and interactive. Greensboro Arboretum features a woody plant collection and special display garden. Bog Garden is a wetland home to wildlife and native plants. Tanger Family Bicentennial Garden has massive, colorful plants and bronze sculptures. nctg.co/ciKt4

Greensboro Children’s Museum, 220 N. Church St., (336) 574-2888. A hands-on museum for children from infancy up to 10 years and their families, with more than 20 permanent exhibits in Our Town and an outdoor Edible Schoolyard. nctg.co/ci2W4

Greensboro Cultural Center, 200 N. Davie St., (336) 373-2570. Explore four levels of galleries, studies and more, such as African American Atelier and Greenshill. nctg.co/cJvei

Greensboro History Museum, 130 Summit Ave., (336) 373-2043. Trace the rich history of this vibrant Southern city and the dramatic role it has played in writing the story of America, from the American Revolution to the Underground Railroad to the civil rights movement. nctg.co/cc2FS

Greensboro Science Center, 4307 Lawndale Dr., (336) 288-3768. Our aquarium has sharks, penguins, otters, stingrays and other amazing animals. The zoo features monkeys, crocodiles, meerkats and more. The museum contains exhibits about dinosaurs, health and the human body, and weather. nctg.co/cgEPP

Guilford Courthouse National Military Park, 2332 New Garden Rd., (336) 288-1776. Honors the site of the March 15, 1781, Battle of Guilford Courthouse. See informational outdoor exhibits and monuments, Revolutionary War museum exhibits and an animated battle map. nctg.co/cP4Mu

International Civil Rights Center & Museum, 134 S. Elm St., (336) 274-1902. On Feb. 1, 1960, four N.C. A&T State University students sat at a “whites only” lunch counter and challenged the laws of segregation. History comes to life through photography, artifacts, video reenactments and interactive galleries. nctg.co/cKz2Z

Pig Pounder Brewery, 1107 Greendale St., (336) 553-1290. This local microbrewery specializes in producing outstanding and authentic U.K.-style beers. Enjoy hourly tours plus an interactive tasting room to learn more about beer. nctg.co/cAFHL

Skywild, 4301 Lawndale Dr., (336) 288-3769. With 80 different challenges, three levels of intensity and seven courses, layouts are intended to encourage you to experience a variety of animal behaviors via movement while enjoying an exciting workout. nctg.co/cvvnX

University Galleries, NC A&T Univ. Dudley Bldg., 202 University Cir., (336) 334-3209. Features two collections: one focusing on the ancestral and contemporary arts of Africa and the Caribbean, and one on the work of both emerging and established African American artists. nctg.co/cdpjH

Weatherpoon Art Museum, UNC Greensboro, 500 Tate St., (336) 334-5770. Nationally recognized for its collection of 5,600 modern and contemporary artworks, the museum also showcases dynamic, thought-provoking exhibitions. nctg.co/cpeLb

Wet ‘N Wild Emerald Pointe Water Park, 3910 S. Holden Rd., (336) 852-9711. Make a splash with more than 36 rides and attractions, including drop slides, tube rides, Thunder Bay, the Lazee River and activity pools for all ages. nctg.co/cfaeNA

HAMLIN
Hamlet Depot & Museums, 2 W. Main St., (910) 582-0603. This Victorian-era depot is said to be the most photographed train station in the eastern United States. Hands-on exhibits, visual displays and interactive consoles explore the history of the Seaboard Railroad and Hamlet. Also includes a replica Tornado steam locomotive, a model railroad and changing exhibits. nctg.co/cf6NL

National Railroad Museum & Hall of Fame, 120 E. Spring St., (910) 582-3555. Displays, photographs, plaques, rolling stock and a model train display confirm why Hamlet was once dubbed “hamlet” in train display confirm why Hamlet was once dubbed “Hamlet”. nctg.co/cMkdB

HAMPTONVILLE
Dobbins Creek Vineyards, 4430 Vineyard View Ln., (336) 468-4770. Enjoy the views and taste our great wines amidst the backdrop of the beautiful Swan Creek area in the Yadkin Valley. nctg.co/cD1Mm

Laurel Gray Vineyards, 5726 Old US Hwy. 421, (336) 468-9483. Stop by our converted 1930s milking parlor to sample our award-winning wines amid French elegance with Southern charm. nctg.co/c2hQh

Shadow Springs Vineyard, 5543 Crater Rd., (336) 468-5000. We’re a traditional winery with a decidedly nontraditional attitude: no stuffy atmosphere and no intimidating wine jargon. Our focus is on you and your taste buds. Whether you prefer dry or sweet, we’ve got just the wine for you. nctg.co/cHBNV

Windsor Run Cellars, 8531 Windsor Rd., (336) 488-8400. We offer a full range of meals, fortified wines and other clever concoctions alongside award-winning, estate-grown reds and whites. Even our spirits are distilled from those same grapes hanging outside our tasting room. nctg.co/c27Me

HAW RIVER
Haw River Historical Museum, 201 Main St., (336) 380-9651. The history of the town, which had a central role in the development of the state’s textile industry and railroad, is depicted in a large collection of photographs, artifacts and displays. nctg.co/cGRRX

HENDERSON
Henderson Institute Historical Museum, 629 W. Rockspring St., (252) 430-0616. View displays of artifacts along with oral and written records from this African American school’s past. nctg.co/ciwp6

Kerr Lake State Recreation Area, 8254 Satterwhite Point Rd., (252) 438-7791. Enjoy fishing, swimming, boating, waterskiing, bird-watching and hiking trails on and around this 50,000-acre lake, with more than 800 miles of shoreline bordering North Carolina and Virginia. nctg.co/cB8jg

Raleigh Road Outdoor Drive-in Theatre, 3336 Raleigh Rd., (910) 438-6809. Enjoy classic family entertainment under the stars at one of the few remaining drive-in theaters in North Carolina. nctg.co/cACf7

Vance County History Gallery, Perry Library, 205 Breckenridge St., (252) 438-3316. Permanent and rotating exhibits depict items and events of historical significance since the 1881 founding of Vance County. nctg.co/cjRum

HICKORY
Blowing Rock Brewery, 883 Highland Ave. SE, (828) 855-9999. Ask for a tour, where you’ll see everything from the grain storage room to the can production line with a tasting at the end. nctg.co/c4ELU

Catawba Science Center, 243 Third Ave. NE, (828) 322-8169. There’s hands-on learning for all ages to explore physical, natural and earth sciences. The aquarium galleries take visitors through immersive freshwater and marine habitats. nctg.co/cG6bi

Harp House/Hickory History Center & Lyerly House, 310 N. Center St., (828) 324-7294. Interprets Hickory history through the numerous, significant families who lived in the circa 1887 house and also examines Victorian life in the South. The Craftsman-style Lyerly House offers museum programs. nctg.co/cMKdB

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Hickory Museum of Art, 243 3rd Ave. NE, (828) 327-8576. The first museum in the Southeast to collect American art. Our permanent collection is complemented by changing exhibitions. nctg.co/cUWRA

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HIGH POINT

All-A-Flutter Farms, 7850 Clinard Farms Rd., Lot-B, (336) 454-5661. At this working butterfly farm, learn about the life cycle of a Monarch butterfly, then see eggs, caterpillars, chrysalis and adult Monarchs in the flight house. Feed-hand the butterflies for an up-close look. nctg.co/cxXUr

Bernice Bienenstock Furniture Library, 1009 N. Elm St., (336) 884-1122. This is the largest furniture specialty library in the world, with 5,000-plus furniture and design-specific volumes. It’s perfect for anyone interested in design. nctg.co/cGQXT

High Point Museum, 1859 E. Lexington Ave., (336) 885-1859. Learn of the Native Americans who first settled here, get a unique perspective on furniture manufacturing and don’t miss the intricate craftsmanship of Meredith’s Miniatures. The adjacent Historical Park has historic buildings, a working blacksmith shop and a historically authentic herb garden. nctg.co/c73XF

Mills Regional Health Education Center, 600 N. Elm St., (336) 878-6713. Take a hands-on approach to learning with touch-screen computers, larger-than-life displays and high-tech exhibits. nctg.co/cCrj9

Sechrest Art Gallery, High Point University, R33 Montview Ave., (336) 841-4680. An educational gallery with rotating exhibitions of solo displays as well as group shows and works from a variety of collections. nctg.co/cGhYk

Theatre Art Galleries, 223 E. Commerce Ave., (336) 887-1717. Three spacious galleries offer exhibits of visual art from the traditional to experimental, plus changing solo and group shows. nctg.co/c52ER

World’s Largest Chest of Drawers, 508 Hamilton St., (336) 906-1540. Known as the Bureau of Information in 1926, this restored 19th-century dresser stands 92 feet high. It was built to call attention to High Point as the Furniture Capital of the World. nctg.co/c552Z

HILLSBOROUGH

Alexander Dickson House, 150 E. King St., (919) 732-7741. Known as the Last Headquarters of the Confederacy, this 18th-century, Quaker-plan farmhouse features exhibits and an 18th- and 19th-century medicinal and herb garden. nctg.co/cf30Z

Ayr Mount Historic Site, 376 St. Mary’s Rd., (919) 732-8886. Guided tours of this meticulously restored 18th-century highlight area history, family stories, architecture and surrounding landscapes. nctg.co/cu4DC

Burwell School Historic Site, 319 N. Churton St., (919) 732-7541. Self-guided and guided tours focus on life at the Burwell School from 1837 to 1857 (the time when it was the home of the Burwell family a number of free and enslaved slaver), and the remarkable story of Elizabeth Keckly, a family slave who purchased her freedom. nctg.co/cANkA

Historic Occoneechee Speedway Trail, 320 Elizabeth Brady Rd., (919) 732-8886. Three miles of trails take you along the banks of the Enon River, where you’ll walk around the only surviving speedway from NASCAR’s inaugural 1949 season. Also added nearby in 1988, it attracted the best stock car drivers and thousands of spectators. nctg.co/cR62a

Occoneechee State Natural Area, 625 Virginia Cates Rd., (919) 283-1688. Make a quick escape into nature with 3 miles of trails exploring riverside forests, bluffs reaching to the highest point in the area, and mountain laurel and rhododendron thickets. nctg.co/cV6Et

Orange County Historical Museum, 201 N. Churton St., (919) 732-2101. Permanent exhibits explore the development and history of Hillsborough and Orange County, while special exhibits highlight a variety of topics relevant to the area’s history. nctg.co/c39M7

HOLLY SPRINGS

Bombshell Beer Company, 120 Quantum St., (919) 346-6131. A brewer’s tour shows you the inner workings of this female-owned craft production brewery. Learn the process we use with raw ingredients, then sample one of our fresh beers. nctg.co/cJ6oZ

Carolina Brewing Company, 140 Thomas Mill Rd., (919) 557-2337. During our weekly tour, learn about our history and the ingredients we use, and get a full walk-through of the brewing process. Producing beers with purity is a top priority. nctg.co/crd4o

Daniel Ders Action Sports Complex, 171 Tradition Tr., Ste. 207, (919) 557-8088. The largest family-oriented, year-round, BMX, mountain biking and skateboarding training facility in the world—and we’re open to all ages. Indoor and outdoor terrain includes a beginners area, street plaza, pump track, box jump, foam pit and resin quarter. nctg.co/cyqTo

HOPE MILLS

Fantasy Lake Water Park, 5869 Permastone Lake Rd., (910) 424-9999. This family water park offers water slides, trapeze swings, a video arcade and acres of sandy beaches. nctg.co/cxVtQ

HUNTERSVILLE

Carolina Raptor Center, 6000 Sample Rd., (704) 875-6261. Self-guided tours let you get face-to-face with more than 30 species of native and non-native raptors, such as eagles, owls and vultures. Enjoy live presentations, interactive areas and displays. nctg.co/cu4cG

Discovery Place Kids, 105 Gilead Rd., (704) 372-6261. This extraordinary, rich play experience engages children’s imaginations and inspires learning. nctg.co/cspjH

Historic Latta Plantation, 525 Sample Rd., (704) 875-3212. In addition to guided tours of the plantation home, self-guided tours of the 11 outbuildings give visitors a glimpse of life in North Carolina from 1800 to 1885. nctg.co/cUSth

Latta Nature Center & Preserve, 621 Sample Rd., (910) 314-1129. This 1,460-acre nature preserve on Mountain Island Lake features an interpretive center, 18 miles of hiking and horseback riding, Segway tours, fishing, canoeing, and kayaking. nctg.co/c4NBE

Rural Hill, 4431 Neck Rd., (704) 875-3131. Visit a 1760 homestead and several other historic sites, including one of the county’s first African American schools (circa 1890). nctg.co/cXOvq

KINGS MOUNTAIN

Rock of Ages Winery, 1890 Charlie Long Rd., (336) 364-7825. We are situated in a unique wine-growing region, which allows us to produce more than 30 award-winning wines for all palates. nctg.co/cMe3P

JAMESTOWN

Mendenhall Homeplace, 603 W. Main St., (336) 454-3819. Features some of the finest examples of early-19th-century Quaker architecture in the South. See the circa 1811 home of abolitionist Richard Mendenhall and a false-bottom wagon that was used to help fugitive slaves escape to freedom. nctg.co/cBEVx

JONESVILLE

Midnight Magdalena Vineyards, 5109 Howell School Rd., (336) 835-6681. Named in memory of our “quality-control dog,” Midnight, who we could always find among the Merlot vines. Stop by our tasting house if you are looking for great dry wines. nctg.co/cd4kY

KANNAPOLIS

Curb Museum for Music and Motorsports, 600 Dale Earnhardt Blvd., (704) 938-6121. More than 20 cars are on display, including the #2 car Dale Earnhardt drove in his first Winston Cup championship. Each story set of wheels and more than 700 wall displays bring racing and recording industry history to life. nctg.co/c35dD

North Carolina Music Hall of Fame, 600 Dale Earnhardt Blvd., (704) 934-2320. Explore exhibits that showcase legacies of artists like John Coltrane, Charlie Daniels, Roberta Flack, The Avett Brothers and the other musician songwriters, songwriters and producers from all genres of music. nctg.co/cb8F

Stewart-Haas Racing, 6001 Haas Way, (704) 862-2227. View team cars on display and observe crews building cars for on-track competition. nctg.co/cc7MD

KENLY

Tobacco Farm Life Museum, 709 N. Church St., (919) 284-3433. This turn-of-the-century homestead features exhibits on farm life, Southern medicine, domestic skills, rural social life and farm artifacts. nctg.co/cy7IP

KERNERSVILLE

Körner’s Folly, 413 S. Main St., (336) 866-7922. Built in 1880 by artist, decorator and designer Jule Gilmer Körner. Stroll through the mansion’s winding maze of doorways and staircases leading you through 22 rooms. nctg.co/cKkn7

Paul J. Ciener Botanical Garden, 215 S. Main St., (336) 996-7888. This 7-acre botanical garden offers beautiful, unusual plants, and tours of 10 gardens, including a kitchen garden based on an 18th-century design at Historic Bethabara Park. nctg.co/cKkWM

KINGS MOUNTAIN

Crowders Mountain State Park, 522 Park Office Ln., (704) 853-5575. Enjoy challenging hikes, towering cliffs and 25-mile views of the surrounding Piedmont. Trails range from pastoral to strenuous, while the lake offers choice spots for fishing or canoeing. nctg.co/crBkK

Kings Mountain Historical Museum, 100 E. Mountain St., (704) 739-1019. Explore three historic buildings, local historical items and changing exhibits. nctg.co/cELV9

KITTRELL

Confederate Cemetery, W, Chavis Rd., (252) 438-2222. More than 50 soldiers who died at a nearby wartime hospital are buried here. nctg.co/c7k3P

KNIGHTDALE

Lassiter Distilling Company, 319 N. First Ave., (919) 295-0111. We believe that greatness is made with time-honored tradition, character and a dose of mischief. Learn about the distillery and sample our rum during twice-weekly tours. nctg.co/chH7
Downtown skyline, Raleigh

LAURINBURG

Golden Knights Practice Center, 16701 Airport Rd., (910) 396-7423. Thrill to the free-fall athleticism and accuracy of the Golden Knights U.S. Army parachute teams, who use this area as their main training facility. nctg.co/cDxQq

NC Rural Heritage Center, 13040 X-Way Rd., (910) 277-2458. Explore this collection of sites, including the 1891 John Blue House with its period furnishings. The Museum of Agriculture and History looks at farm life in rural America with inventions and antique cars. Heritage Village’s collection of homesteads dates from 1790 to 1825. The Indian Museum of the Carolinas offers glimpses of Native American life from the past. nctg.co/cmYko

Scottish Heritage Center, St. Andrews University, 1700 Dogwood Mile, (910) 277-5236. Scottish history, culture, music and traditions of the Carolinas are showcased in rare books, artifacts from local Scottish settlements and an excellent archive of Celtic music. nctg.co/cfzpY

LEXINGTON

Bob Timberlake Gallery & Museum, 1714 E. Center St. Ext., (336) 249-4428. This gallery, museum and retail complex features the art, home furnishings and accessories of this internationally recognized artist and designer. nctg.co/crDvQ

Boone’s Cave Park, 3552 Boone’s Cave Rd., (336) 752-2322. Enjoy hiking trails, fishing and a huge cottonwood tree. nctg.co/cmS6q

The Candy Factory, 15 N. Main St., (336) 249-6770. Everything you’d expect in a candy store of yesteryear: hundreds of nostalgic candies, aged wooden floors, a player piano and antiques. nctg.co/cPnMS

Children’s Vineyards, 1000 Childress Vineyard Rd., (336) 236-9463. Enjoy one of the finest tasting rooms in America while sampling a stellar collection of wines with tours and tastings. nctg.co/cDrab

Daniel Boone Heritage Canoe Trail, 6917 W. US Hwy. 64. Ten significant historical sites are marked along the 22-mile river trail, each denoted by navigational markers visible from the river and interpreted by the trail map. nctg.co/cjudd

Davidson County Historical Museum, 3552 Boone’s Cave Rd., (336) 752-2322. Explore artifacts, archival material and photographs in the Greek/Italianate Revival-style, circa 1858 Old Davidson County Courthouse. The second-floor courtroom remains intact with the judge’s bench, jury box and prisoners holding cage. nctg.co/crDgh

High Rock Lake, Davidson & Rowan counties. The second largest lake in North Carolina, this 15,000-acre reservoir on the Yadkin River—with 365 miles of shoreline—provides excellent opportunities for boating and fishing. nctg.co/cgeWG

Junius Lindsay Vineyard, 385 Dr. Zimmerman Rd., (336) 764-4050. Our boutique winery, with the only open-air tasting room in the state, serves estate-bottled wines native to the Rhine Valley: Vigneron, Syrah, Petite Sirah and Roussanne varietals and blends. nctg.co/cy7Ck

Native Vines Winery, 1336 N. NC Hwy. 150, (336) 787-3688. The first American Indian-owned winery in the United States, we offer vinifera wines, as well as specialty and sweet fruit wines, produced from fruit grown on the farm. We have even created special non-grape, semi-sweet fermented teas. nctg.co/cEFMy

Weathervane Winery, 1452 Welcome Arcadia Rd., (336) 793-3166. We have developed great wines and each of our wines is crafted by hand, assuring that each bottle has the best taste. nctg.co/cERQX

LAWNDALE

Baker Buffalo Creek Vineyard & Winery, 3521 Fallston-Waco Rd., (704) 338-9382. A century-old farmhouse, fully restored mule barn and original milk house provide a relaxing setting to sample our unique vines. nctg.co/cFswC

LEASBURG

Hyco Lake, 205 Pointer Dr., (336) 599-4343. The lake and recreation park offer boating, fishing, bird-watching and disc golf. nctg.co/cKPN

LEWISVILLE

Medaloni Cellars, 9125 Shallowford Rd., (336) 946-4190. Walking trails, sunset decks and a production barn-tasting room offer perfect settings to sample the wide range of our tasty varietals. nctg.co/c0YQV

See page 168 for local information sources.
AYRTON

Rosabon County History Museum, 101 S. Elm St., (910) 738-7979. Exhibits feature the area’s natural, transportation, agricultural, commercial, military, social and cultural histories. nctg.co/cWiWPs

Stephens Vineyard & Winery, 284 Smith Mill Rd., (910) 734-1852. We specialize in muscadine and fruit wines but are always “playing around the kitchen” looking for fresh, new and delicious blends. nctg.co/cWoAt

MAXTON

Locklear Vineyard & Winery, 1872 Preston Rd., (910) 316-0767. Handcrafted, fine wines for every occasion are made from our locally grown, native muscadine grapes. nctg.co/cD8sh

MAYODAN

Autumn Creek Vineyards, 390 Means Creek Rd., (336) 548-9458. We grow a variety of French vinifera, including Merlot, Chambourcin, Riesling and Chardonay. Join us for a full wine tasting. nctg.co/cvMch

Mayo River State Park, 500 Old Mayo Park Rd., (910) 427-2530. While still under development, enjoy the opportunity to explore one of many easy trail loops that are family-friendly and introduce rolling terrain and diverse forest habitats. nctg.co/cAPje

MCLEANSVILLE

Replacements, Ltd., 1189 Knox Rd., (336) 697-3000. With more than eight football fields worth of space for dinnerware, collectibles and estate jewelry, we’re a one-of-a-kind shopping destination you won’t find anywhere else in the world. Visit the museum and take a free tour. nctg.co/cSHUJ

MEBANE

Iron Gate Vineyards & Winery, 2540 Lynch Store Rd., (910) 304-9463. All of our wines are vegan and gluten-free, using our favorite grapes: Montepulciano, Petit Verdot, Mourvedre, Malbec and Vermentino, plus a sweet apple wine. Our location is as quiet and peaceful as they come. nctg.co/cC4QBC

Raylen Vineyards & Winery, 2577 US Hwy. 158, (910) 998-3100. Rolling hills and a winding drive take you by our 35,000 European varietal grape vines. Taste our wines, tour the facility and relax on the porch with a great bottle of wine. nctg.co/cDFD

MOROESVILLE

Treehouse Vineyards, 301 Bay St., (704) 283-4208. Taste the fruits of our labor as we use muscadine grapes to create wonderful wines. Stop by to sample our fine wines, and ask about a vineyard tour. nctg.co/c7vYU

MOORESVILLE

Dale Earnhardt Inc., 1675 Coddle Creek Hwy., (704) 682-8000. All the pictures, awards and history-making cars (including all seven of Dale’s NASCAR Winston Cup Series Championship trophies) are on display across the showroom’s 6,000-square-foot “House That Dale Built.” nctg.co/cVTSw

GoPro Motorplex, 130 Motorplex Dr., (704) 696-2926. Enjoy a turnkey karting experience—centered around an advanced, outdoor, year-round facility in which speeds up to 55 mph. nctg.co/c3x0c

JR Motorsports, 349 Cayuga Dr., (704) 799-4800. Dale Earnhardt Jr.’s 66,000-square-foot race shop includes a viewing window, Dale Jr. Fan Experience, JR Nation and a life-size wax figure displayed just as when they were. nctg.co/cNesC

Mayberry Spirits Distillery, 461 N. South St., (336) 719-6860. Tours show our moonshine, all natural, transportation, agricultural, commercial, military, social and cultural histories. nctg.co/cCT79

Garden Gate Vineyards, 261 Scenic Dr., (336) 751-3794. Features Southern-style hospitality and produces muscadine and fruit wines plus a dry Merlot—all handcrafted in small lots. nctg.co/c4T7ev

Joppa Cemetery, US Hwy. 601, (336) 751-5042. One of the oldest and most historic graveyards in Davie County, the grounds contain the graves of Squire and Sarah Boone, parents of Daniel Boone, and Daniel’s brother, Israel. nctg.co/czhc

Lazy Elm Vineyard & Winery, 523 Danner Rd., (336) 909-4914. Enjoy our wonderful wines using vinifera grapes such as Montepulciano, Petit Verdot, Mourvedre, Malbec and Vermentino, plus a sweet apple wine. Our location is as quiet and peaceful as they come. nctg.co/cC4QBC

Misty Creek Vineyards, 710 Wyo Rd., (910) 998-3303. During a wine tasting, enjoy a panoramic view of our farm, then venture out for a self-guided tour of our vineyards. We’re family- and pet-friendly. nctg.co/c3DMu

MOONROE

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Kyle Busch Motorsports, 521 Mazeppa Rd., (704) 682-0000. Visit our race shop to see many of the Kyle Busch and Kyle Busch Motorsports trophies and race vehicles. nctg.co/ceJ Fr

Lazy 5 Ranch, 15300 Mooresville Rd., (704) 683-5100. Enjoy up-close and personal encounters with more than 750 exotic animals from six continents. Ride safari-style or opt for the horse-drawn wagon through this unique animal park and zoo. nctg.co/cu5Je

Memory Lane Motorsports & Historic Automotive Museum, 789 River Hwy., (704) 682-3873. Explore the largest private collection of retired NASCAR and vintage race cars and racing go-karts in existence. Also view the large collection of fine toys, pedal cars, bicycles, gas pumps, movie cars, tractors and vintage motorcycles. nctg.co/cCDQS

NC Auto Racing Hall of Fame and Walk of Fame, 119 Knob Hill Rd., (704) 683-5331. This museum and art gallery stars exhibits dedicated to racing’s past and present, with more than 40 cars on display. A Walk of Fame, located on the sidewalks of downtown, honors each inductee into the Hall of Fame. nctg.co/cJUFp

Pit Indoor Kart Racing & Track, 346 E. Plaza Dr., (704) 799-3470. Experience high-speed go-kart racing, a laser tag arena, black light miniature golf, a rock climbing wall, batting cages and a large arcade—all indoors. nctg.co/cZKd6

Queen’s Landing, 1459 River Hwy., (704) 683-2828. Take sightseeing, dining or moonlight cruises from this Lake Norman waterfront family entertainment center. Also enjoy paddleboard, Jet Ski and boat rentals, plus tennis and miniature golf. nctg.co/cP6Lm

Team Penske, 200 Penske Way, (704) 664-2300. Watch crew prepare the cars for upcoming NASCAR races from the three Walk at our state-of-the-art facility that houses our NASCAR, Indy Car and ALMS teams. nctg.co/crRrn

Welcome Home Veterans Living Military Museum, 165 N. Main St., (704) 663-0488. Veterans, their families and everyone else are invited to share stories with fellow veterans, preserve memories and support each other, as all are waiting to meet. nctg.co/cNdK

MORRISVILLE

Triangle Rock Club, 102 Pheasant Wood Ct., (919) 463-7625. The largest and tallest climbing gym in five states with more than 24,000 square feet of terrain and 100 climbing lanes. There’s expansive bouldering terrain, plus lead and top rope climbing for beginners to world-class climbers. nctg.co/c4dk

MOUNT AIRY

Andy Griffith Museum, 318 Rockford St., (336) 786-7998. Explore a variety of memorabilia, including hundreds of items from Griffith’s life and career in movies, television and music. There’s also a special section on the career of actress and current Mount Airy resident Betty Lynn (Thelma Lou). nctg.co/cGe4

Gertrude Smith House, 708 N. Main St., (336) 786-6148. This Victorian home on Mount Airy’s waterfront family entertainment center. Also enjoy paddleboard, Jet Ski and boat rentals, plus tennis and miniature golf. nctg.co/cP6Lm

Mayberry Spirits Distillery, 161 N. South St., (336) 719-6860. Tours show our moonshine, whiskey and brandy being lovingly made in small batches in the hardcrafted copper still. nctg.co/cyNsa

Mount Airy Museum of Regional History, 301 N. Main St., (336) 786-4787. Features an authentic general store and a gallery on firefighters, plus artwork displayed just as when they were. nctg.co/cVWT

“Mayberry”, 200 N. Main St., (336) 786-6116. The Andy Griffith Show patterned Mayberry on Mount Airy. Visit the Andy & Opie TV Land Landmark Statue, take a squad car tour through town in a vintage 1962 squad car replica, see the Old City Jail (a re-creation of the Courthouse), enjoy a pork chop sandwich at Snappy Lunch, and visit Floyd’s Barber Shop and Wally’s Service Station. nctg.co/cSgR

Mount Airy Museum of Regional History, 301 N. Main St., (336) 786-4787. Features an authentic general store and a gallery on firefighters, plus exhibits on the “Original Siamese Twins” Chang and Eng Bunker, Andy Griffith and Tommy Jarrell. nctg.co/cE9v

Old North State Winery, 308 N. Main St., (704) 683-9483. The tasting bar is open daily and typically pours 12 to 15 wines daily, so we’re sure

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you’ll be able to find a handcrafted wine you’ll enjoy. nctg.co/c3gLx

**Old Time Music Heritage Hall**, Historic Earle Theatre, 142 N. Main St., (336) 786-7998. WPAG’s Merry-Go-Round, the second-longest-running live radio broadcast in the United States, is held here each Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1:30 pm, with jam sessions before each show. The Voice of the Blue Ridge, a monthly concert with a live radio format, is held every third Saturday. nctg.co/cjB0Q

**Round Peak Vineyards**, 765 Round Peak Church Rd., (336) 835-3593. Our award-winning wines are estate bottled, taken only grapes grown in our vineyard (currently eight French and Italian varietals). We’re pet-friendly, too. nctg.co/cFW77

**World’s Largest Open-Face Granite Quarry**, NC Granite Corp., 151 Granite Quarry Trail, (336) 786-3141. Visit our observation deck, where you can see nearly all the activities and set off on an explosion, which occurs several times daily. nctg.co/cbrJn

### MOUNT GILEAD

**Little River Wines**, 1907 NC Hwy. 73 W., (704) 201-8543. We’re implementing the best winemaking techniques developed and used in France, Italy, Argentina, South Africa and Napa Valley. nctg.co/cDMV

**Town Creek Indian Mound State Historic Site**, 509 Town Creek Mound Rd., (910) 439-6802. Gimpse pre-Columbian (11th century A.D.) life via interpretive exhibits, audiovisual programs and self-guided tours of the reconstructed ceremonial center and its structures. nctg.co/cvVoM

### MOUNT PLEASANT

**Southern Grace Distilleries**, 150 Dutch Rd., (704) 622-6413. Take a tour to learn about this former prison site’s history and our award-winning bourbon and whiskeys, crafted in very small batches. nctg.co/cvYm

### MOUNT ULLA

**Kerr Mill at Sloan Park**, 550 Sloan Rd., (704) 687-7776. The mill once provided flour and cornmeal for the folks of western Rowan County. Today, see milling equipment and artifacts from the early 1800s. nctg.co/cxqhn

### NEW HILL

**New Hope Valley Railway**, 5121 Daisey St., (910) 365-5185. Diesel and steam trains operate April to December with a limited riders schedule. Check our website for information. nctg.co/cyKvU

### NEWTON

**Catawba County Museum of History**, 30 N. College Ave., (828) 485-0383. House in the circa 1924 former Catawba County Courthouse, exhibits include a rare British Revolution-era redcoat, a 1930s racing car, and a collection of locally crafted furniture and pottery. nctg.co/cbYbd

**The Vineyard & Winery at Catawba Farms**, 1670 Southwest Blvd., (828) 904-4766. Our tasting room experience features guided, curated tastings of our award-winning wines. Take a tour and don’t forget to say “hi” to our goats, pigs, chickens, rabbits, barn cats, Henry the peacock and Major Tom the horse. nctg.co/cj46d

### OAK RIDGE

**Old Mill of Guilford**, 1340 NC Hwy. 68 N., (336) 643-4783. Dating back to 1767 when it ground

### OAKBORO

**Oakboro Regional Museum of History**, 231 N. Main St., (704) 485-4222. More than 1,000 photos, numerous artifacts and rotating exhibits tell the story of this small town that began with one man who convinced the railroad to come through the community. nctg.co/c0nft

### ORRUM

**Lumber River State Park**, 289 Princess Ann Rd., (910) 628-4564. The blackwater river gets its inky coloring from the natural tannin of the many cypress gum trees along its banks. Boaters and paddlers should plan carefully due to fluctuating water levels and hazards. Fishing and short hikes are popular, too. nctg.co/cddrz

### OXFORD

**Granville History Museum and Harris Exhibit Hall**, One Museum Ln., (919) 867-9708. Housed in the county’s circa 1850 jail, the museum covers all aspects of the region’s history with displaying and rotating exhibits. nctg.co/cvYm

### PEBROKE

**Museum of the Southeast American Indian**, UNC Pembroke, Old Main Bldg., 1 University Dr., (910) 521-6282. View exhibits of authentic Indian artifacts, including arts and crafts that come from American Indian people all across the continent. A particular focus is placed on the largest North Carolina tribe, the Lumbee. nctg.co/cvKv3

### PILOT MOUNTAIN

**JOLO Winery & Vineyards**, 219 Jolo Winery Ln., (704) 614-0030. Come for our excellent wine but stay longer for breathtaking views of Pilot Mountain, ponds bristling with fish and wildlife, well-marked trails, a bocce court overlooking the lake, and colorful gardens. nctg.co/cdbW6

### PINE LEVEL

**Hinnant Vineyards**, 826 Pine Level-Micro Rd., (919) 965-3350. From our dry white and reds to sweet and include unique ingredients like fruits, spices, peppers and herbs. nctg.co/cyjWu

### PINEHURST

**Pinehurst Resort**, 1300 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., (919) 996-3285. The first public park in the United States solely devoted to Dr. King and the civil rights movement. A colorful variety of trees, shrubs and flowering plants encircle a life-size bronze statue of the national civil rights leader. nctg.co/cu4cJ

**Fearrington Village**, 240 Market St., (910) 542-2121. This serene, resortlike area is surrounded by beautiful gardens and farm pastures grazed by Belted Galloway cows and fainting goats. Explore shops for something unique. nctg.co/CmOt

**Starlight Mead**, 130 Lorax Ln., (919) 533-6314. Our meads range in sweetness from off-dry (lightly sweet) to sweet and include unique ingredients like fruits, spices, peppers and herbs. nctg.co/cyjWu

### RALEIGH

**CAM Raleigh**, 409 W. Martin St., (919) 261-5920. Explore what’s now and rearing in an always-changing museum experience, which seeks the most contemporary works of art and design possible. Weekly guided tours are available, too. nctg.co/cS1EM

**Lincoln Touring Company**, S. West & W. Martin Sts., (919) 828-1988. Glide right up to historic landmarks and hear about their history while your expert guide provides live narration. Different themes and types of tours are available. nctg.co/c6Gb

**City of Raleigh Museum**, 220 Fayetteville St., (919) 996-2220. Housed in the 1874 building, the museum features artifacts and exhibits that change periodically and focus on the history of the city. nctg.co/c4hr

**Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Gardens**, 1300 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., (919) 996-3285. The first public park in the United States solely devoted to Dr. King and the civil rights movement. A colorful variety of trees, shrubs and flowering plants encircle a life-size bronze statue of the national civil rights leader. nctg.co/cu4cJ

**Gizmo Brew Works**, 5907 Triangle Dr., (919) 782-2099. Our meeting of contemporary technology and ancient know-how produces a tempting slate of small-batch beers. Weekly tours
on Saturday walk you through our beer-making process. nctg.co/cfJgQ

GoApe Adventures, 3200 Pleasant Union Church Rd., (919) 971-8271. Ziplines, “Tarzan swings” and awesome obstacles in the trees make a great outdoor adventure for all. nctg.co/c7h6r

Historic Oak View County Park, 4028 Carya Dr., (919) 250-1013. This 19th-century historic farmstead interprets our agricultural heritage and rural history with historic structures such as the circa 1850 Greek Revival-style farmhouse and circa 1825 kitchen, plus exhibits and the Farm History Center. Stroll the grounds and gardens or fish in the pond. nctg.co/cuGyt

Historic Yates Mill County Park, 4620 Lake Wheeler Rd., (919) 858-6875. The 174-acre park features an 18th-century water-powered gristmill, a 24-acre pond and hiking trails. nctg.co/cLhHg

JC Raulston Arboretum, N.C. State University, 4415 Beryl Rd., (919) 515-3132. Internationally recognized as one of the premier collections of trees and shrubs with more than 8,000 different plants. Highlights include the Japanese Garden, xeric, scree and formal white gardens, and more. nctg.co/cjGEG

Joel Lane Museum House, 728 W. Hargett St., (919) 833-3431. Costumed docents lead guided tours of the fully restored and authentically furnished 1769 house, period gardens and dependencies. nctg.co/c34Jv

Legends of Harley Davidson Museum, 1126 S. Saunders St., (919) 832-2261. The only Harley-Davidson drag racing museum in the world. The showroom is the home of world-famous drag racing champion Ray Price. nctg.co/cEyvz

Lynnmood Brewing Concern, 1053 E. Whitaker Mill Rd., Ste. 101, (919) 420-7523. Taste dedication and attention to detail in every one of our delicious beers. A weekly tour lets you see the brewmasters in action and try a taste of our award-winning selections. nctg.co/cMN4i

Marbles Kids Museum, 201 E. Hargett St., (919) 834-4040. A hands-on, minds-on interactive museum where an otherwise ordinary day becomes an extraordinary adventure. nctg.co/cERio

Mordecai Historic Park, 1 Mimosa St., (919) 996-4364. Home to some of North Carolina’s most extraordinary treasures, including the circa 1785/1826 Mordecai House, circa 1847 St. Mark’s Chapel and the circa 1800 birthplace of the 17th U.S. president, Andrew Johnson.Narrated historic trolley tours begin and end here. nctg.co/cCcEe

Nickelpoint Brewing Co., 506 Pershing Rd., (919) 916-5961. We utilize the latest in brewing science and quality control techniques to create the best beer we possibly can. Take a guided tour to learn about our process of brewing classic, European-style ales. nctg.co/cRT1q4

North Carolina Executive Mansion, 200 N. Blount St., (919) 807-7950. This Victorian-style mansion, built from native North Carolina materials, has been home to North Carolina governors since 1891. Tours of both the house and gardens are available with advance reservations. nctg.co/cPDkm

North Carolina Museum of Art, 2100 Blue Ridge Rd., (919) 839-6262. One of the premier visual arts museums in the Southeast and home to a world-class collection including more than 30 Rodin sculptures, plus the 164-acre Museum Park. nctg.co/cY5zT

North Carolina Museum of History, 5 E. Edenton St., (919) 814-7000. Explore more than 14,000 years of North Carolina history through fascinating artifacts, multimedia presentations and interactive exhibits for all ages. Permanent and traveling exhibits spotlight other features. nctg.co/cSu4a

North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences, 11 W. Jones St., (919) 707-9800. The Southeast’s largest natural history museum offers four floors of exhibits, live animals and daily hands-on programs. Highlights include a 10,000-gallon aquarium, walk-through dioramas and the Nature Research Center. nctg.co/crTag

North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame, N.C. Museum of History, 5 E. Edenton St., (919) 807-7900. Discover the rich diversity of North Carolina’s sports history via displays that include personal items donated by hundreds of inductees. nctg.co/cOyG

North Carolina State Capitol, 1 E. Edenton St., (919) 733-4994. Built between 1833 and 1840, this is one of the best-preserved examples of a civic building in the Greek Revival style of architecture. It originally housed the governor’s office, cabinet offices and legislative chambers. nctg.co/c2cNT

North Carolina State Legislative Building, 16 W. Jones St., (919) 733-4111. Home of the North Carolina General Assembly. Observe the legislative process when the legislature is in session. nctg.co/cj5Wg

Raleigh Brewing Company, 3709 Neil St., (919) 400-9086. Talk to our brewers about the process used to make each of our regular and specialty beers. Tours are held on the first and third Saturday of the month. nctg.co/cMatP

Raleigh Farmers Market, 1201 Agriculture St., (919) 733-7417. Considered one of the best and most modern markets in the United States. Visitors enjoy 75 acres of indoor and outdoor specialty shops. nctg.co/crLH4

Raleigh Rum Company, 1100 Corporation Pkwy., Ste. 120, (919) 307-7725. Enjoy our weekly Saturday tour and see how our small-batch rum is made from scratch, then have a tasting. nctg.co/cTMzzW

William B. Umstead State Park, 8801 Glenwood Ave., (919) 517-4170. Hikers, trail runners, bicyclists and equestrians cherish the extensive network of hiking and multiuse trails. Big Lake welcomes canoes, kayaks and rowboats but isn’t the only place for good fishing. nctg.co/c64Hd

RAMSEUR

Millstone Creek Orchards, 506 Parks Crossroads Church Rd., (336) 824-5263. Tour this working orchard, a U-pick farm offering many varieties of in-season produce. nctg.co/c8gKF

RANDELMAN

Petty Family Attractions, 309 Branson Mill Rd., (336) 495-1143. This renowned family compound is where 10 NASCAR championships and more than 250 race wins began. The Petty Museum showcases the career of the “King of NASCAR” and his family. Petty’s Garage builds high performance street cars. The Toomes-Petty House is the homeplace. nctg.co/crXz
Randleman Lake, 7123 Adams Farm Rd., (336) 498-5381. The reservoir provides recreational activities such as boating, fishing, sailing and paddleboating, plus 100 miles of beautiful shoreline. nctg.co/cbEF

ROCKY MOUNT
Imperial Centre for Arts & Sciences, 270 Gay St., (919) 972-1183. Explore 10 galleries with a permanent collection and rotating exhibits. The Children's Museum & Science Center has live animals, a planetarium and interactive exhibits. nctg.co/CBd4

ROCKINGHAM
Discovery Place Kids, 233 E. Washington St., (910) 957-5266. Features developmentally appropriate experiences that encourage interactive learning through play, which tests skills and muscles in addition to building confidence. nctg.co/cabmi

RED SPRINGS
Flora Macdonald Gardens, 1490 N. Main St., (910) 893-2698. The gardens still have many of the original plants. As part of a restoration, many new botanical specimens have been added. nctg.co/cAoD

ROCKY MOUNT Fire Museum, 404 S. Church St., (252) 997-1776. Features the history of fire fighting in Rocky Mount. nctg.co/cbEF

ROXBORO
Mayo Lake, 1013 Neal's Store Rd., (336) 597-1755. Perfect for canoeing, kayaking and fishing. The park also features a disc golf course and trails. nctg.co/c5D4K

PERSON COUNTY MUSEUM OF HISTORY, 309 N. Main St., (336) 597-2884. Explore seven historic buildings with exhibits in each, including the circa 1901 home of former North Carolina Gov. W.W. Kitchin, circa 1893 general store, circa 1860 doctor's office and a tobacco barn. nctg.co/c5b22

SALISBURY
Cauble Creek Vineyard, 700 Cauble Farm Rd., (704) 633-1137. This estate vineyard offers dry European styles and also features award-winning muscadine wines from semi-dry to sweet. (704) 633-1137. This estate vineyard offers dry European styles and also features award-winning muscadine wines from semi-dry to sweet. nctg.co/cbEF

Sanford
Deep River Sporting Clays, 284 Cleatus Hall Rd., (919) 774-7080. Often called “go with a shotgun,” sporting clays emulates hunting using clay targets instead of live game. Targets are thrown to simulate game’s flight patterns, coming off the water or zipping through the grass or trees. nctg.co/ccHkG

SEAGROVE
North Carolina Pottery Center, 233 East Ave., (336) 873-5430. View the permanent exhibit of more than 800 pieces of pottery, plus artifacts and photographs tracing North Carolina’s pottery history from Native Americans to the present. Displays interpret the impact of social, technological and economic changes to this unique cultural resource. nctg.co/CQKQ

SEAGROVE, Handmade Pottery Capital of the U.S., (336) 628-0384. Artisans create handcrafted pottery made in the same traditions that began here more than 200 years ago. Nearly 100 shops and galleries—many where you can meet the artists—are scattered throughout the area. nctg.co/cHIU

SEAGROVE Orchards, 3451 Brower Mill Rd., (336) 879-6679. Tour this working orchard nursery that cultivates and offers more than 200 different species for new to experienced orchid-lovers. nctg.co/cMCMM

SEDALIA
Charlotte Hawkins Brown Museum at Historic Palmer Memorial Institute, 6136 Burlington Rd., (336) 449-3310. Founded in 1902, the Institute transformed the lives of more than 1,000 African American students. Today, restored campus buildings provide the setting for a unique educational experience. nctg.co/cmJV

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SELMA
Atkinson Milling Co., 253 Oak St., (919) 965-3547. Tour this water-powered operating gristmill that produces cornmeal and flour products. The mill is open on the second Saturday of the month. nctg.co/c45f

SELMA
Historic Shaw House Properties, 2106 Mt. Vernon-Hickory Rd., (919) 989-8757. Enjoy savings of 25 to 65 percent at more than 80 designer and name-brand outlet stores. nctg.co/cC9W

SHERBEE
Cleveland County Arts Council, 710 W. Main St., (704) 638-3100. Tours are free and include a guided walk through local Arts Center galleries. nctg.co/cbEF

SILVER CITY
Celebrity Dairy, 2106 Mt. Vernon-Hickory Mountain Rd., (919) 742-5176. Here’s the heart of our low-impact, sustainable-agriculture farm: twice-daily milking of our Alpine and Saanen goats, production of award-winning farmstead goat cheese and new kids in the spring. Learn the art of milking goats and even try it yourself. nctg.co/cPtpt

SILVER CITY
FireFly Cellars, 1276 Bowers Store Rd., (919) 882-7717. Enjoy a weekend tasting and tour while taking in our grand views from inside the spacious tasting room or the wraparound deck which overlooks the vineyard. nctg.co/ceJMY

SMITHFIELD
Festival of Flowers, 237 S. Market St., (919) 934-5830. This collection includes childhood memorabilia, film clips, costumes, photos, film scripts, magazine covers, and scrapbooks of the actress and Smithfield native. nctg.co/cFhK

SOUTH PINEs
Historic Shaw House Properties, 110 Morganston Rd., (919) 682-2051. This trio of historic house museums depicts the daily life of early county settlers. Explore the Garner House and Britt-Sanders Cabins, both built in the 1820s, and the circa 1820s Shaw House. nctg.co/cC5G

SOUTHERN PINES
Taxidermy Hall of Fame of NC/Antique Tool Museum/Creation Museum, Christian Book Store, 156 NW Broad St., (919) 682-7384. View examples of taxidermied versions of every kind of North Carolina wildlife (within the law), plus state and national taxidermies, in addition to the oldest rock on earth. nctg.co/cChn

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Weymouth Woods–Sandhills Nature Preserve, 1024 Fort Bragg Rd., (910) 892-2167. We wander among the longleaf pines—some of them hundreds of years old—that tower over expanses of wiregrass and rare and intriguing species, including the red-cockaded woodpecker, pine barrens tree frog, bog spicebush and fox squirrel. nctg.co/cPPI9

SPENCER
North Carolina Transportation Museum, 511 S. Salisbury Ave., (704) 638-2888. Ride the train or tour four large exhibit buildings that were once part of Southern Railroad’s largest steam locomotive repair facility on the East Coast. Discover aviation, automotive and train exhibits and visit the largest remaining roundhouse in North America. nctg.co/cQfG4

SPRING LAKE
Carvers Creek State Park, 2505 Long Valley Rd., (910) 436-4681. Enjoy the multi-use trails for hiking, mountain biking, wildlife-viewing and horseback riding. The park is still being developed with the work currently centered on Long Valley Farm, the historic retreat of a Rockefeller family member. nctg.co/cPEFM

STATE ROAD
Grassy Creek Vineyard & Winery, 235 Chatham Cir., (336) 835-2458. Our Grassy Creek wines are full-bodied, rich and robust, while our Klondike Farm wines are sweeter, lighter and fruitier. nctg.co/cgRM4

STATESVILLE
Fort Dobbs State Historic Site, 438 Ft. Dobbs Rd., (704) 873-5882. The fort provides a window into the tumultuous period of history known as the French and Indian War (1754 to 1763). Tour the full-size replica of the fort and view exhibits featuring many of the artifacts found at the site, plus a scaled replica of the 1756 fort. nctg.co/cfgFy

Iredell Museums, 134 Court St., (704) 873-7347. A family-friendly destination where adults and kids alike can find something they enjoy, from local history, science and art exhibits to hands-on programs and fun events. nctg.co/cIQA4

Southern Distilling Company, 211 Jennings Rd., (704) 978-7175. Take an informative, behind-the-scenes tour of our grain-to-glass distillery and discover how we’re creating our high-quality bourbon, rye whiskey and brandy. nctg.co/cIVy

STOKESDALE
Stonefield Cellars Winery, 8220 NC Hwy. 68 N., (336) 644-9080. This award-winning winery offers the complete wine experience in an accessible and romantic setting. nctg.co/cSLRU

TARBORO
Blount-Bridgers House/Hobson Pittman Memorial Gallery, 130 Bridgers St., (252) 822-4159. This Federal-style, circa 1808 plantation home houses a collection of 19th-century furnishings and regional memorabilia. The second floor houses a living museum to artist and Edgecombe County native Hobson Pittman (1899-1972). nctg.co/cFRu4

Tarboro Brewing Company, 526 N. Main St., (252) 583-6522. Take a Saturday tour to see our 40-barrel brewing system, where our many craft beers are produced with pride. nctg.co/cQcQd

Tarboro National Recreation Trail, downtown, (252) 823-7241. Stroll by structures representing Colonial, antebellum and Victorian architectural periods. Significant historic sites include the Pender Museum, the Town Common, the Cotton Press Complex and Calvary Church. nctg.co/cGgVY

THOMASVILLE
1870 Train Depot, 44 W. Main St., (336) 472-4422. You’ll imagine a different era when you’re among these original passenger waiting benches and wall-mounted wood cases that held tickets and baggage information. View the historic photographs and popular spot for watching the trains that come through, too. nctg.co/ccQyW

North Carolina Vietnam Veterans’ Memorial, I-85 Rest Area at Mile Marker 100, (336) 472-4422. This somber site remembers the 1,607 North Carolinians who were killed or went missing in action during the Vietnam War. nctg.co/cSMjM

World’s Largest Duncan Phyfe Chair, 44 W. Main St., (336) 472-4422. This 30-foot-long replica of a Duncan Phyfe armchair was built in 1950 by Thomasville Furniture Industries as a symbol of Thomasville’s furniture heritage. nctg.co/cAPyV

TRINITY
Linbrook Heritage Estate, 5507 Snyder Country Rd., (336) 861-8693. Tour Linbrook Hall, one of the largest privately owned homes in the southeastern United States. The Neal Agricultural & Industrial Museum displays rare John Deer tractors and other antique farm pieces. Relive country farm life touring the Historic Hoover House. nctg.co/cS4Uc

Zimmerman Vineyards, 1428 Tabernacle Church Rd., (336) 861-1414. Among the Uwharrie Mountains, enjoy beautiful views of the vineyards, gardens and surrounding mountainside while sipping our wonderful wines. nctg.co/cDNyP

TROUTMAN
Davesté Vineyards, 155 Lytton Farm Rd., (704) 528-3882. We take a minimalist approach to winemaking. We mostly use fruit that comes from our own estate vineyard and other select North Carolina vineyards. nctg.co/cS6E2

Lake Norman State Park, 275 State Park Rd., (704) 528-6350. On the largest man-made lake in the state, enjoy fishing, kayaking and stand-up paddleboarding, or swim at the sand beach. Go mountain biking on more than 30 miles of singletrack trail, or explore 7 miles of hiking-only trails. nctg.co/cGQyN

Zoostastic Park, 448 Pilch Rd., (704) 245-6446. This walk-around zoo features a wide variety of animals, from kangaroos to giraffes to large cats. We have many animals you can feed and pet, plus special animal encounters, too. nctg.co/cWE3E

UNION GROVE
Linny’s Mill, 4635 Linny’s Mill Rd., (704) 592-2075. Watch as one of the state’s few fully operational mills produces cornmeal with water-wheel-powered grinding stones that have been in use for about 65 years. nctg.co/cQyVT

VALE
WoodMill Winery, 1350 WoodMill Winery Ln., (704) 276-9911. Nestled in the shadows of the Southern Appalachian Mountains, we produce muscadine, scuppernong, blueberry, blackberry and special-blend wines. nctg.co/cRF6J

WAGRAM
Cypress Bend Vineyards, 21904 Riverton Rd., (910) 385-0041. Growing the muscadine cultivars—Carlos, noble, magnolia, Doreen and triumph—we’re taking the sweet taste of the muscadine grape to new levels. nctg.co/cP5sA

WAKE FOREST
Falls Lake State Recreation Area, 13304 Creedmoor Rd., (919) 678-1027. This undeveloped, 12,000-acre reservoir offers swimming beaches, boating, paddling and fishing. The network of trails is popular for hiking, mountain biking and wildlife viewing. nctg.co/cgVBb

WAXHAW
Mexico Cardenas Museum, 6403 Davis Rd., (704) 843-6045. Artifacts and artwork celebrate the ties between the people of Mexico, their former president Lizaro Cardenas, and Wycliffe Bible Translators, who began working in the country in the 1930s. nctg.co/cLjJS

Museum of the Alphabet, 6409 Davis Rd., (704) 843-6086. The museum explores ancient alphabets from around the world and discusses how Wycliffe Bible Translators develop written representations of spoken languages. nctg.co/cPbH9

Museum of the Waxhaws, 8215 Waxhaw Hwy., (704) 843-1832. A preserved early American homestead, replicas of the dwellings built by the Waxhaw Indians, exhibits on the Scotch-Irish settlers and gold panning are just a few of the ways we’re preserving our history. nctg.co/cPAnE

WELCOME
RCR Racing Museum, 236 Industrial Dr., (704) 731-3334. Encompassing the original No. 3 race shop and the original RCR Museum, a variety of video screens, trophies and photos highlight Richard Childress’ decades in NASCAR. See more than 25 No. 3 Chevrolet driven by Dale Earnhardt and other memorabilia from this legendary duo. nctg.co/cDL3U

WESTFIELD
Carolina Zipline Canopy Tour, 1085 Nickell Farm Rd., (336) 972-7656. Each tour offers an adrenaline rush as you zip along cables for a bird’s-eye view of the forest, wildlife and our farm. nctg.co/cJQ0N

WHITSETT
Arts Galleries of Wilson, 124 Nash St. SW., (252) 291-4129. Permanent and rotating exhibits are on display at the Wilson Arts Center and Boykin Center. nctg.co/cRquQ

Imagination Station Science Museum, 224 East Nash St., (252) 291-5133. Experience exhibits for every age, see exotic animals from around the world, and enjoy the daily live science programs and demonstrations. nctg.co/cQ9mN
North Carolina Baseball Museum, Fleming Stadium, 300 Stadium St., (336) 296-3048. Showcasing memorabilia from across North Carolina with mementos from Jim “Catfish” Hunter, Hoyt Wilhelm, Gaylord Perry, Enos Slaughter, Rick Ferrell and Buck Leonard. nctg.co/cZ9Ey

Oliver Nestus Freeman Round House Museum, 1202 E. Nash St., (336) 296-3056. Artifacts depict the culture and contributions of African Americans to the history and development of Wilson. The house was built in 1946 by Freeman, who was a noted local African American stonemason. nctg.co/cfhYy

Vollis Simpson Whirligig Park, 301 S. Goldsboro St., Observe whimsical metal sculptures of color and art in the sky by renowned artist Vollis Simpson, who used cast-off items and wind to create three-dimensional pieces. nctg.co/cctx7

Wilson Botanical Gardens, Wilson County Agricultural Bldg., 1806 SW Goldsboro St., (252) 237-0111. Designed to showcase the diversity of plant material that can be used in the home landscape, the gardens include an arboretum, turf grass, a children’s garden, ornamental grasses, daylilies, and medicinal and herb plants. nctg.co/cfLqn

Wilson Rose Garden, 1800 Herring Ave., (252) 399-2266. Discover more than 1,200 rose plants ranging from historic old garden roses to modern hybrids. nctg.co/cde4N

WINGATE

Jesse Helms Center, Wingate University, 3910 US Hwy. 74 E., (704) 233-1776. This nonpolitical center commemorates the life and career of United States Sen. Jesse Helms, a Union County native, with memorabilia and the senator’s archives. nctg.co/cfoQz

WINSTON-SALEM

Associated Artists of Winston-Salem Gallery, Milton Rhodes Center for the Arts, 251 N. Spruce St., (336) 722-2625. Celebrates the artistic gifts and contributions of various cultures, with an emphasis on African American artists. nctg.co/cXZRY

Delta Arts Center, 2811 Walkertown Rd., (336) 722-2625. Celebrates the artistic gifts and contributions of various cultures, with an emphasis on African American artists. nctg.co/cXZRY

Diggs Gallery, Winston-Salem State University, 601 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., (336) 750-2458. Exhibitions are dedicated to the arts of Africa and the African diaspora in the state. nctg.co/cmgew

Historic Bethabara Park, 2147 Bethabara Rd., (336) 924-8191. The site of the first Moravian settlement (1753) in the state. Experience frontier life through the 1798 church, reconstructed Colonial village and garden, French and Indian War fort, and archaeological ruins. nctg.co/coBM5

Kaleideum Downtown, 390 S. Liberty St., (336) 723-9111. A compelling destination to play and learn by experiencing literature, storytelling and the arts. nctg.co/cPcDV

Kaleideum North, 400 W. Hanes Mill Rd., (336) 767-8730. Discover hands-on exhibits in spacious galleries, a domed planetarium, an environmental park, an outdoor science park and an archaeological dig site. nctg.co/c796R

Museum of Anthropology, Wake Forest University, 1834 Wake Forest Rd., (336) 758-5282. North Carolina’s only museum dedicated to the study of global cultures. Permanent exhibits include objects from Africa, Asia and Latin America, as well as the nearby Yadkin River Valley region. nctg.co/cA9wC

Museum of Early Southern Decorative Arts (MESDA), Old Salem, 924 S. Main St., (336) 721-7360. Internationally renowned, MESDA tells the story of life in the early South through a collection of early Southern furniture, ceramics, silver, paintings, textiles and other decorative arts. Various tours offered. nctg.co/c2rE

Old Homeplace Vineyard, 623 McGee Rd., (336) 399-7293. Our vineyard lies between a 1,200-acre lake and 48 acres of beautiful rolling pastures. From sweet to dry, white to red, you’re sure to find a wine to make you feel right at home. nctg.co/conLB

Old Salem Museums & Gardens, 900 Old Salem Rd., (336) 721-7350. Experience early American history in this unique Moravian settlement. Storytelling and tours, original structures, gardens, artifacts and hands-on activities create a memorable experience. nctg.co/cfUnZ

REYNOLDA

Reynolda House Museum of American Art, 2250 Reynolda Rd., (336) 758-5150. The former home of tobacco baron R.J. Reynolds and his wife, Katherine, this restored 1917 country home is now one of the nation’s premier American art museums. It displays a fine art collection spanning three centuries, representing the finest works by American artists such as Mary Cassatt, Frederic Church, Jacob Lawrence and Georgia O’Keeffe. nctg.co/c2gkG

Single Sisters House Museum, Salem College, 601 S. Church St., (336) 721-2800. It’s the oldest building on a college campus in North Carolina and the longest-standing building in the United States continuously associated with the education of girls and women. The building housed unmarried Moravian women who were teachers and the students who were eager to learn math, science, geography and the arts. nctg.co/cuf8S

Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art (SECCA), 750 Marguerite Dr., (336) 722-1904. Exhibiting the most innovative and cutting-edge art of today from emerging international, national and local artists in three galleries spanning more than 10,000 square feet. nctg.co/cWxi

YADKINVILLE

Brandon Hills Vineyard, 1927 Brandon Hills Rd., (336) 483-9483. By staying small and through meticulous farming, we produce better grapes and, therefore, better wines. nctg.co/c7m5b

Hanover Park Vineyard, 1927 Courtney-Huntsville Rd., (336) 483-2875. Our wines reflect the time, care, and research necessary to make the best wine that can be made in an old-world style that befits for food pairings. nctg.co/c6p9e
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Quality Inn
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Quality Inn
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Residence Inn
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Quality Inn
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Motel 6 Concord
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OYO Hotel
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Motel 6 Concord
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Econo Lodge
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Motel 6 Concord
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Quality Inn
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Southwyck Farm Bed & Breakfast
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tctg.co/Cx2zn
Knights Inn
(919) 202-0000
tctg.co/Csreps
Masters Inn
(919) 965-3771
tctg.co/CnB9R
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tctg.co/Cn3z7
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SHELBY

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tctg.co/CxkX
Country Inns & Suites
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tctg.co/CgExK
Days Inn
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tctg.co/CkTDA
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Hampton Inn & Suites
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tctg.co/CsUra

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tctg.co/CmP74
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Fairfield Inn & Suites
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Holiday Inn Express
(910) 693-3280
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Microtel Inn
(910) 693-3737
tctg.co/CvDok
Residence Inn
(910) 693-3400
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tctg.co/Cpbt
Becky's Log Cabin Motel
(910) 934-7776
tctg.co/CYVRk
Baymont Inn & Suites
(910) 989-5901
tctg.co/CsFI6

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Baymont Inn & Suites
(919) 989-5901
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RESORTS

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Pine Needles Lodge
(900) 747-7272
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(919) 692-5884
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COURTYARD BING Bragg
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tctg.co/CtLY7
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(910) 438-0945
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(910) 436-6700
tctg.co/CbNv
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(910) 436-8358
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HOTELS/MOTELS

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tctg.co/Cyuyd
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tctg.co/CgP0S
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tctg.co/CwPpy
Hampton Inn
(336) 883-8380
tctg.co/C2Hey
Best Western Inn
(336) 768-2400
tctg.co/C4WoY
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Sleep Inn
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Morgan and Wells Bed & Breakfast
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Breakfasts
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**Bald Head Island**

Old Baldy Lighthouse & Smith Island Museum of History, 101 Lighthouse Wynd, (910) 457-7481. North Carolina's oldest standing lighthouse, marks the mouth of the historic Cape Fear River. Experience Old Baldy up close with the climb to the top for a breathtaking view of the area's natural beauty. The museum, located in a replica 1850s lighthouse keeper's cottage, showcases the island's maritime past. nctg.co/c6yp6

**Bath**

Historic Bath State Historic Site, 207 Carteret St., (252) 932-3371. The first incorporated town in North Carolina. Today you can enjoy a guided tour featuring several sites, including the circa 1751 Palmer-Marsh House, a furnished Colonial home of a wealthy official, and the circa 1830 Bonner House, a furnished home of a Bath planter. nctg.co/cwbtq

**Beaufort**

Beaufort Historic Sites, 150 Turner St, (252) 728-5525. Tour beautifully restored historic homes interpreted in period style, the old jail, the oldest wood-frame courthouse in the state, an apothecary shop and the Old Burying Ground. Take a tour aboard a vintage English double-decker bus, and hear costumed guides tell stories of Beaufort's rich past of pirates, star-crossed lovers and Confederate spies. nctg.co/cnzt0

**Hungry Town Tours,** 400 Front St., (252) 648-1011. Choose from several unique walking, bike, culinary and historical guided tours. Our professional, local guide entertains you with fascinating details, historical narratives and true stories that make up the rich history of this seaport town. nctg.co/cy8y0

**North Carolina Maritime Museum,** 315 Front St., (252) 504-7740. Reflects coastal life and interprets lighthouses and lifesaving stations, the seafood industry, motorboats and more. This is the official repository for artifacts from the legendary pirate Blackbeard's wrecked flagship, Queen Anne's Revenge, including cannons, grenades, belt buckles and beads. nctg.co/c7n1cf

**Rachel Carson Reserve,** 2370 Lenoxville Rd., (252) 220-0779. Explore a diverse array of important coastal habitats including tidal flats, salt marshes, sand dunes, shrub thicket, submerged aquatic vegetation and maritime forest. A popular nesting and migratory habitat for many bird species, plus home to wild horses. Accessible only by private boat or ferry. nctg.co/ccrTt

**Shackleford Banks Wild Horses,** 306 Golden Farm Rd., (252) 728-6308. See legendary “banker ponies,” who have freely roamed our islands for more than 400 years. The herd numbers more than 200 horses and is the only inhabitants of this southernmost barrier island. Ferry services operate to view the horses. nctg.co/cD8gr

**Belhaven**

Belhaven Memorial Museum, 211 E. Main St., (252) 943-6877. Includes 30,000 buttons, a dressed-flea wedding couple, and war artifacts, plus antique dolls and toys, money, furniture, farm tools, period fashions, and technological antiques from around the world. nctg.co/cGJd9

**Beulaville**

Mike's Farm, 1600 Haw Branch Rd., (910) 324-3422. This family-oriented business features agritourism with seasonal hayrides, pumpkin-picking, Christmas trees and animals for kids to feed and pet, plus a variety of events throughout the year. nctg.co/ckVYt

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**alligator River National Wildlife Refuge,** (252) 473-1121. Explore more than 150,000 acres of wetland habitats and a wide variety of wildlife, from wood ducks to alligators and black bears to red wolves. Find hiking and wildlife trails, plus fishing areas and trails for kayaking and canoeing. nctg.co/cg9Moi

**Cape Hatteras National Seashore,** (252) 473-2111. The first national seashore in the country. Plants and wildlife here adapt continually to the water, wind and storms. Walk the beach, kayak the sound or seasonally climb the iconic Cape Hatteras or Bodie Island Lighthouse. nctg.co/cy2yd

**Cape Lookout National Seashore,** (252) 728-2250. Explore the three undeveloped barrier islands, where favorite activities include fishing, swimming, birding, boating, windsurfing, kayaking, shelling and seasonally climbing Cape Lookout Lighthouse. Tour the now-deserted Portsmouth Village to imagine a once bustling sea town. nctg.co/cf1Ab

**Croatan National Forest,** (252) 638-5628. Bordered on three sides by tidal rivers and Bogue Sound, this 160,000-acre forest offers diverse wildlife and a variety of recreation, such as fishing and canoeing on blackwater creeks and saltwater marshes. nctg.co/c6xMx

**Historic Albemarle Tour,** (252) 792-6605. A self-guided driving tour takes the traveler through 400 years of U.S. history, culture and the environment of 17 coastal counties. Easily identifiable brown and white signs invite visitors to follow in the footsteps of pilgrims and pirates, soldiers and slaves, sea captains and colonists at the 27 sites on the trail. nctg.co/cg9Ex

**Lake Gaston,** (252) 335-1887. Straddling the North Carolina and Virginia border between I-85 and I-95, this 20,000-acre lake offers a variety of water sports, including fishing, kayaking, canoeing, swimming, wakeboarding and water-skiing. Enjoy incredible opportunities to observe wildlife, too. nctg.co/ckDX

**Pea Island National Wildlife Refuge,** (252) 937-2394. This 6,000-acre refuge is paradise for both birds and birders, with more than 385 species of birds. It features observation platforms and two universally accessible wildlife trails. nctg.co/c9gF5

**Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge,** (252) 796-3004. Located in Washington, Hyde and Tyrrell counties, the refuge includes portions of the banks along the Scuppernong and Alligator rivers. Find unique habitats, diverse wildlife, such as black bears and migrating waterfowl, and natural scenic beauty, whether boating, driving or hiking. nctg.co/c9jRv

**Roanoke River National Wildlife Refuge,** (252) 794-5336. Home to animals such as deer, otters, beavers, muskrats and black bears, as well as nearly 200 species of migrating birds. Informal trail systems are open for hiking and bird-watching; some trails and parts of the refuge are only accessible by boat. nctg.co/cTsFy

**Roanoke River Paddle Trail,** (252) 792-3780. Meandering from the Inner Coastal Plain to the Atlantic Ocean, the river and its tributaries offer a unique wilderness experience for paddlers and outdoor enthusiasts. Home to black bears, river otters, deer, bobcats, and beavers, plus more than 200 bird species. Nearly 140 miles of water trail link several towns with unique riverside camping platforms along the way. nctg.co/cP8x

**Atlantic Beach**

**Fort Macon State Park,** 2303 E. Fort Macon Rd., (252) 726-3775. Built to guard the entrance to Beaufort Harbor, this five-sided fort is one of the finest surviving examples of 19th-century military architecture and fortification. Enjoy a museum-quality coastal education center and an unspoiled shoreline for swimming, surf fishing and beachcombing. nctg.co/CAzFV

**Emerald Isle**

**Pine Knoll Shores**

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BOILING SPRING LAKES
Boiling Spring Lakes Preserve, 1 Leeds Rd., (910) 395-5000. Explore more than 6,000 acres with a bounty of rare flora and fauna, such as the endangered red-cockaded woodpecker and a variety of carnivorous plants, plus more than 400 vascular plant species. The Nature Trail meanders through a portion of the fragile acres. nctg.co/cYUAz

BURGAW
Bannerman Vineyard, 2620 Stag Park Rd., (910) 233-0103. Sample a variety of wines, whether you want to taste the sweet crispness of traditional muscadine or be more adventurous by trying our sweet white habanero or sweet red, spiced, mulled wines. nctg.co/cNJ7t

Burgaw Train Depot, 115 S Dickerson St., (910) 259-2151. The circa 1850 depot was a significant location during the Civil War, as it acted as a major communications center and a holding area prior to prisoner exchange. nctg.co/cQGJy

BUXTON
Cape Hatteras Lighthouse, Cape Hatteras National Seashore, 46379 Lighthouse Rd., (252) 995-4474. The tallest brick lighthouse in the United States, it still provides navigational bearing, enabling ships to avoid the treacherous Diamond Shoals. Open seasonally for self-guided climbs up 257 steps to the balcony level. nctg.co/cDcdA

CAMDEN
Camden County Heritage Museum & Historic Jail, 117 North NC Hwy. 343, (910) 771-8333. Explore our history from 1777 to the present with interpretive stories, artifacts and talented docents. nctg.co/c26Y3

COLUMBIA
Columbia Theater Cultural Resources Center, 304 Main St., (252) 766-0200. Features a combination of environmental education and cultural history with artifacts from fishing, forestry and farming in the Albemarle Sound region. nctg.co/cjzsc

Vineyards on the Scuppernong, 117 Elm St., (252) 796-4727. Experience how varied the wines from this grape can be. nctg.co/cUuVy

COROLLA
Back Country Safari Tours, 107-C Corolla Light Town Center, (252) 453-0877. Our 4x4 Wild Horse Safari visits the wild Spanish mustangs, who have survived more than 400 years on the northern Outer Banks. Go off-roading with a fat tire Segway XT on our adventurous Mustang Trail Segway Tour; or discover historic Corolla via a milder segway tour. Our Kayak Safari Tour is designed to not only cater to the novice or beginner kayaker, but also to families with children as well. nctg.co/cfZg2

Currituck Banks Reserve, NC Hwy. 12, (252) 261-8891. An excellent example of an undisturbed barrier island and low-salinity estuarine system. Walk the elevated boardwalk through the maritime forest to a spectacular view of Currituck Sound, or take the path along the primitive trail to the sound. nctg.co/cMRuU

Currituck Beach Lighthouse, 1101 Corolla Village Rd., (252) 453-4939. About one million house.” Each building holds a unique key to the past with a variety of antiques and artifacts. nctg.co/c9PyZ

CASWELL BEACH
Oak Island Lighthouse, 300 Caswell Beach Rd., (252) 926-4021. There is no spiral staircase as found in most older lighthouses, but instead you’ll find a series of ships ladders with a total of 131 steps to the gallery level. Check the website for seasonal tour information to either the second level or the top. nctg.co/c7Wbj

CEDAR ISLAND
Cedar Island National Wildlife Refuge, Lola Rd. at NC Hwy 12, (252) 926-4021. Includes approximately 11,000 acres of irregularly flooded brackish marsh and 3,500 acres of pocosin and woodland habitat. Provides wintering habitat for thousands of ducks and nesting habitat for waterbird colonies. Enjoy unique geology and diverse wildlife via boating, driving or hiking. nctg.co/c7Wbj

CLINTON
Sampson County History Museum, 313 Lisbon St., (910) 530-0007. A village of 11 separate buildings hidden in the backyard of the 1903 “Big House.” Each building holds a unique key to the past with a variety of antiques and artifacts. nctg.co/c9PyZ

Beach bliss, Duck
red bricks were used to build this lighthouse, first illuminated in December 1795. It still houses its original E.F. Butler Fresnel lens. Seasonally climb the 220 steps to get breathtaking views of the ocean and sound. nctg.co/cQXfT

Whalehead in Historic Corolla, Currituck Heritage Park, 1100 Club Dr., (252) 453-9040. Beautifully restored to its original 1920s grandeur, see Tiffany lighting, Majorelle furnishings and unique Art Nouveau custom detailing throughout the museum house. nctg.co/c3A33

Wild Horse Museum, 520 B Old Stoney Rd., (252) 453-8002. Touch exhibits and video displays showcase the area’s historic and wild Spanish horses. Children’s activities, such as mustard visits, are offered during summer months. nctg.co/cO285

CRESWELL

Petitgrew State Park, 2252 Lake Shore Rd., (252) 797-4475. The home of Lake Phelps, a 16,600-acre natural lake that’s ideal for shallow draft sailboats, canoeing, fishing and windsurfing. Visitors display a prehistoric Native American culture in the exhibit hall. nctg.co/c2CGa

Somerset Place State Historic Site, 2572 Lake Shore Rd., (252) 797-4560. Once one of North Carolina’s most prosperous plantations. Guided tours include the original family home and associated outbuildings, as well as two reconstructed slave dwellings and a hospital. Walk among the formal garden, reconstructed overseer’s house and excavated building sites. nctg.co/cZPSY

CURRIE

Moore Creek National Battlefield, 40 Patriots Hall Dr., (910) 283-5591. The site of one of the first battles in the South of the Revolutionary War and the first significant patriot victory. Moore Creek travels through the park and is a tidally influenced “black water” creek with considerable cypress growth. nctg.co/cWzmq

DUBLIN

Lu Mil Vineyard, 474 Suggs-Taylor Rd., (910) 866-5819. Relax and indulge with a glass of our muscadine wine on Doc’s Deck, take a walk through the vineyard or browse the antique museum in the Barrel Room. nctg.co/cH40g

EDENTON

Chowan Arts Council Gallery, 112 W. Water St., (252) 482-8005. Enjoy rotating exhibits by local, regional and state artists, along with an extensive gallery featuring handmade jewelry, pottery and artwork of all mediums. nctg.co/cSM6P

Edenton National Fish Hatchery, 1120 W. Queen St., (252) 482-4118. Depending on the season, see shad, herring, striped bass, lake sturgeon, and other species being raised for stocking public waters. A small aquarium features fish native to the area. The bird-watching along the boardwalk that leads out to a creek. nctg.co/cHRGT

1886 Roanoke River Lighthouse, 7 Dock St., (252) 482-2637. One of the last screw-pile lighthouses of its kind in the United States. The historic lighthouse over Edenton Bay offers a complete look of life on the water from a lightkeeper’s perspective. nctg.co/cy7VY

Historic Edenton State Historic Site, 108 N. Broad St., (252) 482-2637. Guided walking tours include the 1767 Chowan County Courthouse, 1758 Cupola House, 1800/1827 Iredell House and the 1886 Roanoke River Lighthouse. nctg.co/cb0qk

Penelope Barker House, 505 S. Broad St., (252) 482-7800. Home to Thomas and Penelope Barker, who was one of 51 women who signed their names to a petition resolving not to buy or use British goods because of taxes levied by the king. Their protest in 1774 became known as the Edenton Tea Party. nctg.co/cH3Pd

Providence Burial Ground, 306 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., (252) 482-2637. Prominent local people from the late 18th century and early 19th century are buried here. Contemporary markers note names, round brick vaults and impressions of many other graves. nctg.co/c7yzv

ELIZABETH CITY

Arts of the Albemarle, 516 E. Main St., (252) 336-6446. The galleries are home to works by more than 250 artists, craftsmen and photographers. The center regularly hosts solo and shared exhibits. nctg.co/cD5Q5

Episcopal Cemetery, 507 E. Ehringhaus St., (252) 338-1686. An important collection of gravestones and cast-iron fences illustrates funerary traditions in the 17th and early 20th centuries. Although the oldest date on a headstone is 1724, the cemetery was officially founded in 1828. nctg.co/cR3Ww

Museum of the Albemarle, 501 S. Water St., (252) 335-1453. Exhibits and facilities enable visitors to experience the cultural history of 13 counties in eastern North Carolina through artifacts and graphics illustrating the geography and ecology of the area. nctg.co/cRvA

ELIZABETHTOWN

Jones Lake State Park, 113 Jones Lake Dr., (910) 588-4530. Discover one of the greatest geological mysteries of the eastern United States: the phenomenon of the Carolina bays. Peaceful surroundings make us a favorite for hiking, picnicking, swimming and fishing. nctg.co/c6x6j

Turnbull Creek Educational State Forest, 4803 Sweet Home Church Rd., (910) 588-4161. Near 900 acres of managed forest. Features an authentic cultural艺人’s store, sapling and tar used to waterproof ships, and a Talking Tree Trail. nctg.co/cijtN

FARMVILLE

Duck-Rabbit Craft Brewery, 4519 W Pine St., (252) 753-7745. We focus on dark beers, a set of styles underrepresented in the beer market. Join us for a brewery tour and enjoy diverse styles of beer. nctg.co/cCzAU

May Museum, 3802 S. Main St., (252) 753-6725. Permanent and special exhibits chronicle the cultural and commercial heritage of the area from colonial times to the present. This 1870s-era home features an extensive collection of 19th- and early 20th-century quilts, which are displayed on a rotating basis. nctg.co/cxyG6

FREMONT

Governor Charles B. Aycock Birthplace State Historic Site, 264 Governor Aycock Rd., (919) 242-5581. The boyhood home of North Carolina’s “Education Governor.” The mid-19th-century farmstead features the restored home with period pieces, outbuildings, a kitchen garden and a one-room schoolhouse. nctg.co/cQk3b

FRISCO

Frisco Native American Museum & Natural History Center, 53536 NC Hwy. 12, (252) 995-4440. A nationally recognized collection of Native American artifacts, exhibits and natural history displays. A nature trail winds through beautiful maritime forest. nctg.co/cy7Rk

GATESVILLE

Merchants Millpond State Park, 176 Millpond Rd., (252) 357-1191. Discover one of North Carolina’s rarest ecological communities. Massive cypress and gum trees covered with Spanish moss form a canopy for the dark waters of the millpond, which is a wilderness sanctuary for wildlife. Paddle quietly through the pond and creek, and encounter beavers, otters, owls and others. nctg.co/c88A

GOLDSBORO

Busco Beach and ATV Park, 1213 Bryan Blvd., (910) 222-9614. An ATV rider’s paradise with more than 1,800 acres of riding trails, drag races, motorcross tracks, youth tracks, mudpits, mud holes, mud races and ATV ponds. For those who prefer water, we’ve got a lake and several ponds perfect for swimming, Jet-Skiing, boating or fishing. nctg.co/cWjCv

Goldsborough Bridge Battleground, 503 Old Mt. Olive Hwy., (910) 736-4423. Walk in the footsteps of history, where 15,000 soldiers fought a desperate battle in December 1862 at the Last Battle of Foster’s Raid. nctg.co/c0IsV

Seymour Johnson Air Force Base Tours, 1510 Wright Brothers Ave., (919) 734-7922. Home to the world’s largest inventory of F-15E Strike Eagle fighter jets plus KC-135 Stratotankers. Public tours take place on the last Thursday of each month. Preregister three weeks prior to the tour. nctg.co/cP60c

Wayne County Veterans Memorial, 224 E. Walnut St., (919) 739-7480. The Memorial Wall entrance features more than 50 varieties of plants and trees. Also includes a Vietnam Memorial, Seymour Johnson AFB Sculpture and the Wayne County Granite Map, which honors the county’s war dead. nctg.co/cvzQz

Waynesborough Historical Village, 801 S. US Hwy. 17, (919) 731-8633. Features nine historic buildings that date from the 1810s to 1920s, including a school, lawyer’s office and Quaker meeting house. Along the Neuse and Little rivers, you’ll find walking trails through open spaces, forest and cypress swamp. nctg.co/cqaWs

GRANTSBORO

Pamlico County Heritage Museum, 10462 Hwy. 55 E., (252) 765-2239. Changing exhibits feature handcrafted farmstead, woodlands and farm implements, equipment, modes of transportation, and heavy machinery representative of rural eastern North Carolina during the 19th and 20th centuries. nctg.co/cv8D6

GREENVILLE

Greenville Museum of Art, 802 S. Evans St., (252) 758-1846. Showcasing an impressive collection of 20th-century U.S. art and the largest permanent display of Jugtown Pottery in eastern North Carolina. Enjoy contemporary works by North Carolina artists and exhibits of national, regional and local importance. nctg.co/cvVxf

Pitt County Arboretum, Agricultural Center, 403 Government Ctr. (252) 902-1709. A variety of gardens and collections featuring herb, camelina, mixed border, perennial border, vegetable, fire hydrant and rose gardens. Also features a certified plant professional collection, agriculture center and more. nctg.co/csoTv

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Walter L. Stasavich Science & Nature Center, 1000 Mumford Rd., (252) 329-4562. Exhibits include a 10,000-gallon freshwater aquarium, touch tank, live animal exhibits, wildlife dioramas, a Shells Are Everywhere exhibit and more. nctg.co/FeqE

GRIFTON
Historical Museum & Indian Village, 437A Catechna Drive, (910) 334-0100. At the museum, appreciate the ingenuity of our ancestors in exhibits of the tools and equipment they developed for office, shop, farm and kitchen. The Catechna Indian Village is a scaled-down replica of an Indian village, as the area was inhabited by the Tuscarora in the 17th and 18th centuries. nctg.co/ctjzb

HALIFAX
Historic Halifax State Historic Site, 25 St. David St., (252) 583-7191. Home of the Halifax Resolves, the first official action for independence by any colony. Enjoy exhibits, guided tours and displays. Historic structures include the 1760 Tap Room, 1760 Owens House, 1790 Eagle Tavern, two 1808 homes, the 1832 Clerks Office, the 1838 Hall Schoolhouse and 1838 Hall Store. The Montford House, an archaeological exhibit over original foundations, portrays the lifestyle of this wealthy Halifax resident, the first and only Provincial Grand Master of North America. nctg.co/cdeeh

HARKERS ISLAND
Cape Lookout Lighthouse, Cape Lookout National Seashore, 131 Charles St., (252) 728-2250. Built in 1859, the lighthouse is open seasonally for climbing its 207 steps. The Keeper’s Quarters serve as a museum, giving visitors a glimpse into the lives of lighthouse keepers and surfmen of the U.S. Life-Saving Service. Only accessible by private boat or ferry service. nctg.co/cxf4

Core Sound Waterfowl Museum & Heritage Center, 7185 Island Rd., (252) 728-1500. Celebrate the living traditions of decoy carving, boat-building and commercial fishing through the documentation and preservation of this Down East community’s cultural history. nctg.co/cpM2s

HATTERAS
Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum, 59200 Museum Dr., (252) 988-0720. Appropriately named, as shipwrecks play a major role in the area’s history. Exhibits tell stories of major wrecks including that of the USV Monitor, U-85 and Blackbeard’s Queen Anne’s Revenge. Artifacts also tell of the rich history regarding the Civil War, both World Wars, scuba diving, life-saving and hearty folks who reside by the sea. nctg.co/ChVY

HAYESVILLE
Eastern Carolina Aviation Exhibit, Havelock Tourist Center, 201 Tourist Center Dr., (252) 444-4348. Dedicated to the hard work and ingenuity of early pilots. Marine aviation during the last 100 years. Appreciate aircraft on display as well as problems they solved and the methods they used that ultimately led to their first flight on December 17, 1903. See reproductions of the brothers’ 1903 camp buildings and Big Kill Devil Hill to see the nation’s monument commemorating the brothers’ historic achievement. nctg.co/coyf

KINSTON
Caswell Center Developmental Museum, 2415 W. Vernon Ave., (252) 208-3780. Portrays institutional life from the early 1900s to the present through a collection of historical information and artifacts. nctg.co/c9Qr

Caswell No. 1 Fire Station Museum, 118 S. Queen St., (252) 539-0111. A 1923 LaFrance Pumper is the focus of the museum, along with a collection of helmets, nozzles, ladders, fire extinguishers and other memorabilia that span more than 100 years. nctg.co/c5Xic

CSS Neuse Civil War Interpretive Museum, 100 N. Queen St., (252) 526-9600. Focal points are the remains of this Confederate ironclad gunboat, plus thousands of artifacts and firsthand accounts from crew members. nctg.co/cK2U

CSS Neuse II, 118 W. Gordon St., (252) 580-2150. The only full-scale Civil War ironclad replica in the world. Step aboard and experience what life was like for a Civil War sailor. nctg.co/cFQ9o

Governor Caswell State Historic Site, 2613 W. Vernon Ave., (252) 522-2091. Home of the first elected governor of North Carolina—an active member of colonial militia and Revolutionary War leader. nctg.co/c9QH

Harmony Hall, 109 E. King St., (252) 522-0421. The circa 1772 house has been restored with authentic 18th-century furnishings. Once the home of North Carolina Gov. Richard Caswell. See an extensive doll collection, too. nctg.co/cPkr

Mother Earth Brewing, 311 N. Heritage St., (252) 208-2437. We craft beer with artisanal devotion, and every bottle is brewed using sustainable practices. Our Exchange Nature Center lets you explore numerous exhibits of native plants and animals. nctg.co/cQ8nc

Neuseway Nature Park, 401 W. Caswell St., (252) 939-3367. Experience the planetarium and Montford Point Marine Memorial, plus a 9/11 World Trade Center beam. nctg.co/cq6Nc

Neuseway Nature Park, 411 W. Market St., (252) 460-7430. Embark on a journey through the lives of Orville and Wilbur Wright, exploring their characters, diving into problems they solved and the methods they used to eventually lead to their first flight on December 17, 1903. nctg.co/cC59

KELLY
Singlelty Lake State Park, 8707 NC Hwy. 53 E., (910) 669-2928. Enjoy hiking, fishing and paddling, then discover the wonders of the Carolina bay ecosystem. nctg.co/c2m9

KENANSVILLE
Cowan Museum of History and Science, 411 S. Main St., (910) 296-2149. More than 2,000 artifacts, including 18th- and 19th-century farm and household items, reflect the heritage of rural North Carolina. Explore a one-room log schoolhouse, log tobacco barn, one-room furnished log cabin and blacksmith shop. Discover our natural science collection and unique artifacts, such as a tobacco demonstrator and hog oiler. nctg.co/cEmN

KNOTTS ISLAND
Mackay Island National Wildlife Refuge, 316 Marsh Causeway, (252) 429-3100. More than 6,600 acres with 20 miles of canals and creeks.
Enjoy walking, biking, boating, fishing and wildlife observation. nctg.co/cRBxQ

KURE BEACH

Fort Fisher State Historic Site, 1601 Fort Fisher Blvd. S., (910) 251-7340. Site of the Civil War’s largest amphibious battle. Today you can walk among the remaining portion of the gigantic earthworks and also see artifacts recovered from various sunken blockade runners. nctg.co/cdk2b

Fort Fisher State Recreation Area, 1000 Loggerhead Rd., (910) 458-5798. A nesting area for loggerhead sea turtles, piping plovers and other rare and protected species. Trails meander through marsh to an observation deck. Popular for surf fishing, boating, paddling and off-roading. nctg.co/crEJ4

Kure Beach Fishing Pier, 100 Atlantic Ave., (910) 458-5524. The oldest fishing pier on the Atlantic coast. Families enjoy fishing, strolling the 711 feet of wooden planks or simply taking in the beautiful views. nctg.co/crwfj

North Carolina Aquarium at Fort Fisher, 900 Loggerhead Rd., (910) 458-8257. Explore marine life from salt marshes and tidal pools, plus a two-story open ocean exhibit featuring sharks, rays and eels. Meet Luna, a rare albino alligator. Learn more with behind-the-scenes tours and outdoor adventures. nctg.co/cMVdU

LAKE WACCAMAW

Lake Waccamaw State Park, 1866 State Park Dr., (910) 646-4748. One of the most unique bodies of water in the world, with species of animals found nowhere else on earth, plus rare plants and endangered animals. Limestone bluffs along the lake differ from any other Carolina bay. nctg.co/cCkxa

LITTLETON

AF Wake, 1881 Eaton Ferry Rd., (252) 536-9063. We’re here to teach you everything you need to learn watersports such as wakeboarding, wakesurfing, waterskiing or stand-up paddleboarding. For all skill levels, beginner to pro. nctg.co/cGaHd

Cryptozoology & Paranalomal Museum, 328 Mosby Ave., (631) 220-1231. Dedicated to the study and display of creatures and phenomena not recognized by traditional science. Go on a ghost hunt, search for Bigfoot, examine haunted dolls and detect paranormal activity. nctg.co/cXvKvA

MANTEO

Coastal NC National Wildlife Refuges Gateway Gallery, 100 Conservation Way, (252) 473-1131. A wide variety of educational and entertaining exhibits. An airplane “flies over” the 11 national wildlife refuges represented here. Marvel at realistic dioramas and learn more at the multisensory theater with three distinct productions. nctg.co/cp2W2

Elizabethan Gardens, 1411 National Park Dr., (252) 473-3234. See extensive horticultural collections with Elizabethan elements and statuary that provide continuity to constantly changing flora. Seasonal changes bring an array of flowering plants, shrubs and trees. nctg.co/cMC6h

Fort Raleigh National Historic Site, 1401 National Park Dr., (252) 473-5772. Protects and preserves known portions of England’s first New World settlements from 1584 to 1590. Also preserves the cultural heritage of the Native Americans, European-Americans and African Americans who have lived on Roanoke Island. nctg.co/cJbFQ

The Lost Colony Outdoor Drama, 1409 National Park Dr., (252) 473-6000. Discover the story of the first English colonists who disappeared without a trace—one that has remained one of history’s greatest mysteries for more than 400 years. It’s America’s longest-running symphonic outdoor drama, with music, laughter, romance and dance. Summer performances. nctg.co/cRReP

North Carolina Aquarium on Roanoke Island, 374 Airport Rd., (252) 475-2300. Marvel at the largest group of sharks in the state. Interact with scuba divers, touch stingrays and wonder at the playful river otters. nctg.co/cVtCG

Oregon Inlet Fishing Center, 98 NC Hwy. 12, (252) 441-6301. Home of the largest and most modern fishing fleet on the Eastern Seaboard. Offers a comprehensive fishing experience for the “old salt” or the novice fisherman. nctg.co/cGS6G

Outer Banks Distilling, 510 Budleigh St., (252) 423-3011. Take a tour to see how our Kill Devil Rums are produced in small batches using quality ingredients for light, gold and dark rums. nctg.co/cWwC6

Roanoke Island Festival Park, One Festival Park, (252) 475-1506. Experience firsthand what life was like for the first English settlers in 1585 through the Settlement Site and the Elizabeth II. The Adventure Museum and American Indian Town feature interactive exhibits that all ages will enjoy. nctg.co/cw47L

Roanoke Marshes Lighthouse, Queen Elizabeth St., (252) 475-7570. Tour the screw-pile lighthouse at Croatan Sound, which looks more like a lightkeeper’s house perched over water. Exhibits highlight Roanoke Island’s maritime history, plus information on the lighthouse and its keepers. nctg.co/cMVvH

MOREHEAD CITY

History Museum of Carteret County, 1008 Arendell St., (252) 247-7533. A widely varied collection reflecting the cultural history of North Carolina’s coast from its indigenous Native Americans through World War II. The research library offers a broad Civil War collection and genealogy research materials. nctg.co/c39wa

Lake Phelps, Creswell
MURFREESBORO
Brady C. Jefcoat Museum of Americana, 201 High St., (252) 938-5282. Explore the beginnings of American inventions and culture with more than 17,000 historic marvels, amazing collections and displays, ranging from wildlife to agriculture to music and movie nostalgia. nctg.co/ccHHc9

NAGS HEAD
Jennette's Pier, 7223 S. Virginia Dare Trail, (252) 255-1501. More than just a pier, with aquariums, live animal exhibits and good family fun with great fishing. nctg.co/cxvKv

Jockey’s Ridge State Park, 300 W. Carolista Dr., (252) 441-7132. Rising 110 feet, it's the tallest active sand dune on the East Coast. Shifting sands, high winds, extreme temperatures and a lack of water make the park resemble desert environments. Roanoke Sound's tidal waters provide a rich habitat for a variety of plant and animal life. Enjoy hiking, hang-gliding, kite-flying and sunset-watching. nctg.co/cKdoE

NEW BERN
Birthplace of Pepsi, 256 Middle St., (252) 636-6986. Step back in time to learn more about the history of Pepsi inventor Caleb Bradham and the early days of one of the world’s favorite soft drinks. nctg.co/c4qPg

New Bern Firemen’s Museum, 420 Broad St., (252) 636-4087. The oldest fire company in the state. Learn about the Great Fire of 1922, which destroyed more than 1,000 buildings downtown, and about Fred, the beloved fire horse. nctg.co/cNwWc

New Bern Historic Trolley Tour, 610 Pollock St., (252) 637-7316. Experience three centuries of history and architectural beauty in a comprehensive tour of the historic downtown. Professional guides entertain with fascinating details, historical narratives and true stories of this former royal capital. nctg.co/cTBDtd

Tryon Palace Historic Sites & Gardens, 529 S. Front St., (252) 639-3500. The 18th-century residence of the governor of the colony and state of North Carolina. Interactive, multi-person games and hands-on exhibits delight all ages at the North Carolina History Center, while guided tours, live reenactments and conversations with costumed interpreters bring history to life in vivid detail at the Governor’s Palace. Tour the gardens and other nearby historic homes. nctg.co/cVsgB

NEWPORT
Lake Road Winery, 1120 Lake Rd., (252) 622-0930. Our comfortable and charming space is the perfect place to sample some of the best wines coastal North Carolina has to offer. nctg.co/cEF5E

OCEAN ISLE BEACH
Museum of Coastal Carolina, 21 E. Second St., (910) 579-1016. Walk through the Southeast’s largest “dry aquarium.” Hold live sea stars in the Touch Tank, dig in the fossil pit for shark teeth, and marvel at the wildlife dioramas that depict plants and animals of coastal Carolina’s ocean reef, barrier islands and Green Swamp. nctg.co/cyQ9h

Silver Coast Winery, 6680 Barbeque Rd., (910) 287-2800. Via our tour and tasting, discover international award-winning wines modeled after traditional, classic European styles. nctg.co/cx8Eq

The Swamp Park, 550 Watts Rd. SW, (910) 687-6100. Enjoy the swamp like never before, whether soaring high above on our 10-line, three-bridge zipline tour, down low via a swamp boat ecotour, or checking out our 53-element, seven-course adventure park. nctg.co/cm5SR

OCRACOKE
British Cemetery, 234 British Cemetery Rd., (252) 928-6711. During the height of the German submarine campaign in May 1942, the HMS Bedfordshire was torpedoed and sunk with all hands lost. Four bodies of the crew were subsequently found and buried here. The small cemetery, its grounds beautifully landscaped and manicured by the U.S. Coast Guard, perpetually flies a British flag provided each year by England. nctg.co/cbfWQ

Ocracoke Lighthouse, 360 Lighthouse Rd., (252) 928-6711. Completed in 1823, the walls of the whitewashed tower, built of brick with a concrete veneer exterior, are 5 feet thick at the base. The lighthouse interior is not open to the public, but it can be visited for wonderful photos. nctg.co/czGtH

Ocracoke Preservation Society Museum, 49 Water Plant Rd., (252) 928-7275. Offers a glimpse of what life was like in earlier times through displays, artifacts and historic photographs. nctg.co/cG44e

PIKEVILLE
A Secret Garden Winery, 1008 Airport Rd., (919) 734-0280. Naturally fermented wines, made without chemicals or preservatives, are handcrafted from our native muscadine grapes. nctg.co/cnFjD

PINE KNOLL SHORES
North Carolina Aquarium, 1 Roosevelt Dr., (252) 247-4003. Enjoy the 50 exhibits and more than 4,000 animals on an aquatic journey from the mountains to the sea. Watch river otters play, touch a stingray and talk to divers as they swim among sharks and other marine life. nctg.co/cb9M5

Theodore Roosevelt Natural Area, 1 Roosevelt Dr., (252) 247-4003. One of the few remaining maritime forests on the North Carolina coast. The interpretive trail through this nature preserve attracts naturalists and photographers. nctg.co/cL8G6

PLYMOUTH
Port O’Plymouth Museum, 302 E. Water St., (252) 793-3777. Our vast collection of Civil War artifacts includes exhibits that tell of the Battle of...
Plymouth, the last major Confederate victory of the Civil War. Our collection of Civil War artifacts is one of the largest in the Carolinas. Behind the museum is a 63-foot replica of the CSS Albemarle, the most successful ironclad of the Civil War. nctg.co/crCQ

Roanoke River Lighthouse and Maritime Museum, 208 W. Water St., (252) 793-4777. The replica lighthouse allows one to experience life as a lighthouse keeper, circa 1866 to 1889. See photographs that share the story of the river's impact on fishermen, farmers, merchants, soldiers and others. nctg.co/gQ EQ8

Wildlife Museum & Gallery, 111 W. Water St., (252) 793-6600. See mounts from across eastern North Carolina, like a 500-pound black bear; the nation, such as a pronghorn antelope and mule deer; and Africa. Interactive settings offer hands-on experiences for learning. nctg.co/cSR2z

Fosque Plantation House, 7509 US Hwy. 17, (252) 224-1803. Step back in time and learn a fascinating tale of love and war and the strength of the family. The house has meticulously been restored to its original construction in high-style antebellum decor with a number of original furnishings. Walk the cemetery, garden and plantation land along the Trent River. nctg.co/c7CR9

PoWELLs PoiNT

HaOBX, 8296 Caratoke Hwy., (252) 491-3000. With expansive ocean-to-sound views, enjoy more than 30 rides for thrill-seekers, families or younger ones. nctg.co/cTefNB

RICHLaNDS

Huffman Vineyards Winery, 221 Haw Branch Rd., (910) 314-2557. Our wines are handcrafted in small batches. We create muscadine, vinifera and fruit wines ranging from sweet to dry, so you'll always find something to love. nctg.co/cMYB7

Onslow County Museum, 301 S. Wilmington St., (910) 324-5018. The rich heritage of the area is spotlighted in exhibit galleries, plus rotating historic and contemporary exhibits. nctg.co/crTyK

RoANOKE RAPIDs

Roanoke Canal Museum & Trail, 15 Jackson St. Ext., (252) 537-2789. This interactive museum uses the river to explore the creation of the canal and industry development. Along the 7.5-mile trail, see some of the best preserved early 19th-century canal construction in the nation, including an aqueduct that spans 35 feet. nctg.co/cRMmX

Roanoke Rapids Lake, 100 Oakwood Ave., (252) 410-6318. This 4,600-acre lake, with nearly 50 miles of shoreline, is perfect for kayaking, fishing, bird-watching or simply relaxing. nctg.co/cXkE4

Roanoke Valley Veteran’s Museum, Becker Village Mall, 1820 E. 10th St., (252) 537-2514. Stories and memorabilia from area veterans showcase the fabric of their military lives and provide young people with the opportunity to see and hear history come alive through the eyes of the veterans. nctg.co/cqMhH

RodeNThE

Chicamacomico Lifesaving Station Historic Site & Museum, 23845 NC Hwy. 12, (252) 987-1552. The first U.S. Lifesaving Station in North Carolina, built and manned in 1874. The seven buildings have exhibits and displays, including one honoring the African Americans who manned the Pea Island Lifesaving Station. nctg.co/cvTvw

ROSE HiLL

Duplin Winery, 505 N. Sycamore St., (910) 289-3888. The largest wine production facility on the East Coast boasts a 1.5 million-gallon capacity. From crushing pad to bottling line, see firsthand the process behind the production of award-winning wines. The tour culminates with a wine tasting with more than a dozen samples. nctg.co/cg75E

SCOTLaND NeCK

Sylvan Heights Bird Park, 500 Sylvan Heights Park Way, (912) 826-3186. Self-guided or guided tours provide an unforgettable, up-close experience with more than 2,000 waterfowl, parrots, toucans, flamingos and other exotic birds from around the world. Walk through错wooded, themed aviaries, experiencing the diverse beauty, color and sound of these creatures. nctg.co/cF9Gv

Abbey Nature Preserve, 12000 US Hwy. 17 N, (910) 866-9518. Beautiful trees, plants, flowers, wildlife and trails provide excellent opportunities for bird-watching and hiking. nctg.co/cOxY6

SEVEN SPriNGs

Cliffs of the Neuse State Park, 240 Park Entrance Rd., (919) 778-6234. This 750-acre park on the Neuse River features a 90-foot-high sand cliff, hiking trails and water sports. Creative dioramas and audio-visuals in the museum depict the unique geology and natural history of the area. nctg.co/cMGSe5

SOUTH MiLLs

Dismal Swamp State Park, 2294 US Hwy. 17 N, (919) 777-6693. With kayaking, canoeing and more than 20 miles of hiking and biking trails, explore this lush swamp forest and discover its wide variety of wildlife. nctg.co/cHl2i

SOUTHPOrT

Fort Johnston - Southport Museum, 203 E. Bay St., (910) 457-1921. Features a display about the 7294 Fort Johnston, author Robert Ruark, a photographic display of “The Way it Was,” and the ever-popular movie memorabilia room with movie props and costumes. nctg.co/ckSyQ

North Carolina Maritime Museum, 204 E. Moore St., (910) 477-5193. At the confluence of the Cape Fear River, Intracoastal Waterway and Atlantic Ocean, come discover the natural and cultural history of the Lower Cape Fear region through hands-on and interpretive exhibits. nctg.co/caCvi

SuNSET BeACHe

Bird Island Reserve, Last westward walkover at 40th St., (910) 928-2998. Popular with boaters, beachcombers and bicyclists with pristine beaches, high natural dunes and more than 1,200 acres of salt marsh and tidal creeks. Read the notes or leave one yourself at the Kindred Spirit mailbox. nctg.co/cQPbe

Ingram Planetarium, 7625 High Market St., (910) 575-0033. Experience entertaining and educational programs about space exploration and astronomy, plus laser music shows and fun interactive exhibits. nctg.co/cWA3H

SuPPle

Green Swamp Preserve, NC Hwy. 211, (910) 395-5000. Discover at least 14 different species of insectivorous plants, such as Venus flytraps and pitcher plants. The trail winds through some of the country’s best examples of longleaf pine savannas and magnificent orchids. Almost 13,000 acres of the preserve are comprised of a dense evergreen shrub bog. nctg.co/CLxVN

SuRF CiTy

East Coast Sports, 409 Roland Ave., (910) 338-1887. We provide full- and three-quarter day trips offering everything from clamming, crabbing and tubing on the sound side to catching tuna and dolphin in the Gulf Stream. nctg.co/cEoD

Herring’s Outdoor Sports, 701 N. New River Dr., (910) 328-2921. As we’re surrounded by the backwaters of Topsail Sound and the Intracoastal Waterway, you can take a guided kayak tour through amazing tidal creeks, wetlands and salt marshes to enjoy nature’s wonders. nctg.co/cv3X

Karen Beasley Sea Turtle Rescue & Rehabilitation Center, 302 Tortuga Ln., (910) 328-2222. We treat sick and injured sea turtles with hopes to release them back into the ocean. Come visit the turtles and take a tour of our facility. nctg.co/cw5RC

Surf City Ocean Pier, 112 S. Shore Dr., (910) 328-3531. Stretching 937 feet into the Atlantic Ocean, enjoy fishing or take a stroll and relax at the octagonal area at the end. The pier is lighted at night too. nctg.co/cmQDF

Surf City Surf School, 107 N. Shore Dr., (910) 618-2960. Offering professional surf instruction for any age or ability, from toddlers to grandparents. nctg.co/cEPk

Topsail Island Tiki Tours, 201 N. New River Dr., (910) 650-2223. Relaxing history, sunset and shelling cruises allow visitors to discover the area’s hidden treasures. nctg.co/cPkr

Swan Quarter National Wildlife Refuge, lake Mattamuskeet, 85 Mattamuskeet Rd., (252) 926-4021. A variety of wildlife-dependent recreation includes walking, biking, fishing and viewing numerous species of birds and waterfowl, such as tundra swans and Canada geese. Lake Mattamuskeet is North Carolina’s largest natural lake at 40,000 acres (but only 2 to 3 feet deep). nctg.co/cA7YQ

Swan Quarter National Wildlife Refuge, US Hwy. 264, (252) 926-4021. More than 16,400 acres of salt marsh island and forested wetlands are home to a large variety of animals and hundreds of species of birds. Two undeveloped trails offer hiking and biking. nctg.co/cSHX

Swansboro

Hammocks Beach State Park, 1572 Hammocks Beach Rd., (910) 328-4881. Explore paddling trails leading to marshes, developed Beaufort Bay, Huggins Island, which is graced with unspoiled maritime forest. Away from the mainland, the islands are available only by a ferry or private boat. nctg.co/c85Y

TabOR CiTy

Grapefull Sisters Vineyard, 5903 Ramsey Ford Rd., (910) 631-2944. A working vineyard with several varieties of muscadines planted. Stroll through the vineyards and you’ll find a peaceful place to spend some time with family, friends and great wines. nctg.co/cEHSY

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TILLERY
The Tillery History House, 321 Community Center Rd., (910) 826-1077. Housed in a former New Deal Revestment house on former plantation land worked by generations of African American slaves, the museum provides a unique educational experience for visitors of all ages. nctg.co/cPfAN

TOPSAIL BEACH
Jolly Roger Pier, 803 Ocean Blvd., (910) 328-4816. Extending 850 feet into the sea, this landmark is known for superb fishing and viewing the area’s sea and shorebirds, dolphin and sea turtles. nctg.co/CLfR3

Missiles and More Museum, 720 Channel Blvd., (910) 328-8663. See World War II-related exhibits on the WASPs (Women Airforce Service Pilots), the pirates of the Carolinas, and Camp Davis, an anti-aircraft training center. nctg.co/cJRWS

WARSAW
The Country Squire Winery, 748 NC Hwy. 24/50, (910) 256-1777. Many of our wines are named after favorite areas and the wine label design is reflective of the owners’ Scottish heritage. nctg.co/cenLP

Duplin County Veterans Museum, 119 E. Hill St., (910) 293-2190. This beautifully restored Queen Anne-style house features military artifacts and memorabilia from many periods in military history. nctg.co/cyztB

WASHINGTON
Goose Creek State Park, 2190 Camp Leach Rd., (910) 923-2191. Giant oaks draped in Spanish moss welcome you to where broad, lazy Goose Creek meets the Pamlico River. Swim at the beach or enjoy hiking or paddling trails. nctg.co/CGkXU

North Carolina Estuarium, 223 E. Water St., (910) 948-0000. Visit the world’s first estuarium. More than 200 exhibits describe our vital estuaries and coastal rivers, with aquariums with crabs, and other estuarine life. nctg.co/cV67c

WELDON
Riverside Mill, 200 Mill St., (910) 536-3100. This restored cotton mill offers antiques and a large gallery representing the best in national, regional and local American craft, with a strong emphasis on North Carolina artists. A Civil War cemetery and hand-hewn stone aqueduct are nearby. nctg.co/cZQ4H

Weldon Mills Distillery, 100 Rockfish Dr., (910) 220-4235. The distillery offers a gathering place as well as support for families of fallen soldiers. Tours are offered to embrace the local history and the spirit-making process. Enjoy a tasting and purchase bottles and memorabilia from many periods in military history. nctg.co/cV67c

WHITE OAK
Harmony Hall Plantation, 1615 River Rd., (910) 866-4144. Several buildings, including a one-room school, span the years from the 1760s-era home’s origin on the Cape Fear River to 1900. nctg.co/c22Rmp

WHITEVILLE
North Carolina Museum of Natural Science, 410 S. Madame St., (910) 814-4189. This dynamic indoor-outdoor nature and science learning center features an Investigate Lab, Nature Exploration Center, Discovery Forest and Nature PlaySpace. nctg.co/cSvvp

Jungle Rapids Family Fun Park, 5320 Oleander Dr., (910) 791-0666. Features a wave pool, lazy river, kids’ splash area and a variety of slides, plus go-karts, miniature golf, a climbing wall, an indoor playground and a laser tag arena. nctg.co/cmMKy

Latimer House Museum and Gardens, 126 S. 3rd St., (910) 762-0492. With 14 rooms containing more than 600 historic objects (including furniture, jewelry, ephemera, tableware, tools and more), this Italianate-style circa 1852 house invites you to step back in time. nctg.co/cQBD

Noni Bacca Winery, 420 Eastwood Rd., (910) 397-7817. In the honor of family tradition, we give to you true Old World wines along with some new modern styles. nctg.co/cXhFm

Poplar Grove Plantation, 10200 US Hwy. 17 North, (910) 866-9518. Boasts a historical connection to the French Huguenots, Revolutionary War, Civil War and the people of the Gullah Geechee culture. Tour the Manor House for artifacts, antiques and exhibits. Take a leisurely stroll through the grounds to see notable outbuildings. nctg.co/CEnEB

Wilmington Railroad Museum, 505 Nutt St., (910) 763-2634. Preserving the history of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad and the history of railroading in the southeastern United States. Explore our eclectic collection of displays, which adults and children alike will find fun and educational. nctg.co/cL7Lq

Wilmington Water Tours, 212 S Water St., (910) 338-3134. Enjoy a variety of cruises for early risers, bird-lovers and those looking to relax at the end of an exciting day. Learn the area’s history, ecology and what’s next for the downtown area and the Cape Fear River. nctg.co/cWnYF

WINDSOR
Cashie Wetlands Walk, 101 York St., (910) 794-5553. Follow the boardwalk down to the Cashie River in this natural wetland with cypress trees and other flora. View several species of endangered waterfowl as well as other swampland animals. nctg.co/cQAn7

Historic Hope Plantation, 132 Hope House Rd., (910) 794-3140. Offers unique insights into late 18th- and 19th-century antebellum life in eastern North Carolina. The circa 1803 mansion is furnished with original period pieces. A slave dwelling in the basement of the mansion and an exhibit depict the interaction of African Americans, Native Americans and English settlers. nctg.co/cXb9X

WINNAWOR
Brunswick Town/Fort Anderson, 8884 St. Philips Rd. SE, (910) 371-6613. A major pre-Revolutionary port on the Cape Fear River, Brunswick was razed by British troops in 1776 and never rebuilt. During the Civil War, Fort Anderson was constructed atop the site. Parts of both have been excavated, and today it’s a working archaeological site. nctg.co/cC2L

WRIGHTSBURGH BEACH
Johnnie Mercers Pier, 23 E. Salisbury St., (910) 256-2743. The only concrete pier in the state, it extends more than 1,200 feet into the Atlantic Ocean. There’s a nominal fee to walk out, but it’s well worth the experience. nctg.co/c4H

Wrightsville Beach Museum of History, 303 W. Salisbury St., (910) 256-2586. Exhibits feature the early days of the beach community, Wrightsville’s hurricane history and information about the interaction between people and the natural environment, plus a scale model of Wrightsville Beach circa 1910. nctg.co/cEm1V

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Accommodations

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Tomahawk Motel
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Caribbe Inn
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Boiler Room Oyster Bar, Kinston

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Riverwalk Crossing Park,
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Tryon Palace, New Bern

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Arrive
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nctg.co/cxuyg

Azalea Inn & Suites
(910) 763-3318
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(910) 763-2800
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Quality Inn
(910) 791-8850
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Resort Realty Hatteras Island
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Watermen’s Retreat
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WHITE LAKE

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nctg.co/czXcM

Isley’s Rooms Cottages & Apartments
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nctg.co/cFYWk

Langston’s Motel
(910) 862-2597
nctg.co/cin90

Lasley’s Motel
(910) 862-3473
nctg.co/cn90

Melwood Court
(910) 862-2416
nctg.co/cR5vy

Sundeck Apartments & Motel
(910) 862-2358
nctg.co/cQK4N

WHITE LAKE Motel and Campground
(910) 862-3947
nctg.co/cTX7m

VACATION RENTALS
White Lake Holiday Resort
(910) 862-4578
nctg.co/cTIC2

WHITEVILLE

HOTELS/MOTELS
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Holiday Motel
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INNS/BED & BREAKFASTS
The Madison House
(910) 640-2132
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WILLIAMSTON

HOTELS/MOTELS
Hampton Inn
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Ross Motel
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INNS/BED & BREAKFASTS
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Blue Ridge Parkway Association, PO Box 2136, Asheville 28802-2136; (828) 670-1924; blueridgeparkway.org

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ART ABOUT TOWN

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1 @PAGE406 A cardinal—North Carolina’s state bird—perches in downtown High Point thanks to muralist Kendall Doub.

2 @ROCKERSPRINTSHOP Artist Nils Westergaard painted his Rising Tulips mural on the back of a gym in Greensboro. 3 @HaleyLizCook You’ll find plenty of good vibes in Asheville, plus tons of public art throughout this mountain mecca of creativity.

4 @LAURLIKES LLAMAS Bear season runs May to October in Hendersonville each year, when acrylic species “roam” town. 5 @CARYVISUALART Kinetic sculpture Curvaceous Kiss stands smack dab in the center of Sears Farm Road Park in Cary. 6 @MKAY_15 Salisbury’s graffiti park on Main Street gives artists a chance to go wild with spray paint—and their imaginations.

7 @BURKE_RM Instagrammers take flight by posing at a winged brick wall in downtown New Bern. 8 @LUCIDDREAMVR Major, the bronze bull that guards Durham’s CCB Plaza, doesn’t give a snort if you take his pic.

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