

Blue Ridge Parkway Pisgah Region

MP 340 – MP 469: Crabtree Falls to Cherokee, NC



Embark on a Craft Adventure in Western N.C.

Venture along the new Blue Ridge Craft Trails to experience the rich craft traditions of the North Carolina mountains and foothills. Visit talented craft artisans in their studios and explore beautiful galleries brimming with local, handcrafted traditional and contemporary art. The curated,

drivable trails meander from Murphy to Mount Airy, welcoming visitors to discover small-town gems along the way. The region also has plenty of outdoor activities, award-winning breweries and local fare to pair with your craft experience. For artist profiles, maps and suggested itineraries, visit www.BlueRidgeCraftTrails.com

Transylvania County



Goblins, witches, and vampires will celebrate with delight during Transylvania County's annual **Halloweenfest** on Saturday, October 29, in downtown Brevard. Exit at Milepost 411.8 along the Blue Ridge Parkway and wind your way down US 276 through Pisgah National Forest to find fun for the whole family. This year's lively street festival will feature a costume contest and parade, vendors, and more.

To get the most out of your visit, stop by the Visitor Center at 175 E. Main St. or check out our virtual Get Out Guide at www.explorebrevard.com/get-out-guide for listings of upcoming events and places to eat, drink, and stay.



Yancey County, NC

With more than 100 miles of public hiking trails and a charming artistic vibe, there's no place quite like Burnsville and Yancey County. Wander to our waterfalls, experience a night sky like never before at our observatory and planetarium, hike the Crest Trail to Mount Mitchell, or trek the Appalachian High Route. Relax at a local brewery or shop in our picturesque downtown, visit a local artist studio, and drive the Blue Ridge Parkway. There's something for everyone. Start planning your trip to Burnsville & Yancey County today at www.exploreburnsville.com



Burnsville, NC

A hiking paradise awaits in Burnsville, where Mount Mitchell stands as the tallest peak east of the Mississippi River and hikers enjoy 100 miles of trails. Several trails traverse Mount Mitchell and its sister peaks, which dominate the list of highest points in the East. Burnsville's hiking centerpiece is the Mount Mitchell Trail. It ascends to the 6,684-foot summit of Mount Mitchell and ends at the observation platform in Mount Mitchell State Park. Casual hikers enjoy less-strenuous routes, including a half-mile trail to Set Rock Creek Falls or the scenic 2.5-mile trail to Crabtree Falls off the Blue Ridge Parkway. www.ExploreBurnsville.com



Cradle of Forestry in America—Pisgah National Forest, NC—Milepost 411.8

Nestled in the heart of Pisgah National Forest lies 6,500 acres of living history. The Cradle is the birthplace of forestry and forestry education in America. Located 4 miles off the Parkway, you can explore historical buildings, climb aboard a Climax logging train, see the Pinchot wood slab exhibit from the 1893 World's Fair, stroll paved interpretive trails and browse the gift shop, filled with Pisgah-themed books, clothing and local crafts. Seasonally, the Cradle offers special events such as the Blue Ghost Firefly tour, The Legend of Tommy Hodges Outdoor Performance, and Forest Festival Day. Call 828-877-3130 or visit www.cradleofforestry.com

Biltmore - Asheville, NC

Experience the breathtaking beauty of Biltmore House—America's Largest Home®—surrounded by century-old gardens. Explore our 8,000-acre Blue Ridge Mountain backyard with miles of hiking and biking trails. Dine, shop, and taste award-winning wines at Antler Hill Village & Winery. Enhance your visit with overnight accommodations at our two distinctive hotels. Located on US 25, just north of the Blue Ridge Parkway and I-40. Contact

your local AAA office for a unique promo code and purchase value-priced tickets at www.biltmore.com/aaa.

