

Weekends at Pilot Mountain State Park

Parking Delays

- The park will be over capacity MOST weekends.
- There is not room for oversize vehicles at the Summit parking lot on weekends and holidays.
- We have a limited amount of parking and once it fills, cars will only be let in as space allows.
- Once inside the park you can expect a wait for a parking space. Hikers can easily avoid this by visiting our Yadkin River section parking lots, Corridor Trail parking lots, or Pilot Creek parking lot. These lots are rarely crowded.
 - **Pilot Creek access** (*Pilot Creek Trail*) – 382 Boyd Nelson Road, Pinnacle, NC 27043
 - **Pinnacle Hotel Road/Culler Road parking** (*Mountain and Corridor trails*) – 134 Culler Road, Pinnacle, NC 27043
 - **Hauser Road parking** (*Corridor Trail and North River Section*) – 622 Hauser Road, Pinnacle, NC 27043
 - **Bean Shoals access** (*North River Section*) – 103 Yadkin River Park Trail, Pinnacle, NC 27043
 - **Ivy Bluff access** (*South River Section*) – 4240 Shoals Road, East Bend, NC 27018
- Visitors whose goal is a scenic drive only will be better served to visit the Blue Ridge Parkway, as there is no thru traffic possible when we fill up.
- We encourage visitors that can visit during the week to do so, or arrive early.
- You can check the parks traffic status by using the app “Waze”. We also post warning signage near the park entrance.
- No drones, UAV’s, flying machines or RC aircraft are allowed at Pilot Mountain State Park. Drones also cannot be launched from the state road or US highway outside the front gate.
- Please see the next page for other options of places to visit when the park is full.



Pilot Mountain State Park

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Can't get into Pilot Mountain State Park on a busy weekend? You may also enjoy:

For more ideas and information visit:
www.goyadkinvalley.com

Yadkin River Section at Bean Shoals Access

The oldest contiguous canal remnants in NC can be seen after a short hike on the canal trail.

Exit 129 off U.S. 52 South
10 miles south

Pilot Creek Trail

This 3.5-mile one way trail connects to the rest of the park trail system.

Take exit 134, turn left onto U.S. 268 and follow signs to Boyd Nelson Road
4 miles north

Nelson Acres Town Park

A 110-acre park offers hiking trails, disc golf course and a soccer field, in downtown Pilot Mountain.

873 W 52 Bypass
Pilot Mountain, NC
5 miles north

While you're there, visit:

Downtown Pilot Mountain

Walk downtown, enjoy restaurants, and shops.

Horne Creek Farm State Historic Site

Restored 19th century farm features a glimpse into farm life of the 1800's.

308 Horne Creek Farm Road
Pinnacle, NC 27043
9 miles south

Hours:
Tues. – Sat. 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Hanging Rock State Park

One of North Carolina's oldest state parks, featuring waterfalls, fishing, swimming, paddling, rock climbing and structures built by the Civilian Conservation Corp.

1790 Hanging Rock Park Road
Danbury, NC 27016
22 miles east

Go Fishing

Fish the Ararat, Fisher, Mitchell or Yadkin rivers

Click [here](#) for a map of the available accesses or scan the QR code below



Blue Ridge Parkway

This world-renowned ribbon of road weaves through the region and offers visitor unsurpassed diversity of climate, vegetation, wildlife and geological features

21 miles on U.S. 52 North

While you're there, visit:

Cumberland Knob

The first developed recreation area on the parkway

Mabry Mill

Blue Ridge Music Center

Downtown Mount Airy

Walk downtown, enjoy shops and restaurants and the historic Earle Theater

14 miles north on U.S. 52

While you're there, visit:

Mount Airy Museum of History

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