

It's Time to Get Away



It's time to discover the mountains: a refreshing breeze, a quiet walk in the woods, a star-filled night. It's all just over an hour's drive from Washington, D.C., in the Blue Ridge Mountains in beautiful Shenandoah National Park. • Thousands have escaped to the Blue Ridge for recreation and rejuvenation – and so can you. In 1928, President Herbert Hoover headed to the nearby mountains for a break, where he quickly realized a day trip just wasn't enough. So Hoover and the First Lady, Lou Henry, built their "Summer White House" snuggled in a ridge just yards from sparkling mountain streams. It's still here, and so are dozens of ways for you and your family to relax and have fun. • Now's a great time to visit the mountains, take in the great outdoors, dine on hearty regional fare – like our famous "mile-high" blackberry ice cream pie – and experience the wonders of Shenandoah National Park.

The Road to Everywhere

As you enter Shenandoah National Park via the spectacular Skyline Drive, slow down your pace...take in the roadside wildflowers, spy some quietly grazing deer in their natural habitat, and marvel at the spectacular vistas that open up before your eyes. • The inspiring views spread from the lush Shenandoah Valley in the west to the Virginia Piedmont in the east. Along the drive, you'll come across 75 overlooks, each carefully planned and built by the "boys" of Franklin Roosevelt's depression era Civilian Conservation Corps. Incredible rock walls, along with abundant trees and flora, create the wonder of Shenandoah's Skyline Drive. You can follow the drive as it winds its way along the crest of the Blue Ridge through the entire park. • Plan to spend some time at a visitor center, the perfect place to discover everything you want to see in the park – like where to find a meadow or a great spot to sit by a waterfall, or discover evidence of former mountain inhabitants. Check for Ranger programs about the many stories of Shenandoah National Park.



In Virginia Shenandoah National Park

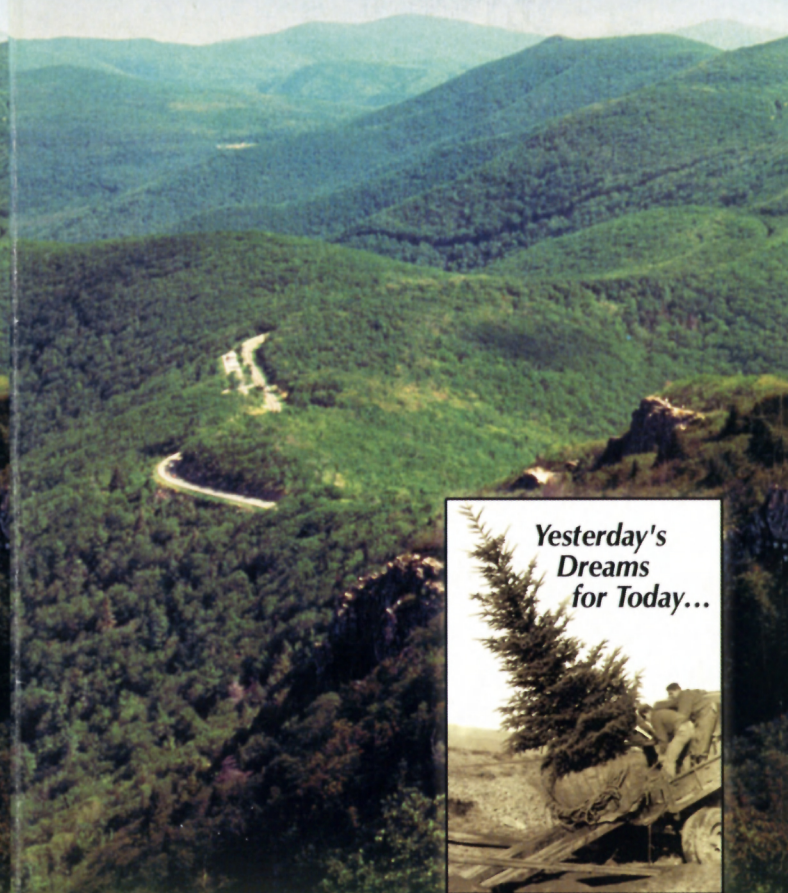
Skyline Drive



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Skyland Resort

Located at the highest point of Skyline Drive, Skyland's mixture of 177 lodging facilities ranges from a limited number of spacious suites and rustic cabins with views of the magnificent Blue Ridge Mountains to lodge rooms with breathtaking views of the Shenandoah Valley. The dining room serves contemporary and regional cuisine (don't miss the famous blackberry ice cream pie). The taproom features local wines and live entertainment. Be sure to bring home some local crafts and memories from the gift shop.



Big Meadows Lodge

Nature lovers will fall in love with the historic Big Meadows Lodge. Built in 1939, the 25-room main lodge boasts massive beams made of native oak and chestnut trees. Rustic cabins, lodges and modern suites are nestled among the trees. The dining room features more great views and fine cuisine. Kick back in the taproom with some live music.



Lewis Mountain Cabins

A great place to get back to nature, Lewis Mountain Cabins lets you enjoy the comforts of a cozy furnished cottage along with a camping vacation. Cook on your sheltered outdoor grill and dine at your own picnic table. Food, supplies, firewood, ice and more are available at the campstore.



Waysides and Campstores

Elkwallow Wayside – (mile 24.1) Carry-out food, service station, camping supplies, firewood, gift and craft shop. Mid-April – Early November

Panorama – (mile 31.5) No Services

Big Meadows Wayside – (mile 51.2) Restaurant, service station, camping supplies, laundry, showers, firewood, gift and craft shop. Late March – November

Loft Mountain Wayside – (mile 79.5) Food, service station, gift and craft shop. Late March – October

Loft Mountain Campstore – (mile 79.5) camping supplies, laundry, showers, firewood, gift and craft shop. Mid-May – October

Campgrounds

Camping is a great way to experience Shenandoah National Park. The park's campgrounds are open on a first-come, first-served basis except for Big Meadows, which requires reservations from May through October, and Dundo Group Campground, for groups of 8 - 20. Call 1-800-365-CAMP for reservations. Big Meadows, Lewis Mountain, and Loft Mountain have showers and laundry facilities. All campgrounds have a 14-day limit and allow pets. No RV hook-ups are available.

- Mathews Arm (mile 22.1)
- Big Meadows (mile 51.2)
- Lewis Mountain (mile 57.5)
- Loft Mountain (mile 79.5)
- Dundo (mile 83.7) – Groups only.

Most of Shenandoah National Park is open to backcountry camping. Permits are required and are available free from park headquarters, visitor centers, and most entrance stations, as well as the north and south entry points for the Appalachian Trail.



Most facilities and services are wheelchair accessible.

A Mathews Arm

- Camping

B Elkwallow

- Elkwallow Wayside
- Camping supplies
- Gas station
- Gift shop
- Groceries
- Mail drop
- Carry-out food
- Picnic area
- Rest rooms
- Telephone

C Panorama

- No Services

D Skyland

- Skyland
- ATM
- Dining
- Gift shop
- Lodging
- Mail drop
- Newsstand
- Rest rooms
- Taproom
- Amphitheater
- Conference hall
- Horseback riding
- Ranger station
- Rest rooms
- Telephone

E Big Meadows

- Amphitheater
- Big Meadows Lodge
- Dining
- Lodging
- Mail drop
- Gift shop
- Newsstand
- Rest rooms
- Taproom
- Big Meadows Wayside
- ATM
- Camping supplies
- Dining
- Gift shop
- Groceries
- Mail drop
- Rest rooms
- Byrd Visitor Center
- Campground (with trailer sites)
- Laundry/showers
- Trailer sewage disposal facility
- Picnic area
- Ranger station
- Rest rooms
- Telephone

F Lewis Mountain

- Amphitheater
- Cabins
- Campground (with trailer sites)
- Lewis Mountain Wayside
- Camping supplies
- Gift shop
- Groceries
- Laundry/showers
- Mail drop
- Telephone
- Picnic area
- Rest rooms

G Loft Mountain

- Amphitheater
- Campground (with trailer sites)
- Loft Mountain Campstore
- Camping supplies
- Groceries
- Laundry/showers
- Rest rooms
- Loft Mountain Wayside
- Food service
- Gas station
- Gift shop
- Mail drop
- Rest rooms
- Picnic area
- Ranger station
- Telephone
- Trailer sewage disposal facility
- Visitor Information Center

VISITOR CENTERS

- Dickey Ridge Visitor Center
- Byrd Visitor Center
- Loft Mountain Information Center

SYMBOLS

- Camping
- Picnicking
- Dining/food service
- Lodging
- Ranger station/Visitor center

Information and Reservations

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