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Bath County Experiences

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WELCOME

Bath County has been welcoming visitors with exceptional hospitality for hundreds of years. The county is famous for its mineral springs and as the home of *The Omni Homestead Resort*. It's a captivating four-season destination that offers visitors outdoor recreation, breathtaking mountain beauty, charming villages and uplifting music and cultural experiences.

GETTING HERE

Bath County is located in the Allegheny Mountains west of the Shenandoah Valley. Its peaceful location is part of its allure, yet it is easy to reach. The journey to Bath County is a beautiful and worthwhile driving experience.

DRIVING DISTANCES

CITY	DISTANCE TO BATH COUNTY (in miles)
Baltimore, MD	256
Charlotte, NC	250
Charlottesville, VA	115
Lexington, VA	47
Raleigh, NC	218
Richmond, VA	184
Roanoke, VA	64
Washington, DC	210



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Hospitality is a way of life in Bath County.

Visitors have been making the journey to Bath County for centuries and they have always found a warm welcome. Many have traveled here to visit the healing waters of the county's mineral springs. Others came to stay at the famous Homestead Resort, which opened in 1766, a decade before the American Revolution.

Hundreds of years later, The Omni Homestead Resort and the mineral springs remain popular, but modern Bath County charms visitors with unspoiled natural beauty, outdoor adventure, wonderful dining and craft beverages, and an exceptionally vibrant arts community.





Welcoming presidents, royalty, celebrities and families for generations.



One thing visitors can always be assured of — a heartfelt spirit of welcoming and hospitality on display at many charming and unforgettable places to stay. Several award-winning Bed & Breakfast Inns offer unique experiences and creative package deals. Private rental homes and cabins offer a variety of options from rustic to elegant décor. Some have mountain or river views.



The historic *Omni Homestead Resort* sets on 2,300 acres in the heart of the Allegheny Mountains in Bath County. It's renowned for its natural healing springs, luxurious spa and two championship golf courses, but that's just the beginning of the resort's offerings. Skiing, snowboarding and skating are available during the winter months. Guided hikes, horseback riding, paddling and fishing excursions are popular with guests. A family-friendly water park, miniature golf course and more make *The Omni Homestead* a place that families return to year after year.



BED & BREAKFASTS

The Anderson Cottage

208 Old Germantown Road
Warm Springs, VA 24484
540-839-2975
stay@theandersoncottage.com
TheAndersonCottage.com
Proprietors: Alma & Matt Kawczynski



Formerly a 1790's tavern and a stagecoach inn and a girls' school, *The Anderson Cottage* has been a staple of Bath County for more than 230 years. Enjoy reading a book on the porch, telling stories around the firepit, and soaking in the famous warm springs (*the town's namesake*) running through the back of our property: the same soothing waters that flow through the famous *Jefferson Pools*. We offer three suites in the main house - each with an en suite bathroom and separate sitting room, and a stand-alone *Kitchen Cottage* with three bedrooms, two bathrooms, a full kitchen, and living room. All guest spaces include free WiFi, A/C or installed fan(s), electric heat, a mini-fridge, bathrobes, antique furnishings (*with modern comforts*), 24/7 coffee and tea, and a hot southern breakfast with local ingredients. We look forward to welcoming you as we carry on a family legacy of hosting travelers at *The Anderson Cottage* that has lasted for over 150 years!

Fort Lewis Lodge & Farm

811 Millstone Lane
Millboro, VA 24460
540-925-2314
info@fortlewislodge.com
FortLewisLodge.com
Proprietors: John, Caryl, David
& Erin Cowden



Fort Lewis Lodge & Farm is a country getaway set on a 3,365-acre estate in the mountains of Virginia. Our 23 distinctive accommodations offer a rare mix of unpretentious elegance and unique architecture where every room has a view. Three "in the round" silo bedrooms, four hand-hewn log cabins with stone fireplaces, two cottages, our lodge, and two private homes are perfect for a true country getaway. Evenings are highlighted by seasonal cuisine served in the historic *Lewis Grist Mill*, followed by a fire in our timber-framed pavilion. This is destination dining, where the emphasis falls firmly on the cuisine and the kitchen never ceases to impress. Outdoor activities abound with miles of hiking trails, biking, fly-fishing, canoeing, birding or simply relaxing by the pristine swimming hole. Family owned and operated for over 30 years, *Fort Lewis* is also a working farm, where fresh produce is grown on property, chickens and pigs are raised, and the pastureland is used for a grass-fed cattle herd. Dinner and breakfast are included with your stay.

Hidden Valley Bed & Breakfast

2241 Hidden Valley Road
Warm Springs, VA 24484
540-839-3178
info@hiddenvalleybb.com
HiddenValleyBB.com
Proprietors: Pam & Ron Stidham



Warwickton Mansion, a magnificent brick home built by James W. Warwick in 1851, is now home to the *Hidden Valley Bed & Breakfast*. *The George Washington National Forest* provides a peaceful and secluded location for the mansion, which is on the *National Register of Historic Places*, and is a *Virginia Historic Landmark*. Guests will enjoy mountain biking, hiking or birding on the local trails that ring the property. For fly-fishermen, the *Jackson River* is just a cast away! *Warwickton Mansion* offers three spacious bedrooms with private baths. Full breakfast is included in the rate. The mansion is furnished with beautiful period antiques. WiFi. Open seasonally.

The *Summer Kitchen*, built for the movie *Sommersby*, filmed on site in 1992, has two rental suites. The *Kitchen* sleeps four and is perfect for a small family or a group. Full kitchen, fire places, satellite TV, WiFi and pet friendly. Open year round. The *Quarters* sleeps four and is perfect for a small family or a group. Full kitchen, fire place, satellite TV and WiFi. Open year round.

The Inn at Gristmill Square

118 Old Germantown Road
Warm Springs, VA 24484
540-839-2231
stay@gristmillsquare.com
GristmillSquare.com
Proprietors: John & Kate Loeffler



Voted the #1 B&B Inn in the Shenandoah Valley by the readers of *Virginia Living Magazine*. *The Inn at Gristmill Square* is Bath County's premier boutique inn and restaurant located in the heart of the *George Washington National Forest*. Our 18 rooms and suites are comfortably appointed with a mix of beautifully selected antiques and modern furnishings. We offer the ideal accommodations for families, friends, small groups, business retreats, and intimate wedding parties. Each morning, guests of the inn experience a complimentary continental breakfast delivered to their room with a basket full of chef's goodies, freshly squeezed juice, and deliciously hot coffee to create the perfect beginning for a full day of enjoying of all that Bath County has to offer. Onsite amenities include an outdoor pool (*summer*), select rooms with fireplaces (*fall/winter*), gift shop, and an award-winning restaurant complete with a wine cellar, from which guests can select their wine. Located just across the street, guests can enjoy facials or massages at the neighboring *Warm Spirit Spa*.



Campgrounds: See page 10 for information on camping opportunities, including private campgrounds, national forest service camping and Douthat State Park.

BED & BREAKFASTS continued

Vine Cottage Inn

7402 Sam Snead Highway
Hot Springs, VA 24445
540-839-2422 or 800-410-9755
InnKeeper@vinecottageinn.com
VineCottageInn.com
Proprietors: Dave & Tammy Hahn



Located in the village of Hot Springs, *Vine Cottage Inn* possesses a simple elegance and charm that welcomes all guests. Built in 1900 as a private residence, the *Inn* has been accepting visitors, travelers and guests since 1905. With 8,500 square feet, all under one roof, guests can make themselves at home in the large living or dining rooms, the cozy library or relax on the expansive front porch. Each room has a distinct style and décor, air conditioning, robes, and private bathrooms. Amenities include complimentary non-alcoholic beverages, fresh baked cookies, WiFi throughout the property, and exemplary guest service. Situated only one block from the entrance to the *Omni Homestead Resort*, guests can benefit from many amenities offered at the resort while staying in an affordable, "like home" environment.

Gather at the breakfast table for a delightfully delicious three course breakfast and good conversation with friends and future friends from far and near.

The Inn at Warm Springs

12968 Sam Snead Highway
Warm Springs, VA 24484
540-839-5351
theinnatwarmsprings@gmail.com
theinnatwarmsprings.com
Proprietor: Jarek Mika



The Inn at Warm Springs has been a landmark in Bath County since it was built in 1843 — not as an Inn, but as the first *County Court House and Jail*. Amenities include private quarters each with private bath, satellite TV, free WiFi, and breakfast in the coffee shop. There are a variety of rooms from which to choose, but the most popular are those that have been transformed from jail cell to cozy sleeping rooms.

Our historic *Tavern* welcomes locals and travelers alike to enjoy hearty dinners. Our cuisine is inspired by our chef's European roots.

Our *Pub*, located in the former clerk's office, features a full menu and casual pub atmosphere. Join us in the *Pub* for a pre-dinner cocktail, to enjoy a few pints with your friends, or for a nightcap before a comfortable stay in one of our guest rooms.

We also offer massage services tailored to our guest needs, from deep tissue to hot sand stones.

MOTELS



RoseLoe Motel

10849 Sam Snead Highway
Hot Springs, VA 24445
540-839-5373 · roseloemotel@outlook.com
RoseLoeMotel.com

RESORTS

The Omni Homestead Resort

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Hot Springs, VA 24445
540-839-1766 or 800-838-1766
stay@omnihotels.com
OmniHotels.com/theHomestead



Garth Newel Music Center

403 Garth Newel Lane · Hot Springs, VA 24445 · 540-839-5018
office@GarthNewel.org · GarthNewel.org

We invite guests to complete their *Garth Newel Concert* experience by spending the night on our 114-acre mountain property. After an evening of exquisite music and a gourmet meal, it is but a short walk to our *Manor House*. The spacious and comfortable rooms are quaintly decorated and the original art on display gives you a glimpse into our creative past.

When not in use for concerts, individual rooms are not for rent. However, the 9 bedroom (*all ensuite*) *Manor House*, or the cozy 3 bed/1 bath *Giles Cottage* are available as stand-alone rentals through *Garth Newel Enterprises*. Both the *Manor House* and the *Giles Cottage* have a working kitchen for guest use and free wi-fi is available. It's a perfect getaway for a golfing weekend, girl's holiday, family reunion or intimate retreat. To complete your stay, separate catering packages are also available.



CABINS/COTTAGES/VACATION RENTALS

Acorn Cottage

9874 Jackson River Turnpike
Bacova, VA 24412 · 540-839-2589
acorn.seasonals@gmail.com

Alvey Cottage

11205 Sam Snead Highway
Hot Springs, VA 24445
804-282-8822 or 804-754-6445
alveycottage@aol.com

The Bend House

5718 River Road
Millboro, VA 24460
540-925-2314 · info@fortlewislodge.com
FortLewisLodge.com/rooms-rates/the-bend-house

Berriedale Farms

Nelson Hoy & Elizabeth (Lizzie) Biggs
10245 Cowpasture River Road
Williamsville, Virginia 24487
540-925-2308 · Berriedalefarms@gmail.com
BerriedaleFarms.com

Big Bend Farm

411 Big Bend Farm Road
Millboro, VA 24460
540-460-0393 · bigbendfarmva@gmail.com
BigBendFarm.com/cabin.htm

Big Lick Retreat

1400 Big Lick Road
Warm Springs, VA 24484
540-947-1862 · info@biglickretreat.com
BigLickRetreat.com

Clarkson & Wallace Vacation Rentals

Second Floor · 2814 Main Street
Hot Springs, VA 24445
540-839-2609
WarmSpringsCottages.com

Properties: Feather Ridge · Hillcrest
Katie's Ridge · Logged Off · McClintic Cottage
Meadow Lane Farm · Winding Ridge

Cordwood Cottage

11010 Sam Snead Highway
Hot Springs, VA 24445
239-877-3572 · judygattinger@gmail.com

Douthat State Park Cabins

14239 Douthat State Park Road
Millboro, VA 24460
540-862-8100/540-862-8117 ·
Reservations: 540-933-PARK
douthat@dcr.virginia.gov

Hemlock Cottage

9858 Jackson River Turnpike
Hot Springs, VA 24445
540-839-3533
pathaynes@bacovaproperties.com
BacovaProperties.com

Holly House

9832 Jackson River Turnpike (Rt. 687)
Bacova, VA 24412
540-839-3533, ext. 12
pathaynes@bacovaproperties.com
BacovaProperties.com/our-rentals/holly-house

Main Street Apartment

Upstairs on Main Street
Hot Springs, VA 24445
540-969-9692
HomeAway.com/vacation-rental/p3547267

Manse at Warm Springs

Warm Springs, VA 24484
540-798-1477 · Leighkelly71@gmail.com
airbnb.com/rooms/41590989

Mitchelltown Apartment (AirBnB)

Mitchelltown Complex
9292 Sam Snead Hwy, Apt. 1
Hot Springs, VA 24445
AirBnB.com/rooms/18890378

Mont Shenandoah

218 Mont Shenandoah Lane
Millboro, VA 24460
540-997-5994
Lodging@MontShenandoah.com
MontShenandoah.com
Properties: A-Loft · Cabell Cottage

Mountain Cabin Vacation Rental

354 Cassidy Lane
Warm Springs, VA 24484
540-290-3465 Call or text David with any
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Sycamore Bend Cabin & River Retreat

P.O. Box 206 · 5503 River Road
Millboro, VA 24460
540-414-4983
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SycamoreBendOnTheCowpasture.com

The Tannery

Old Germantown Road
Warm Springs, VA 24484
303-518-4630 · TheTannery29@hotmail.com
vrbo.com/310996ha

Tuck-Away Cabins

25146 Mountain Valley Road
Millboro, VA 24460
540-996-4111 or 540-996-4119
tuckaway@mgwnet.com

Turtle Brook Farm

2663 McGuffin Road
Warm Springs, VA 24484
540-839-6646 · turtlebrook1@tds.net
TurtlebrookFarm.com

Wilderness Ranch

Route 683 · Millboro, VA 24460
540-997-9225



NATURAL RETREATS

HOT SPRINGS

Extraordinary Experiences in all Four Seasons

Escape to the beauty of Bath County with a stay in one of Natural Retreats' stunning handpicked vacation homes. Located in the heart of Virginia's Allegheny Mountains, Hot Springs is a storybook world of forests, rivers, and natural pools centered around a charming mountain town. Pristine *Nature Conservancy* land, golf at the legendary *Omni Homestead Resort*, horseback riding and hiking trails abound. We are pleased to offer several pet-friendly homes, along with special pricing for conference stays and for military personnel. A trademark of the *Natural Retreats*' experience is our unrivaled personal concierge service. Our team considers no detail too small, and no dream too big, and adhere to high standards of cleanliness and quality control in all of our beautifully appointed homes.

877-805-7794 · Visit NaturalRetreats.com to search homes

Spas

Bath County became a popular destination in part because of the mineral-rich hot springs. Centuries later, the same natural springs continue to form the basis of exceptional spa experiences.



Stone Mountain Massage

Located in Hot Springs, *Stone Mountain Massage* is a family owned and operated, *Native American style Therapeutic Massage / Ultimate Reflexology Studio*, with a small, unique boutique selection of relaxation and hand crafted, artist created, Native American made gifts.

Hot Springs

StoneMountainMassage.com

Call 540-679-9639 for an appointment



Warm Spirit Spa

Enter a world of soothing sounds, comforting aromas and healing hands for a deeply relaxing experience. Located in the village of Warm Springs, the spa offers therapeutic massage, facials, skin care and ayurvedic body treatments by experienced therapists.

92 Old Germantown Road, Warm Springs

WarmSpiritSpa.com

Call 540-839-6600 for an appointment



The Spa at *The Omni Homestead Resort*

The Spa offers signature treatments, massages, skin care and body therapies. The adults-only *Serenity Garden* features the natural hot springs, river reflexology walk, poolside cabanas and Finnish-style sauna.


7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs

TheHomestead.com/Spa

Call 540-839-1766 for an appointment



An Unspoiled MOUNTAIN PARADISE.




There is plenty of room for outdoor adventure in Bath County. More than half the county is national forest land. In addition, the county is home to Douthat State Park, Lake Moomaw, The Nature Conservancy's Warm Springs Preserve and Dominion Back Creek. The abundance of protected lands and our remote location away from interstate highways and urban sprawl, makes Bath County an outdoor recreation paradise with exceptional bird and wildlife viewing, hiking, biking, paddling and world-class fishing.



Fish Stories

Bath County is home to some of the finest fishing in Virginia. Anglers catch large and small mouth bass, bluegill, crappies, catfish, as well as brown, brook and rainbow trout. Many of the county's lakes, rivers and streams are stocked. *Lake Moomaw* and *Douthat Lake* are popular with anglers.



In recent years, Bath County has become a favorite destination for fly fishing. The *Jackson* and *Cowpasture Rivers*, as well as smaller streams and tributaries, lure enthusiasts from all around the country.

Note: *Public access points on the Jackson and Cowpasture Rivers are described on the following pages. Landowner permission is required to fish on private property.*



THE OPEN ROAD

The beauty of Bath County and the surrounding region can be appreciated on a breathtaking scenic drive. Motorcyclists enjoy the peaceful, winding roads. Automobile enthusiasts love to explore the traffic-free back roads, stopping along the way for photo opportunities or to check out the towns and villages.



Get a free *Motorcycle Rides & Scenic Drives* brochure or download routes and maps at visitbathva.com





Fishing



Camping



Biking



Birding



Hiking



CAMPING

Blowing Springs

Route 39 · 7698 Mountain Valley Road, Warm Springs · From Warm Springs, take SR 39 west for 9 miles to the campground. Reservations: 877-444-6777

Information: 540-279-4186

Operated by Royal Elk Park Management

Bolar Mountain Recreation Area and Lake Moomaw

Route 600 · 756 Twin Ridge Drive, Warm Springs · Reservations: 877-444-6777
Information: 540-279-4186

Operated by Royal Elk Park Management

Dominion Back Creek Recreation Area

Route 600 · 316 Power Station Drive, Warm Springs · 540-279-4136

Douthat State Park

14239 Douthat State Park Road, Millboro 540-862-8100/540-862-8117 ·

Reservations: 540-933-PARK

douthat@dcr.virginia.gov

Greenwood Point Campground

Lake Moomaw · Twin Ridge Drive, Warm Springs 800-342-2267

Operated by Royal Elk Park Management

Hidden Valley Recreation Area

1531 Hidden Valley Road, Warm Springs
Contact the Warm Springs Ranger District:
540-839-2521

Operated by the US Forest Service

Peaceful River Campground

42 Peaceful River Road, Millboro 540-996-4256



CANOEING / KAYAKING / BOATING

Allegheny Outdoors

1903 Dressler Dr. · Covington, VA 24426
540-969-1800 · alleghenyoutdoors@gmail.com
AlleghenyOutdoors.com

Canoe, kayak, tubing outfitter and shuttle service on Jackson River below Gathright Dam on Lake Moomaw

Dominion Back Creek Recreation Area

Douthat State Park

The Marina at Lake Moomaw



CYCLING / BIKING

Beard's Mountain

The *Beard's Mountain Trail* offers nice views of the *Cowpasture River Valley* and opportunities for viewing the many species of wildlife at home in the *Allegheny Mountains*. The 7-mile trail starts by crossing a swinging bridge across the *Cowpasture River*. It winds up *Beard's Mountain* and follows the top of the mountain, where you can access *Douthat State Park* or SR 629. From *Warm Springs*, take SR 39 east about 12 miles to *Millboro Springs*. Take SR 42 south 6 miles to SR 626. Turn right on SR 626. It becomes *FDR 260* after about .2 miles. Follow *FDR 260* about 2 miles to where it ends at a small parking area. The trail begins there.

Douthat State Park

Offers over 40 miles of trails

Hidden Valley Recreation Area

Operated by the US Forest Service

Jackson River Scenic Trail

JacksonRiverTrail.com

A 14.4 mile multi-use trail built on an old railroad bed running parallel to the *Jackson River*. The trail is located in neighboring *Alleghany County* with a proposed future expansion into *Bath County*.

Alleghany Outdoors

1903 Dressler Dr. · Covington, VA 24426
540-969-1800 · alleghanyoutdoors@gmail.com

AlleghanyOutdoors.com

Bike rental and shuttle service on the *Jackson River Scenic Trail*

Visit BiketetheValley.com for additional bike trails.



FISHING

Fishing is permitted on all *National Forest* properties. There are numerous access spots on both the *Cowpasture River* and *The Jackson River*. Please be aware of private property and respect property owner rights.

Blowing Springs

Back Creek, a stocked trout stream, flows adjacent to the *Blowing Springs Campground* and offers very good trout fishing.

Bolar Mountain Recreation Area and Lake Moomaw

Lake Moomaw is renowned for its excellent fishing, yielding citation size brown and rainbow trout.

Dominion Back Creek Recreation Area

Fishing is permitted in the stream, upper pond and lower half of the lower pond.

Douthat State Park

Douthat Lake and *Wilson Creek* are stocked regularly with trout on a seasonal basis.

Hidden Valley Recreation Area

Fishing on the *Jackson River* is a special regulation area requiring an additional stamp. Please obey posted limits.

Jackson River

The *Jackson River* offers a very diverse trout fishing opportunity.

North of *Lake Moomaw*, the *Hidden Valley* and *Poor Farm* stretches of the river offer excellent fishing for stocked trout. Very popular with the fly fishermen is the 3 mile stretch between *Poor Farm* and *Muddy Run*.

Lake Moomaw Marina, LLC

Walton Tract

Access off Route 42 · Millboro

The lower *Cowpasture River* features a warm water fishery. Here is an opportunity to hook a musky, as well as perch and bass. The river flows through the *Walton Tract*, where a canoe can be used to fish or just enjoy the scenery.

FISHING GUIDES

Allegheny Outfitters

The Omni Homestead Resort
7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7760

Bull Mountain Guide Service

540-560-0531 · bullmtnguides@gmail.com
Fly fishing guide service, ranging from first timers to seasoned anglers fishing both private waters, as well as public rivers and streams.

Green Valley Hunter's Paradise

6760 Deerfield Road, Millboro
540-996-4134 or 540-969-6561
huntersparadise@tds.net
GreenValleyHuntersParadiseVa.webs.com
2 ½ miles of streams and stocked ponds with Rainbow Trout, Browns, Brookies, Golden Trout and Perch.

Wesley Hodges Fly Fishing

910-578-5424 · wesleyhodgesflyfishing.com
Offering full day floats and wading trips depending on the time of year and river conditions.



Paddling



Picnicking



Horseback Riding



Swimming



Hunting



HUNTING & FISHING LICENSES

Licenses can be purchased online at:
dgif.virginia.gov/licenses

Bath County Clerk's Office

65 Courthouse Hill Rd, Room 123, Warm Springs
540-839-7226

hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm

Lake Moomaw Store & Marina

7368 Bolars Draft Road, Warm Springs
540-279-4186

Operated by Royal Elk Park Management

Douthat State Park

14239 Douthat State Park Rd, Millboro
540-862-8100

Mountain Grove General Store

4549 Mountain Valley Rd., Warm Springs
540-279-4151

GEOCACHING

Visit geocaching.com to find caches in
Bath County.



HIKING

Bath County offers hiking opportunities for all ages and experience levels. Over 160 miles of public trails are located in the *George Washington National Forest*, *Douthat State Park*, and *The Nature Conservancy's Warm Springs Mountain Preserve*. Guests of area lodging facilities, such as *The Omni Homestead Resort*, *Hidden Valley Bed & Breakfast*, *Natural Retreats*, and *Fort Lewis Lodge*, also enjoy access to miles of privately-owned trails. A small sample of trails and routes are listed here. Visit visitbathva.com/what-to-do/outdoor-recreation/ for more descriptions and downloadable maps.

George Washington National Forest

Over 120 miles of trails offer some of the most scenic and wild hiking experiences in Virginia, including access to a diversity of other recreational amenities and two wilderness areas. Contact the *Warm Springs Ranger District* office at 540-839-2521 for more information.

Hidden Valley Recreational Area

Residing in a scenic valley along 6.5 miles of the *Jackson River*, *Hidden Valley Dispersed Recreation Area* offers 24 miles of hiking, biking, and equestrian trails, a 31-site campground, picnic area, exceptional trout fishing, including a 3-mile special regulation section.

Hidden Valley Nature Watch Trail

Accessed from the parking area near *Warwickton*, this easy, family-friendly, 1.4-mile grassy trail follows the *Hidden Valley Trail* along the *Jackson River* before looping through the adjacent meadows and returning to the main road. Numerous wildflower, wildlife and bird watching opportunities exist along the trail, and interpretive signs and benches provide an educational and relaxing way to enjoy the scenic mountain views.

Cobbler Mountain / Muddy Run / Jackson River Gorge Trails

Begin this 5.1-mile moderate circuit at the *Cobbler Mountain Trail* parking area, located at the shale pit near the southern entrance to the *Recreation Area*. Follow the blue-blazed, single-track trail up a short climb to the ridge of *Cobbler Mountain*, then ascend to a wooden bridge crossing *Chimney Run* at 0.7 miles. Continue for 1.3 miles as the trail winds along the bottom of *Cobbler Mountain*, passes through a small field with views of *Warwickton* and then along a wetland area before descending to the intersection of the blue blazed *Muddy Run Trail*. Turn left on the *Muddy Run Trail* and after 0.1 miles, cross a small wooded footbridge over *Muddy Run*. After another 0.2 miles, cross the *Jackson River* on the large suspension bridge and then turn left on the *Jackson River Gorge Trail* as it follows *Jackson River* downstream towards *Warwickton*. After 1.8 miles, turn left at the mansion onto the gravel road that crosses a low water bridge over the river and continues back towards the *Recreation Area* entrance. Continue to follow *Hidden Valley Road* for 1.0 miles, past the campground entrance, and arrive back at the *Cobbler Mountain Trail* parking area.

Bolar Mountain Recreation Area

Located along the shores of 2,530-acre *Lake Moomaw*, one of the largest lakes in Virginia, *Bolar Mountain Recreation Area* offers 11 miles of hiking only trails, along with numerous recreational amenities.

Bolar Loop Trail

Starting across the road from the beach area parking lot, walk around the wooden gate and follow a dirt road for a short distance to access the trailhead. This 2.1 mile moderate loop is a central connector to several other trails on *Bolar Mountain* and a variety of routes of different lengths are possible.

Greenwood Point Trail

From the trailhead near the first camp site (#63) of *Bolar Mountain Campsite 3*, travel this 3.29-mile (one-way) blue-blazed trail to the 5-site *Greenwood Point* primitive campground for either an overnight backpacking experience or for a scenic day hike. After 0.2 miles, the trail will make a switchback through the first of several ravines. After crossing a small creek and crossing over a spur ridge, the trail descends again through another ravine before the steepest climb of 0.2 miles to the trail's high point, and a beautiful vista of *Lake Moomaw*. From there, the trail descends for 0.4 miles crossing a stream over a wooden footbridge, then steeply ascends a spur ridge for 0.2 miles. The remaining 1.4 miles to the campground is generally an easy, flat hike through forested terrain.

Allegheny Highlands Multi-User Trail System

Located primarily along the eastern slope of *Warm Springs Mountain* and adjacent ridges, the *Allegheny Highlands Trail System* is a 63.3 mile system of hiking, mountain biking, and equestrian trails connecting *Douthat State Park* and *George Washington National Forest* lands in *Bath* and *Alleghany* counties. This trail system offers some of the more remote and under utilized trails in the area. Numerous access points, trail lengths, and routes are possible.

Lasso Loop

From the horse trailer parking area located on *Sandy Springs Road (Forest Road 125)* north of *Douthat State Park*, start this approximately 8-mile loop on the *Brushy Ridge Trail*. Follow this trail along an old logging road for 2.5 miles and turn right onto the *Salt Pond Ridge Trail*. *Salt Pond Ridge Trail* descends to *Lime Kiln Road (Forest Road 194)* in about 1.2 miles, Turn right and follow *Lime Kiln Road*, a lightly travelled *Forest Service* dirt/gravel road for 1.7 miles and then turn right on gated *Forest Road 1901*. Follow the 1901 road back to the intersection with *Brushy Ridge Trail* and turn left to descend the trail back towards the parking area.



HIKING *continued*

Douthat State Park

Douthat State Park is one of the first state parks in Virginia and offers over 43 miles of hiking, biking, and equestrian trails. Numerous trail routes of different lengths and difficulties are possible, many of which offer outstanding views of *Douthat Lake* and the surrounding *Allegheny Mountains*.

Blue Suck Falls Trail

This 3-mile (round-trip to falls or one-way to the *Tuscarora Trail*) moderate to difficult trail starts from the *Discovery Center* parking area in the *Camp Carson Picnic Area*. After about 1.5 miles, the blue-blazed, rocky trail reaches *Blue Suck Falls*, a series of small cascades which gets their unusual name from the Appalachian term for a whirlpool or a 'suck', which may be found at the base of the falls.

Beards Gap Hollow / Locust Gap / Laurel View / Herons Run / Tobacco Ridge Trails

For this approximately 4-mile route, walk across the park road from the *Visitor Center* and cross *Wilson Creek* on a paved road leading towards the *White Oak Campground*. Shortly past the bridge, turn left onto the white-blazed *Beards Gap Hollow Trail* and ascend approximately 1 mile up the hollow and through short series of switchbacks to the top of a small spur ridge. Turn right on the yellow-blazed *Locust Gap Trail* and follow it along the ridge and through a dry pine-oak heath forest. After 0.5 miles, turn right on the blue-blazed *Blue Suck Trail* and then in another 0.25 turn left on the white-blazed *Laurel View Trail*. Follow this trail along a mid-elevation contour on the mountain for 1.5 miles and turn right on the orange-blazed *Middle Hollow Trail*. In another 0.5 miles, turn right on the blue-blazed *Heron Run Trail* and travel along the shore line of *Douthat Lake*. After 0.7 miles, turn right again on *Blue Suck Trail* and then in several hundred yards, turn left on the yellow-blazed *Tobacco Ridge Trail*. After 0.5 miles, this trail reaches an overlook of *Douthat Lake* and then continues another 0.3 miles to the *White Oak Campground* and the trailhead at *Wilson Creek*.



Warm Springs Mountain Preserve

In 2002, *The Nature Conservancy* protected more than 9,000 acres on and around *Warm Springs Mountain*, forming its single largest preserve in Virginia. This keystone tract protects water quality for the valleys below and stitches together more than 300,000 acres of surrounding public lands. Contact the *Conservancy's Warm Springs* office at 540-839-3599 for more information.

Ingalls Overlook Trail

This 1.2-mile trail (2.4 miles round-trip) begins at the *Dan Ingalls Overlook* on *State Route 39*. Interpretive signs along the first mile provide an excellent introduction to *Warm Springs Mountain* and the region's natural history.

Bear Loop Trail

Located adjacent to *Ingalls Field* airport at the end of *State Route 703*, this wide, relatively flat 3-mile loop trail offers 60-mile vistas across the *Allegheny Plateau of West Virginia* and towards the *Blue Ridge Mountains*.

Sandy Gap Trail

This 3.2-mile trail (one-way trip) travels through the *George Washington National Forest*, and connects to the *Douthat State Park* trail system. The trail can be accessed directly from *State Route 703* or from *Sandy Springs Road (Forest Road 125)*.



HORSEBACK RIDING

Douthat State Park

There are 6 miles of trail in the park available for equestrian use on the *Alleghany Highlands Multiuse, Equestrian State Trail*. Equestrian campground and stables.

Hidden Valley Recreation Area

Horse trailer parking. Day use only. There are no overnight horse facilities available.

Let's Ride Horses

1106 Jackson River Turnpike, Hot Springs
304-668-4980

letsridehorses.org

We offer guided trail rides in Hot Springs and Montebello. View the beautiful scenery on horseback. All of our rides are private, meaning your group and outing guide only.

Turtle Brook Farm

2663 McGuffin Road, Warm Springs
540-839-6646 · turtlebrook1@tds.net
TurtleBrookFarm.com

Turtle Brook Farm offers equine opportunities to their guests. If visitors are traveling with their horses, overnight equine accommodations are available on the farm with easy trail access. There is a network of lovely farm trails with more extensive trails in nearby *Hidden Valley Recreation Area*. Riding lessons and equestrian introductions are generally available.

Each of the two cabins can comfortably accommodate a family of four or two couples. Each has a fully equipped kitchen, grilling facilities, attractive living areas and porches and decks to take in wonderful views.

Vineyard Farm

63 Vineyard Farm Rd, Millboro
540-969-9054

Vineyard Farm is a 44-acre English riding facility specializing in the *Hunter Jumper* discipline, owned and operated by *Kelsey Shrader*. *Vineyard Farm* offers riding lessons, horse training, boarding, sales, and horse showing opportunities. *Vineyard Farm* is complete with a 17-stall barn with lights, tack and feed rooms, and a wash stall and 4 expansive fields with run-in sheds for turn-out. The facility has a large outdoor, fenced riding ring with jumps, as well as a large grass ring with jumps. All ages and skill levels from beginner to advanced, adult amateurs, and professionals are welcome.



HUNTING

Bolar Mountain Recreation Area and Lake Moomaw

Hunting is permitted in the lake area with the following considerations. The discharging or uncasing of firearms is permitted only during an open game season and is not allowed around developed recreation areas. Hunting is not permitted between the road and the lake. A *National Forest* stamp is required for hunting at *Lake Moomaw*. Obtain a copy of the current Virginia hunting regulations for additional info.

Douthat State Park

Hunters may register to participate in both a muzzleloader hunt held November 12-15, and a rifle hunt held November 26-29.



OUTFITTERS

Allegheny Outfitters

The *Omni Homestead Resort* offers a variety of incredible outdoor adventures such as fly fishing, hikes, Segway tours, equestrian activities, and shooting sports.

- Two championship golf courses – the *Cascades Course* and the *Old Course*
- 18-hole *Mini Cascades* miniature golf course
- Two-acre *Allegheny Springs* water attraction with two 100-foot water slides and 400-ft lazy river, water play zone, year-round family pool and whirlpool; Indoor swimming pool
- Five-stand, skeet, trap and sporting clays at the renowned *Shooting Club*; archery; paintball
- Horseback riding through the resort's expansive *Equestrian Center*
- Mountain biking; *Cascades Gorge* hike
- Canoeing; kayaking; Orvis-endorsed fly fishing
- Skiing, snowboarding, mini snowmobiles and tubing with instruction available; ice skating
- Four clay tennis courts
- Falconry
- Lawn games – volleyball, badminton
- Zip lining tours

For more information, visit *Allegheny Outfitters* located within the hotel behind the concierge desk in the *Tower* shops, or call 540-839-7760.

Bull Mountain Guide Service

540-560-0531 • bullmtnguides@gmail.com
Fly fishing guide service in Bath County, ranging from first timers to seasoned anglers fishing both private waters, as well as public rivers and streams.

Douthat State Park

Interpretive Programs • *Route 629*
14239 Douthat State Park Road, Millboro
540-862-8100

Green Valley Hunter's Paradise

6760 Deerfield Road, Millboro
540-996-4134 or 540-969-6561
huntersparadise@tds.net
GreenValleyHuntersParadise.com
Green Valley Hunter's Paradise is a 2500 acre private game preserve offering prime habitat for a variety of indigenous animals including white tail deer, turkey, black bear, and upland birds. We offer a variety of hunting and fishing excursions on our private preserve and also offer trips to *Lake Moomaw* and the lower *Jackson River*. Renowned for bird

hunting, we offer pheasant, quail, chukar, grouse and turkey hunts. We have 2 ½ miles of spring fed streams and stocked ponds where you will find Rainbow Trout, Browns, Brookies, Golden Trout and Perch. In addition to hunting excursions, we offer sporting clay and skeet courses featuring LaPort system launchers. We have 50 miles of trails for hiking, biking, and ATV trail touring

Killer Outfitting

204 Hickory Drive, Millboro
540-460-4927 • KillerOutfitting.weebly.com
If you are looking for an adrenaline filled, exciting, hunt of a lifetime, look no further. We offer full package hunts for bear with hounds, spring gobbler hunts, as well as professional taxidermy services.



PICNIC AREAS

Bolar Mountain Recreation Area and Lake Moomaw

540-279-4144 • Call 540-279-4186 for pricing and availability to reserve a picnic shelter.

Dominion Back Creek Recreation Area

540-279-4136

Douthat State Park

540-862-8100/540-862-8117
Reservations: 540-933-PARK
douthat@dcr.virginia.gov

Valley Elementary Picnic Shelter

65 Panther Drive, Hot Springs • 540-839-7211
Please call for pricing and availability to reserve the shelter.

SHOOTING RANGE

Bath County Shooting Range

1686 Dry Run Road, Millboro • 540-839-2521

SKATEBOARD PARK

65 Panther Drive, Hot Springs • 540-839-7211



SWIMMING

Dominion Back Creek Recreation Area

Douthat State Park
Lake Moomaw

Douthat State Park

14239 Douthat State Park Road, Millboro
540-862-8100/540-862-8117
Reservations: 540-933-PARK
dcr.virginia.gov/state-parks/douthat

One of the original facilities going back to the founding of *Virginia State Parks*, *Douthat* remains one of the most popular in the Commonwealth. The park is located mostly in *Bath County*, but a portion is in neighboring *Alleghany County*.

Douthat State Park has a 50-acre lake with a sandy beach. There is a seasonal restaurant, along with rental cabins, tent and camper sites, equestrian camping, 43 miles of hiking and biking trails and much more.



Dominion Back Creek Recreation Area

Route 600 • 316 Power Station Drive, Warm Springs
540-279-4136

Dominion Power created a 325-acre public recreation spot just downstream from a power generating station. The site contains two lakes open on a seasonal basis. The area is located about 10 miles west of the *Village of Warm Springs*.



Hidden Valley Recreation Area

fs.usda.gov/recarea/gwj/recarea/?recid=73743

With vast fields of wildflowers that attract countless butterflies, birds, and other wildlife, the *Hidden Valley Recreation Area* is appropriately named due to its secluded and hidden feeling. Drawing visitors for hundreds of years, the valley is a historic location with an antebellum era mansion. Stocked with trout, the *Jackson River* flows through the valley, and movie buffs will recognize the area as the setting for the movie *Somersby*.



GUIDE TO OUTDOOR RECREATION

DARK SKIES

“It was as if a veil had been lifted, and I could see clearly for the first time when I saw the night skies of Bath County. The detail, the scope, the clarity and immediacy of the firmament were awe inspiring.”

— Dorothy McGhee, Washington DC

There is nothing more romantic or awe inspiring than to look up into the starlit sky and see the *Big Dipper* or the milk white disc of a full moon. No matter where you wander in the world, this is a common experience. After all, we all see the sky every day and every night. But, if you are lucky enough to spend the night with us in *Bath County*, you will see the night sky in a whole different way. Why? Because, *Bath County* is one of the best places for stargazing in the eastern United States.

A truly dark and star filled sky has become a rarity in some places. Today's suburban landscapes are filled with lights, which filter out the stars and create a haze that masks the night skies in a blur of light. But in *Bath County*, we have little outdoor lighting and no stop lights so on a clear night, you will see literally thousands of stars, not to mention the *Big Dipper*, *Milky Way* and the occasional shooting star. And, you don't have to go anywhere special to become a star gazer in *Bath County*. Just step outside your room, your cabin or your tent and look up.

Lake Moomaw

Route 600 · 756 Twin Ridge Drive,
Warm Springs · Information: 800-342-2267
Operated by Royal Elk Park Management

Lake Moomaw was created in the early 1980s with the completion of the *Gathright Dam* on the *Jackson River*. Surrounded by mountains, the lake features 43 miles of undeveloped shoreline. Because of the depth of the lake, it is well-known for its excellent fishing for a variety of species.

Bolar Mountain Recreation Area is located at the northern end of the lake in the *George Washington National Forest*. A campground, picnic area, swimming area and more are available at *Bolar Mountain*.

Morris Hill Campground, located on the southeast side of the lake, offers tent and RV camping. *Greenwood Point Campground* features primitive campsites. *Coles Point* is a day use area with boat ramps, fishing docks, a swimming beach and shelters.

Reservations for all facilities can be made at Recreation.gov



Cowpasture River

The *Cowpasture River* flows through *Highland*, *Bath* and *Alleghany* counties before merging with the *Jackson River* to form the headwaters of the *James River*, just south of *Iron Gate*. There are several public access points. The *Cowpasture River Preservation Association* provides an essay that lists public access points – go to CowpastureRiver.org.

Coursey Springs Fish Hatchery is open to the public 8:00 am to 3:30 pm for tours. *Spring Run*, adjacent to and just south of the fish hatchery, offers public access for fishing and ample parking.

The *Walton Tract*, further south from *Millboro*, VA, is located off *Route 42*. Appropriate for canoes and kayaks. Approximately two miles of river are accessible for fishing or floating. Also, hiking trails offer nice views of the river and great opportunities for bird and wildlife viewing.

Please respect private property at all times along both the *Cowpasture* and *Jackson Rivers* in *Bath County*.



Jackson River

The *Jackson River* rises in *Highland County* and flows south through *Bath County*. Just south of the county's border with *Alleghany County*, *Gathright Dam* forms beautiful *Lake Moomaw*, which straddles both counties. Prior to reaching the impoundment, the *Jackson River* flows through the *George Washington National Forest* and *Hidden Valley Recreation Area*. The river is widely known for its excellent fishing including smallmouth bass, rock bass, rainbow trout, brown trout and more. South of the dam, in neighboring *Alleghany County*, is 18 navigable miles of river as well as the *Jackson River Scenic Trail*, which parallels the river and offers excellent views while walking, running or biking.

Please respect private property at all times along both the *Cowpasture* and *Jackson Rivers* in *Bath County*.



Fort Lewis Lodge & Farm

Fort Lewis is set on 3,300 acres in *Millboro* and includes 3-miles of private *Cowpasture River* frontage. The property has extensive hiking and biking trails, a swimming hole, and excellent fishing. The outdoor recreation amenities are available to guests of the lodge.



CHEERS

TO BATH COUNTY.

The perfect accompaniment to Bath County's burgeoning food scene is a growing beverage community. The county is home to a winery, cidery and craft brewery. All three locally-owned businesses have a few things in common. They are all committed to making exceptionally high-quality products using local ingredients where possible. In addition, they all offer a warm and friendly experience to visitors. Raise a glass at all three and enjoy Bath County beer, wine and cider.



Bacova Beer

2814 Main Street · Hot Springs

BacovaBeer.com

Phone : 540-839-2217

Bacova Beer Company is a small, family-run brewery located on Main Street in Hot Springs. *Bacova Beer Company* focuses on brewing traditional beers served in a laid-back, unpretentious atmosphere. The mission of the brewery is, "Brewing Truth, Not Trends", which speaks to their commitment to brewing classic beer styles. Many people think that this craft beer craze is trendy and that it won't last. Truth is that brewing these traditional styles of beer have been around since before recorded history...nothing trendy about that! *Bacova Beer Company* is a gathering place for locals and visitors alike. The taproom's comfortable and welcoming environment gives people a sense of belonging and provides connection between their beer and the drinker.

Bacova Beer has added a kitchen to enhance the customer experience. Wood-Fired Sandwiches and Flatbreads are the stars of the show, with classic pub fare, like Chicken Wings and Soft Pretzels rounding out the menu.



Rock Roadhouse Winery

2840 Main Street · Hot Springs

RockRoadhouseWinery.com

RockRoadhouseWinery@gmail.com

Phone : 757-876-4009

"Rediscover the beauty of simple pleasures – nature, wine, and good company. All at *Rock Roadhouse Winery*."

Rock Roadhouse Winery is a small, family-owned winery nestled in a beautiful mountain valley in the Alleghany Mountains of Virginia. The winery was established to bring together the valued treasures of family, friends, history, nature and wine. *Rock Roadhouse Winery* is housed in a recycled *Civilian Conservation Corps* rock building that was built during the Great Depression. We pride ourselves on being a small operation, with a commitment to producing the highest quality wine. A small operation means less machinery with more human touch. Rather than using pumps, like big operations (which introduces air into the wines and decreases the quality and taste), we use gravity feed to better preserve fragrance and flavor. We believe in organic farming and conventional wine making and do not alter what the soil has made.



Troddenvale at Oakley Farm

170 Oakley Farm Lane · Warm Springs

Troddenvale.com

info@troddenvale.com

Troddenvale at Oakley Farm produces transparency-driven cider of origin with limited to no alterations. Troddenvale believes complex cider with aromatics and body can be achieved by showcasing the land and fruit from Virginia. Founded in 1834, Oakley is one of the original farms of the Warm Springs Valley. Orchards have existed on the farm throughout its nearly 200 year history. As the last remaining trees fade, 4 acres of new plantings have been dedicated to fuel the cider production. With 2,000 apple trees of 20 different varieties, Troddenvale is focused on finding out what makes sense for this distinctive, high-elevation growing climate.

Troddenvale hosts guests at *Oakley Farm* in the *North Stable*, a historic stable built in the 1920s and recently renovated for tastings & private events. Book your visit through an immersive *Tour & Tasting* experience, or find out about upcoming events and tasting opportunities by visiting their website: troddenvale.com.



Bath County is developing a reputation as a foodie destination.

The dining options around the county include everything from pizza, sandwiches and down-home country cooking all the way to exceptional fine dining, farm-to-table options and creative international cuisine.

CASUAL

The Coffee House at the Inn

12968 Sam Snead Highway, Warm Springs
540-839-5351 · TheInnAtWarmSprings.com

Enjoy fresh brewed coffee, espresso, home made pastries and a casual lunch all with a scenic Mountain View. Located at the historic Inn at Warm Springs.

Country Café

6156 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-2111

Serving breakfast, lunch and dinner. Enjoy good, freshly prepared country fare, like grits and fried chicken, as well as a freshly stocked salad bar with homemade dressings, steak, shrimp or a great burger. Try the decadent homemade pies for an experience you won't soon forget.

Douthat Park Lakeview Restaurant

Rt. 629 · 14239 Douthat State Park Rd, Millboro · 540-862-8111

The Restaurant's gorgeous scenic overlook complements the decadent dining, where pheasant and trout are available on the menu. From Memorial Day through Labor Day, the restaurant is open Wednesday through Friday from 11am to 8pm and from 7am to 8 pm on Saturday and Sunday. From the first Saturday in April through Memorial Day and again from Labor Day through Oct. 31, the restaurant is open only on weekends; on Friday from 4pm to 8pm, and on Saturday and Sunday from 7am to 8pm.

Garden Room & Café

12 Katydid Trail, Warm Springs
540-839-2985

Upstairs at the Warm Springs Gallery is the Garden Room and Café, a combo shop-café offering a beautiful array of handmade décor, gifts, stationery, books, and artisanal foods. The informal café serves sweet bakery pick-me-ups plus savory lunch options. Open April through October.

Lindsay's Roost Bar & Grill

Off Main Street next to BB&T
15 Sunset Hill, Hot Springs · 540-839-2142

Lindsay's Roost Bar & Grill is a local favorite stocked with good food, friendly faces and great service. Enjoy hot coffee, breakfast, lunch, dinner and delicious dessert.

Milk House Market at The Old Dairy

Route 220 · 46 Old Dairy Road, Warm Springs
540-839-MILK (6455)

Come in and enjoy homemade gourmet sandwiches, salads and soups. We have a fine selection of wines and beer, along with local maple syrup and Homestead Creamery ice cream. Take-out only with outdoor tables available.

Rubino's at The Cascades Golf Course

3789 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7997

Rubino's at The Cascades is a casual dining outlet featuring beautiful views of The Cascades golf course. Open seasonally, Rubino's offers breakfast sandwiches and smoothies as well as salads, sandwiches and more for lunch along with full bar service.

Sam Snead Tavern

2849 Main Street, Hot Springs
540-839-GOLF · SamSneadTavern.com

A tavern and restaurant celebrating the legacy of Bath County native Sam Snead has been a staple in Hot Springs for half a century. In the spring of 2022, Sam Snead Tavern re-opened under new local ownership and returned to the original tavern menu and concept. It's a welcoming place to enjoy a drinks and appetizers after a round of golf or a made-from-scratch meal.

The modern tavern menu was created by Executive Chef James Montoya, whose culinary career includes working in New Orleans, the Caribbean and alongside extraordinary chefs, like Emeril Lagasse and Wolfgang Puck.



Woody's

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7857

Named after the beloved, long-tenured associate Woodrow "Woody" Pettus, Woody's is a casual venue for lunch and dinner. Woody's features salads, sandwiches, brick oven pizzas and more. Hours of operation vary. Reservations not required.

FINE DINING

The Dining Room

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7743 or 800-838-1766

The Omni Homestead's elegant Dining Room provides an exquisite experience for breakfast and dinner. Each morning, the resort's talented chefs prepare regional favorites and omelets made to order, as sparkling chandeliers twinkle in the abundant natural light. Featuring continental cuisine and popular, traditional Homestead dishes, dinner in the Dining Room is perfect for celebrating special occasions. Advance reservations are strongly recommended for dinner and may be made via OpenTable.

Fort Lewis Lodge & Farm

603 Old Plantation Way, Millboro
540-925-2314 · FortLewisLodge.com

Fort Lewis Lodge & Farm is a full service country inn at the heart of a 3,300-acre estate where evening meals featuring contemporary American cuisine and produce from the garden are served. Open April through October. Dining for onsite guests only.





Jefferson's Restaurant and Taproom



7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7743 or 800-838-1766

Jefferson's Restaurant and Taproom is a casual, yet elegant setting among *The Omni Homestead's* dining options. A modern American grill with regional influences, *Jefferson's* features a hand-picked selection of prime and regional meats. Advance reservations for dinner are strongly recommended.

The Tavern at the Inn at Warm Springs

12968 Sam Snead Highway, Warm Springs
540-839-5351 · TheInnAtWarmSprings.com
theinnatwarmsprings@gmail.com

Our historic *Tavern* welcomes County of Bath locals and travelers alike to enjoy hearty dinners in the traditional Virginia style. Our cuisine is inspired by our chef's European roots. Our Pub, located in the former clerk's office, leading on to our cozy porch seating, features a full menu and casual pub atmosphere. Join us in the *Pub* for a pre-dinner cocktail, to enjoy a few pints with your friends, or for a nightcap before a comfortable stay in one of our guest rooms.

The Waterwheel Restaurant

The Inn at Gristmill Square

118 Old Germantown Road, Warm Springs
540-839-2231 · GristmillSquare.com

County of Bath's most iconic *Gristmill* is home to the award-winning *Waterwheel Restaurant*. *The Waterwheel* is one of the Bath County's premier dining destinations since 1972. Come and explore our creative menu, featuring the freshest local and sustainable ingredients, often featuring our own vegetables and herbs from our onsite garden. Guests are invited to visit our wine cellar deep within the old mill foundation or enjoy a classic cocktail at one of the Commonwealth's smallest bars – on one of the "best four seats in Virginia".

CONVENIENCE & ON THE GO

Duck-In Deli

2832 Main Street, Hot Springs
540-839-3000

"Duck in" to the *Duck-In* convenience store for beer, soda, and more!

Fast Break Food Mart

Route 220 · 9046 Sam Snead Highway,
Hot Springs · 540-839-2942

Come into *Fast Break Food Mart* and find all your basic needs for your travels and everyday demands. Enjoy carry-out pizza and sandwiches. *Fast Break* offers BP gasoline.

Martha's Market



7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7703

Martha's Market is the perfect place to grab a quick bite or a specialty brewed coffee or tea on the go, or sit down and enjoy freshly made salads, sandwiches and other gourmet delights.

Millboro General Store

197 Main Street, Millboro
540-997-9497

The original building, which was constructed in 1871, has served as a "small department store and mini-supermarket" for this little village for many years. *Millboro General* offers a large selection of grocery items and essentials. The deli offerings include menu items for breakfast, lunch and dinner sandwiches, with the kitchen closing at 7:00 p.m.

Millboro Mercantile

30462 Mountain Valley Road, Millboro
540-997-5533

Located at the junction of Routes 39 and 42, *Millboro Mercantile* offers gasoline and a full line of grocery items. A refrigerator section offers milk and ice cream, along with groceries, snacks and a selection of wines.

Mountain Grove General Store

4549 Mountain Valley Road, Warm Springs
540-279-4151

Mountain Grove General Store offers basic convenience items, beverages and snacks.

Valley Supermarket (IGA)

9110 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-2221

Valley Supermarket is a full-service grocery store where you'll find meat, produce and other food and cooking essentials along with take-out food items such as fried chicken and ready-made sandwiches.

Webb's General Store

15828 Mountain Valley Road, Warm Springs
540-839-2451

Established in 1901, *Webb's General Store* is the oldest continuously operated store in the same building in Bath County. The store features "Virginia Made" and "Virginia's Finest" Products, Virginia wines and craft beers, along with local artisan craft and gifts items.

Your Bear Necessities

21808 Mountain Valley Road, Millboro
540-996-4151

Your Bear Necessities is a full-service convenience store offering gasoline, snacks, beverages, sandwiches and *Hunt Brothers Pizza*.

MOBILE FOOD UNITS

Foodlore Outdoor Dinner Series

foodloreprovisions.com/meet-the-farmers/
fortlewisfarm

Airstream pop-up, available for private events.

Into the Woods/The Little Cheerful

540-460-5910

facebook.com/thelittlecheerful

Into the Woods, home of *The Little Cheerful*, now offers full service dining options as well as event planning for all kinds of parties, reunions and retreats.

The *Into the Woods* field concert series has brought nation-wide touring and grammy nominated musicians to the cute little stage and has been a destination for travelers as far away as California.

Shady's Shack

Ashwood

Offering hotdogs, hamburgers, and sandwiches, some with a Latin American twist.





ENRICHED BY Arts & Culture

The cultural landscape of Bath County is as breathtaking as the natural one. It's not surprising that musicians, artists and craftsmen of all kinds find Bath County to be the perfect environment for creativity.



Creativity on Display

Shops and galleries are a wonderful way to see the work of local artists and, perhaps, find a perfect piece to take home as a permanent reminder of your visit. Nothing beats an up-close, hands-on arts experience.

EACH YEAR, BATH COUNTY IS HOME TO TWO MAJOR ARTS EVENTS:

The Bath County Arts Association Art Show is held each year in July. The juried show often features 700 works from close to 300 artists. Proceeds from the show support arts and arts education in the schools, as well as sponsoring events in the local community.



For information, visit BathCountyArts.org

The Bath County Plein Air Festival takes place at various venues around around the Bath County. For seven days, 30 nationally acclaimed artists will paint scenes throughout the county. The festival includes demonstrations, an artisans market



and more. Traditionally held in the fall. For more information, visit BathCountyPleinAirFestival.org



Music Fills the Air



Garth Newel Music Center is a renowned venue for chamber music and aspiring artists. It is one of Virginia's bedrock institutions in the arts. The Center's award-winning resident ensemble, the *Garth Newel Piano Quartet*, presents over 50 concerts each year. In addition, they maintain an active touring presence on the national and international stage.

Performances at the sprawling Hot Springs campus are a true delight. Musicians break the fourth wall and engage audiences through conversation and other programs. An evening (*or afternoon*) concert at the music center is an event to remember. It usually includes an extraordinary culinary experience, cocktails, laughter and conversation. When the concert bell rings, guests take their seat and are captivated by an intimate and uplifting musical experience.

GarthNewel.org



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MUSIC



Garth Newel Music Center

403 Garth Newel Lane, Hot Springs
540-839-5018 · GarthNewel.org
office@GarthNewel.org

Home of the *Garth Newel Piano Quartet*, the *Music Center* annually hosts more than sixty classical chamber music concerts, and performances by blues, jazz, bluegrass and other artists throughout the year.

There's no experience quite like an evening (or an afternoon, or a weekend) at *Garth Newel Music Center*, where expertly performed concerts, fine dining, a convivial atmosphere, and the pleasures of Southern hospitality are woven together seamlessly. As concertgoers arrive at the *Music Center* via a winding, tree-lined drive, the stresses of the workday world slip away. The scenic beauty of our grounds and the unimpeded and unmatched views of *Dunn's Gap* are unveiled, setting the stage for the concert and dinner ahead.

ARTISANS



Alix McGraw - Jewelry Maker

McGraw Minerals / Main St. Gallery

Welcome to *McGraw Minerals Unique Jewelry & Gemstones* now located in Hot Springs Virginia. They have combined their talents with other creative artists & artisans to create *Main St. Gallery*. You will see Alix & Bryan McGraw's fine jewelry and gemstone designs, along with other painters, sculptures, wood crafters, ceramicists, photographers specializing in original works of art.

Alix McGraw will be happy to assist you in finding the right piece to enhance your collection and teach you about all the various techniques that make the *Gallery* an educational experience for all. The beginner can start a new collection, and the advanced can get a collectible that they will treasure forever. Please visit Thursday through Sunday 11-5, or make an appointment with Alix at a time that works. What could be better than taking home a special creation to remember your experience?

Visit McGraw Minerals: 2809 Main St, Hot Springs, 24445, call 540-839-2599, email mcgrawminer@mgwnet.com or visit McGrawMineralsGallery.com.

GALLERIES



Warm Springs Gallery

Bottom of Courthouse Hill Road
12 Katydid Trail, Warm Springs
540-839-2985 · WarmSpringsGallery.com

Since 1995, the *Warm Springs Gallery* has been offering its visitors an exciting and inspired collection of contemporary paintings and fine crafts. Each year, we search for work that meets the gallery's high standards of taste, craftsmanship, and originality, and each year visitors to *Warm Springs Gallery* are treated to a rich collection of fresh new work and familiar favorites.

The gallery exhibits a diverse roster of established and emerging artists from around the country. We represent more than twenty painters, whose styles span the spectrum from realism to abstraction, through landscape and still lifes, specializing in Virginia landscape paintings. The gallery also exhibits fine crafts, integrating exquisite sculptural objects in glass, wood, clay, fiber, and bronze alongside two-dimensional works.

➔ AGRITOURISM ⇐

Addison Patch Farm

207 Addison Patch Road · Hot Springs · 540-679-9478 · AddisonPatchFarm.com



A visit to *Addison Patch Farm* provides not only a step back in time, but an opportunity to see how and where food is raised. We will work with you to hand select the food products you want to bring home to your family. *Addison Patch Farm* features pasture raised Holstein Beef, farm fresh eggs, country blend pork sausage, jams, jellies and maple syrup, as well as seasonal products and fresh baked breads. Visitors are welcome by appointment.

Apple Horse Farm

5921 Hot Springs Road · Hot Springs
540-958-1224 · AppleHorseFarm.Wordpress.com



Apple Horse Farm is a sustainable cattle and pig farm, implementing holistic management practices to raise pork and eventually, grass fed, grass finished beef. Our mission is to provide accessible, sustainable meat to individuals and businesses of the Alleghany Highlands. Visit the farm store or shop online.

Coursey Springs State Fish Hatchery

300 Hatchery Lane · Millboro · 540-925-2343



Originally constructed in the 1960s, this state of the art facility draws water from the third largest spring in Virginia and produces about 400,000 catchable size trout. Although the hatchery has no formal visitor center, the public is welcome to receive a free, guided tour. Open Daily 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Fort Lewis Lodge and Farm

603 Old Plantation Way · Millboro · 540-925-2314 · FortLewisLodge.com



Beyond just our overnight lodging business, *Fort Lewis* is also a working farm, where guests are welcome to peruse our vegetable gardens, meet our chickens and pigs, and learn about our grass fed cattle operation. The dining room serves seasonally-inspired cuisine daily, giving guests a taste of the farming traditions that make *Fort Lewis* so unique. For more about the lodging accommodations, see page 4.

Oakley Farm

Fireside at Oakley Farm · *Troddenvale at Oakley Farm* · info@troddenvale.com



Founded in 1834, *Oakley* is one of the original farms of the *Warm Springs Valley*. It is listed on the *National Register of Historic Places*. In 2019, *Fireside's* pastured poultry business joined forces with *Troddenvale*, and the two businesses developed a collaborative partnership at *Oakley Farm*.

Troddenvale produces transparency-driven cider of origin with little or no alterations. They believe complex cider

with aromatics can be achieved by showcasing the land and fruit of Virginia. *Fireside's* laying hens are rotationally grazed on *Oakley's* rolling hills, while the majority of their broilers forage between *Troddenvale's* newly established orchard rows.



Join a weekly
celebration of food,
farming & community.

FOODLORE
Fridays

Each Friday between Memorial Day and Labor Day, this unique event offers visitors and residents of Bath County a chance to sample local food and drink and celebrate the tradition of family farming.

Foodlore Fridays takes place at Oakley Farm in Warm Springs, on Fridays from 4 – 7 p.m.

Featured products, guest chefs and occasional live music vary each week.

[FoodloreProvisions.com/Fridays](https://www.foodloreprovisions.com/fridays)



GUIDE TO SHOPPING, RETAIL & ANTIQUES

Re-discover shopping the way it used to be. There are no mega-malls in Bath County. Here, you will find small shops — most of them locally-owned — where the products are unique and the service is personal. Find a perfect reminder of your visit to Bath County in one of our many special shops and antique stores.

1766 Shop

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7743

Located in *The Omni Homestead's Shopping Corridor*, *1766 Shop* sells custom apparel and gift items for ladies, gentlemen and children. The store also features the renowned *Homestead* hallmark and a wide selection of newspapers, magazines and toiletries.

ABC Retail Liquor Store

2827 Main Street, Hot Springs
540-839-2262

Whether you're hosting a party or simply want to kick back with an ice-cold adult beverage, the local ABC store carries a wide variety of spirits for any occasion.

Allegheny Outfitters

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7760

Located in *The Omni Homestead's Shopping Corridor*, *Allegheny Outfitters* is your one-stop-shop for outdoor clothing, fishing permits, guide services and anything else to help meet all of your outdoor needs.

Bath County Farm & Garden Supply

9268 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-5174

This all-purpose farm and garden supply has everything from hammer and nails, to plants.

Cascades Golf Club Shop

3789 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7994

Golf apparel, golf bags, leather goods and gift items.

The Classic Bath

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7542

Located in *The Omni Homestead's Shopping Corridor*, the shop is the exclusive spot for *The Omni Homestead's* own line of bath gels, lotions, lounge wear, pj's and hoodies. Come by and visit!

Country Junk

25739 Mountain Valley Road, Millboro
540-290-3468

Whether you are looking for whiskey barrels, a water trough, wall hangings, or antique window frames, we offer a variety of shabby chic and country themed props.

The Garden Room

12 Katydid Trail, Warm Springs
540-839-2985

Upstairs at the *Warm Springs Gallery* is *The Garden Room and Café*, a combo shop-café offering an array of handmade home and garden decor, stationery, books and artisan foods.

French Market Gifts

2840 Main St, Hot Springs
540-839-2619

Located on the loft level of *Laura's Boutique*, *French Market Gifts* offers unique items, home goods, puzzles, hostess gifts and more.

Gristmill Gift Shop

118 Old Germantown Road, Warm Springs
540-839-2231 · GristmillsSquare.com

Located in the office/reception area of the *Inn at Gristmill Square*, we offer gourmet snacks and beverages, pottery, local artwork, bar/entertaining needs, Logan + Lenora bags, Virginia-made soaps and bath salts, and much more!



Dollar General

9328 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-2232

Dollar General sells basic household items, such as health and beauty aids, so you can find all of your conveniences at an affordable price.

First Lady

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7612

Located in *The Omni Homestead's Shopping Corridor*, *First Lady* is the perfect place to get ladies' designer sportswear, accessories and saffron jewelry.

Hobby Horse

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7946

Located in *The Omni Homestead's Shopping Corridor*, *Hobby Horse* is a terrific shop to find children's clothing, furniture and gifts.

The Homestead Market

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7743

Pick up some *Homestead* gift items, such as chocolates, peanuts, jams, jellies, cheese straws, flavored popcorn and more!

Laura's Boutique

2840 Main Street, Hot Springs
540-839-2619 or 540-839-4682

A destination shopping experience, *Laura's* features women's apparel and accessories perfect for all seasons. Visit *Laura's Loft* on the upper level for a selection of swimsuits, pajamas, purses and more.

Maybelle's

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7612

Make your visit extra sweet with popular and vintage lollipops and candies. This one of a kind candy store is located adjacent to the *First Lady* in *The Omni Homestead's Shopping Corridor*.





ANTIQUES

Springhouse Antiques

15857 Mountain Valley Road, Warm Springs
540-839-2206

Owners Claudia and Jay have lovingly restored and transformed the *Old Webb General Store* into *Springhouse Antiques*, featuring early 19th century furniture, exquisite antique crystal, one of the largest inventories of Flows Blue and Staffordshire China in the area. Most of the historic building, built in 1901, was restored and put back into original condition, resulting in the Trincas winning the 2016 *Preservation Bath Heritage* award for the restoration. We have a large selection of pottery: crocks, bowls and jugs; wooden advertising boxes, pantry boxes, cutting boards, potato mashers, etc. In addition to antiques, we have woven throws, table squares, runners made in the USA and oil paintings. Civil War books by well-known authors, such as Bruce Cantton, Shelby Foot and Carl Sandburg are now for sale, as well as a World War I and II collection. They also make and have their own line of hardwood farm tables and benches. Visit our shop and find that perfect gift, collector's item or special furniture for your home.

R. Martin Antiques

1277 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-2999 · rosmart@verizon.net
Located at the *Historic Mustoe House* in Hot Springs, *R. Martin Antiques* carries 18th and 19th century European antiques. Available by appointment.

Ashwood Station

5295 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-2349 · ashwoodstation@tds.net
The old *Ashwood Service Station* was a landmark in the area since the early 1900's. We have rebuilt a structure that closely resembles the original. We even have vintage gas pumps on display - no gas for sale, though! We offer antiques from our area, as well as neighboring states, ranging from furniture to pottery and glassware, vintage jewelry and books to folk art. We have handmade items from local artisans, including baskets, painted gourds, felted wool items, primitive signs, needlework and more. We also carry a line of locally-roasted coffee and spice blends. Hours available by appointment.

McGraw Minerals and Main Street Gallery

2809 Main St., Hot Springs
540-839-2599 · McGrawMineralsGallery.com
mcgrawminer@mgnw.net

You will see Alix & Bryan McGraw's fine jewelry and gemstone designs, along with original works from other painters, sculptors, wood crafters, ceramicists and photographers all in a gallery setting. Take home a one-of-a-kind creation to remember your experience in Bath County.

Mountain Laurel Creations

9298 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-3232
Bath County's family-run florist shop.

The Mountain Lodge Ski Shop (Seasonal)

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7818

The Mountain Lodge Ski Shop is just that — the perfect place for ski apparel and other skiing accessories!

Rockin' W Western Wear

9300 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
therockinw.com

Rockin' W Western Wear is a brick and mortar, online, and mobile boutique bringing you the best of western clothing.

Seasons

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7402

Located in *The Omni Homestead's Shopping Corridor*, you'll find fine kitchenware, candles, gifts and more at *Seasons*!

Shooting Club

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7787

Open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily, our shooting club features apparel, gloves, sweaters, Barbour jackets and Beretta clothing.

The Spa Shop

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7547

Located at *The Omni Homestead Spa*, *The Spa Shop* features a great selection of exercise wear, as well as bath and spa products made exclusively for *The Omni Homestead*.

The Sparrow's Nest

7702 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-2475

homesteadsparrowsnest@yahoo.com
Located in *Cottage Row* at *The Omni Homestead Resort*, *The Sparrow's Nest* features a wide variety of unique handcrafted items from local artisans and farms.

Webb's General Store

15828 Mountain Valley Rd., Warm Springs
540-839-2451

Established in 1901, *Webb's General Store* is the oldest continuously operated store in the same building in Bath County. The store features "Virginia Made" and "Virginia's Finest" Products, Virginia wines and craft beers, along with local artisan craft and gifts items.

William S. Flynn

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-7999

Located in *The Omni Homestead's Shopping Corridor*, *William S. Flynn* offers a great selection of men's apparel, furnishings, and gifts for all ages. Come by and visit!

Windy Hill Books

Bacova (near Hot Springs)
540-839-2589 · dana@finebks.com

Windy Hill Books offers out-of-print and collectible children's books in gift condition. They have over 15,000 books onsite and online. Literature related artwork and professional framing is also available. Hours are by appointment only.





Plan an UNFORGETTABLE Destination Wedding.



The unspoiled beauty of Bath County offers a magnificent backdrop for a picture-perfect wedding.

A variety of unique venues can accommodate parties of any size. We also have professional event coordinators, photographers, caterers and more to assist with the details. Make your destination wedding perfect.

VENUES

Country Café

6156 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-2111

Country Café offers a separate dining area for rehearsal dinners, wedding receptions, family reunions, retirement dinners and all other special occasions.

The Old Dairy

Located on Route 220 • 46 Old Dairy Road,
Warm Springs • 540-839-6455

After a meticulous restoration the several original buildings and two silos are now a community center with recreational facilities and meeting space ideal for weddings, parties or corporate retreats.

Douthat State Park

14239 Douthat State Park Road, Millboro
Visitor Services Specialist: 540-862-8117
Reservations: 540-933-PARK
douthat@dcr.virginia.gov

This park features some of Virginia's most outstanding scenery, as well as a 50 acre lake. Guests can explore the wildlife through walking trails on almost 4,500 acres. It's an ideal outdoor spot for any occasion.



For more wedding & event planning resources, including caterers, photographers, and florists, visit visitbathva.com



VENUES *continued*

GNE (Garth Newel Enterprises)

403 Garth Newel Lane, Hot Springs
540-839-5018 · GarthNewel.org
office@GarthNewel.org

Host your next special event on our beautiful mountainside property. Whether you are having a small, intimate wedding, an elegant rehearsal dinner, a sophisticated tea reception, a casual barbeque or an after-party our team is here with a variety of menus, services and amenities to ensure your special day is perfect.

The Omni Homestead Resort

7696 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-1766 or 888-796-5838
OmniHotels.com/theHomestead

The Omni Homestead Resort is Virginia's finest mountain resort surrounded by four-season splendor of the Allegheny Mountains. *The Omni Homestead* caters events grand and small with a wide selection of venues ideal for weddings, conference meetings, receptions and other special events (*indoors and outdoors*).

Ingalls Field

6240 Airport Road, Hot Springs
540-839-5326 · IngallsField.com

Ingalls Field, ringed by the Allegheny Mountains, is the highest public use airport east of the Mississippi providing the adventurous bride and groom with a unique wedding venue.

The Inn at Gristmill Square

118 Old Mill Road, Warm Springs
540-839-2231 · GristmillSquare.com
stay@gristmillsquare.com

With historic charm and rustic sophistication, *The Inn at Gristmill Square* is one of Bath County's premier reception and banquet venues. Enjoy our venue for just the day or let us coordinate an entire weekend of fun. Arrange for pre-event cocktails by the pool as your guests unwind after their morning of travel. Friday night, gather your friends and family for your rehearsal dinner inside the award-winning *Waterwheel Restaurant*. Saturday, let us take care of all your reception setup and catering needs. After your ceremony, party the night away under our starry skies without having to go home. Sunday, your guests will wake, fully relaxed, to our complimentary breakfast in bed, or a farewell brunch, and will wish they never had to leave.

Mont Shenandoah

218 Mont Shenandoah Lane, Millboro
540-997-5994 · MontShenandoah.com
events@MontShenandoah.com

This unique property offers rustic charm with modern amenities designed to help make your event special. West Lodge is ideal for an indoor ceremony or party, with a huge dance floor, full stage and new sound system. We also offer a variety of lodging options.

Vine Cottage Inn

7402 Sam Snead Highway, Hot Springs
540-839-2422 or 800-410-9755
InnKeeper@vinecottageinn.com
VineCottageInn.com

Built as a private residence in 1900, *Vine Cottage Inn* is a charming bed & breakfast in the Village of Hot Springs. The inn's common space, which is all under one roof, offers many options for rehearsal dinners, luncheons, family reunions or other special occasions.

The Inn at Warm Springs

P.O. Box 148 · 12968 Sam Snead Highway, Warm Springs · 540-839-5351
TheInnAtWarmSprings.com
theinnatwarmsprings@gmail.com

The Inn at Warm Springs has been a landmark in the County of Bath since it was built in 1843 — not as an Inn but as the first *County Court House and Jail*. This historic venue, with its southern charm and affordable amenities is the perfect backdrop for weddings, parties, reunions or any special event.



MEETINGS, RETREATS & SPECIAL EVENTS in Bath County

The beauty and serenity of Bath County make it a popular place for a relaxing getaway. Those same qualities make it an ideal place to conduct business. Business meetings, board retreats, team building outings and other group events a great fit for many of the unique lodging properties in the county.



The Omni Homestead Resort

The Omni Homestead Resort is one of the premier meeting destinations in Virginia with 72,000 square feet of distinct, indoor function space and several unique outdoor venues. From corporate retreats and board meetings to incentive trips and association meetings, the resort's team of dedicated hospitality professionals ensures every meeting is successful.



“Taking the waters”

Prior to its settlement by colonists from Europe, Bath County was home to Native Americans, whose pathways traversed the valleys and mountain gaps, using them to travel to buffalo hunting grounds and for trade. Legend has it that the springs were discovered by a Native American brave in the 1600s as he traveled across the area on his way to a tribal council. He came upon the warm pools and soaked his weary body. He left refreshed, telling others about the pools. The trek to *Warm Springs* to “take the waters” was born.



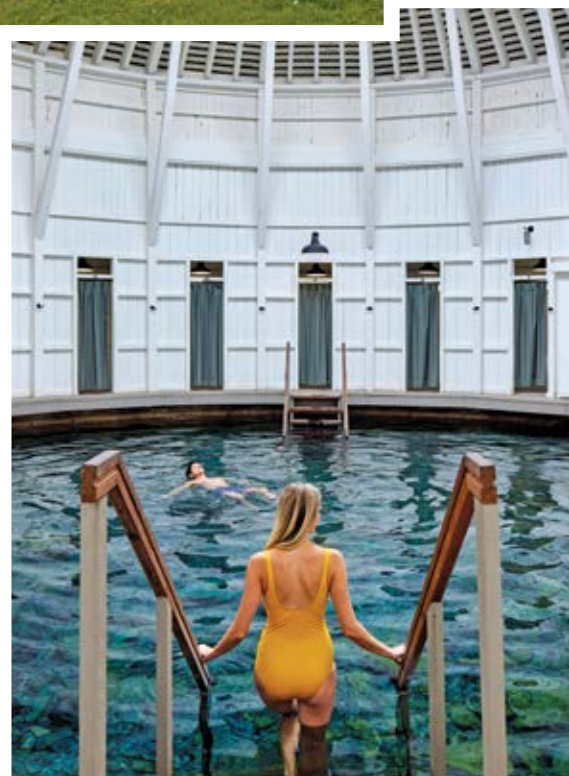
Warm Springs soon developed into a spa resort, with a hotel constructed adjacent to the *Pools*. To accommodate the growing number of visitors, an octagonal stone basin was built in the 1760s to hold water for bathing. It was not covered by a building, but it was surrounded for privacy by a fence or hedge. This “Great Bath” was used by men and women on an alternating schedule during the day.



One notable guest was Thomas Jefferson, who visited in 1818 at the age of 75 and stayed for over three weeks, taking the water several times a day to help him allay the pain of rheumatism. Contrary to popular notion, Jefferson did not design the octagonal frame building covering the stone basin, which was built in the mid-1820s. This structure currently serves as the *Men's Bath House*. The separate *Ladies' Bath House*, a framed building that covers the circular bath for women, was added in the mid-1870s.

The buildings are listed as the *Warm Springs Bath Houses* on the *Virginia Landmarks Register* and the *National Register of Historic Places*, and are also included in the *Warm Springs and West Warm Springs Historic District*.

Thanks to Preservation Bath for assisting with this article and for tireless work preserving the historic assets of Bath County – where history bubbles up.



Explore the Region

Bath County is located away from the hustle and bustle of interstate highways and urban areas. Its location in the Allegheny Mountains of Virginia, west of the Shenandoah Valley, make it isolated enough to be peaceful and unspoiled yet easy to reach. Not surprisingly, we have some wonderful neighbors. Bath County, with its tradition of exceptional hospitality, is the ideal place to stay as you explore the region on day trips and scenic drives.



Check out a few of the many highlights within a two-hour drive:



Humpback Bridge

Located in Alleghany County, it is the oldest covered bridge of its design in America. It was built over Dunlap Creek in 1857. It is now part of a five-acre park that is perfect for picnics and photo opportunities.



Goshen Pass

The Maury River created this magnificent three-mile long gorge through the mountains of Rockbridge County. Scenic Route 39 runs through the pass parallel to the river, making it one of the most popular scenic drives in the region. The pass is also a great place for swimming, hiking, paddling and fishing.



Highland County

Our neighbor to the north is Virginia's least populated county. It's also incredibly scenic. Explore the county seat of Monterey and nearby McDowell, site of a Civil War battle in 1862. Highland County is home to the popular Highland County Maple Festival every spring.

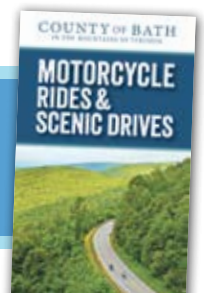


Green Bank Observatory

Located just across the state line in Green Bank, West Virginia, the Green Bank Observatory includes the world's largest steerable radio telescope. Tours and special programs are available. Get details at GreenBankObservatory.org

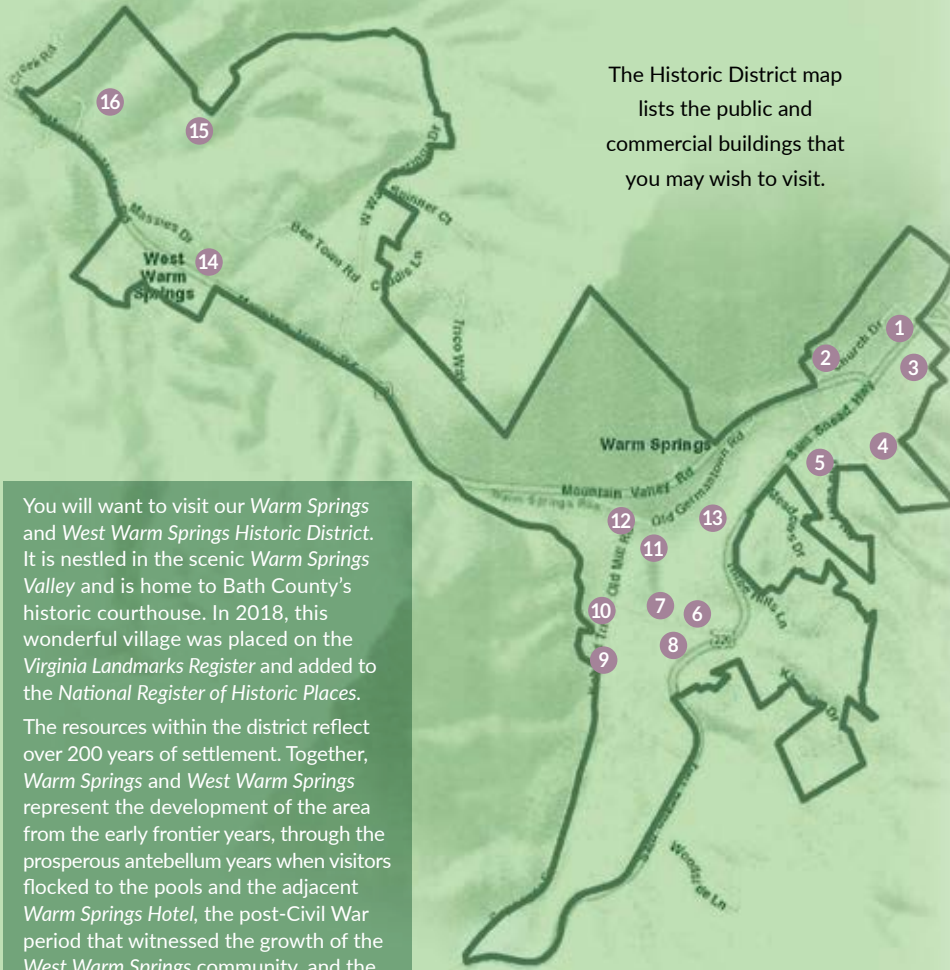


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HISTORIC DISTRICT

Warm Springs & West Warm Springs



The Historic District map lists the public and commercial buildings that you may wish to visit.

You will want to visit our *Warm Springs* and *West Warm Springs Historic District*. It is nestled in the scenic *Warm Springs Valley* and is home to Bath County's historic courthouse. In 2018, this wonderful village was placed on the *Virginia Landmarks Register* and added to the *National Register of Historic Places*.

The resources within the district reflect over 200 years of settlement. Together, *Warm Springs* and *West Warm Springs* represent the development of the area from the early frontier years, through the prosperous antebellum years when visitors flocked to the pools and the adjacent *Warm Springs Hotel*, the post-Civil War period that witnessed the growth of the *West Warm Springs* community, and the continued significance of the area into the 21st century.

As you walk, bike or drive through the village, you may feel like you have stepped back in time. Several buildings in *Warm Springs* date to the late 1800s or early 1900s. Some of the homes began as log cabins and were later enlarged or altered to their present appearance.

- 1 The Warm Springs Pools:** People have "taken the waters" here since the 1760's. Reopening late 2022.
- 2 The Warm Springs Presbyterian Church:** The Greek Revival-style church was built in the mid-1800's.
- 3 The former County Courthouse and Jail:** Built in 1842, the two-story brick buildings now house the *Inn at Warm Springs*.
- 4 The Warm Springs Cemetery:** The earliest recorded grave dates to July 1800.
- 5 The Old Homestead Dairy:** Built in 1928, it is now beautifully redone as a community center, including the *Milk House Market*.
- 6 The Bath County Historical Society:** Located in an old law office. Stop in and visit the museum.
- 7 The current Bath County Courthouse:** The *Classical Revival* style building was completed in 1914.
- 8 The old Bank of Warm Springs building:** Built in 1913, it is now the home of the *Bath County Public Library*. The original bank office, now named the *Craven Room*, hosts community events.
- 9 Oakley Farm:** Built in 1834, *Oakley Farm* is now features a collaboration of *Troddenvale's* holistic orchards and cider production, with *Fireside's* pastured-poultry. Visits to the farm are available by appointment.
- 10 The Forrest Webb Store:** Opened in 1923, it is now operated as the *Warm Springs Gallery and Market Café*.
- 11 The Warm Springs Grist Mill:** A mill has been on this site since the 1770's. The present mill was built in 1901. It now houses the *Waterwheel Restaurant* and is the centerpiece of the *Inn at Gristmill Square*. Don't miss the *Simon Kenton Pub*.
- 12 The old County Administration offices:** This circa 1950 concrete block building formerly housed the *County Administration* offices and is now home to the *Warm Spirit Spa*.
- 13 Anderson Cottage:** Located in the historic Germantown area of the village, this was originally two log structures built in the 1700s that have been expanded over the years. It once housed a school for girls and is now an inn.
- 14 Old Webb's Store:** Built around 1900, this store was the primary commercial establishment serving West Warm Springs. It has been rehabilitated in recent years and now is the home of *Springhouse Antiques*.
- 15 The John Wesley Methodist Episcopal Church:** Constructed in 1873, the old church now serves as the *Senior Center* for Bath County.
- 16 The Mount Pisgah Baptist Church:** The first church was built from logs in 1876. It was later moved and used as a school for African-American children. The present frame church was built around 1880.



FESTIVALS, FAIRS & Annual Events

Throughout the year, Bath County is home to festivals, fairs and special events that feature all the things that make life great in our county.

We have concerts, endurance sporting events, art shows and much more family-friendly fun.

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