

New River Gorge – Area Attractions

[The New River Gorge National Park and Preserve](#) is an incredibly beautiful location with an equally incredible history and cultural heritage. We are excited for you to continue to learn about the Summit Bechtel Reserve and the outdoor recreation opportunities that are within close reach in the New River Gorge!

Convention and Visitors Bureau (NRGCVB)

[The New River Gorge CVB](#) can help families find area attractions and restaurants.

Rock Climbing

Check out one of the most popular rock-climbing destinations in the United States. About 400 total climbing opportunities will be provided in the following areas.

- [Bridge Buttress Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)
- [Junk Yard Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)
- [Super Mario Boulder Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)
- [Kaymoor Slabs Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)
- [Butcher's Branch Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)

Hiking

Enjoy exploring a wide variety of serene, wooded hiking trails, beautiful streams, and dramatic views of the New River Gorge! Old rail lines that have been converted into hiking trails are amazing as well! Great information can be found at the [New River Gorge NPS Hiking Site](#).

- [Fayetteville Area Trails](#) and [Map Overview](#)
- [Long Point Trail Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)
- [Endless Wall Trail Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#) – (Hike Full Loop Counterclockwise)
- [Kaymoor Miners Trail Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)
- [Kaymoor Trail Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)
- [Bridge Trail Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)

Other Amazing Hiking Trails Nearby

- [Grandview Rim Loop Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)
- [Castle Rock Trail Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)
- [Glade Creek Trail Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)
- [Rend Trail Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)

Mountain Biking

Enjoy learning a little about the history of the area via bicycle with a short stop in Thurmond before embarking on a fun mountain bike ride to Cunard!

- [Southside Junction Trail Details](#) – Shuttle to Thurmond From Summit



Fishing

Be sure to take a morning or afternoon to do a little fishing in the New River Gorge. Fish the big waters of the New River or explore any of the nearby feeder streams! You can even hire an outfitter to take you on a float fishing trip!

- [New River Gorge National River](#) – NPS Fishing Overview
- [Dunloup Creek Fishing Details](#) – Directions to [Parking Area](#)
- [Glade Creek Fishing Details](#) – Directions to [Parking Area](#) and [Grandview Sandbar](#)
- [Stone Cliff Fishing Details](#) – Directions to [Parking Area](#)
- [McCreery Hollow and Piney Creek Fishing Details](#) – Directions to [Parking Area](#)
- [Plum Orchard Lake Fishing Details](#) – Directions to [Parking Area](#)

Additional Fishing Information

- Purchase your [West Virginia Fishing License Here](#)
- West Virginia Department of Natural Resources – [Fayette County Fishing Areas](#)

History and Driving Tours

Take an opportunity to learn about the rich historical foundation that the Summit has been built upon. There are a series of driving tours and navigating the “one way” bridge to Thurmond is always a powerful experience!

- New River Gorge Scenic River – Overview of [History and Culture, People, Stories](#)
- New River Gorge – [Historical Locations](#)
 - [Thurmond](#) – “The Dodge City of the East.” [Walking Tour](#)
 - [Nuttallburg](#) – “Henry Ford leased the town’s mines to provide coal for his company steel mills.”
 - Exploring Nuttallburg – [Nuttallburg Loop Trail Details](#) – Directions to [Trailhead](#)
 - [African American Heritage Auto Tour](#) – Directions to [Camp Washington Carver](#)
 - <https://bridgewalk.com/> - Guided 2-3 hour tour of the New River Gorge Bridge from the catwalk 25’ beneath the Bridge and 876’ above the New River
- [Babcock State Park](#) – Directions to [Babcock State Park](#)
- [Glade Creek Grist Mill](#) – Directions to [Parking](#)
- [Grandview Overlook](#) – Directions to [Overlook](#)
- [Exhibition Coal Mine](#) with Underground Mine Tour – Directions to mine in [Beckley, WV](#)
- [Tamarack](#) with the best of WV artisan products and extraordinary food fare to promote the Mountain State’s wonderful image

Bowling

There are two bowling options available in Southern WV to enjoy anytime.

- [Leisure Lanes](#) – located in Beckley, WV. Directions to [Leisure Lanes](#)
- [Pinheads](#) – located in Oak Hill, WV. Directions to [Pinheads](#)

Golf

Golf is available in nearby Raleigh County and there are five great courses to choose from. The natural beauty of Southern WV has given the opportunity for course designers to take advantage of scenic views and with each course offering an enjoyable day on the links.

- [The Resort at Glade Springs](#) – located in Daniels, WV. Directions to [Glade](#)
- [Grandview Country Club](#) – located in Beaver, WV. Directions to [Grandview](#)
- [Black Knight Country Club](#) – located in Beckley, WV. Directions to [Black Knight](#)

