

Scott County Virginia

We're a Natural



Music
Artisans
Trails
Mountain Towns

www.explorescottcountyva.com

Music



Papa Joe Smiddy



Daniel Boone

History

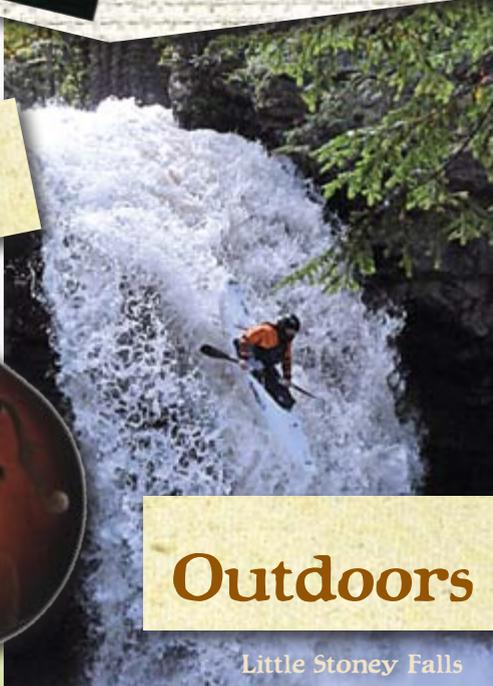
"We're a Natural" for music, history, culture, attractions and scenic outdoors! Scott County, Virginia is a wonderful location waiting for you to explore! Blaze your own trail by discovering quaint restaurants, relaxing getaways in one of our local lodging facilities and activities that entertain the entire family! Explore Outdoor Recreation and Family Fun in Scott County, Virginia. Be your own trip planner!



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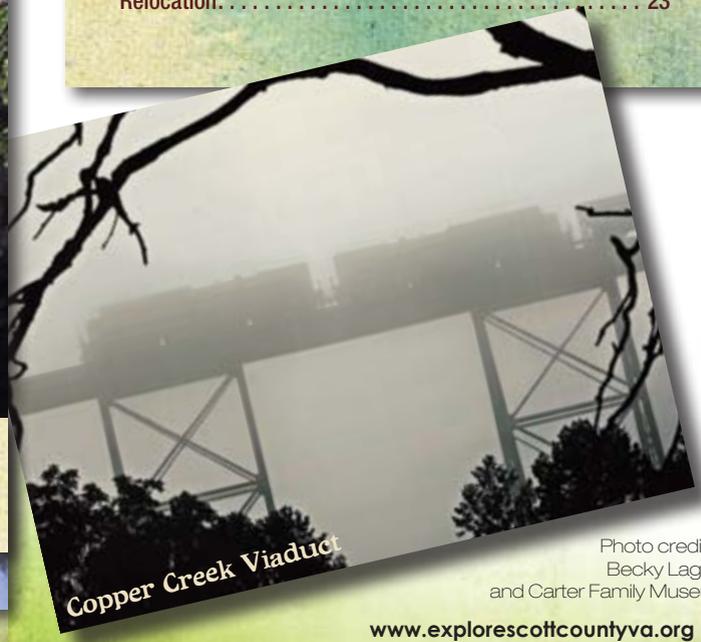
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Culture



Outdoors

Little Stoney Falls



Copper Creek Viaduct

Photo credit to Becky Lagow and Carter Family Museum

Music

Scott County comes with its own soundtrack – music you can hear at informal pickings or weekend long music festivals!

While you're here, visit Allen Hicks' Jam Session in Nickelsville to hear talented locals and professionals join together for an evening of fun every Friday night. Dungannon Music Night held monthly offers country, bluegrass or gospel music at the Historic Dungannon

Depot. Clinch Mountain Music Fest held in Gate City each June allows visitors to experience the best traditional music at a weekend long festival with unique events like a watermelon seed spitting contest, various bike races, geocaching and a photography contest.

Carter Family Fold

A.P. Carter Highway

Hiltons, VA

276-386-6054

www.carterfamilyfold.org

Celebrate the traditional music created by the first family of country music – the Carter Family! Janette Carter, one of three children of A.P. and Sara Carter established the Carter Family Fold to honor the memory of her parents and Maybelle Carter who played a historic role in helping give birth to Country Music. The original Carter Family lived on this hallowed ground, right where the Carter Fold is today, in Poor Valley, at the foot of Clinch Mountain in southwest Virginia. Since 1974, the non-profit Carter Music Center has presented programs to promote old time and bluegrass music every weekend. Saturday concerts highlight the musical style made popular by the Carter Family and in keeping with the traditional music style, no electrical instruments are allowed (everything is acoustic). Carter Family Fold is an international tourist attraction on the Crooked Road historic music trail. Created as an event for the whole family to enjoy, visitors will spend an evening at Carter Fold with lots of dancing, traditional music and delicious homemade snacks! Complete your collection of Carter Family recordings at the well-stocked souvenir and record concession. Come early and browse through the Museum before the show.

The Carter Family



Maybelle, A.P., Sara Carter



Carter Family Fold Museum



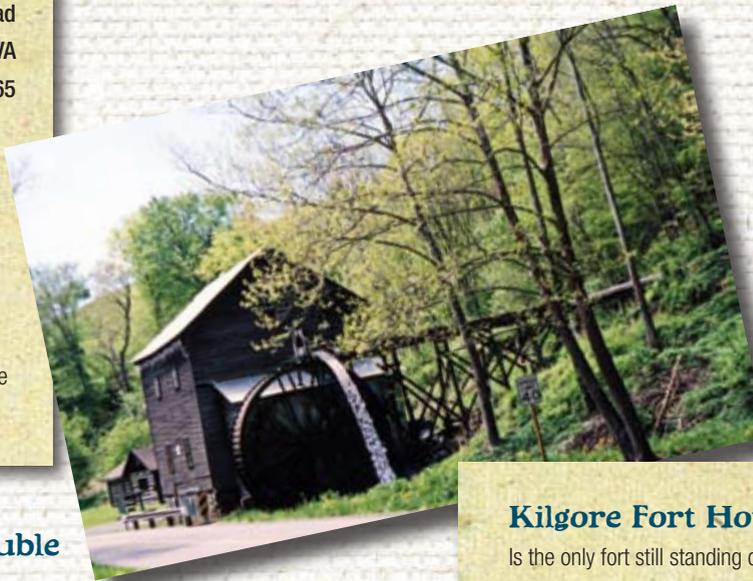
History

Bush Mill

1154 Twin Springs Road
Nickelsville, VA
276-479-2965

A working grist mill near Nickelsville, Virginia. The mill is operated by the Nickelsville Ruritan during Bush Mill Days, the first Saturday in October, when grinding demonstrations are given and corn meal can be purchased.

Scott County was formed by an act of the general assembly on November 24, 1814 from parts of Washington, Lee, and Russell Counties and was named for General Winfield Scott.



Copper Creek Double Railroad Trestles

As you drive along Highway 23 between Gate City and Duffield, keep your eyes peeled to the east for a view of a double railroad trestle. A wayside has been created for visitor convenience with informative signs and picnic tables. Here at the confluence of Copper Creek and the Clinch River, two railroad lines of CC&O and V&SW converged as well. The taller trestle is 185 feet above the water and spans 1,160 feet of open air and was built in 1908. The smaller trestle was built in 1890. Both Norfolk Southern and CSX trains run over these tracks.

Historic Downtown Gate City

Take a stroll down historic downtown Gate City! Enjoy antiquing at the many antique shops along Jackson Street and grab a bite to eat at unique eateries such as The Family Bakery, The Blue Rooster Café and El Potrillo. As the gateway to the western frontier, you will be able to explore and find your own treasures in Gate City! The historic district of Gate City, the gateway to the western frontier in 1775, is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Historic Dungannon Depot

As a location on the Virginia Landmarks Register and a rare survivor of the passenger train era in Virginia's southwestern region, Dungannon Depot was constructed circa 1910 in Scott County on the Carolina, Clinchfield and Ohio Railway line. The Depot has been moved ¼ mile from its original site and is used for community events and meetings. Two interpretive panels have been placed outside the Depot for The Flanary Archaeological Site and the Coal Heritage Trail that runs through Dungannon.

Historic Scott County Courthouse

The earliest standing public building in the area is the Scott County Courthouse, built in 1829. Still home to the county's judicial system and offices, Scott County Courthouse is open to the public from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm Monday-Friday. Trace Your Roots during our Genealogy Weekend in June by searching genealogical records housed in the Courthouse.

Kilgore Fort House

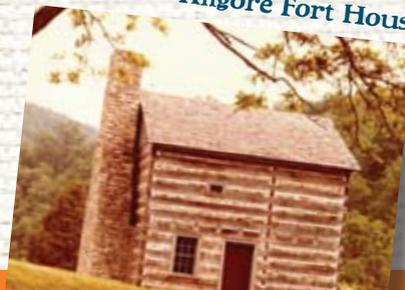
Is the only fort still standing of the twelve structures that once extended from Castlewood to Cumberland Gap along the Wilderness Road. It was built in 1786 on Copper Creek by Robert Kilgore to protect his family against hostile Indians. The Kilgore Fort House was restored from 1973 to 1974 and is privately owned. Visitors are welcome to view the historic landmark from the road, two miles west of Nickelsville, on highway 71.

Wilderness Road Blockhouse



Daniel Boone blazed his trail west in 1775 through Scott County! The blockhouse serves as a physical two-story replica of the original Anderson blockhouse used as a stop for frontiersmen traveling west through three main gaps. Two of these gaps are in Scott County! See the Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail for more information!

Kilgore Fort House



Movement of Man

This is our story. We are home to the western expansion into America's frontier in 1775. The first family of country music came from our wonderful county. Native Americans and settlers used our rivers. Birds migrate and are visible throughout our locality. Coal and the railroad played an important role in developing our region economically.

Coal Heritage Trail

The Virginia Coal Heritage Trail officially begins at the Pocahontas Exhibition Mine in Pocahontas and travels 325 miles through seven Southwest Virginia counties. Dungannon is the first location to commemorate the significance of the Coal Heritage Trail by dedicating interpretive panels for educational purposes.

Loggerhead Shrike



Birding

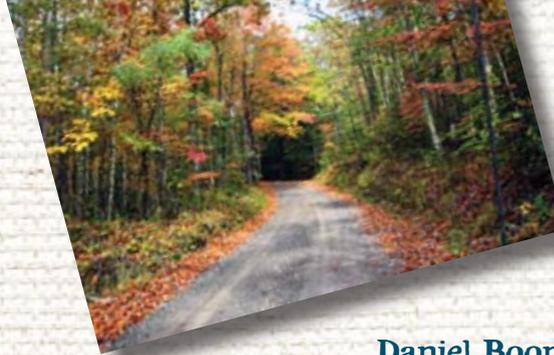
Scott County is home to two loops of the Virginia Birding and Wildlife's Mountain Trail. The loops, Appalachian Wonders and Daniel Boone, allow bird enthusiasts the opportunity to view 162 documented species located within our county. Visit our website for a complete checklist! Two state listed rare birds can be found by watchers with a keen eye: Magnolia Warblers and Loggerhead Shrike. We are a year round destination for viewing!



Magnolia Warbler

The Crooked Road

Virginia's Heritage Music Trail connects iconic traditional music venues along the 333 mile trail through Southwest Virginia. The major venue along the Crooked Road in Scott County is the international legendary destination of the first family of country music, The Carter Family, at the Carter Family Fold in Hiltons. Join the fun every Saturday night at 7:30pm and don't forget your dancing shoes!



Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail

On March 19, 1775, Daniel Boone blazed his trail West into Kentucky through Scott County. Over 300,000 traveled this trail to the early American frontier! The three Gaps used by Boone are in our region, two of which are in Scott County: Moccasin and Kane Gaps. Kane Gap is of specific importance because it is the only Gap that has not been developed by modern man. Check out the hiking and birding trail at Kane Gap. A driving tour of the Wilderness Trail is available for your adventure. Visit the Wilderness Road Blockhouse for living history reenactments and hands on demonstrations!

Fincastle Turnpike

In 1834, the Virginia General Assembly passed legislation to develop a route known as the "Fincastle Turnpike" from the Wilderness Road at Fincastle to Cumberland Gap. The idea was to promote commerce and bind the western counties with the rest of the state. Settlers used this route to reach the Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail as they traveled west across the mountains.

Wilderness Road Artisan Trail

Explore the talented local artisans of Scott County along the Wilderness Road Artisan Trail. From handcrafted dulcimers and mandolins to intricately woven fibers and watercolor paintings, visitors will be immersed in the culture of our region. Take home a priceless one of a kind piece of art for your home!



Family Fun



Bella at Creation Kingdom Zoo

Creation Kingdom Zoo

1642 Snowflake Road
Gate City, VA
276-690-5450

www.creationkingdomzoo.com

Truly a one of a kind zoo experience! Creation Kingdom is the only zoo or animal habitat facility in our region featuring big cats. They also have a large collection of primates, some of which are among the rarest on Earth. Plan a trip to the zoo and make a day of it. The atmosphere is relaxed and the people are friendly. This may be the only zoo you ever visit where you can get so close to the animals. You can do it all at Creation Kingdom Zoo.

Fannon Railroad Museum

Corner of Hwy 58 and Hwy 23
Duffield, VA
276-431-2428

Railroad Fans! Owner Kenny Fannon is a railroad expert and welcomes the opportunity to share the knowledge of each item within his collection. The depot was used in the movie "The Coal Miner's Daughter." Please call to schedule your visit!

Fresh Produce and Farmer's Markets

For the sweetest strawberries you've ever tasted, visit Mann Farms in Fort Blackmore. Or, pick your own! Enjoy the health benefits of locally grown produce by visiting our three farmer's markets located in Nickelsville and Gate City on Saturday mornings (8am-12noon) and in Duffield on Thursday evenings (4pm-7pm).

Natural Tunnel State Park

1420 Natural Tunnel Parkway
Duffield, VA 24244
(276) 940-2674

www.dcr.virginia.gov/state_parks/nat.shtml

Deemed the Eighth Wonder of the World by William Jennings Bryan, Natural Tunnel has been attracting sightseers to the mountains of southwestern Virginia for more than 100 years. Ride a scenic chair lift to view the majestic Natural Tunnel! The park also offers visitors swimming, camping, picnicking, hiking, a visitor center, an amphitheater and interpretive programs like Stock Creek Passage - the only time you can actually walk through the tunnel!



Natural Tunnel State Park

Punkin Patch Farms

984 Cowans Creek Rd
Nickelsville, VA
276-479-3228

www.facebook.com/pages/Punkin-Patch-FARM/121875091215591

A family owned farm growing Fall decoration and pumpkins for 20 years! Open September-October, this location provides hayrides, a farm petting zoo and corn maze for a wonderful family outing. Allen Hicks' Jam Session is here every Friday night!

Scott County Regional Horse Park

240 Cub Creek Lane
Dungannon, VA
<http://schorse.org/>

Calling all equestrians! Attend or participate in one of the many horse shows held from April through October, multiple scenic trail rides or the rodeo. The Jefferson National Forest offers trail ride opportunities. Concessions are available on-site.



Scott County Park & Golf Course

247 Fore Drive, Suite 101
Gate City, VA
276-452-2442

www.scottcountyva.com/park/

Scott County Park & Golf Course offers a 9 hole golf course in a scenic mountain setting. Six picnic shelters, two tennis courts, tetherball and a walking trail are also provided. Meeting space available for rent with a full kitchen, gas fireplace and wi-fi access is provided.



Wilderness Road Blockhouse

Experience life on the 1775 frontier through reenactments and hands on demonstrations. The original Anderson Blockhouse was an important landmark. Noted as the starting point to the Wilderness Road, distances were calculated from the Blockhouse to stations en route to Philadelphia to the east and to Crab Orchard Kentucky in the west. Visit during Saturday and Sunday for educational programs!

Outdoor Recreation

Explore...Outdoor Recreation!
Summer sun on pure, untouched landscapes and shimmering warm colors of our fall foliage await your adventure!

Bark Camp Lake

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Bark Camp Lake is a 61-acre lake located in Scott County and is the oldest Virginia Game and Inland Fisheries lake in Southwest Virginia. Clear water and good habitats for fish are prevalent for an ideal fishing experience. Walk the trail or relax with a good book at this pristine mountain lake location! Tip: Enjoy the breathtaking view from Osborne Ridge on your trip to Bark Camp Lake.

Big Moccasin Stables

276-479-3170

This stable in Nickelsville offers boarding services for horses while you're in the region and "breaking" a horse for riding. Along with boarding, enjoy a ride in their ring while taking in the peaceful rural landscape.

Biking

A designated bike path exists from Gate City to Fort Blackmore along Veteran's Memorial Highway that includes scenic mountain vistas along a challenging and beautiful route. Mountain biking is an option in the Jefferson National Forest and Natural Tunnel State Park along their trail systems.

Clinch River

One of the most bio-diverse ecosystems in the United States exists in the Clinch River! The Clinch is one of the top five cleanest rivers in the world and the top three in the United States. More mussel species exist in the Clinch River than any other river in the World! Burrowing in the sandy bottoms of our river, a grand total of 35 mussel species found in Scott County are rare and at least one can be found nowhere else in the world! Enjoy your expedition on this beautiful blueway with public access points created every 2-4 hours for visitor convenience.

Clinch Valley Outfitters

276-479-3316

<http://clinchvalleyoutfitters.com/>

Scott County has almost 100 miles of waterways! Enjoy these waters during a guided float or fishing excursion with Clinch Valley Outfitters! You can rent a kayak for the day, book one of the many float services offered or purchase your very own equipment after a demonstration on-site – something you can't do in a store!

Devil's Bathtub

Dive into the crystal clear water of Devil's Bathtub...if you dare! Hike the Devil's Fork Trail in order to reach this beautiful location.

Devil's Bathtub

Fishing, Canoeing, Kayaking

Anglers beware! You will be hooked on Scott County! The Clinch and Holston Rivers are full of smallmouth, spotted, rock, and largemouth bass, sauger, sunfish, musky, crappie, and freshwater drum. Here's an insider tip: trout fishing opportunities exist throughout the county on stocked trout streams such as Big Stoney Creek, Little Stoney Creek and Stock Creek. Canoeing and Kayaking can be peaceful and serene in our scenic, bio-diverse waters, but it can also be exhilarating!



Clinch River

Geocaching

This national hiding and seeking of treasure game is abundant throughout Scott County! Caches are hidden at historical sites, businesses, and other areas around our county. Track them down and make your mark on the county, noting down your visit in the logbook and trading an item of your choice for one of the souvenirs in the box. Once you have logged at least 15 caches placed by the Scott County Tourism Committee, email us your address and we'll mail you a limited edition pathtag.

Outdoor Recreation

High Knob (peak)

The highest point in Scott County offers stunning views, the beginning of the lengthy Chief Benge Scout Trail, and rare plants and animals.

Holston River

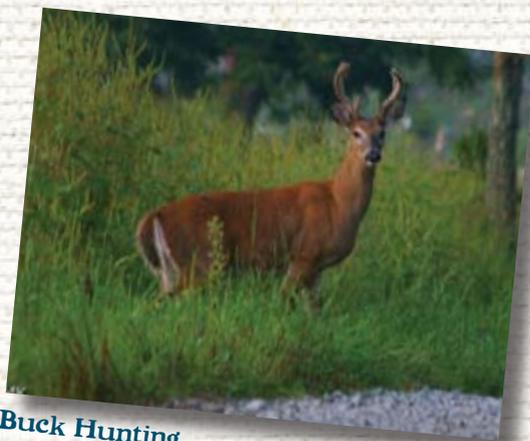
The North Fork of the Holston River flows through the southern part of Scott County. Public Access Points have been established for residents and visitors alike to enjoy the many fishing, kayaking and canoeing opportunities. Fisherman take note, you may hook a trophy smallmouth bass in the Holston River!

Hunting

Scott County is one of the best places in the state to bag that trophy buck or bear. Every year, Scott County hunters bring in enough turkey and deer to place us on the state's top ten list, and that doesn't include the numerous small game opportunities including raccoon, squirrel, rabbit, and grouse. Few places rival the immense beauty that a Scott County dawn or dusk can offer. Large portions of the 35,480 acre Jefferson National Forest are open to public hunting. With acres of public land to chase your quarry, Scott County hunting expeditions won't leave you disappointed. Contact the Tourism Office regarding locations to purchase a hunting license.

Hiking

From multi-day backpacking trips down the Chief Benge Scout Trail to half hour jaunts from car to vista we have it all! Check out the hiking trail map on the Scott County website! The Jefferson National Forest and Natural Tunnel State Park offer hiking trails as well.



Buck Hunting

Little Stoney Falls

If you've never been here, this is the "must see" outdoor recreation hotspot for you to visit during your trip! The 24' and 8' double waterfall is a beautiful natural attraction and is a photographer's dream! Mountain laurel and rhododendron are abundant along the 2.8 mile Little Stoney Creek Trail. Located at Hanging Rock Recreation Area, hikers and anglers will find tables and grills for their convenience.

Jefferson National Forest

Find almost every kind of recreation imaginable in the Jefferson National Forest! Hiking, mountain biking, cross country skiing, fishing and orienteering await you during your adventure. Don't forget your camera! With scenic vistas and natural wonders around every turn, you won't want to miss a single moment! Camping is available.

Powell Mountain Overlook

is located near Duffield toward Lee County and is the beginning of the Scott County Scenic Driving Trail. It is one of the most panoramic views in the county.

Trails, Trails and more Trails!

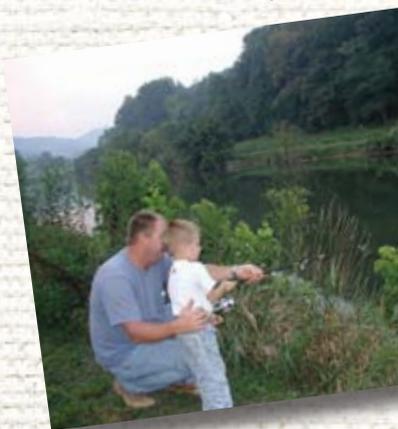
We understand that EVERYONE loves the great outdoors! Whether you enjoy a challenging outdoor recreation opportunity or just spending the day in nature, we have something for you! Scott County Tourism offers visitors tourism maps in niche markets including: Hiking and Walking trails, Little Stoney Falls map, Clinch River public access points, Holston River public access points, Equestrian, Motorcycle, Scenic Drives and Music Venues. Look for additional maps in 2012 including an agri-tourism map! You can download these maps at www.scottcountyva.com under Tourism maps.

Tennis

Scott County provides 9 tennis courts for residents and tourists alike to enjoy. If you'll be enjoying an extended stay in Scott County, check out the Scott County Recreation Department's Tennis Clinics for instructional tutoring. For more information, contact the Scott County Recreation office by calling 276-452-2442.

Veteran's Memorial

Located on Veteran's Memorial Highway before Fort Blackmore, this site pays tribute to the Scott County men and women that made the ultimate sacrifice during their tour of duty in the Armed Forces. Visitors will find an Army tank, cannon and memorials with names of the fallen loved ones.



Lodging

Appalachian Mountain Cabins

530 Fincastle Road
Duffield, VA 24244
1-877-299-8123 or 276-940-1155
www.amcabins.com

Located in the scenic mountains of Southwest Virginia. All of our cabins have a fully furnished kitchen, Jacuzzi tub, washer/dryer and satellite TV.

Clinch River Valley Family Campground

7237 Angler's Way
Duffield, VA 24244
276-940-2267
clinchrivercamp@yahoo.com <http://clinchfamilycamp.com>

Join Us for Some Fun in the Sun! Located on the Clinch River! Great for fishing, boating, tubing, or just relaxing!

Estillville Bed & Breakfast

128 Park Street
Gate City, VA 24251
276-690-2091
estillvillebb@sctv.coop
www.gatecityinn.com

Within walking distance of shops, restaurants, and Grogan Park in Historic Downtown Gate City. We are the closest bed and breakfast to the Carter Family Fold and Natural Tunnel State Park. Creation Kingdom Zoo, Scott County Horse Park, Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail are within minutes.

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Boone's Pointe Cabins

Route 224/Wadlow Gap Highway
Gate City, VA 24251
423-360-2947 or 276-494-1077
info@boonespointecabins.com
www.boonespointecabins.com

On the historic Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail. Minutes from shopping, outdoor recreation, and musical entertainment.



Natural Tunnel State Park Cabins and Campgrounds

1420 Natural Tunnel Parkway,
Duffield, VA 24244
1-800-933-PARK
resvs@dcr.virginia.gov

Two and three bedroom cabins, six bedroom lodge and campgrounds available offering magnificent mountain views. Specify Natural Tunnel when making the reservation!

Pap Paw's Cabin

4171 Duff Patt Highway
Duffield, VA 24244
276-386-7812 or 423-306-0796
<http://pappawscabin.embarqspace.com>

Come Stay With Us! Enjoy the scenic beauty of Scott County with a view from the top of Powell Mountain on the Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail, minutes from Duffield, Virginia!

Riverside Campground

536 Wilder Street
Dungannon, VA 24245
276-393-6566

Riverside Campground provides a central location to several key attractions including Little Stoney Falls, Hanging Rock Park, Guest River Gorge Trail, High Knob, and the Jefferson National Forest.

The Ole Nickelsville Hotel

112 Dougherty Street
Nickelsville, VA 24272
276-479-1599
www.nickelsvillehotel.com

The century-old restored guest house combines historic charm with modern conveniences. The hotel is close to historical Kilgore Fort and Bush Mill. Architecture such as double-decker wrap around porches and original wood panel highlight this location.

Travel Inn

382 (7025) Duff-Patt Hwy,
Duffield, VA 24244
276-431-4300 <http://travelinnvatn.com/>

The lodging facility is so close to nature and yet so near to the busy Tri-Cities area. It is located on the intersection of three highways 23, 58W and 421 as well as Interstates 81 & 26.

Scott County Regional Horse Park

Scott County Regional Horse Park will open a new campground in 2012! This is the perfect locations for equestrians and outdoor recreation enthusiasts! For more information, please contact the Horse Park or the Tourism Office.



Restaurants

Scott County, Virginia has a variety of restaurants. From old fashioned drive-ins to traditional German restaurants, we have something for everyone! Look for hot fudge cakes, hardy breakfasts like mom use to make and even ostrich burgers!

Brad's BBQ

2055 US Highway 23 South
Weber City, VA 423-614-6667

Burger King

231 US Highway 23 South
Weber City, VA 276-386-6060

Burgers R Us

1023 US Highway 23 South
Weber City, VA 276-225-0270

Campus Drive In

432 Kane Street
Gate City, VA 276-386-3702

Colonial Downs

38 US Highway 23 North
Weber City, VA 276-225-0200

Country Basket

2209 Rye Cove Memorial Road
Duffield, VA 276-940-2274

Custard Stand

187 Duff-Patt Highway
Duffield, VA 276-431-3283

Dave's All American

US Highway 23 North
Weber City, VA 276-690-2400

El Potrillo

201 W Jackson Street
Gate City, VA 276-386-9962

Food City Deli

3004 US Highway 23 North
Weber City, VA 276-386-7886

Food Lion Deli

101 US Highway 23 South, Suite A
Gate City, VA 276-386-6650

Front Porch Store and Deli

13832 Clinch River Highway
Fort Blackmore, VA 276-995-1200

Gasthaus Edelweiss

137 South Dogwood Drive
Weber City, VA 276-386-3724



Gasthaus Edelweiss

Get It Market

US Highway 23 North
Duffield, VA 276-431-4362

Handy Kitchen

192 US Highway 23 North
Weber City, VA 276-386-9188

Hardee's

711 Duff-Patt Road
Duffield, VA 276-431-4433

157 Kane Street

Gate City, VA 276-386-6798

Hob Nob Drive In

2256 Daniel Boone Road
Gate City, VA 276-452-4538

J&K Stateline Bar and Grill

201 US Highway 23 South
Weber City, VA 276-225-9290

J&P Market

135 Big Moccasin Road
Nickelsville, VA 276-479-2826

J&P Market #2

14622 Nickelsville Hwy, # 102
Nickelsville, VA 276-479-3123

Long John Silvers

215 Kane Street
Gate City, VA 276-386-9761

Mountain View

Exxon
903 Nickelsville Highway
Gate City, VA 276-386-6122

Pal's

165 Kane Street
Gate City, VA 276-386-2236

Pizza Hut

223 Kane Street
Gate City, VA 276-386-9371

Pizza Plus

6912 Pattonville Road
Duffield, VA 276-431-1515

153 Kane Street,

Gate City, VA 276-386-6991
Highway 71

Nickelsville, VA 276-479-2200

Presley Market

379 W Jackson Street
Gate City, VA 276-386-7641

Rally Mart

91 2nd Street
Hiltons, VA 276-386-2878

Red Stone Drive In

439 Natural Tunnel Parkway
Duffield, VA 276-940-2916

Scotty's Market

193 Hanging Rock Parkway
Dungannon, VA 276-467-2475

Silver Spur

119 Silver Spur Drive
Gate City, VA 276-452-2664

Smackers

1680 US Highway 23 North
Weber City, VA 276-225-0046

Subway

Inside Food Country
42158 Highway 58 West

Duffield, VA 276-431-2755

101 Ava Street, Suite F
Gate City, VA 276-386-6321

Teddy's Restaurant

11804 Highway 71
Nickelsville, VA 276-479-3128

The Blue Rooster Café

132 West Jackson Street
Gate City, VA 276-690-2342

The FAMILY Bakery

101 E Jackson Street
Gate City, VA 276-690-BAKE

Wendy's

3026 US Highway 23 North
Weber City, VA 276-386-7505

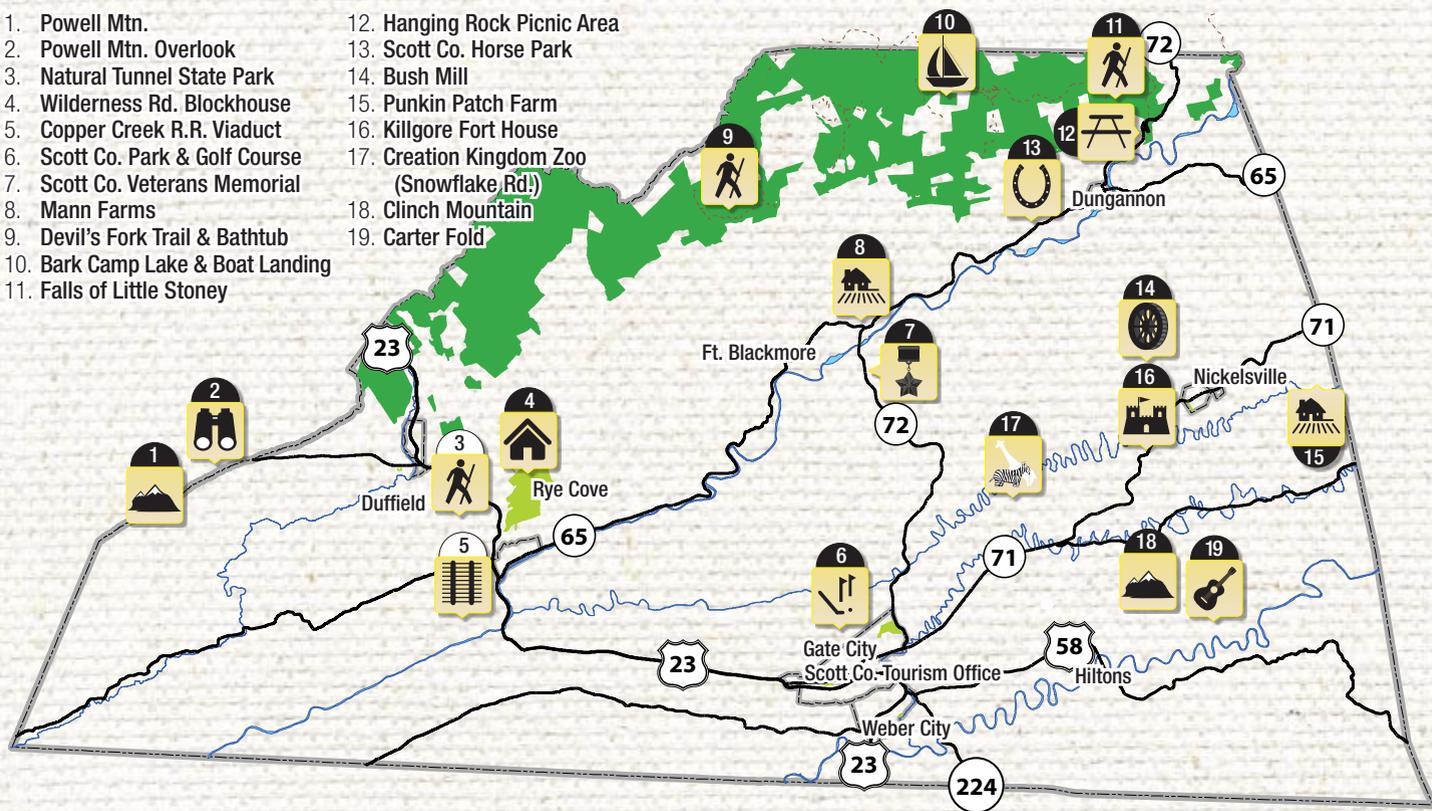
Ziegenwald Dairy

1738 Possum Creek Rd
Gate City, VA 276-386-2419



The FAMILY Bakery

1. Powell Mtn.
2. Powell Mtn. Overlook
3. Natural Tunnel State Park
4. Wilderness Rd. Blockhouse
5. Copper Creek R.R. Viaduct
6. Scott Co. Park & Golf Course
7. Scott Co. Veterans Memorial
8. Mann Farms
9. Devil's Fork Trail & Bathtub
10. Bark Camp Lake & Boat Landing
11. Falls of Little Stony
12. Hanging Rock Picnic Area
13. Scott Co. Horse Park
14. Bush Mill
15. Punkin Patch Farm
16. Killgore Fort House
17. Creation Kingdom Zoo (Snowflake Rd.)
18. Clinch Mountain
19. Carter Fold



2012 Scott County Festivals

Explore Family Fun in Scott County, VA! Attending a festival in Scott County will allow you to relax and enjoy spending time with those you love most. The fun events and activities entertain while the talented artisans of our area showcase their creations for sale. And, the food... let's just say you definitely won't leave hungry!

Spring Birding Weekend at Natural Tunnel State Park

Contact Megan France at Natural Tunnel for exact dates and itineraries for 2012 by calling 276-940-1643.

Siege at the Blockhouse

May 26, 2012: 10am-9pm & May 27, 2012: 11am-3pm
Wilderness Road Blockhouse • 276-940-1619
Fincastle Road, Duffield, VA
History comes to life at the Siege!

Clinch Mountain Music Fest

June 8-10, 2012
Historic Downtown Gate City, VA • 276-594-8646
Clinch Mountain Music Fest preserves the heritage of the Appalachian region through its traditional music.

Nickelsville Days

June 22-24, 2012
Downtown Nickelsville, VA • 276-386-7220
Nickelsville Days is all about celebrating small town America.

Mountain Treasures Festival

July 4, 2012
Downtown Dungannon, VA • 276-467-2306
Come out to enjoy the beauty pageant, parade, dog show, children's games and of course the fireworks at night!

Burley Fest

August 25, 2012
Scott County Regional Horse Park • 276-479-2048
240 Cub Creek Lane, Dungannon, VA

Burley Fest celebrates the long history that tobacco has had with Scott County and its farming community. Much of that history also involved equines.

Duffield Daze

Labor Day Weekend
Downtown Duffield, VA • 276-431-2428
Each year the smallest incorporated town in Virginia showcases the hospitality of our region at Duffield Daze!

Papa Joe Smiddy Mountain Music Festival

Sunday, September 2, 2012 - 5:00 pm
@ the Amphitheater at Natural Tunnel State Park
Along with Papa Joe, featured performers for the September 2, 2012 festival will be announced soon.

Carter Memorial Music Festival

1st Weekend in August, annually
Carter Family Fold: 276-386-6054
A.P. Carter Highway, Hiltons, VA
This international festival welcomes multiple bands to the stage performing country, bluegrass and old time music in the traditional, acoustic style at Carter Family Fold.

Fall Harvest Celebration

September 29, 2012 - 10am-10pm
@ Punkin Patch Farm • 276-479-3228
984 Cowans Creek Rd., Nickelsville, VA 24271
Music and activities to keep the family entertained until 10pm. Enjoy the FREE Farm Visit & Hay Rides from 10am-4pm!

High Knob Naturalist Rally

October 6, 2012
Bark Camp Lake • 276-479-2176
Spend a day in the woods enjoying nature while learning about it through educational sessions.

Bush Mill Days

October 6, 2012 - 10am-5pm
@ Bush Mill • 276-479-2033
1154 Twin Springs Road, Nickelsville, VA
The historic mill will be operational during the festival allowing visitors to purchase ground corn meal made on site and view the big water wheel in a scenic location.

Frontier Harvest Festival

October 27, 2012 - 10am-5pm
@ Wilderness Road Blockhouse (at Natural Tunnel) Fincastle Road, Duffield, VA • 276-940-1619
Throughout the afternoon visitors will watch typical fall activities from the late 18th-century frontier time including candle dipping as well as salt and soap making while listening to Colonial-era music.

Boo at the Zoo

October 26-28, 2012
Creation Kingdom Zoo • 276-690-5450
1642 Snowflake Road, Nickelsville, VA
Enjoy the zoo while it is lit up for the evening by trick or treating through the animal exhibits under the lights, a hayride, and more!

Dungannon Christmas Parade & Holiday Fest

November 17, 2012
Downtown Dungannon, VA • 276-467-2306
This holiday event includes the community Christmas tree lighting, vendors, a parade free cotton candy and popcorn - and of course, the Santa Train!

"Old Time Christmas"

December 1, 2012
Downtown Nickelsville, VA • 276-479-2021
Old Time Christmas is a celebration of a traditional country Christmas.

Gate City's Home for the Holidays & Christmas Parade

Begins November 17th • Parade: December 1, 2012
Historic Downtown Gate City, VA • 276-386-3831
"Home for the Holidays" kicks off the Christmas season with the Gate City Merchant's Open House.

Christmas at the Zoo

November 30, 2012 - December 2nd, 2012
6pm-9pm @ Creation Kingdom Zoo • 276-690-5450
1642 Snowflake Road, Nickelsville, VA
Hay rides, hot chocolate and a live Nativity scene—and Santa will be there, too!

Important Telephone Numbers:

Emergency	9-1-1
Tourist Information	276-386-6521
Airport Information	423-325-6000
Chamber of Commerce	276-386-6665
Economic Development	276-386-2525

Culture

We're proud of our culture. Once you arrive, you'll realize how mesmerizing Southwest Virginia really is. We aren't commercialized with rows of hotels, traffic jams and everyone trying to "get away to the mountains" together all at one time. We offer an authentic Appalachian experience that is REAL. It's engaging. Visit one of our artisans below to experience the handmade character of Scott County.

Ernie Barker (Wood)	Holston River Creations	276-386-9757
Bill Carter (Wood, Mixed Media)	Foggy Bottom Dulcimers	276-386-3773
Margaret Crouch (Fiber)		276-431-1275
Cecil Curtis (wood)	Curtis Wood Crafts	276-479-2382
Carol Dixon (Mixed media, Watercolor)		276-594-8646
Allen Hicks (Wood)	Hicks Mandolins	276-479-2739
Jim Ketron (Wood)	Clinch Mountain Woodturnings	jimketron@gmail.com
Sheila Repass (Oil Painting)	Landscapes & Portraits	276-479-1717



Visit Round the Mountain: Southwest Virginia's Artisan Network or the Scott County Tourism websites for more information.

Relocation

**Come for VISIT.
LOVE your visit?
Decide to STAY!**

Enjoy four distinct seasons in Scott County: fresh spring mornings, pleasant summer afternoons, crisp fall evenings and shimmering snowflakes in the winter. Residents enjoy a high quality of life. If you visit the music, history, culture, outdoor and family friendly opportunities in Scott County you won't want to leave. You'll fall in LOVE with the slower pace. LOVE the affordable lifestyle. LOVE the educational opportunities. The larger Tri-Cities area is within a short driving distance for the "city life." A visit to Scott County leaves you feeling like you've lived here your whole life. The kind southern hospitality found in our county is contagious. Come for a VISIT. LOVE your Visit? Decide to STAY!

Area – Southwest Virginia with Tennessee bordering our county line. An hour and a half drive from Scott County offers easy access to North Carolina, Kentucky, Tennessee and Virginia locations.

Top 5 Reasons to Live in Scott County, Virginia

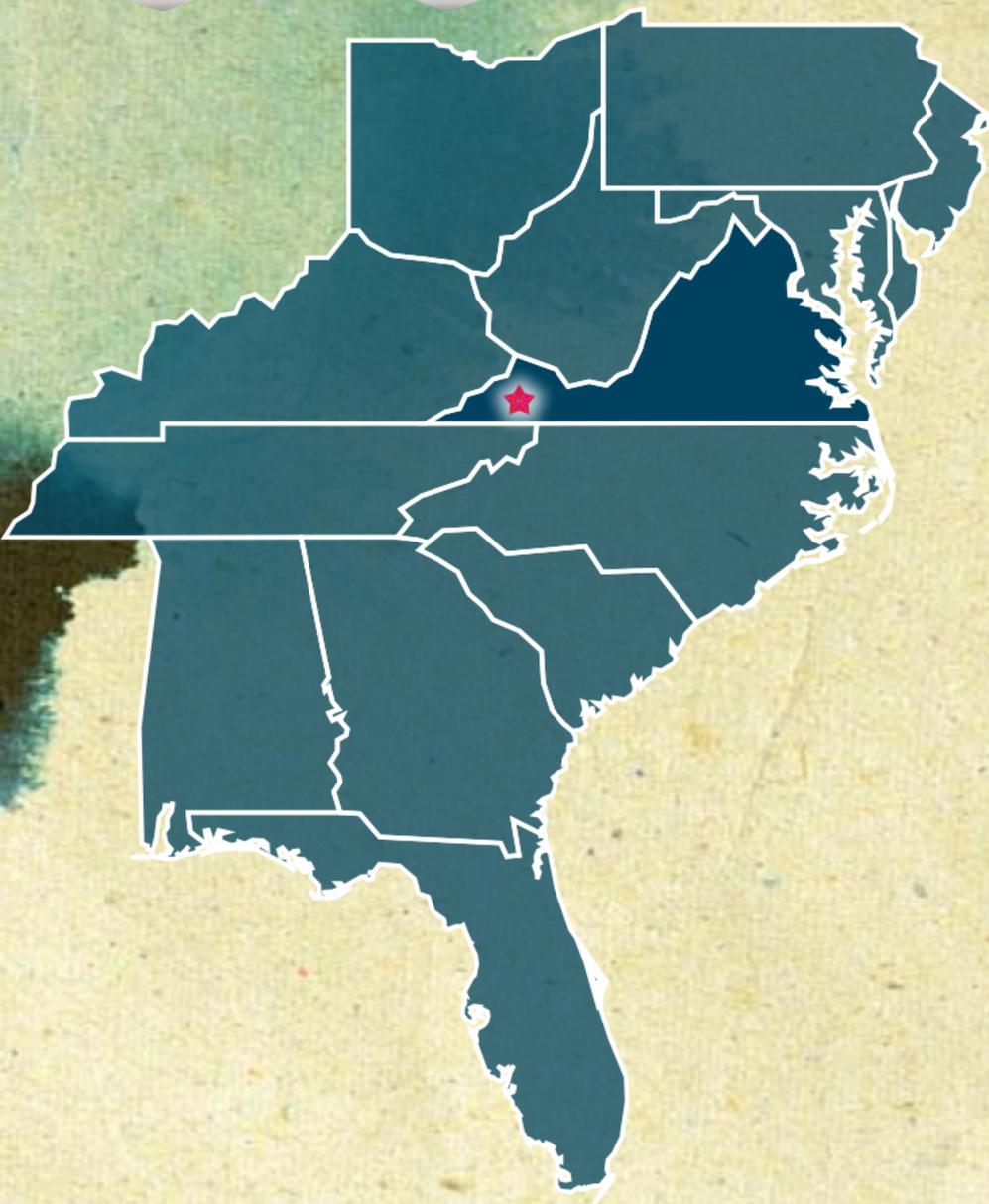
- 1 – Cost of Living is low...81.9% to be exact!
- 2 – We are within a day's drive of 50% of the U.S. population.
- 3 – No traffic! And this is WAVING country, where everyone waves as they pass!
- 4 – Affordable: real estate, necessities, activities.
- 5 – Access to legendary music, history, culture and outdoor recreation right in your own backyard!

Investors: Scott County is within a day's drive to 50% of the U.S. population. This is ideal for businesses wishing to relocate! We offer locations within the Virginia Enterprise Zone. Contact the Scott County Economic Development office for further assistance by calling 276-386-2525.



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