

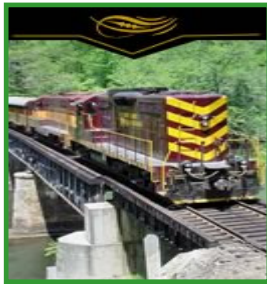
August 2009 NC Department of Environmental & Natural Resources Optional Activities Registration

Full day Programs



GEM MINING IN LITTLE SWITZERLAND: On this tour will have the opportunity to ride along America's most scenic road, the Blue Ridge Parkway. You will make stop at Craggy Gardens, know for it's spectacular view then on to the village of Little Switzerland. There you can visit the unique boutiques, explore the historic Bon Ami Mine with authentic mining equipment, mine for gemstones in our fresh water flume, watch artisans cut and mount jewelry, enjoy an all-inclusive Appalachian-style lunch at the beautiful and historic Orchard at Altapass. The price for this excursion (\$75) includes tour, professional tour guide, mine admission motorcoach transportation, and an all-inclusive lunch at the Orchard at Altapass.

Linville Caverns, Grandfather Mountain, and Linville Falls, The natural limestone caverns of Linville Gorge contain spectacular stalactites and stalagmites and features like columns, draperies, canopies, straws, and icicle forms caused by mineral deposits from water dripping in the cave for eons. Today, visitors are able to take a well-lit, smooth level walk with guides who point out the more interesting formations, harmless cave wildlife, and explain the fascinating history of the caverns. You will depart for Grandfather Mountain where "Righteous" is a fitting adjective to describe this magnificent landmark. It is one of the few places in the Southeast that remains in "right relationship" with creation. Indeed, when conservationist John Muir visited Grandfather in 1898 he described the experience as, "the face of all Heaven come to earth." Grandfather Mountain has The Mile High Swinging Bridge was built to give visitors easy access to the breath-taking view from Grandfather Mountain's Linville Peak. The **228-foot suspension bridge** spans an **80-foot chasm** at more than one mile in elevation. Surveys show that the journey to the other side is always considered the highlight of a trip to Grandfather Mountain. As we return to Asheville we will make a stop along the Blue Ridge Parkway as the Magnificent Linville Falls. The cost of entire day of touring (\$69) includes all admissions, motorcoach transportation, professional guides, a gourmet box lunch with beverages, and bottled water and light snacks, tax and gratuity



GREAT SMOKEY MOUNTAIN TRAIN: All Aboard! Depart the depot at the historic mountain town of Bryson City and travel along the Majestic Tuckasegee River, pause for a photo shoot at the scenic Fontana Lake Trestle then trudge your way into the Nantahala River Gorge. The train stops at the Nantahala Outdoor Center for a one-hour layover and group enjoys a hearty picnic lunch by the Nantahala River, while rafter and kayakers challenge the white water rapids. After lunch, the train returns to the Historic Bryson City Depot where you will visit the Smokey Mtn. Train Museum, making the excursion a 44-mile roundtrip that lasts approximately 4.5 hours. The price for this excursion (\$95 for Adults \$75.00 for children ages 2 – to 12) includes the Great Smokey Mountain Train Admission, Historic Bryson City Depot museum admission, inclusive lunch, professional tour guide, motor coach transportation This tour will return around 5:30 PM.

ENERGY XCHANGE TOUR. A joint project of the Blue Ridge RC&D Council, Handmade in America, and Mayland Community College, The Energy Xchange was formed in 1999 to demonstrate the responsible use of landfill gas as an energy source for small enterprise in craft and horticulture, and to meet local energy needs. A tour of this unique project will include the facility's two craft studios (pottery & glass blowing), four greenhouses, cold frames, a public gallery, and visitor center. Before returning to the Resort, you will have the opportunity to ride along America's most scenic road, the Blue Ridge Parkway, to the village of Little Switzerland and enjoy an all-inclusive Appalachian-style lunch at the beautiful and historic Orchard at Altapass. The price for this excursion (\$55) includes tour, professional tour guide, motorcoach transportation, and an all-inclusive lunch at the Orchard.



CHIMNEY ROCK PARK AND LAKE LURE BOAT TOUR The wind in your face and the World at your feet! Chimney Rock Park is the natural fulfillment of your trip to the mountains. Take a deep breath of cool, clean mountain air, then head for the top where you can reach the Chimney and the Trails. You can take the elevator up 26 stories inside the mountain to the Sky Lounge gift shop and snack bar, or hike along an exciting trail to the top of the 500 million year old rock on the edge of a tall mountain. Alternately, if you prefer, you may take a leisurely stroll that leads through several different habitat types including stretches of rhododendron and laurel, oak-hickory forest, and meander – by way of a boardwalk – through a small wetland area where much of the filming for the last of the Mohicans Movie was filmed. The trail loops from, and returns to the top of the Park Meadows. This scenic trail is six tenths of a mile. Cost includes: Park Admission, Lunch, Lake Lure Boat Tour Admission, lunch, drinks and snacks, a Trained Guide and Transportation Cost \$55.00 per Adult Cost \$ 35.00 Children (2-12) .

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Activity	Monday, August 3rd	Tuesday, August 4th	Thursday, August 6 th	# of Guests	Total Cost
GEM MINING IN LITTLE SWITZERLAND	Not Available	Tour Time: 10:00 – 4:30 Cost includes: Admission ticket, Trained Guide, Lunch, Snacks and Drinks on Coach Transportation Cost \$75.00 per person	Tour Time: 10:00 – 4:30 Cost includes: Admission ticket, Lunch, Trained Guide, Snack and Water on Coach and Transportation Cost \$75.00 per person		
Linville Caverns, Grandfather Mtn. & Linville Falls	Tour Time: 9:30 – 5:00 Cost includes: Attraction Admissions, Trained Guide, Boxed Lunch, Snacks and Drinks on Coach Transportation Cost \$69.00 per person	Not Available	Tour Time: 9:30 – 5:00 Cost includes: Attraction Admissions, Trained Guide, Boxed Lunch, Snacks and Drinks on Coach Transportation Cost \$69.00 per person		
Great Smokey Mtn. Train, Nantahala, and Train Museum	Tour Time: 8:45 – 5:00 Cost includes: Train Admission, Lunch, Museum Admission, Trained Guide and Transportation Cost \$95.00 per Adult Cost \$ 75.00 Children (2-12)	Not Available	Tour Time: 8:45 – 5:00 Cost includes: Train Admission, Lunch, Museum Admission, Trained Guide and Transportation Cost \$95.00 per Adult Cost \$ 75.00 Children (2-12)		
ENERGY XCHANGE AND ORCHARD AT ALTAPASS	Not Available	Tour Time: 9:30 – 4:30 Cost includes:, Attraction Admissions, Trained Guide, Lunch at the Orchards, Snacks and Drinks on Coach Transportation Cost \$55.00 per person	Tour Time: 9:30 – 4:30 Cost includes:, Attraction Admissions, Trained Guide, Lunch at the Orchards, Snacks and Drinks on Coach Transportation Cost \$55.00 per person		
Chimney Rock Park and Lake Lure Boat Tour	Tour Time: 10:00 – 4:00 Cost includes: Park Admission, Lake Lure Boat Tour, Boxed Lunch Professional Trail Guide, Snacks and Drinks on Transportation Cost \$55.00 per Adult Cost \$35.00 Children (2 – 12)	Tour Time: 10:00 – 4:00 Cost includes: Park Admission, Lake Lure Boat Tour, Boxed Lunch Professional Trail Guide, Snacks and Drinks on Transportation Cost \$55.00 per Adult Cost \$35.00 Children (2 – 12)	Tour Time: 10:00 – 4:00 Cost includes: Park Admission, Lake Lure Boat Tour, Boxed Lunch Professional Trail Guide, Snacks and Drinks on Transportation Cost \$55.00 per Adult Cost \$35.00 Children (2 – 12)		
			Total to be charged to the credit card		\$

All activities include taxes, admission fees, transportation, and professionally trained guides that are very knowledgeable about the area.

IMPORTANT NOTES: All tours will accommodate a limited number of participants. Registration **MUST** be received no later than **Monday, July 27th**, in the form of a Check or Credit Card. **No refunds will be issued after Wednesday, 07/29/09**
"Accents on Asheville" reserves the right to cancel any tour and issue full refunds should minimums not be met.

Name _____

Billing Address for Card: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ Cell: _____

Check, MasterCard, Visa or American Express Only

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Signature of Cardholder _____

Cancellation Policy: Cancellations must be received in writing on or before 07/27/09 for a full refund. NO refunds will be issued for cancellations received after that date. "Accents on Asheville" reserves the right to cancel any tour and issue full refunds if the minimum number of 10 participants for the tour is not met.

Please return this form along with your check payable to:
Accents on Asheville ** 290 Macon Avenue** Asheville, NC 28804
Phone: 800 – 627 – 1185 or Fax completed form to 828 – 251 - 9213

