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Photo: Grandview, New River Gorge National Park
& Preserve, America's 63rd National Park



New River Gorge

National Park and Preserve

On December 27, 2020, the 70,000+ acre park and 53-mile stretch of the river was redesignated as the New River Gorge (NRG) National Park and Preserve. The approximately 7,000 acres that make up the national park are located in four areas: Sandstone Falls, Grandview, Thurmond and the Lower New River Gorge. The preserve portion encompasses the remaining 65,000 acres.



Grandview is located just 15 minutes outside of Beckley, and Sandstone Falls is located just inside the southern border of Raleigh County.

From exciting thrills to the peaceful lull of time spent in nature, experience one of West Virginia's most cherished playgrounds. Paddle down miles of free-flowing whitewater rapids on the New River, one of the oldest rivers on the continent, or explore the old railroad town of Hinton, close to Sandstone Falls, the largest waterfall on the New River. Hike the serene forest trails at Grandview for impressive views of the Gorge

DID YOU KNOW?

With Thurmond and the Lower New River Gorge only a short drive away, Beckley-Raleigh County is centrally located and the perfect place to stay overnight as you explore the newest national park.

and striking displays of Catawba rhododendron in the late spring, or step back in time on a walking tour through the abandoned ghost town of Thurmond. Among these activities, the park and preserve also offers camping, mountain biking, fishing and hunting.



Lake Stephens Splash Pad



Little Beaver State Park

Lake Stephens

Destination — FUN. Lake Stephens offers many outdoor opportunities for water sports such as fishing, swimming, boating, water skiing, canoeing and more.



This 2,300-acre county park has a pristine mountain lake and 1,900 acres of hardwood forest. It opened in the late '60s as a place for family fun and has retained its rustic

••• lakestephenswv.com

charm over the years with many upgrades. It's a wonderful location to relax and enjoy the outdoors.

Open May to October, campsites and RV park sites book up quickly in season. Reserve one today for your trip! Cabins are open year-round. All lake activities open Memorial Day weekend to Labor Day for your enjoyment.

DON'T MISS IT...

Be sure to check out the Aqua Park Water Park and Splash Pad — it's fun for the whole family!

Little Beaver State Park

Enjoy the outdoors at this 562-acre park with plenty of recreation available including year-round fishing at the lake.

Paddle boat, canoe, row boat and kayak rentals are available in season. All trails are open for both hiking and biking.

The park boasts a 46-site campground; 15 water-only sites and 31 with water and electricity. Full hookup sites will be available in 2022. Additionally, the park has five picnic shelters which can be rented, playgrounds, geocaching and an activities building.

DID YOU KNOW?

Many types of fish, such as bass, crappie, channel cat, bluegill and trout can be found in the 18-acre lake.

••• littlebeaverstatepark.com





Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine



Theatre West Virginia

history: Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine

Listed on the National Register of Historic Sites, the Exhibition Coal Mine is the largest and most popular coal heritage destination in the region. The main attraction is an actual tour of the restored Phillips Mine that operated from 1890-1910. Traveling 1,500 feet beneath the hillside, visitors are carried along the track, riding authentic “man cars” from the main entrance to the old working areas of the coal mine. Tour guides are experienced veteran miners that explain the history of low-seam coal mining from the hand loading days into the era of modern mechanization. This attraction has won Trip Advisor’s Certificate of Excellence five years in a row.

MUST SEE

In addition to the underground mine tour, visitors can explore the historical coal camp situated throughout the grounds. Lovingly restored, the Miner’s House, Superintendent’s House, Pemberton Coal Camp Church and the Helen Coal Camp School give visitors a true representation of early 20th century coal camp life.

••• beckley.org/coal-mine/

arts & culture: Theatre West Virginia

Enjoy professional theatre under the stars at the spectacular Cliffs Amphitheatre at Grandview — New River Gorge National Park and Preserve. Theatre West Virginia produces the critically acclaimed historical drama, “Hatfields and McCoy’s.” The drama tells the story of the infamous family feud. Different Broadway musicals are produced every summer, as well as concerts featuring classics from the rock & roll era. Full schedule and tickets are available online.



••• theatrewestvirginia.org

The great outdoors

LEWIS MCMANUS MEMORIAL HONOR TRAIL

••• beckley.org

A 3.6 mile long rail trail that follows the former CSX railroad bed from Mabscott to Cranberry Creek Crossing with a spur over Robert C. Byrd Dr. extending to New River Park. The urban trail features a 12-foot wide paved trail with lights, benches, shelters, murals by local organizations and artisans, and coal heritage interpretive signage. A Visitors Center with a bike share program is located on the trail.

WINTERPLACE SKI RESORT

••• winterplace.com

In Beckley, snow is the other whitewater! Winter opens the door for snowboarders, skiers and tubing



enthusiasts to enjoy the best trails, terrain parks and snow tubing lanes on 90 acres at one of the finest mountain resorts in the eastern U.S. With 27 trails, 2 terrain parks and 16 snow tubing lanes, the resort offers fun for all ages and skill levels. New to winter sports? The resort offers terrain-based lessons and is the number one place in the state for beginners learning to ski and snowboard! Lodging and dining options can be found onsite and nearby.

BURNING ROCK OFF-ROAD PARK

••• burningrockwv.com

This 10,000-acre park has 100 miles of well-kept off-road trails for biking, ATV and UTV riding, Jeeps and trucks. Located 15 minutes from Beckley, Burning Rock is family-friendly and full of adventure! There are multiple lodging options available, including tent camping, platform "glamp" tents, sites with full RV hookups, and rustic cabins. Bathhouses, an ATV wash rack and a general store with supplies and parts are available.

ALPINE MINISTRIES

••• alpineministries.com

Alpine Ministries in Mount Hope provides Christ-centered adventures like whitewater rafting, rock climbing and more throughout Southern West Virginia. Perfect for youth groups, church retreats and family fun!

PINEY CREEK TRAIL SYSTEM

••• pineycreekwatershed.org

Just a few steps away from the Beckley YMCA Soccer Complex is an unexpected trail system that offers amazing views to hikers, bikers and runners. The Piney Creek Trail System has 10 miles of trails that wind through the woods and butt up to the edge of the Piney Creek Gorge. While this trail is a year-round favorite for locals, hiking the trails in the winter is a must. With the leaves fallen from the trees and a dusting of snow covering the ground, winter offers amazing views that are hidden the rest of the year.



BECKLEY ARTS CENTER

••• beckleyartcenter.com

Discover artwork by local artists at The Cynthia Bickey Art Gallery. The art center also hosts a variety of workshops and classes for adults and children, guided painting parties and writers' cafés. The Beckley Arts Center partners with businesses and organizations around the region and is made up of volunteer artists of all ages.

RALEIGH COUNTY VETERANS MUSEUM

••• facebook.com/raleighcountyvetsmuseum

This museum houses artifacts and memorabilia from the nation's military from World War II up to Operation Desert Storm. It traces military history from the Revolutionary War to the present. The museum is open on Fridays and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 304.253.1775 or 304.682.5034 for additional hours of operation or to schedule a tour.

YOUTH MUSEUM OF SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA AND MOUNTAIN HOMESTEAD

••• beckley.org/youth-museum

The Youth Museum of Southern West Virginia is open to the public year round. The museum's purpose is serious, but the environment is informal, making it a great early museum experience for children. The museum provides opportunities for play-based educational programs in a secure and engaging environment. The main gallery presents interactive exhibitions that ignite the imagination. Exhibits are as diverse as Leonard's Lab to

Thomas & Friends: Explore the Rails to Animationland. Two to three exhibits are scheduled yearly. The museum has a permanent exhibit, PuzzleQuest — 10 mind-boggling conundrums, a planetarium, amphitheater and gift shop.

Behind the museum stands the Mountain Homestead, which was developed to enrich history studies. Guides tell the stirring story of West Virginia's hearty pioneer settlers as they interpret the restored log cabin, one-room schoolhouse, barn, weaver's shed, general store, moonshine still and blacksmith shop.

TAMARACK MARKETPLACE

••• tamarackwv.com

Tamarack's striking, red peaked roof draws over half a million visitors annually into a place full of visual beauty, the sights and sounds of Appalachia and some wonderfully distinctive aromas. You will be astounded when you enter the state's premier artisan center with the finest textiles, jewelry, art, glass and pottery — plus woodwork and many other handcrafted items. Come for the food, inspiration or take a rest from the road. Stay for the mountain music, hospitable people and uniqueness of all things artistic and cultural. There are always new and interesting exhibits happening in the gallery and theatre.

BECKLEY CONCERT ASSOCIATION

••• beckleyconcerts.org

The Beckley Concert Association has been bringing quality music to the area since 1938. Enjoy music and dance performances at the Woodrow Wilson High School Auditorium.

THE RALEIGH PLAYHOUSE

••• facebook.com/TheRaleighWV

Welcome to "The Raleigh," where you can enjoy a classic show, musical, art house film or local production. The venue's intimate quality makes it a wonderful place to see a show of any kind, as none of its 199 seats are more than 61 feet from the stage. The facility is available to be rented for special events.



Daniel Vineyards
Photo credit- Kelly Carrico



Weathered Ground Brewery

wine & spirits: Daniel Vineyards

This family owned and operated conservation grape farm and estate winery with a 20-acre vineyard and a three-acre blueberry patch is located on 192 acres. There is an indoor tasting area and outdoor venues for weddings, meetings, parties and events.

A Spring Wine Festival is the highlight of the year with good food and entertainment. The 9-hole disc golf course is open year-round with disc golf rentals available.

AWARD- WINNING WINES

The wines at Daniel Vineyards have won awards at state, national and international competitions.

••• danielvineyards.com



wine & spirits: Weathered Ground Brewery

This family-owned brewery in Ghent is creating small-batch beers of all kinds. The barn where they brew is spacious, complete with a taproom, patio and event hall, and perfect for your next party. Visit them to try a pint — you may discover your new favorite brew!



••• weatheredground.com

Beckley Micro Brewery at Dobra Zupas

From IPAs to seasonal favorites, this small-batch brewery has a variety of beers on tap. Come in and have a sip or take a growler to go!

••• dobrazupas.com



SPORTS



EVENTS & meetings

ACTIVE SOUTHERN WEST VIRGINIA

••• activeswv.org

Active Southern West Virginia develops community programs to create a culture of exercise and physical activity in Southern West Virginia.

PAUL CLINE MEMORIAL SPORTS COMPLEX

••• ymcaswv.com

A modern versatile facility with 8 full-size soccer fields. The complex boasts locker rooms with showers; two conference rooms for meetings; a concession stand with a covered picnic shelter; a one and a half mile walking trail; and the Kosnoski Playground for the kids.

WV MINERS

••• wvminersbaseball.com

The WV Miners, part of the Prospect League, call Linda K. Epling Stadium home for their 30 home games each summer. Visit the website for information regarding events, Miners games and tickets.

FITZPATRICK PARK

••• raleighcountyparks.org

Fitzpatrick Park is a hidden gem located at the end of Fitzpatrick Road in Beckley. Tucked away in the rolling hills of Fitzpatrick are four softball fields, a playground, a beautiful half-mile long walking path and a small lake with a dock for fishing. Each week, the park is filled with children practicing or adults playing in one of the park's various adult leagues as well as weekend tournaments. Visit the park's website to find more information on the leagues and events happening each summer and fall.

BECKLEY RALEIGH-COUNTY CONVENTION CENTER

••• beckleyconventioncenter.com

Featuring a newly remodeled basketball court, the center is now host to the WVU Tech Golden Bears men's and women's basketball programs along with various other area basketball events. When fans aren't watching teams hoop it up, spectators can catch wrestling, bull riding and other thrilling events!

TAMARACK MARKETPLACE

••• tamarackwv.com

From elegant weddings to small meetings, Tamarack has over 12,000 square feet of meeting/banquet space designed to accommodate your business, convention, meeting, and private occasion needs. The space is easily accessible from over 1,500 hotel/motel rooms and has a terrace and lawn available for outdoor events. On-site chefs offer a wide variety of catering options.

BECKLEY'S HISTORIC BLACK KNIGHT

••• 304.253.7321

Black Knight offers a 9-hole golf course, swimming, dining and banquet services in an atmosphere of casual elegance. With dining facilities and catering available, the Black Knight is suited for weddings, showers, receptions, reunions, meetings, conventions and much more. The Black Knight is located at the southern end of Beckley between South Kanawha and South Fayette Streets.

Golfing

The Resort at Glade Springs

GRANDVIEW COUNTRY CLUB

••• 304.763.2520

The country club features a well-groomed public course with a driving range and putting green. Tee times are required for weekends and holidays. Open March–November.

BECKLEY'S HISTORIC BLACK KNIGHT

••• 304.253.7321

Owned by the city of Beckley Parks and Recreation, the 9-hole golf course at Historic Black Knight Municipal Park is set on 60-acres of land. The park also features a clubhouse and restaurant.

THE RESORT AT GLADE SPRINGS

••• gladesprings.com

Home to three of the finest courses on the Mid-Atlantic — The Cobb Course, Stonehaven and Woodhaven. Set in the midst of a gorgeous 4,100-acre property in the lap of the Appalachian Mountains, Glade Springs offers luxurious accommodations, three championship golf courses, a full-service spa, endless family activities and casual and fine dining. The resort also boasts state-of-the-art conference and meeting facilities. Everyone can enjoy the resort's Escape Room adventure, events and holiday packages. Golf clinics and lessons with PGA professionals are available.

MOUNTAIN STATE MINIATURE GOLF & OUTSIDE-IN CLIMBING GYM

••• chocolatemoosewv.com

This miniature golf course is centered around famous historical themes from West Virginia legend and history and is open until midnight during the summer months. The property is also home to an on-site climbing gym which offers year-round bouldering and rappelling opportunities.

DON'T FORGET...

Be sure to stop by the Chocolate Moose, a coffee and ice cream shop located in the same building.



Dining

Calacino's Pizzeria & Sports Bar	304.253.1010
The Char	304.253.1760
Chick-fil-A	304.250.0158 1300 N Eisenhower Dr. 304.894.8455 100 Hylton Lane
Chilson's at Black Knight	304.253.7321
Chocolate Moose Coffee Shop	304.253.7242
Crossroads Mall	304.255.6176
The Dish Café	304.763.2366
Dobra Zupa's	304.253.9872
Fosters Main Street Tavern	304.253.1439
Fujiyama Japanese Steakhouse	304.250.0288
Gino's Pizza & Spaghetti House	304.253.3137 Harper Rd. 304.250.6161 Robert C Byrd Dr.
Glades Grill	304.763.2000
HoneyBaked Ham Company	304.253.3321
Kem's Restaurant	681.238.5980

King Tut Drive In	304.252.6353
McDonald's	304.252.9527 Airport Road, Beaver 304.252.8286 Hylton Lane 304.252.7310 4072 Robert C Byrd Dr. 304.253.5980 2930 Robert C Byrd Dr. 304.683.4482 16 Lester Hwy, Sophia
Morgan's Food & Spirits	304.255.1511
Pasquale Mira	304.255.5253
Poncho & Lefty's	304.237.1600
Skyline Grill	304.787.6201
Tamarack Marketplace	304.256.6843
Tudor's Biscuit World	304.252.7590 Airport Rd., Beaver 304.929.2016 Eisenhower Dr. 304.253.3330 Harper Rd. 304.252.3331 Ritter Dr., Daniels 304.934.0555 Bolt Rd., Glen Daniel 304.250.6156 Dayton St., MacArthur
Young Chow's	304.253.5772
Yummi Japan	681.207.7507

SPECIALTY SHOPS & entertainment

The Axe Hole 304.200.2112

Beaver Creek Antiques 304.254.9835

**The Carpenters Loft
Primitives & More** 304.929.2649

Crossroads Mall 304.255.6176

**The Escape Room
at Glade Springs** 866.504.9446

Leisure Lanes 304.253.7328

**Mtn. State Mini Golf
Outside-In Climbing Gym** 304.253.7242

The Pottery Place 304.253.8777

Ski Barn 304.787.3200

**Tamarack
Marketplace** 304.256.6843

Lodging

HOTELS

Baymont Inn & Suites 304.255.9091

Clarion Pointe 304.255.5291

Country Inn & Suites 304.252.5100

Courtyard 304.252.9800

Days Inn 304.877.6455

Fairfield Inn & Suites 304.252.8661

Hampton Inn & Suites 304.252.2121

Holiday Inn & Suites 681.238.5980

Howard Johnson Express 304.255.5900

Microtel Inn & Suites 304.256.2000

Microtel Inn & Suites 304.255.2200

Quality Inn 304.255.1511

Skyline Lodge 304.787.6201

Sleep Inn 304.255.4222

Smart Extended Stay 304.255.2161

Super 8 304.253.0802

Travelodge 304.252.0671

Tru 681.254.5535

RESORTS

**The Resort at
Glade Springs** 866.504.9446

VACATION RENTALS

Burning Rock 304.683.9242

Cabins at Pine Haven 304.250.0235

Foxwood Vacation Rentals 304.466.5514

Greenhaven 205.752.1347

Lake Stephens Cabins 304.934.5323

**New River Vacation
Properties** 304.923.1228

CAMPGROUNDS

**Adventure RV &
Mobile Home Park** 304.228.9194
304.228.8712

**Beckley Exhibition
Coal Mine** 304.256.1747

Berry's Campground 304.466.4199

Burning Rock 304.683.9242

Lake Stephens 304.934.5323

Care & Services

VISITOR SERVICES

Beckley Events 304.256.1776

Beckley-Raleigh CVB 855.977.1785

Visit Southern West Virginia 800.Visit.WV

TRANSPORTATION

Enterprise Rent-A-Car 304.929.2445

Greyhound Lines 304.253.8333

New River Transit Authority 304.252.6396

Raleigh County Memorial Airport 304.255.0476

MEDICAL CARE

Beckley Appalachian Regional Hospital 304.255.3000

Beckley VA Medical Center 304.255.2121

Med Express Urgent Care 304.252.6639 or 304.256.3027

Raleigh General Hospital 304.256.4100

EDUCATION

New River Community & Technical College 866.349.3739

University of Charleston, Beckley 877.393.5014

WVU Institute of Technology, Beckley 304.929.8324

Parks

COUNTY PARKS

••• 304.934.5323
raleighcountyparks.org/parks/

4H Camp

Dry Hill Prosperity

Fitzpatrick Park

Lake Stephens

Marsh Fork

Stoco Community

CITY PARKS

••• 304.256.1768
beckley.org/parks-and-recreation/

East Park & Basketball Court

Freedom Park & Skate Park

Maxwell Hill Community Center

McManus Walking Trail

New River Park and Shelters

Simpkins Street Park

Thornhill Park & Basketball Court

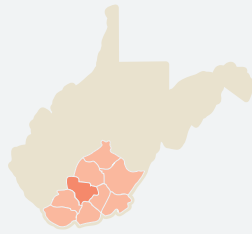
Word Park

STATE PARKS

Little Beaver State Park 304.763.2494
littlebeaverstatepark.com

NATIONAL PARKS

New River Gorge National Park & Preserve 304.763.3715
nps.gov/neri



BECKLEY-RALEIGH COUNTY LODGING

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| 1. Baymont Inn & Suites | 15. Lake Stephens Cabins |
| 2. Burning Rock Cabins | 16. Microtel Inn & Suites |
| 3. Cabins at Pine Haven | 17. Microtel Inn & Suites |
| 4. Clarks Pointe | 18. New River Vacation Properties |
| 5. Country Inn & Suites | 19. Patriot Motor Inn |
| 6. Courtyard by Marriott | 20. Quality Inn |
| 7. Days Inn | 21. The Resort at Glade Springs |
| 8. Smart Extended Stay | 22. Skyline Lodge |
| 9. Fairfield Inn by Marriott | 23. Sleep Inn Beaver |
| 10. Foxwood Rentals | 24. Super 8 Motel |
| 11. Greenhaysn | 25. Travelodge |
| 12. Hampton Inn | 26. Tria by Hilton |
| 13. Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites | |
| 14. Howard Johnson Express Inn | |

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SPRING, SUMMER, WINTER AND FALL...

Beckley-Raleigh County always has something to offer.

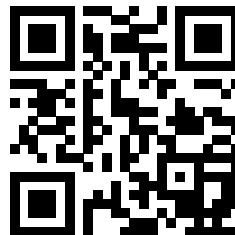
Join us in the *spring* as we celebrate wine, flowers and the return of our feathered friends at our annual festivals including the Spring Wine Festival, Wildflower Weekend, Rhododendron Festival, and the Migration Celebration.

We jump into *summer* at Lake Stephens with Beach Blast kicking off the season. Baseball, fireworks, Fridays in the Park, farmers markets and watching Theatre West Virginia perform under the stars at Grandview are always highlights of summer in Beckley-Raleigh County. Other annual events to look forward to include Cruise In Car Shows, Friends of Charity Auto Fair & Concert, the Honey Bee Festival, Appalachian Festival & Makers Market and the Kids Classic Festival.

As we see the summer season changing to *fall*, along with the leaves, we prepare ourselves for Chili Night, Oktoberfests and our beloved Veteran's Day Parade Celebration.

When the snow starts flying, so do the skis and ice skates. Celebrate *winter* everyday on the slopes at Winterplace but be sure to mark your calendars for ice skating dates and the annual Appalachian Coal Town Christmas at the Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine.

These are just a small sample of the exciting events that Beckley-Raleigh County hosts each and every year.



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and information.**



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