

# Visit NC's Small Towns & Have the Time of Your Life!

Explore the unique characteristics of each of our small towns. From main streets and side streets, to outdoor adventures and expansive views, there is a world waiting for you to explore, enjoy and love.

**Lake Lure &**  
*the Blue Ridge Foothills*  
Rutherford County, NC

## Bostic

Full of rolling green hills, the South Mountain Game Lands, and the most iconic sections of the historic Cherry Bounce Driving Trail, Bostic hides its treasures away in whisky stills and on dusty, dirt roads. Sample award-winning spirits, make a pit stop at North Carolina's oldest, family-owned retail business, and hear tales of why people believe Lincoln was really born here.



## Chimney Rock Village

One of Western North Carolina's smallest, small towns – shop for one-of-a-kind Appalachian crafts, outdoor gear, craft beer on the river before a visit to Chimney Rock State Park.

## Forest City

Enjoy modern boutiques, nostalgic antiques and trendy eateries, plus more than one million Christmas lights every winter, an annual tradition since 1930. Added classics like a soda fountain, vintage cars, and wooden-bat baseball.





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## Lake Lure

Named **2016 “Best Mountain Lake Getaway”** by “Official Best Of “

A cathedral of mountain cliffs, a rushing river and a serene lake embody the beauty that is Lake Lure. Relish in outdoor adventures, a hike in the woods, a thrilling mountain bike ride, a climb on a sheer rock face, a day on the water fishing, boating or kayaking. Lodging is diverse from a remodeled Resort to historic inns, B&Bs, cabins, camping and lakefront vacation homes.



## Rutherfordton

One of the oldest towns in North Carolina, Rutherfordton was named **2016 “Small Town of the Year”** by the NC Rural Center and is credited with minting America’s first one-dollar gold coin. Visit charming shops and admire the only remaining cluster of antebellum homes in any North Carolina downtown. A variety of walking trails, coupled with a 10,000 square-foot children’s museum, makes this town an ideal family vacation destination.



## Spindale

Enjoy the small-town charm of the eclectic shops and restaurants that line Main Street and the brick buildings that have stood strong for generations. Explore the length of the town on the 7.35-mile Thermal Belt Rail Trail, originally the textile railroad line, or catch a live, theater performance. The town is also home to WNCW 88.7FM, the most-listened to public radio station in Western North Carolina.

## 2017 Anniversaries

Celebrate these milestone anniversaries in some of Western NC’s charming small towns including:

- › **125th anniversary** of **The Esmeralda Inn**, Chimney Rock Village
- › **90th anniversary** of the **1927 Lake Lure Inn & Spa**, Lake Lure featuring newly-renovated public spaces, pool and spa; the Town of Lake Lure also celebrates 90 years this year
- › **30th anniversary** of the cult-classic film **“Dirty Dancing”** filmed in Lake Lure – celebrate at the annual Dirty Dancing Festival in August
- › **25th anniversary** of **Bubba O’Leary’s General Store**, along the Rocky Broad River in Chimney Rock Village

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