

# Small Town Getaway

BIG TIME CHARM



YOUR ADVENTURE  
STARTS HERE!



Upshur County  
CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU

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## > THE HISTORY OF UPSHUR COUNTY EXPLAINED

# WELCOME

Hidden in north central West Virginia and nestled in the foothills of the majestic Allegheny Mountains is Upshur County, West Virginia. This beautiful area offers the quiet simplicity and down-home friendliness of small-town life with an unusual and unexpected variety of attractions.

From fairs and festivals to fishing, arts & crafts, local cuisine, boating and other outdoor adventures, Upshur County has something for every member of your family!



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> **1764** | The first permanent settlement of the area, the Pringle Brothers lived in a tree for three years. You can still see the 3rd generation tree today at the Pringle Tree Park!

> **1821** | Fidlers Mill was built & powered by the river to produce wheat & flour. Stop by to see this nearly 200 year old structure!

> **1856** | Our Main Street's oldest structure was built. It's now used as a museum June – September.

> **1863** | The Civil War broke out, and West Virginia was a new State. You'll find loads of history, and four official sites of Civil War acts.

> **1890** | WV Wesleyan College was founded.

> **1892** | The Chamber & Visitor Center building was constructed. Our building has been a photo & printing studio, a dry-goods store, the old G.C. Murphy – but is now in the heart of downtown as the Chamber & Visitor Center!

> **1936** | WV Strawberry Festival started as a way to encourage strawberry farmers to sell produce to larger markets.

> **1954** | Dairy Queen built. Now one of the oldest original walk-up Dairy Queens, keeping a vintage vibe with great ice cream!





# EXPLORE

- LOCAL OUTDOOR RECREATION, PARKS & WILDLIFE -

When it comes to outdoor adventure, Upshur County has it all. From state parks and recreation areas, you'll find swimming, boating, hiking, fishing and biking, plus countless other sports. Several overnight opportunities are available as well as a chance to see West Virginia's native animals up close and personal. So, get outside and play during your getaway!

## HUNTING, FISHING, HIKING, BIKING & KAYAKING

### BASS, TROUT, MUSKIE FISHING & HUNTING

More than 140 miles of Trout Streams and six miles of catch & release Muskie fishing.

### HIKING, BIKING & OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

Trails are being expanded for hikers and mountain bikes. Load up your gear and get outside in wild & wonderful West Virginia!

#### Fat Tire Cycle & Adventures

Bike gear, outdoor equipment & rentals.  
FatTireCycle.com

### RAFTING & KAYAKING

Get a guided tour or rent equipment from  
**Tygart River Outfitters** or try stand-up paddle boarding with **WV SUP**.

Check out more Outdoor Recreation possibilities at [visitbuckhannon.org](http://visitbuckhannon.org)!



## > THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Lake fishing, more hiking & bike trails, and West Virginia's scenic beauty can be enjoyed at Stonecoal Lake, Jawbone Park, James W. Curry Park and the Upshur County 4-H Youth Camp.

## PARKS

### AUDRA STATE PARK & HOLLY RIVER STATE PARK

To get the full Wild & Wonderful experience, camp outdoors at two nearby State Parks. With trails, river swimming, picnics and outdoor sports, your family can easily spend a full week getting away from your normal routine. Try an outdoor yoga class at Audra State Park with **WV Yoga Girl**.

## WILDLIFE

### WEST VIRGINIA STATE WILDLIFE CENTER

See West Virginia's native animals (fox, elk, bison, mountain lion, black bear, river otter and more) up close & personal. Visitors can walk along a pathway through the woods to see the animals in their enclosures. Stop by the gift shop for snacks & a souvenir, fish in the pond.

## > A WILD LUNCH

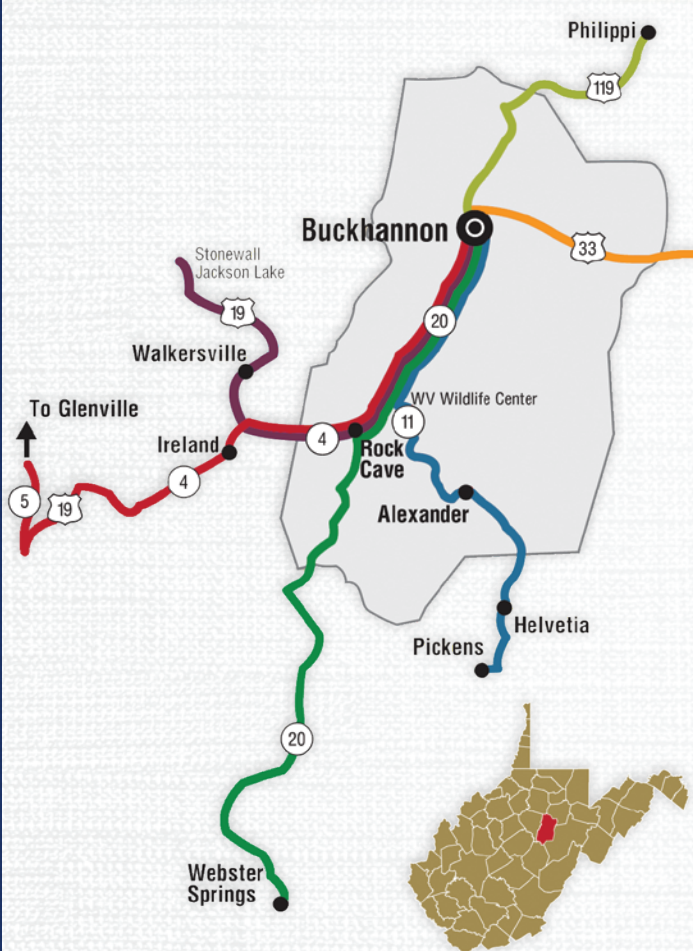
The Wildlife Center is great for an afternoon picnic under a pavilion



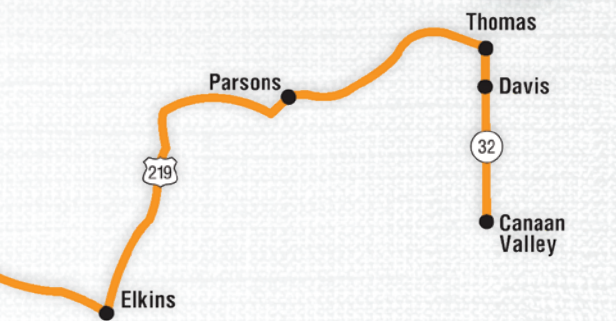




## - LOCAL MOTORCYCLE & COUNTRY DRIVES -



Upshur County has some of the best motorcycle riding in the state. Start your ride here and take any number of loops through the scenic mountainous countryside. Plenty of rallies, events and poker runs are scheduled throughout the year.



- 1** From Buckhannon, ride Rt. 20 S. Connect onto Rt. 4 W. in Rock Cave and ride towards Walkersville and Stonewall Jackson Lake for some fishing and golfing. [stonewallresort.com](http://stonewallresort.com)
- 2** From Buckhannon, ride Rt. 20 N. Connect onto Rt. 119, and ride towards Philippi to see one of the Civil War's historic covered bridges. | [adaland.org](http://adaland.org)
- 3** From Buckhannon, ride U.S. 33 E. to Elkins. Take U.S. 219 N. and travel through Parsons towards Thomas. Connect to Rt. 32 S. and ride through Davis to Canaan Valley. [canaanresort.com](http://canaanresort.com)
- 4** From Buckhannon, ride Rt. 20 S. Connect onto Rt. 11 by the WV Wildlife Center and ride through Alexander, Helvetia and Pickens. Experience a hidden Swiss Village & stop to eat at the authentic Hutte Restaurant. This is a true country ride. | [pickenswv.squarespace.com](http://pickenswv.squarespace.com)
- 5** From Buckhannon, ride Rt. 20 S. Connect onto Rt. 4 W. in Rock Cave then Rt. 5 N. towards Ireland and Glenville. Have fun at the Irish Spring Festival and go Road Bowling in March. | [wvirishroadbowling.com](http://wvirishroadbowling.com)
- 6** From Buckhannon, ride Rt. 20 S. to Webster Springs and enjoy unexplored territory. Don't miss the Woodchopping Festival held here during Memorial Day weekend every year. | [VisitWebsterWV.com](http://VisitWebsterWV.com)

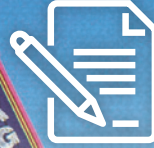
**NEED MOTORCYCLING SUPPLIES WHILE IN THE AREA?**  
Stop by Smitty's Suzuki along Route 33 or call 304-472-4824.





# STAY OVER

- LOCAL HOTELS,  
BED & BREAKFASTS & CAMPING -



# MEET HERE

- LOCAL MEETING &  
CONFERENCE SPACE -

Upshur County is a great place to base your West Virginia vacation. We have first-class hotels, cozy bed and breakfast options, and adventurous camping destinations providing the perfect place to stay!

## A GOVERNOR'S INN

AGovernorsInn.com  
304.472.2516

## BAXA MOTEL

304.472.2500

## BICENTENNIAL INN

bicentennialinn.com  
304.472.5000

## CENTENNIAL HOTEL-MOTEL

colonialhotelmotel.com  
304.472.4100

## COLONIAL HOTEL-MOTEL

colonialinn.com  
304.472.3000

## HAMPTON INN

hamptoninn.com  
304.473.0900

## MCNEMAR HOUSE

mcnemarhouse.com

## MICROTEL INN & SUITES

microtelinn.com  
304.460.2525

## CAMPING

## AUDRA STATE PARK

audrastatepark.com  
304.457.1162

## HOLLY RIVER STATE PARK

hollyriver.com  
304.493.6353

## JAMES W. CURRY PARK

304.924.6724

## UPSHUR COUNTY YOUTH CAMP IN SELBYVILLE

304.924.5356

## EVENT CENTER AT BRUSHY FORK

The area's newest Event Center for banquets, conferences & meetings  
EventCenterWV.com  
304.472.4938

## BICENTENNIAL INN

Home of 88 Restaurant and Lounge offers a full service conference facility  
bicentennialinn.com  
304.472.500

## CJ MAGGIES

Hold a banquet, meeting or private party for up to 50 guests  
cj-maggies.com  
304.472.8369

## HAMPTON INN

A full service hotel, offering a meeting facility that can accommodate a group of 35  
hamptoninn.com  
304.473.0900

## MOUNTAIN VIEW EVENT CENTER

Offering meeting, banquet and party accommodations  
mountainvieweventcenterllc.com  
304.472.8050

## WV WESLEYAN COLLEGE

A full service conference facility  
www.wv.edu/conferences  
304.473.8104

> EVENT CENTER AT  
BRUSHY FORK

This brand new Event Center will hold 400+ for banquet seating and 200+ for conference seating.







# SHOPPING

- LOCAL BOUTIQUES,  
ARTISANS & FAMILY FUN -

Want beautiful handcrafted glass as a special souvenir or personalized gift? Check. Need something made with care by Appalachian artisans? We've got you covered. Think it would be great to take a taste of Upshur County home with you? No problem. Our stores offer a wide variety of options for the most discerning shoppers!

## ANITA'S FLOWERS & BOUTIQUE

anitasflowersandboutique.com  
304.472.8527

## ART OF EDEN GALLERY AND GIFT SHOP

michellestrader.com  
304.924.5840

## ARTISTRY ON MAIN

ArtistryOnMain.com  
304.460.2505  
A collection of over 30 West Virginian & Appalachian artists. Showcases include pottery, photography, woodworking, authentic WV glass and more

## BUCKHANNON ANTIQUE MALL

304.472.9605

## CAROLINE'S CLOSET

CarolinesCloset.net  
304.439.3013

## DIANE'S HALLMARK

304.472.9110

## FAT TIRE CYCLE

Mountain bikes & racing equipment.

fattirecycle.com  
304.472.5882

## MAIN STREET ANTIQUES

304.473.1101

## MERLE NORMAN AND THE PINK HYDRANGEA

Make-up, accessories, jewelry & scarves

304.473.1505

## MOUNTAIN ROASTER

MountainRoaster.com  
304-904-6191

## OLDE RUSTIC ANTIQUES

Olderusticantiques.business.site  
304.472.2017

## RON HINKLE GLASS

ronhinkleglass.com  
304.472.7963

## TATEEP UNIQUE BOUTIQUE

304.641.1589

## THE STITCHING HOUSE

Specialty fabric for quilting and more

thestitchinghouse.com  
304.472.8188

## FAMILY FUN

### JESTERLINE GAMING

jesterline.com  
304.439.2392

### SKATELAND

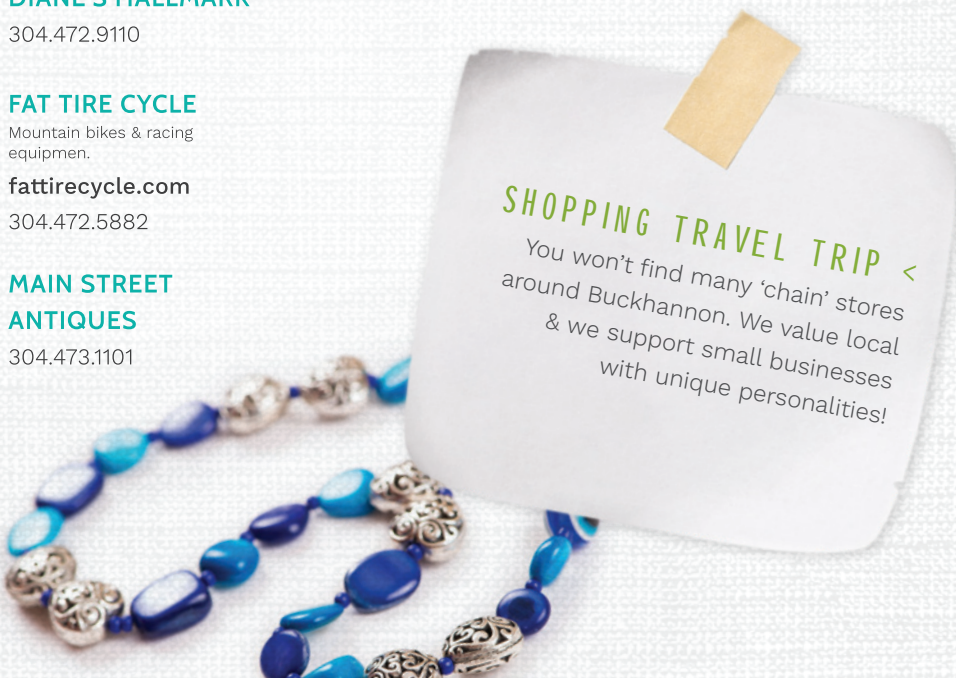
skatelandwv.tripod.com  
304.472.5472

### UPSHUR VILLAGE CINEMAS

upshurcinema6.com  
304.473.0060

### WOODY'S BOWLING CENTER

304.472.5070



**SHOPPING TRAVEL TRIP <**  
You won't find many 'chain' stores around Buckhannon. We value local & we support small businesses with unique personalities!





# FLAVOR

- LOCAL FOOD & DRINKS -

Whether you are looking for a great cup of coffee or a delicious gourmet meal, Upshur County has plenty to choose from. Our independent, locally owned restaurants offer delicious entrees, home-style food and fabulous desserts!

## 3/4 CAFÉ

threequartercafe.com  
304.669.9180

## 88 RESTAURANT & LOUNGE

88restaurant.com  
304.473.1988

## AUDREY'S DOWNTOWN RESTAURANT

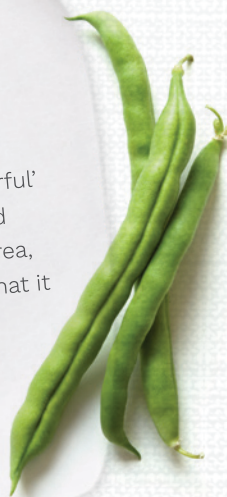
304.460.2352

## BRAKES DAIRY KING

brakesdairyking.com  
304.472.2337

## > FARM TO TABLE

West Virginia is known as 'wild & wonderful' for a reason. Locals cherish our hills and value our land. Scattered through the area, our 'farm to table' experiences show what it means to connect with nature and get to know West Virginia heritage at its best. Be sure to visit the local favorite, Fish Hawk Acres.



## FRESH PRODUCE <

West Virginia seasons produce some of the tastiest, fresh food around, from pick-your-own blueberries in June at Floral Acres (FloralAcres.com) to the season's best pick's at Farmer's Market and Community Gardens.



## BUFFALO WILD WINGS

buffalowildwings.com  
304.472.9464

## BUTERA'S ITALIAN GRILL

304.472.2250

## CJ MAGGIE'S AMERICAN GRILL

cj-maggies.com  
304.472.2490

## DON PACOS

304.460.2348

## DONUT SHOP

304.472.9328

## DOUGH RE MI

304.439.2230

## FISH HAWK ACRES

fishhawkacreswv.com  
304.473.7741

## HILLBILLY GRILL STEAKHOUSE

304.471.2223

## KAY'S DINER ROUTE 20 SOUTH

304.924.5030

## LAS TRANCAS

304.472.4424

## LEGENDS RESTAURANT

304.460.2315

## MISS PIGGIES BBQ

misspiggiesbbq.business.site  
304.460.7189

## SAM'S PIZZA

sampizzawv.com  
304.472.0281

## STONE TOWER BREWS

StoneTowerBrews.com  
304-306-9586

## T & L HOT DOG

304.472.9626

## THE WORLD'S END

304.439.9919





## - LOCAL FAIRS & FESTIVALS -

### SPRING

#### MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL

March | Pickens, WV | [pickenswv.squarespace.com](http://pickenswv.squarespace.com)

#### IRISH SPRING FESTIVAL

March | Ireland, WV

#### WV STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

May | Buckhannon, WV | [wvstrawberryfestival.com](http://wvstrawberryfestival.com)

Started in 1936 to honor West Virginia's strawberry growers, today the festival is a five-day event held annually the third week of May. Fun for the whole family, the festival offers arts and crafts, parades, concerts and more.

### SUMMER

#### FESTIVAL FRIDAYS

Every Friday, June - September | Buckhannon, WV

[festivalfridays.org](http://festivalfridays.org)

Every Friday from June to September in Buckhannon's downtown Jawbone Park featuring live music, entertainment, WV produce sales & artist booths!

#### WV DAY CELEBRATION

June 20

WV Wildlife Center

#### 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

July | Buckhannon, WV



### BLAST FROM THE PAST CAR SHOW & BLOCK PARTY

3rd weekend of July | Buckhannon, WV

Downtown Buckhannon travels back to the 50's & 60's for this Block Party & classic car cruise-in!

### WV'S LARGEST YARD SALE

August | Multiple WV counties | [VisitUpshur.org](http://VisitUpshur.org)

One of the most popular annual events in the state with hundreds of yard sales, it is a great place to find deals on antiques, art and household items!

### FALL

#### MOUNTAIN STATE FOREST FESTIVAL

October | Elkins, WV | [forestfestival.com](http://forestfestival.com)

#### HARVEST TIME IN THE HILLS

October | Buckhannon, WV

#### HAUNTINGS & MYSTERY TOUR

October | Weston, WV

[talawv.com](http://talawv.com)

#### SPOOKY NIGHT TOURS

October

WV Wildlife Center

#### GREEN ACRES FARM & GREENHOUSE

October

[greenacresfarmwv.com](http://greenacresfarmwv.com)

### WINTER

#### CHRISTMAS CRAFT SHOW

November | Buckhannon, WV

#### CHRISTMAS PARADE

December | Buckhannon, WV & Rock Cave, WV

#### GROUNDHOG DAY CELEBRATION

February 2 | WV Wildlife Center

#### FASNACHT

Saturday before Ash Wednesday

Helvetia, WV | [helvetiawv.com](http://helvetiawv.com)

For a complete list of festivals and dates, [VisitUpshur.org](http://VisitUpshur.org).







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