

Spring Itinerary

Wears Valley, TN

Step into Spring with a vacation getaway to Wears Valley, Tennessee!



Take in gorgeous views of Mt. LeConte and Great Smoky Mountains National Park as you zip more than 1.25 miles at a height of up to 300 feet, right here in the heart of Wears Valley -- some of the longest and highest ziplines in the Smoky Mountains region.

Wears Valley Zipline Adventures
1911 Wears Valley Road

Jumpstart your day with a hearty Wears Valley breakfast!



Genuine Mountain Fixins'

Take your pick of a variety of menu

items like a full stack of hotcakes served up with fresh fruit or hot buttermilk pancakes with farm fresh eggs, sausage or bacon, grits or cheesy hashbrown casserole. Other choices include biscuits and gravy served with eggs, eggs benedict, chicken crepes, and a variety of fruit crepes. An Early Riser's Breakfast includes two fresh farm eggs, hashbrown casserole or stone ground grits, and your choice of toast or fresh homemade biscuits.

4143 Wears Valley Road

Fishing in Mountain Streams



Cast your line for small-mouthed brown bass or mountain trout. There is no fee to fish, just the required state fishing license. Fly fishing is one of the more popular outdoor activities in the Smoky Mountain region.

View wildlife, historic structures, and awesome views in Cades Cove



Cades Cove is nestled among some of the most beautiful mountains in the southeastern United States. Here you will find deer grazing in the fields and historic buildings that have been preserved.

Surrounded by majestic mountain peaks, this isolated valley was a very populated and prosperous settlement in what is now Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Once known for its farms and grist mill, today's Cades Cove is one of the most picturesque areas of the park.

The peaceful views as you travel from the highway to Cades Cove are breathtaking. The road is curvy with plentiful pullovers, so you will need to drive slowly and take in the views.

Directions: From Wears Valley turn left onto Lyon View Road at National Park Store. Follow the road four miles into the National Park at Metcalf Bottoms. The road will end at Metcalf Bottoms. Turn right onto Little River Road and follow it 20.3 miles into Cades Cove. Be sure to take your cameras!



Complete your day at Smokin' Joe's BBQ

A day in Wears Valley isn't complete until you spend time at Smokin' Joe's BBQ in nearby Townsend with locals and other tourists. This popular restaurant serves up some of the tastiest food in the Smokies.

Start with a tasty appetizer -- choose from a variety of delicious items like the best hush puppies you'll ever eat, Smokin' Joe's popular onion rings, fried green tomatoes, fried pickles, jalapeno peppers, or skins.

A few favorite entrees include beef brisket, slowed cooked chicken, and ribs.

Sandwiches are pulled pork, beef, chicken, and sausage dog. Sides are all homemade from Smokin' Joe's private recipe collection.

A kid's menu aims to please even the pickiest of eaters.

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