

## HAVE A DOG GONE GOOD TIME DOG FRIENDLY ITINERARY

### DAY ONE

#### **Breakfast at Coffee Cup Café**

48 Haywood Park Dr, Clyde, 28721

Coffee Cup Café's outdoor deck offers panoramic views of the North Carolina Smokies and is the perfect spot to enjoy breakfast with your best "fur"riend. The cafe prides itself on using locally grown and produced ingredients to create its fresh menu. If you need a jump-start, don't miss out on their homemade coffee drinks. Also known for their creative lunch offerings like the Turkey Florentine Grill, go ahead and grab a picnic spread for today's hiking adventure.

#### **Max Patch Hike**

Hop on I-40 West towards Tennessee but before you cross the state line, take Exit 7 at Harmon's Den and turn right onto Cold Spring Rd. A six mile drive up a beautiful winding road will bring you to the Max Patch parking area. Max Patch is a 4,600 foot mountain bald that offers acres of wide open clearings with offer amazing, unobstructed views and plenty of room for your pup to run free. Multiple hiking trails can be accessed, including a popular section of the Appalachian Trail.



#### **Check out our Craft Breweries!**

There's no doubt you and Fido worked up a thirst so treat yourself to an afternoon at our craft breweries. Haywood County is home to four locally owned and operated microbreweries: Boojum Brewing, BearWaters Brewery, Frog Level Brewery, and Tipping Point Tavern and three of the four are pup-friendly! BearWaters, Boojum (Brewery only, not Taproom) and Frog Level will gladly welcome your four-legged growler at their brewery. Spend the afternoon trying out their various taps and don't forget to grab an actual growler of your favorite brew to take home.

#### **A Evening at Rendezvous Restaurant & Tiki Bar**

70 Soco Rd, Maggie Valley 28751

A great place to wind down after a full day of fun with Fido! The Rendezvous Restaurant and outdoor Tiki Bar are located at the Maggie Valley Inn, where dogs are happily welcomed at the outdoor Tiki Bar. The Rendezvous Restaurant menu features yummy favorites like southern fried-chicken, ribs, steaks, seafood and the best hand breaded chicken tenders in town.

### DAY TWO

#### **Breakfast at Trail Head Bakery & Cafe & Smoky Mountain Dog Bakery**

Trailhead Bakery - 18 N Main St, Waynesville, 28786

Smoky Mountain Dog Bakery - 102 N Main St, Waynesville 28786

Stop by Trailhead Bakery and grab yourself a fresh breakfast sandwich or sweet pastry to go along with a cup of coffee. While your there, pick up a picnic lunch because today you're heading for the Blue Ridge Parkway. Afterwards, head down the street to Smoky Mountain Dog Bakery and let your pup pick out some special treats. Voted as one of "America's Best Bakeries for Dogs" by The Daily Meal, this unique dog bakery prides itself on their homemade dog treats that are both healthy and tasty. There is also a wide range of specialty dog toys and accessories that you won't find anywhere else in town.

### **Explore Black Balsam Knob Area**

The 46 miles of the Blue Ridge Parkway that run through Haywood County are one of the most popular attractions in the area. After breakfast head up Highway 276 to hop on the Parkway. Go South and just past milepost 420, look for the road to Black Balsam on the right. The Black Balsam Knob area is the perfect customizable hike for you and Fido. This section of trails includes some of the most spectacular mountains and balds in the Southern Appalachians, including Black Balsam Knob, Sam Knob, and Tennent Mountain. These treeless mountaintops draw people from afar due to their sweeping views and alpine appearance. After a morning of hiking, find a cool rock or grassy patch and enjoy your delicious picnic.



### **Pick Your Afternoon Adventure**

After lunch, hike back out and choose your next adventure:

**Swimming at Sunburst:** Does your pooch love a cool dip in a mountain stream? Hop off the parkway at the Highway 215 overpass and head down the mountain towards the town of Canton. Once you reach the bottom, you will come upon the Sunburst Swimming Hole on your right. With two main swimming areas, this area is local favorite for both two-legged and four-legged swimmers. All the water originates within the mountains surrounding the creek, so you will find some of the freshest (and coldest) water around to cool off in.

**Lake Junaluska Rose Walk** – If you're pooch prefers a leisurely stroll instead of a brisk swim, take a drive to Lake Junaluska for a beautiful afternoon walk. This 2.6-mile loop around the lake is dog-friendly and includes a walk through a fragrant rose garden, which is a treat for both dog and human noses alike!

### **Dinner at The Southern Porch**

117 Main St., Canton, 28716

The Southern Porch, located in a historic, restored Victorian style Inn that was established in the late 1800's is casual family fine dining at its best. They pride themselves on serving up wide variety of local favorites in a relaxed atmosphere. Their friendly staff love their four-legged patrons and are happy to cater to their needs.

## **DAY THREE**

### **Lunch at Pasquales**

1863 South Main Street, Waynesville, 28786

This family-owned restaurant offers friendly personalized service while serving up delicious authentic Italian and Mediterranean fare. From traditional pastas and pizza to seafood and steak, their extensive menu is sure to please! Pasquales also loves dogs and is always ready to welcome Fido to their fenced-in dog-friendly patio. Kick back and enjoy fantastic food, drink, and homegrown hospitality.

### **Visit The Pepsi Dog Park**

Vance St., Waynesville 28786

Before you pack up and head home, let your pooch run off some of his energy at Waynesville's Pepsi Dog Park. Located just 10 minutes from Canton at Waynesville's scenic Recreation Park, the Pepsi Dog Park is a safe and fun environment to enjoy a round of fetch before the ride home. The park consists of two designated areas: large breeds and small breeds. And if a game of fetch isn't enough, the park offers a scenic walking trail to take a stroll on before leaving.

### **\*\*Note\*\***

The above itinerary is a SAMPLE itinerary. It was put together to provide you with an idea of the many wonderful places to visit and dine at while visiting the North Carolina Smokies. Other restaurants and attractions can be substituted based on your preferences and seasonality to create a unique itinerary for your next visit. For additional help contact us: 800-334-9036. [www.visitncsmokies.com](http://www.visitncsmokies.com)