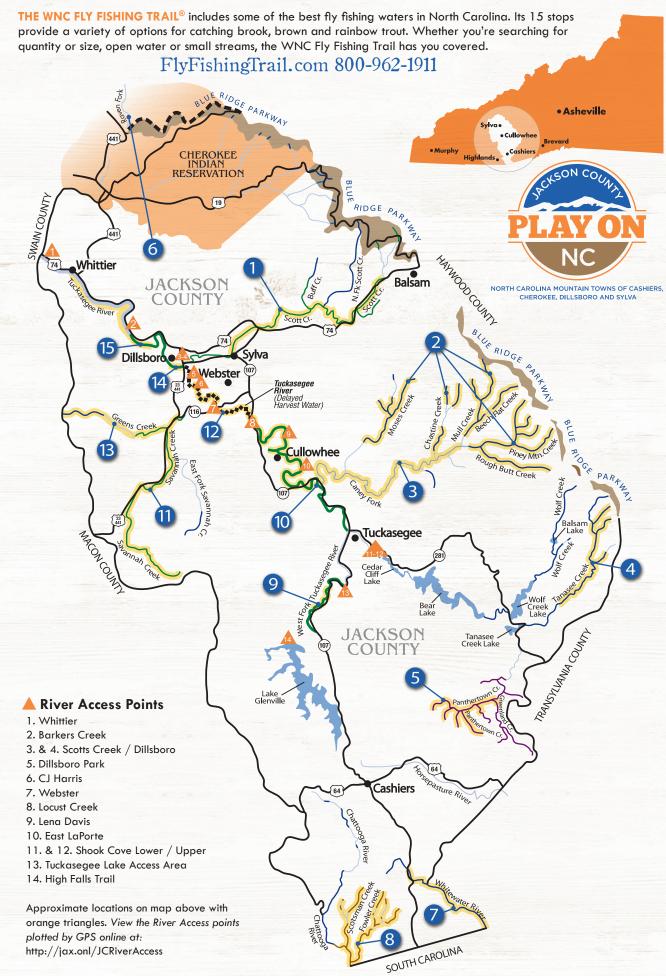
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WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA

Fly Fishing Trail®



1 SCOTT CREEK

Parking and access available via several pull-off areas along U.S. 19/23

SMALL STREAMS

Moses Creek, Mull Creek, Rough Butt Creek, Chastine Creek, Piney Mtn.Creek

Access via Moses Creek Road (SR 1740) and Caney Fork Road (SR 1737); avoid posted land

3 CANEY FORK

Access via Caney Fork Road (SR 1737); avoid posted land

4 TANASEE CREEK

Parking and access available at bridge on Tanasee Creek Road (SR 1762)

5 PANTHERTOWN CREEK

Parking and access at end of Breedlove Road (SR 1121), with two-mile walk down to stream

6 RAVEN FORK (Cherokee Trophy Water)
Parking and access via several pull-off areas
along Big Cove Road

WHITEWATER RIVER

Parking and access along N.C. 107, a few miles south of Cashiers

8 SCOTSMAN AND FOWLER CREEKS INTO THE CHATTOOGA RIVER

Access available via Whitesides Cove Road (SR 1107) or Bullpen Road (SR 1100) in Nantahala National Forest

9 WEST FORK TUCKASEGEE RIVER

Parking and access available on N.C. 107 near the Thorpe Power House

TUCKASEGEE RIVER
(East Laporte Park to NC 107 Bridge)

Parking and access available at East LaPorte Park and pull-off areas along Old Cullowhee Road

SAVANNAH CREEK

Parking and access available via several pull-off areas along U.S. 23/441

12 TUCKASEGEE RIVER
(NC 107 Bridge to Dillsboro park)
Parking and access available via numerous

pull-off areas along North River Road

GREENS CREEK

Parking and access available via pull-off areas along Greens Creek Road (SR 1370)

TUCKASEGEE RIVER IN DILLSBORO
Parking and access available at Dillsboro park
and Best Western River Escape Inn

LOWER TUCKASEGEE RIVER
(Barker's Creek Bridge to Whittier)

Parking and access available via pull-offs and businesses along 10-mile stretch of U.S. 19

TROUT STREAM REGULATIONS



ANNUAL FESTIVAL



The annual Hook, Line & Drinker Festival is held each May at the Bridge Park in Sylva NC. The event celebrates Jackson County as home of the NC Trout Capital® and WNC Fly Fishing Trail®. The festival features fly fishing guides and vendors, craft breweries, food trucks, live music, and children's activities. For more info visit www.hooklinedrinkerfest.com

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SCOTT CREEK

The Stretch: Roughly 10 miles from headwaters near Balsam down to Sylva

Access Point(s): Parking and access available via several pull-off areas along U.S. 19/23 Type of Water: Hatchery supported

Available Fish: Brown, rainbow **Numbers or Size:** Numbers

Noteworthy: Stretch also includes North Fork Scott Creek and Buff Creek, which are very scenic

SMALL STREAMS Moses Creek, Mull Creek, Rough Butt Creek, Chastine Creek, Piney Mtn. Creek

The Stretch: Collection of small streams in eastern Jackson County, below Blue Ridge Parkway
Access Point(s): Via Moses Creek Rd (SR 1740) and
Caney Fork Rd (SR 1737), avoid posted land Type of Water: Wild trout

Available Fish: Brook, rainbow **Numbers or Size:** Numbers

Noteworthy: Mountainous terrain, includes several large waterfalls

The Stretch: Roughly 10 miles from East Laporte Park to headwaters at fork of Mull Creek and Piney Mountain Creek Access Point(s): Access via Caney Fork Road (SR 1737), avoid posted land

Type of Water: Undesignated Available Fish: Rainbow, brown, occasional brook Numbers or Size: Numbers

Noteworthy: Respect private land owners

TANASEE CREEK The Stretch: Roughly 2-3 miles from Tanasee Creek bridge up to headwaters

Access Point(s): Parking and access available at bridge on Tanasee Creek Road (SR 1762) Type of Water: Wild trout

Available Fish: Brown Numbers or Size: Both

Noteworthy: Very scenic stretch in the Nantahala National Forest

PANTHERTOWN CREEK

The Stretch: Entire stream, roughly 3 miles Access Point(s): Parking and access at end of Breedlove Rd. (SR 1121), with 2-mile walk to creek Type of Water: Catch & Release Single Hook Artificial Lure Available Fish: Brook

Numbers or Size: Numbers

Noteworthy: Located in Panthertown Valley, which is known as the "Yosemite of the East" because of its bowl shape and rocky bluffs

RAVEN FORK (Cherokee Trophy Water)

The Stretch: Starts at Blue Ridge Parkway bridge and goes north for 2.2 miles

Access Point(s): Parking and access via several pull-off areas along Big Cove Road; foot paths run along the stream Type of Water: Catch & release fly fishing only Available Fish: Golden, rainbow, brown, brook and Donaldson trout

Numbers or Size: Both

Noteworthy: This stretch is also called Cherokee Trophy Water and fish of 20-30 inches are common; Cherokee annual permit and daily permit required

WHITEWATER RIVER

The Stretch: Roughly 2-3 miles from Hwy. 107 down to the South Carolina state line

Access Point(s): Parking and access along N.C. 107, a few miles south of Cashiers

Type of Water: Wild trout

Available Fish: Brook, brown and rainbow

Numbers or Size: Numbers

Noteworthy: Flows into Whitewater Falls, the highest waterfall east of the Mississippi

SCOTSMAN AND FOWLER CREEKS INTO THE CHATTOOGA RIVER

The Stretch: Roughly 2-3 miles of each stream flowing

down into the Chattooga River Access Point(s): Access available via Whiteside Cove Rd (SR 1107) or Bullpen Rd (SR 1100) in Nantahala National Forest

Type of Water: Wild trout with natural bait Available Fish: Brown, rainbow

Numbers or Size: Numbers (creeks), size (Chattooga) Noteworthy: The movie "Deliverance" was filmed on the Chattooga River

WEST FORK TUCKASEGEE RIVER

The Stretch: From small reservoir at Thorpe Power House upstream several hundred yards Access Point(s): Parking and access available along N.C. 107 near Thorpe Power House

Type of Water: Hatchery supported Available Fish: Brown, rainbow Numbers or Size: Numbers

Noteworthy: Although hatchery supported, this has nice concentration of stream-raised fish

TUCKASEGEE RIVER

(East Laporte Park to NC 107 Bridge)
The Stretch: Roughly 2-3 miles from park to bridge Access Point(s): Parking and access available at East Laporte Park and pull-off areas along Old Cullowhee

Type of Water: Hatchery supported Available Fish: Rainbow, brook and brown

Numbers or Size: Numbers

Noteworthy: East Laporte Park has picnic tables and public restrooms

SAVANNAH CREEK

The Stretch: About 10 miles from headwaters in Pumpkintown into Tuckasegee River Access Point(s): Parking and access available via several pull-offs along U.S. 23/441 Type of Water: Hatchery supported Available Fish: Rainbow, brown **Numbers or Size:** Numbers Noteworthy: Access limited the closer you get to

the Tuckasegee River

TUCKASEGEE RIVER (NC 107 Bridge to Dillsboro park)
The Stretch: Roughly 4- to 5-mile stretch from

bridge to park Access Point(s): Parking and access available via numerous pull-offs along North River Road

Type of Water: Delayed harvest Available Fish: Brook, brown and rainbow

Numbers or Size: Both

Noteworthy: Best place to achieve the Tuckasegee Slam (catch all three species in one spot)

GREENS CREEK

The Stretch: About 3-4 miles from Macon County line to Savannah Creek

Access Point(s): Various places along Greens Creek Road (SR 1370), avoid posted land Type of Water: Wild trout, undesignated,

hatchery supported Available Fish: Rainbow, some brown

Numbers or Size: Numbers

Noteworthy: Portion of the creek flows through

the Nantahala National Forest

TUCKASEGEE RIVER (in Dillsboro)

The Stretch: About 1 mile from Dillsboro park through town Access Point(s): Various places between park and Best Western River Escape Inn

Type of Water: Hatchery supported Available Fish: Rainbow, brown

Numbers or Size: Size

Noteworthy: Includes two lodging options, Best Western River Escape Inn and Dillsboro Inn

LOWER TUCKASEGEE RIVER (Barker's Creek Bridge to Whittier

The Stretch: Roughly 8-10 miles from bridge to Whittier Access Point(s): Parking and access via pull-offs and businesses along U.S. 19 freeway

Type of Water: Hatchery supported, undesignated Available Fish: Rainbow, brown

Numbers or Size: Size

Noteworthy: The stretch is also home to smallmouth bass



TRAIL PLEDGE

Everyone using the WNC Fly Fishing Trail is asked to make the following pledge:

"As a true sportsman, I pledge to never litter and to avoid trespassing on private lands. I will respect the rights of property owners, and always leave the streams in better condition than I found them."

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NC TROUT CAPITAL®

In 2016 both local and state elected officials approved a resolution recognizing Jackson County as the Premier Fishina Destination in the state. The effort was led by the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce Director Julie Spiro, N.C. Rep. Joe Sam Queen, and N.C. Senator Jim Davis. For more information, visit NCTroutCapital.com



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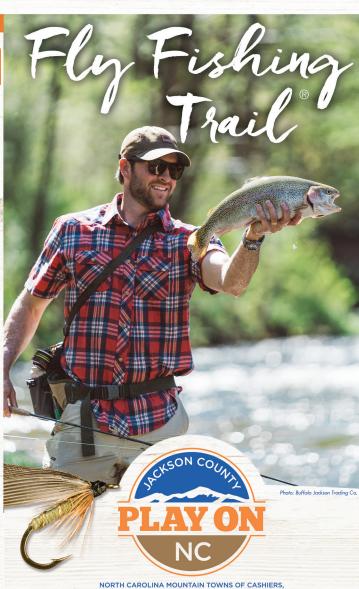
MOUNTAIN HERITAGE TROUT WATERS

Jackson County, North Carolina has the longest contiguous stretch of waters that have been designated by the NC Fish & Wildlife Department as NC Mountain Heritage Trout Waters, comprising of three cities of the thirteen in the state, with numerous unnamed waters also comprising the richest, most diverse, productive trout fisheries in North Carolina. Learn more about their \$5, 3-day fishing license, up-to-date regulations and details about Mountain Heritage Trout Water locations at www.ncwildlife.org.





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