

BRYSON CITY Deep Creek

Junev Whank Falls

From the Deep Creek trailhead parking area, follow the trail one guarter mile uphill to the 80 foot cascade. The water runs under a log foot bridge with a bench for viewing the falls.



Tom Branch Falls

Starting from the Deep Creek trailhead, walk just 1,000 feet along the wide, flat Deep Creek trail to Tom Branch Falls, gently splashing over 80 feet. Enjoy the view from the benches located beside the creek.



Indian Creek Falls

From Tom Branch Falls, continue along the Deep Creek trail for approximately one mile. Then follow the Indian Creek Trail to the fast-moving waterfall. A small spur trail leads to the bottom of the falls

NANTAHALA AREA



Nantahala Cascades

To reach the cascades, travel along US-19/74 to the southern end of the Nantahala Gorge. Turn onto Wayah Road, and continue along the river.

CHEROKEE AREA



Mingo Falls

From Bryson City, take US-19 into Cherokee and then turn left at the second light onto 441 North. Before entering the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, turn right on Acquoni Road and then left on Big Cove Road. Continue north approximately 5 miles.



Soco Falls

Just east of Cherokee on US-19 toward Maggie Valley, look for an small pulloff about 3 miles past Bearmeat's Indian Den (1.5 miles before the Blue Ridge Parkway). A short trail leads to a viewing platform for the double falls.

Three Loop Tours

You can visit all 12 waterfalls in one full day, but we suggest taking more time to enjoy all the other sights and attractions along the way.

On the northern loop, be sure to spent time in downtown Bryson City and Cherokee. And there's much to see in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and along the Blue Ridge Parkway.

On the western loop, you'll drive along the Nantahala River. At the top of the mountain check out Nantahala Lake. If you continue toward Franklin, don't miss the spectacular vistas from Wayah Bald.

The southern loop is more mountainous and slow-going and will take you through two charming mountain towns with shops and restaurants.

HIGHLANDS AREA





Bridal Veil Falls

Cullasaja Falls

Walk behind this 120 foot falls. Off US-64, 2.5 miles west of Highlands in the Cullasaja Gorge.

Drv Falls

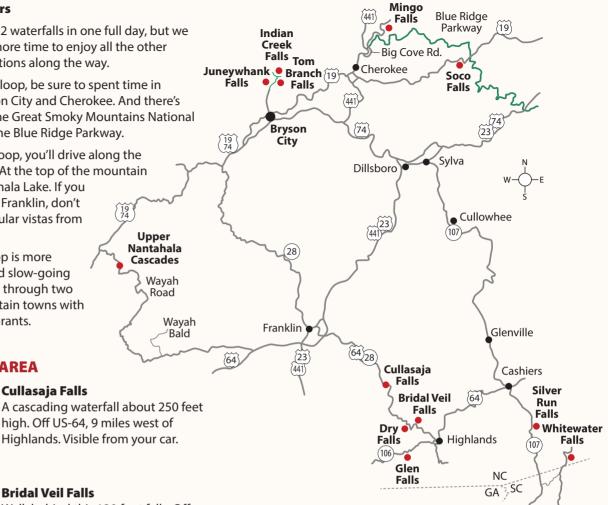


Walk behind the 75 foot falls. Off US-64. 3.5 miles west of Highlands in the Cullasaja Gorge.

Glen Falls



Three large waterfalls, each dropping about 60 feet. From Highlands, go 3 miles south on NC-106.



CASHIERS AREA

Silver Run Falls

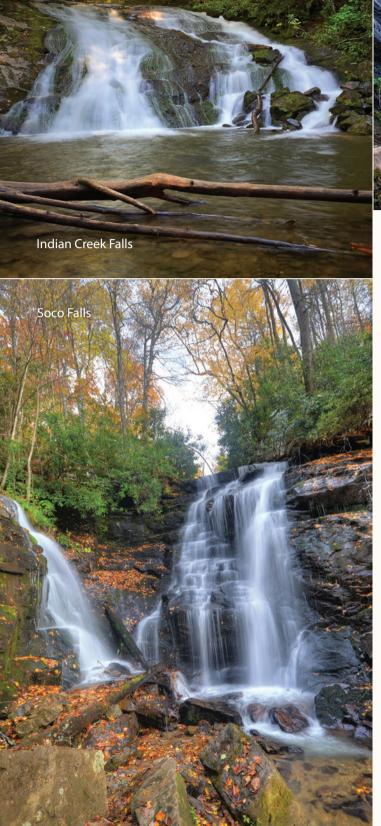


A 30 foot fall spilling into a pool below. Off NC-107, 4.1 miles south of Cashiers. Park in pull-off on the left and take the trail to the base of the falls.

Whitewater Falls



The highest waterfall east of the Rockies at 411 feet. From Cashiers, take NC-107 ten miles to the NC-SC state line. Continue one mile and turn left, and left again onto SC-130.







The Sublime Pleasure of Rushing Water

Arguably, waterfalls are where mountain streams and rivers put on their best show. But there's just as much to enjoy both upstream and downstream where rushing water spills over rocks and boulders.

Many area trails and roads follow these streams and so can you. Here are some great places to enjoy the sight and sound of rushing water:

The bridge over Kephart Prong Trail The picnic area at Deep Creek Oconaluftee River Trail Noland Creek Trail Nantahala River at the NOC Campus

Ask for directions at the Bryson City Visitor Center.



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