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seeing you there!*





Seven of the Greatest Hiking Trails on Earth Are Right Here in West Virginia

The Mountain State is a hiker's paradise. No matter what your skill level is, West Virginia has the perfect trail for you. Our incredible state is covered in hundreds of trails which are ideal for getting out and experiencing the incredible beauty that we're surrounded by. Many of these trails offer up unparalleled views that you simply can't find anywhere else in the world. We're pretty lucky to be surrounded by so much beauty here in West Virginia, so what are you waiting for? Check out one of these incomparable hiking trails for your next outdoor adventure!

SENECA ROCKS

Seneca Rocks is a well maintained 3.5 mile trail in the Spruce Knob-Seneca Rocks National Recreation Area. This moderate hike offers an incredible view of one of the most scenic attractions in all of West Virginia. The trail leads you to an observation platform where you'll have one of the most breathtaking views of the rock faces!

ENDLESS WALL

The Endless Wall trail is easily one of the most popular hikes in West Virginia for its absolutely heart-stopping views and incredible scenery. Located near Lansing, this 2.7 mile loop trail follows the cliff line along the New River Gorge. There are various overlooks along the trail so you can stop, take a breath, and enjoy the surroundings. This family friendly trail is simply a must-do in West Virginia.

BIG SCHLOSS

Located in the George Washington Forest, this moderate 4.4 mile hike offers expansive views of beautiful, lush green foliage. You'll begin the hike at the trailhead located at Wolf Gap Campground. The first part of the hike is notably the most difficult, but the trail evens out after the first mile or so. Once

you get past the first mile you'll arrive at the ridge line of Mill Mountain where you can soak up the incredible scenery!

COOPERS ROCK

Located near Morgantown, the Coopers Rock State Forest Loop is a 5-mile trail that is a true favorite among locals. This is a popular hiking spot for many, and it's easy to see why. The area is simply breathtaking. The trail even takes you through a unique rock garden, a secluded beach, and the ruins of an old furnace. The overlook at the end is simply incredible, so don't forget your camera!

KAYMOOR TRAIL

Kaymoor Trail is a short 1.6 mile trail. However, don't be fooled. This trail is recommended for experienced hikers who are up for a challenge. This trail is steep and leads you straight to a gorgeous waterfall. This beautiful hike even leads you to some incredible ruins from old historic mines. With its incredible views, this challenging hike is worth every single step.

BLACKWATER FALLS

The outstanding Blackwater Falls is a must-see waterfall in West Virginia. The Blackwater Falls trail is an easy hike that's less than one mile, making it perfect for hikers of all skill levels. The waterfall is clearly the main attraction. Seeing the five-stories tall falls plunging from the river is a downright awe-inspiring view.

HAWKS NEST

This 7-mile trail near Ansted is one of the most relaxing hikes in the Mountain State. This trail has it all. You'll be led to waterfalls, caves, historic mining artifacts, and an overlook with a view you'll never forget. Taking in the view, it looks like the green just goes on and on forever!



Check out some of the pictures that our BTB members submitted this past year. If you would like to be featured in our newsletter, on our website and on our social media pages, submit your pictures to tbartlett@beyondthebackyard.org.



Caleb Morton



Levi Shell



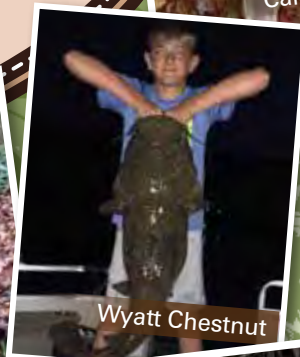
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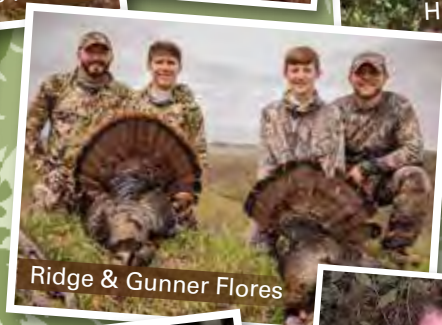
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West Virginia Gold Rush returns March 31 - April 4, 2020!

They turned the rivers gold during the first West Virginia Gold Rush. In 2020, Gold Rush will be back with more trout, more stocking locations and more chances for you to strike gold!

During this week of special stockings, the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources will release 50,000 golden rainbow trout at more than 61 lakes and streams around the state, including several state parks. DNR also is planning a big release for April 4, 2020. Gold Rush is a perfect opportunity to catch the treasured golden rainbow trout.

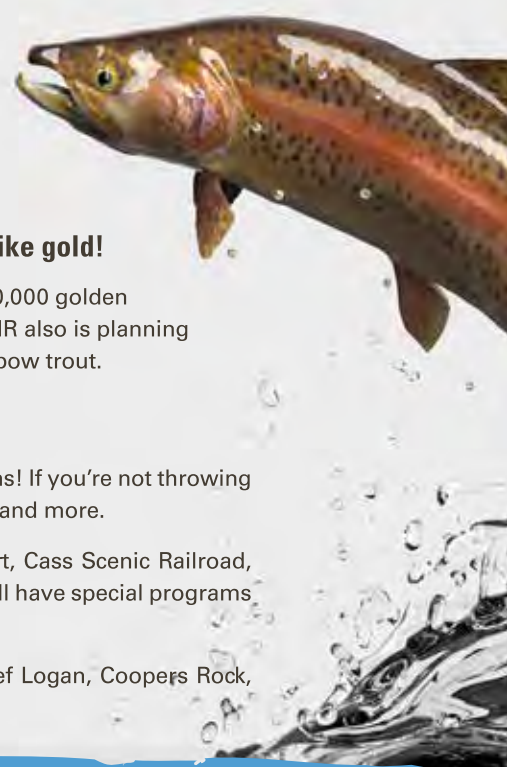
So, start planning your trip today!

Stay at a West Virginia State Park

Make a weekend out of this special event and stay at one of the many WV State Park stocking locations! If you're not throwing a line in the water enjoy many of the amenities our state parks have to offer including hiking, dining and more.

Saturday, April 4 State Park stocking locations include: Babcock, Blackwater Falls, Cacapon Resort, Cass Scenic Railroad, North Bend, Pipestem, Stonewall Resort and Watoga. Many offer overnight accommodations and will have special programs to make your trip even more exciting.

Other parks and forests receiving Gold Rush stockings during the week include Cedar Creek, Chief Logan, Coopers Rock, Little Beaver, Lost River, Seneca, Tomlinson Run and Tygart Lake.



Be sure to fan our Facebook page, where you can receive news and enter contests too!



Spring is just around the corner and we're feeling generous!

We want to give away a \$100 Cabela's gift card to three lucky winners that will be chosen at random on May 1st, 2020.

What do you have to do? It's simple. Go to our Facebook page or our Instagram page, and like and follow us. Then we want you to share us with your friends. Let them know how much you love BeyondThe Backyard and invite them to like us, too!



To share on Facebook:

- > Go to the BeyondThe Backyard page
- > Click on Community
- > Click on Invite Friends
- > Click Select All
- > Click Send Invites



To share on Instagram:

- > Go to the BeyondThe Backyard page
- > Click the three dots in the upper right hand corner
- > Click ShareThis Profile
- > Select your friends
- > Click Send

What are the benefits of being friends with us on social media? There are tons! But here's a few:

- Enter special contests and prize give-aways throughout the year
- Be the first to know about upcoming events
- See what other BTB members from around the state are up to. You can even be featured in our posts!
- Get tips and tricks from me, and a few of my buddies, to make your next trip outdoors a successful one.

Have a happy and safe Spring! And get to sharing our pages!

Word Find

Can you find them all?

Using the list below, find the words that are hidden in the jumble.



APRIL
BASEBALL
BIRD
BLOOM
BUTTERFLY
CATERPILLAR
CHICK
CLOUD
DAFFODIL
DIG
EARTH
EGG
FLOWER
FOG
GARDEN
GROW
HATCH
INSECT
KITE
LEAF
LILAC
MARCH
MAY
NEST
PICNIC

PLANT
PUDDLE
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RAINCOAT
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SHOWER
SOIL
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Clues may run forwards, backwards, diagonally, up or down.
Some may overlap or even be backwards!

