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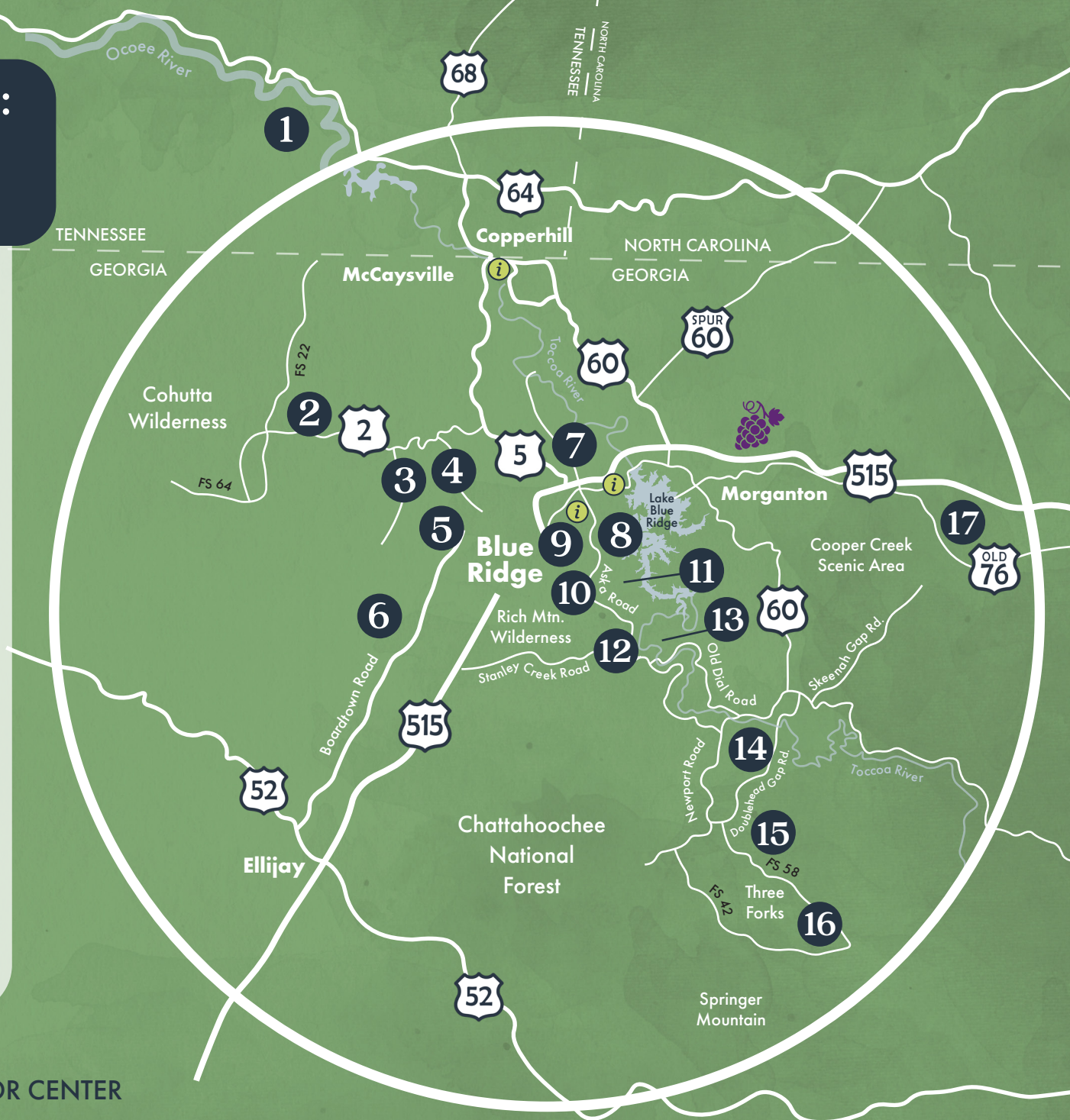
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Pedal your way through the breathtaking landscapes of Blue Ridge, where scenic mountain roads, winding gravel paths, and rugged trails offer something for every rider. Whether you're a road cyclist, mountain biker, or casual rider, Blue Ridge delivers an unforgettable adventure on two wheels. **All directions begin from the intersection of Hwy 5 and Hwy 515/US 76 in Blue Ridge, Georgia.**

1.

**Ocoee Whitewater Center Trails
(Easy – Difficult) (2.9 Miles) (Mountain & Road Bike)**

400 US 64, Copperhill, TN

In addition to whitewater sports, the Tanasi Trail system at the OWC has 30 miles of trails for hikers and mountain bikers.

Head north on Hwy 5 for 10 miles, turn left onto TN 68N/Ocoee St and go 3.3 miles. Use the right lane and take US 64/US 74 ramp, then turn left onto Hwy 64 W. Continue on for 7 miles, destination will be on left.

**2. South Fork Trail & Loop
(Moderate) (2.9 Miles) (Mountain & Road Bike)**

Located in the Cohutta Wilderness Area along the South Fork of Jacks River, this beautiful single-track trail combines forest, mountain views and water crossings.

Head north on Hwy 5 for 3.7 miles, turn left onto Hwy 2. Continue for 10.5 miles to Watson Gap (dirt road at mile 9). Begin biking here for the loop down FS 64 (on the left) or 4 miles to Jacks River Fields and the trailhead of the South Fork Trail. Loop returns to Watson Gap on Foster Rd.

**3. Cashes Valley Ride
(Moderate) (5-15 Miles) (Mountain & Road Bike)**

This is a beautiful out-and-back ride through the mountain and leads to Fightingtown Creek.

Head north on Hwy 5 for 3.9 miles, turn left on Hwy 2. Go 3.8 miles to Cashes Valley Rd and park to the pull-off at the right. For a rougher bike ride, at mile 2.5, bear right to the unpaved part of Cashes Valley Rd for another 5 miles of trails. Be prepared for several semi-deep stream crossings and possibly getting wet.

**4. Chestnut Gap Ride
(Easy) (4 Miles) (Road Bike)**

This ride is a gentle rolling mix of paved and gravel back-roads that wind along Fightingtown Creek while crossing shallow streams.

Head north on Hwy 5 for 3.9 miles, turning right on to Hwy 2. Continue for 2.2 miles to Chestnut Gap Road.

**5. Fightingtown Creek Nature Park
(Moderate) (12 Miles) (Mountain & Road Bike)**

1200 Cedar Valley Rd, Blue Ridge, GA

190 acres of hiking, mountain biking, and birdwatching.

There are 4 bike loops totaling 12 miles from the top of Prince Mountain and following Fightingtown Creek.

Head north on Hwy 5 for 3.9 miles, turn left on Hwy 2. Continue on for 2.2 miles, turn left onto Chestnut Gap Rd,

then 1.1 miles, turn right again onto Cedar Valley Rd. Destination will be 1.2 miles ahead on right.

**6. Boardtown Road Ride
(Moderate) (12.5 Miles) (Road Bike)**

Long, scenic road ride from Blue Ridge to Ellijay taking you through old-world churches, farms, creeks, and fire station. Head west on Hwy 515/US 76 W for 1.4 miles, turning left on Boardtown Rd. Cross the highway and continue ride down Bullen Gap Rd to Ellijay, and back.

**7. Fannin County Park
(Easy) (Road Bike)**

370 Tom Boyd Park, Blue Ridge, GA

Park features a playground, ballfields, and paved walking paths.

Head north on Hwy 5 for 2.5 miles, turn right on Tom Boyd Rd. Take a slight right onto Park Dr, then a left to stay on Park Dr. Destination will be ahead after a quick left turn, right turn, then left turn.

**8. Lake Blue Ridge Recreation (Day Use) Area
(Easy) (Mountain & Road Bike)**

Dry Branch Rd, Blue Ridge, GA

Scenic trails wind along the water's edge and through the lush Chattahoochee National Forest. Enjoy a mix of gentle paths and moderate terrain with stunning lake views.

Head east on Hwy 515/US 76 E and go .7 miles, turning right onto Old US 76 Connector. Go .1 miles and take a left. Continue for .8 miles, turn right on Dry Branch Rd. Destination will be 2.2 miles ahead to the left.

**9. Downtown Blue Ridge
(Easy) (Road Bike)**

The grid layout of downtown Blue Ridge makes for nice and easy biking and stopping. Begin at Mineral Springs Park, the City Park, or after fueling up with a quick bite downtown.

**10. Aska Trails Area
(Difficult) (1-17 Miles) (Mountain Bike)**

Aska Rd, Blue Ridge, GA

A hiking and biking trail system 17 miles in length.

Head east on Hwy 515/US 76 E for .7 miles turning left onto Old Hwy 76 Connector, then left at the stop sign. Go .2 miles and turn right onto Aska Rd. Continue for 4.4 miles and turn right, trail system will be ahead on right. Detailed map of Aska Trail System will be posted.

**11. Turkey Farm Loop
(Moderate) (4.7 Miles) (Mountain Bike)**

Beautiful gravel bike loop around an old turkey farm.

Head east on Hwy 515/US 76 for .7 miles, turn right onto US 76 Connector, then left at the stop sign. Continue down Old Hwy 76 for .2 miles, turn right onto Aska Rd. Continue for 5.9 miles, turn left on Shady Falls Rd. and go .3 miles, turning right onto Turkey Farm Rd.

**12. Stanley Creek Road
(Moderate) (Mountain Bike)**

Head east on Hwy 515/US 76 E for .7 miles turning left onto Old Hwy 76 Connector, then a left at the stop sign. Go .2 miles and turn right onto Aska Rd. Continue on for 8 miles, turning right onto Stanley Creek Rd. Park at the lot just up from Toccoa Riverside Restaurant or you can drive to the Stanley Gap Aska trailhead (4.1 miles from Aska Road) and then bike to Hwy. 515 and return.

**13. Old Dial Road & Toccoa River
(Easy) (Mountain Bike)**

Head east on Hwy 515/US 76 E for .7 miles turning left onto Old Hwy 76 Connector, then left at the stop sign. Go 2 miles and turn right onto Aska Rd and go 8 miles. Turn left onto Shallowford Bridge and follow the dirt road 1.3 miles to Old Dial Rd. Turn right and continue another .6 miles to Sandy Bottoms Canoe Launch and Campground. Park here and ride out and back to the bridge along the river, or continue on Old Dial at the intersection of Shallowford Branch Rd.

**14. Newport & Doublehead Gap Roads
(Easy) (Mountain Bike)**

Nice ride through the countryside and along the Toccoa River. You can take various routes along Newport and Doublehead Gap Roads.

Head east on Hwy 515/US 76 E for .7 miles turning left onto Old Hwy 76 Connector, then a left at the stop sign. Go .2 miles and turn right onto Aska Rd. Continue on for 18 miles to Newport Road and find a parking spot nearby.

**15. Forest Service Rd 58 to Three Forks
(Moderate – Difficult) (Mountain Bike)**

Head east on Hwy 515/US 76 E for .7 miles turning left onto Old Hwy 76 Connector, then a left at the stop sign. Go .2 miles and turn right onto Aska Rd. and continue for 13 miles. Turn right onto Newport Road, go 4.2 miles to end of the road. Turn left onto Doublehead Gap Road and go .7 miles. Go 5.3 miles and turn right onto FS Rd 58.

**16. Forest Service Rd 58 & 42 to Springer Mountain
(Moderate) (Road Bike)**

Continue the climb on FS 58 to FS 42, make a right and continue to the parking lot at Springer Mountain.

**17. Old 76 Road Bike Ride
(Moderate) (Mountain Bike)**

Head east on Hwy 515/US 76 E for .7 miles, turn right onto US 76 Connector, then left at the stop sign. Continue down Old Hwy 76 through scenic countryside all the way to Blairsville, GA.

