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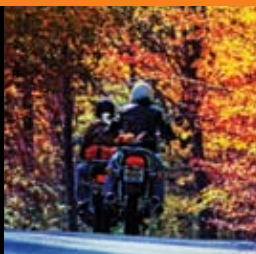


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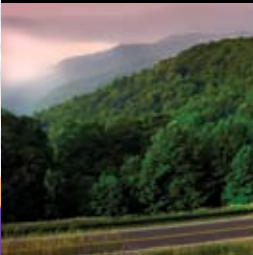
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Visit southern West Virginia and experience the thrill of the ride on our scenic highways and byways. Breathtaking scenery and rugged terrain provide the backdrop



Adventure . . . every road leads to an adventure. Challenge the rapids of the New & Gauley Rivers, explore the caves and caverns in Lewisburg, hike, bike or climb in one of our scenic National or State Parks.

History . . . Ride the Coal Heritage Trail through the heart of the coalfields or explore the Midland Trail Scenic Byway which winds 180-miles across WV's midsection. Learn about our state's coal mine history at the Beckley Exhibition Coal Mine, discover rail heritage in Hinton or visit Civil War battlefield sites.

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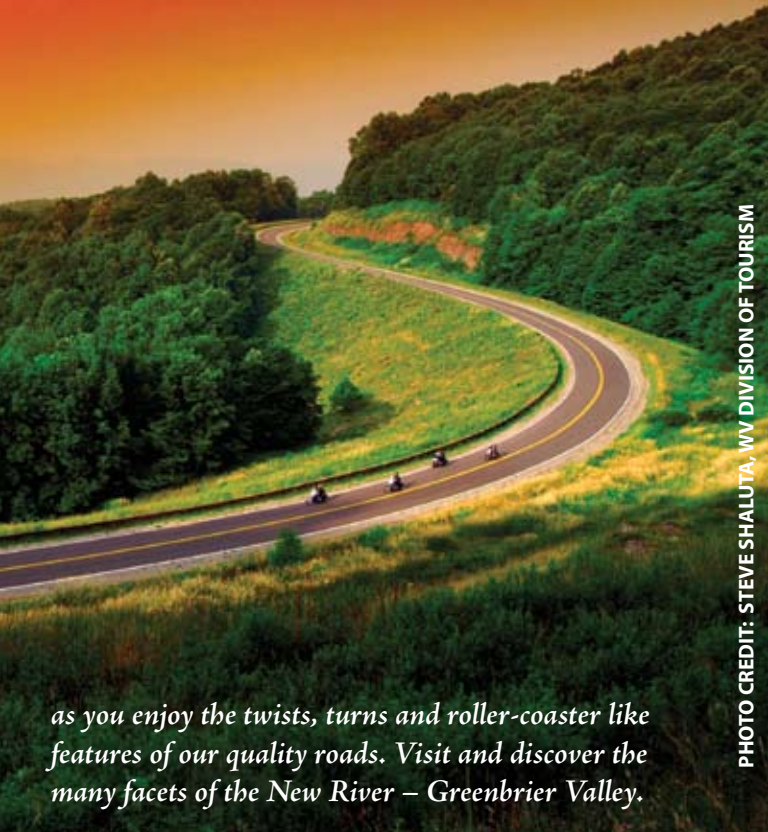


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as you enjoy the twists, turns and roller-coaster like features of our quality roads. Visit and discover the many facets of the New River – Greenbrier Valley.

Camp under the stars, relax in a cabin in the woods or stay at one of our many fine hotels.

To help you explore, we've developed a few suggested rides that take you off the beaten path, through our friendly towns and into the heart of our area. There is a place to stop, something to do and definitely things to see on every route.

We know you will find southern West Virginia as *Wild and Wonderful* as we do.



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Coal Heritage North



The scenic overlooks and winding rivers make this ride a must. Travel North across the New River Gorge Bridge, the 2nd largest steel arch bridge in the world, stop and enjoy the views of the ancient New River. Rt. 60 offers riders twists and turns, river views and waterfalls all leading to the merging of the New and Gauley Rivers at Kanawha Falls in Glen Ferris. The quiet scenic Coal River Valley is a rider's delight with small towns, scenic views and sweeping turns. As you travel these quality roadways you will see many small towns that were founded in the late 1800's when coal was king and America was growing. (129 miles)

- ♦ From Beckley, WV, travel I-77 N to Exit 48, Rt. 19 (toll 3 miles)
- ♦ Follow Rt. 19 N to Hico (26 miles), follow signs to Rt. 60W
- ♦ Take Rt. 60 W to Gauley Bridge (16 miles), then to Montgomery (11 miles)
- ♦ Take Rt. 61 N to Marmet (18 miles), then Rt. 94 S to Racine (10 miles)
- ♦ From Racine take Rt. 3 E to Whitesville (18 miles), then to Glen Daniel (27 miles)
- ♦ Continue on Rt. 3 back to Beckley, WV

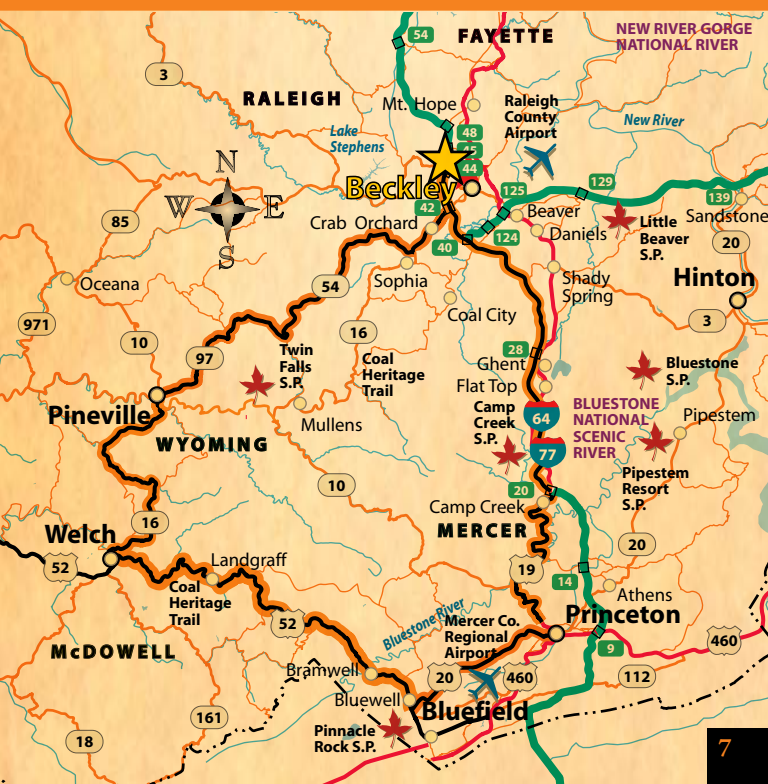


Coal Heritage South



Travel over the mountain roads of the southern coalfields. Passing through Mullens, Pineville, Welch and Keystone you will see the once booming coal communities. Stop at Twin Falls State Park and enjoy the falls for which it is named. This is a quiet, scenic stop on Rt. 97 on the way to Pineville. The town of Coalwood near Welch is the setting of the novel "Rocket Boys", the basis for the movie "October Sky". Passing through these historic towns, note the interesting architecture of the buildings and the unique brick company houses for miners. Step back in time in Bramwell and stop in Princeton to visit the Virginian Railroad Museum. (131 miles)

- ♦ From Beckley, WV take I-77 S to Exit 42, Rt. 16 (2 miles)
- ♦ Follow Rt. 16 S to Sophia (4 miles) then Rt. 54 S to Mullens (14 miles)
- ♦ Rt. 97 W to Pineville (12 miles), follow Rt. 16 S to Welch (19 miles)
- ♦ Take Rt. 52 S to Bluewell (29 miles)
- ♦ Rt. 20 N to Princeton (10 miles), follow signs to Rt. 19 N to Ghent (26 miles)
- ♦ Follow I-77 N (toll) back to Beckley, WV Exit 44 (15 miles)

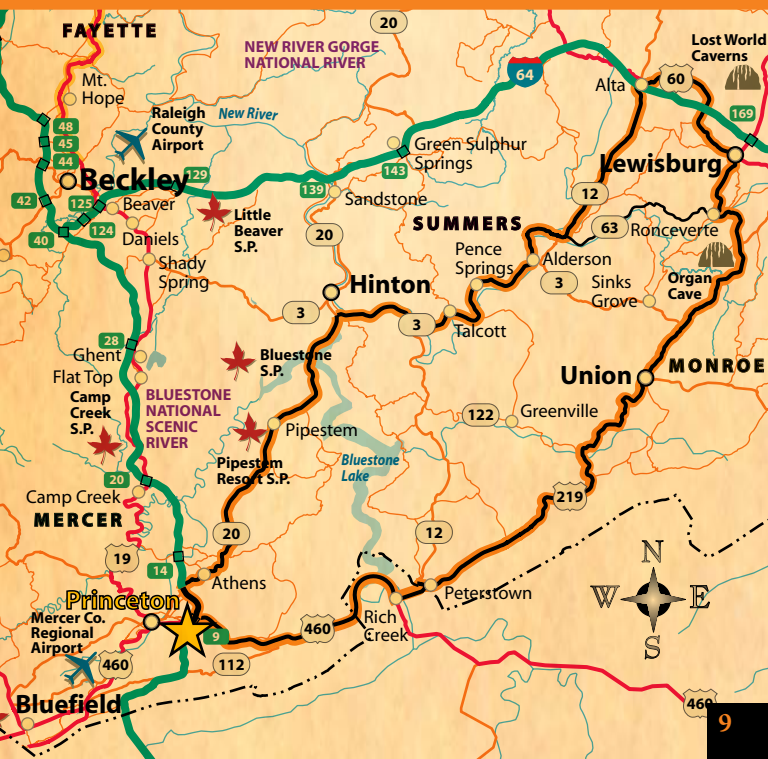


Farm Country



This ride takes you through some of the most beautiful farm country in West Virginia. Follow the ancient Seneca Trail, “Warriors Trail”, along Rt. 219 where Delaware, Seneca and Cherokee Indians lived and hunted hundreds of years before English settlers arrived. The roads are superb and the rugged, rural beauty will make you feel like you have left the real world behind you. On 219, near Union, the Indian Creek covered bridge is a highlight. Historic Lewisburg is a great stop for shopping and dining. Once into Alderson on Routes 12 & 3 you will enjoy the quiet meander of the Greenbrier River. Cattle farms, corn and hay fields dot the landscape throughout this region. This ride offers sweeping twists & turns, elevation changes, history and unique scenery. (111 miles)

- ♦ From Princeton, WV take Rt. 460 E to Rich Creek, VA (16 miles)
- ♦ Take Rt. 219 N to Peterstown (2 miles), follow 219 N through Union to Lewisburg (45 miles)
- ♦ Take Rt. 60 W to Alta (11 miles)
- ♦ Follow Rt. 12 S to Alderson (12 miles), from Alderson, follow Rt. 3 W to Hinton
- ♦ Take Rt. 20 S to Princeton, WV (25 miles), follow signs to Rt. 460



National Forest

A paved road curves through a lush, green forest. The road is flanked by dense trees and foliage, with sunlight filtering through the canopy. The scene is peaceful and scenic, typical of a national forest.

From a beginning elevation of 1800', this ride travels through the scenic plateaus and then rises to the dense forest of the Appalachian Mountains, elevation 4,545'. Enjoy the thrill of crossing over a 1000 foot-deep gorge on the 2nd largest steel arch bridge in the world - the New River Gorge Bridge. Travel from Richwood to the Cranberry Glades Botanical Area, one of the most unique natural settings in North America, which offers a glimpse of a northern bog climate in a southern setting. Traveling from Droop Mountain southward, a stop at Beartown State Park is in order. Descending from the highest road in West Virginia you will enter into the lush farm country of Greenbrier County. The beauty of this area is only surpassed by the fun of riding through the rural setting. (195 miles)

- ✦ From Fayetteville, WV take Rt. 19 N to Summersville (23 miles)
- ✦ Take Rt. 39 E toward Richwood (23 miles), continue on Rt. 39 E to Cranberry Visitors Center (23 miles)
- ✦ Get on Rt. 150, Highland Scenic Highway and follow to Rt. 219 S (23 miles)
- ✦ Take Rt. 219 S to Marlinton then on to Lewisburg (42 miles)
- ✦ Take Rt. 60 W to Hico (53 miles)
- ✦ From Hico, take Rt. 19 S back to Fayetteville, WV (8 miles)



National River

A large, dark steel arch bridge spans a deep valley. The bridge has a prominent arch structure with a lattice of steel beams. Below the bridge, a thick layer of white mist or fog fills the valley floor. The surrounding landscape is covered in dense forest with trees in various shades of green and autumnal colors like yellow and orange. The sky is overcast and grey.

Travel along and across the ancient river valleys of the New River Gorge National River, Gauley River National Recreation Area and the Meadow River. Spectacular winding roads will lead you past the C&O passenger train station in Prince. One of the last depots built for passengers along the mainline of the C&O Railroad. The operating gristmill at Babcock State Park is one of West Virginia's most photographed spots and should be a stop on any tour through the area. Summersville Lake, one of the largest recreational lakes in West Virginia, is also home to the Gauley River, known worldwide for its big water rapids. Cathedral Falls on Rt. 60 is a must stop picture opportunity. (123 miles)

- ♦ From Beckley, WV take Rt. 3 E to Rt. 19 N (5 miles)
- ♦ Follow Rt. 19 N to Rt. 41 N (3 miles), follow Rt. 41 N to Prince (9 miles)
- ♦ Take Rt. 41 N to the junction of Rt. 41 N & Rt. 60 W (22 miles)
- ♦ Continue on Rt. 41 N to Mt. Nebo (16 miles)
- ♦ Take Rt. 129 W to Drennen (12 miles), then Rt. 39 S to Gauley Bridge (20 miles)
- ♦ From Gauley Bridge, take Rt. 60 E to Chimney Corner (5 miles)
- ♦ Take Rt. 16 S to Fayetteville (9 miles), pick up Rt. 19 S to I-77 S
- ♦ Follow I-77 S (toll) (19 miles) back to Beckley, WV, Exit 44 (3 miles)



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A photograph of a historic street in Fayetteville, West Virginia, at night. The street is lined with multi-story brick buildings, some with lit windows. A traffic light with red and blue lights is visible. The sky is dark red.

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New River Gorge H.O.G Chapter meets in the
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June

- 2 NRG H.O.G. Poker Run
- 8 NRG H.O.G. Chapter Bike Night
@ Chico's in Oak Hill
- 9 Garage Party @ NRG Harley-Davidson
- 17 NRG H.O.G. Sunday Lunch Ride
- 23 NRG H.O.G. Pancake Breakfast
@ Applebee's in Summersville
- 29 - July 1 Biker Barn "Wish Run at the Barn" 304-872-1947
- 29-30 - July 4 Tent Sale-A-Bratton @ NRG Harley-Davidson

July

- 12-14 Freedom Fest @ Snowshoe 877-441-4FUN
- 18-22 WV H.O.G. Rally @ Canaan Valley 304-982-6777
- 28 Lindsey Raines Memorial Scholarship Poker Run
@ NRG Harley-Davidson
- 27-29 MountainFest Bike Rally in Morgantown WV
- 29 NRG H.O.G. Sunday Lunch Ride

August

- 4 New River Gorge Annual Car & Bike Show
- 11 NRG H.O.G. Picnic
- 18 Summersville Freedom Rally 304-872-3271
- 18 NRG H.O.G. Bike Show
- 19 NRG H.O.G. Sunday Lunch Ride
- 31-Sept 1 NRG Harley-Davidson
Labor Day Tent Sale-A-Bratton

September

- 8 NRG Harley-Davidson 2008 Model Year
"Full Metal Attraction Open House"
- 9 NRG H.O.G. Sunday Lunch Ride

October

- 7 NRG H.O.G. Sunday Lunch Ride
- 20 Bridge Day Party @ NRG Harley-Davidson
w/Shuttle to Bridge
- 26 Fright Night Party & Sale @ NRG Harley-Davidson

November

- 10 NRG Harley-Davidson Chili Cook-Off/
H.O.G./Veteran's Appreciation

December

- 1 NRG H.O.G. Christmas Party
- 7 NRG Harley-Davidson Ladies Night
- 8 NRG Harley-Davidson Men's Night
- 22 NRG Harley-Davidson Christmas Social

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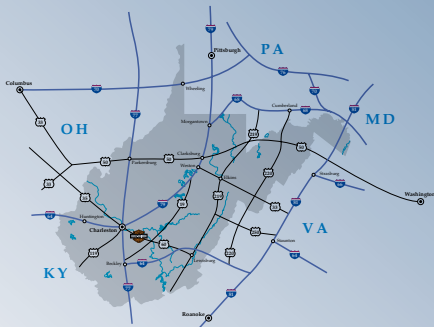
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