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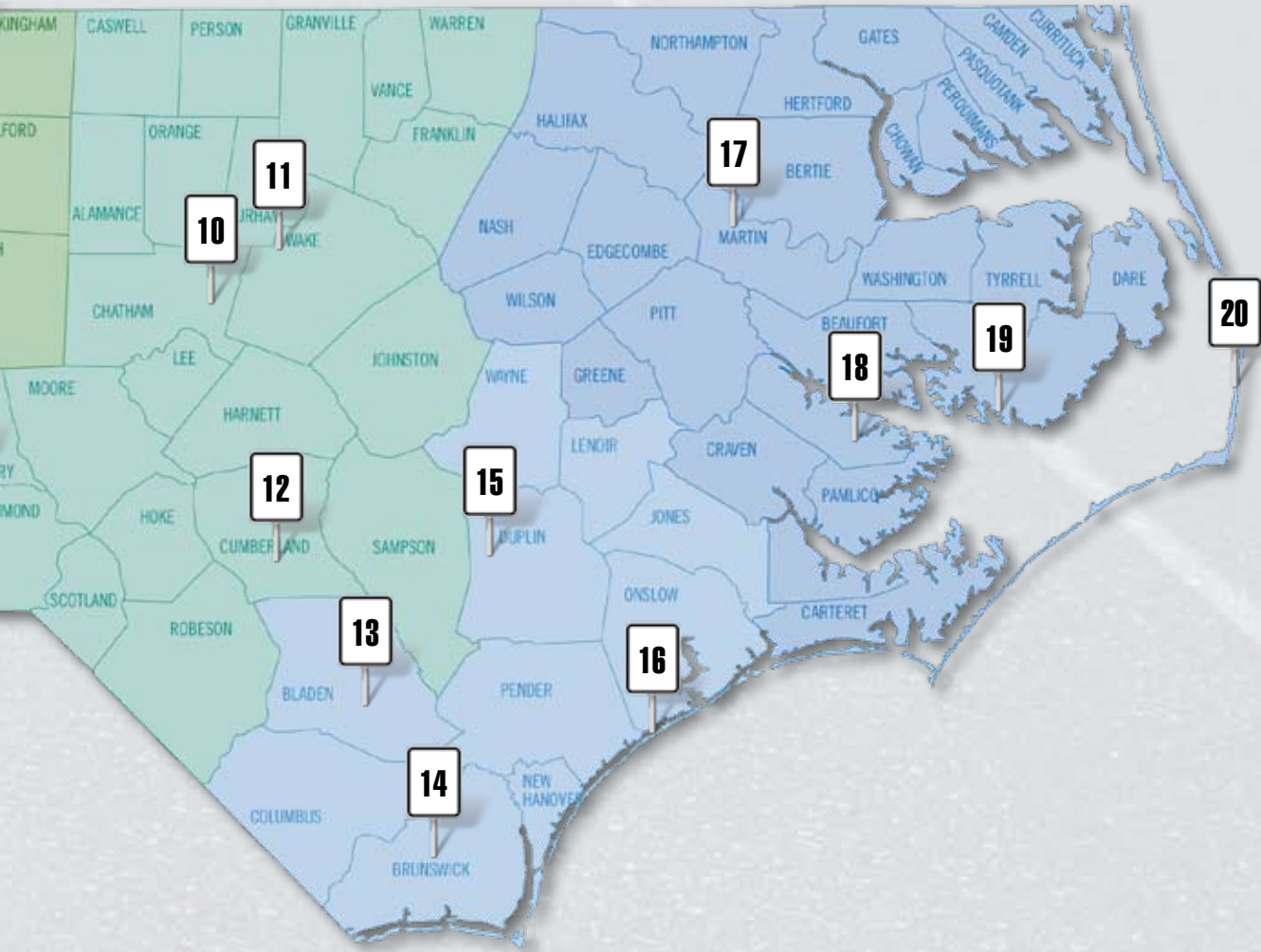
From one end to the other, North Carolina is about as diverse as any state in the nation. We've got hard gemstones in the west, soft crabs on the coast and red clay in the middle. The tobacco we grow in the mountains is different than what we grow in the east. What we live in, how we drive, what we eat and how we talk varies from one region to another.

Our annual Touchstone Energy Travel Guide encourages you to experience this variety firsthand.

This year we've collected the primary sources of general information about each of five regions (pages 72–75) and accompany them with a set of Carolina Country Adventures. Among the four adventures for each region are some well-known standbys and some not so familiar, some historical, some recreational, some just plain fun.

As you make your way through this guide, or through the countryside responsible for these adventures, you can be assured that a Touchstone Energy cooperative is nearby.

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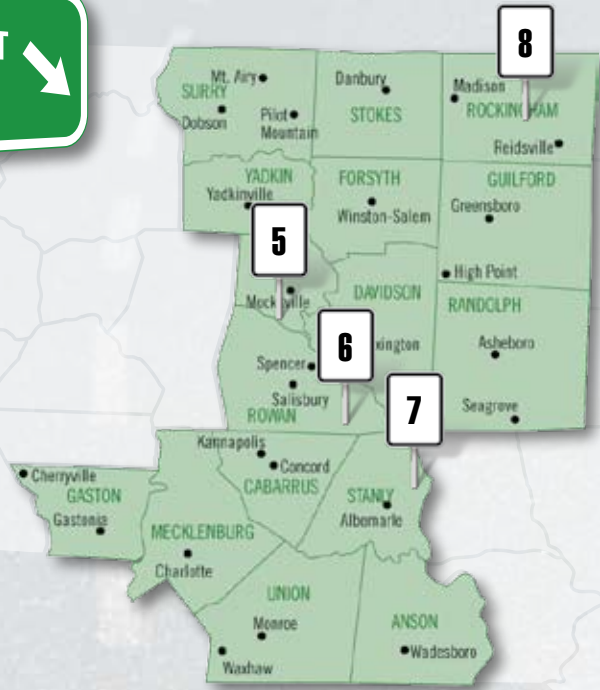
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WESTERN PIEDMONT ADVENTURES



 Like the gold found and minted here in the 1800s, this region is bright and polished. They say the best barbecue comes from here, too, not to mention furniture, granite, ceramic arts and sonkers. Because of the shine, you can't miss it. (For more information see our travel resources on page 73.)

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Attractions at Cooleemee weave memories, photos, artifacts and more to create a rich tapestry of mill town culture.

6 HISTORIC GOLD HILL



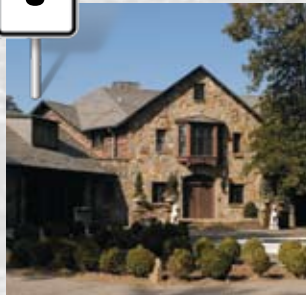
Once the richest gold mining center east of the Mississippi, today Gold Hill is a little village with big charm, historical attractions and unique shopping.

7 MORROW MOUNTAIN



This park's attractions include pretty mountain vistas, lake recreation, cabins and scenic trails for both people and horses.

8 CHINQUA PENN PLANTATION



A 27-room English-style manor near Reidsville offers exotic furnishings from around the world, and the grounds are impressive, too.

5 MUSEUMS AT COOLEEMEE

Davie County

by Karen Olson House

Recollections of old-time textile mill towns are woven tightly into North Carolina's culture and heritage. At Cooleemee, two excellent museums and more than 330 original mill houses show in surprising ways how its residents worked and lived their daily lives.

HISTORY AND CULTURE

Cooleemee was created in 1898 on the South Yadkin River, about 13 miles northeast of Salisbury. The company-owned town revolved around the giant mill, which was first called Cooleemee Cotton Mill, then Erwin Mills #3.

Cooleemee's first workers were country people seeking a more prosperous life in town. Their horse-drawn wagons came from farms in Davie, Rowan, Yadkin, Wilkes and Stanley counties. They valued hard work and a family labor system. But work wasn't everything in old Cooleemee.

Cooleemee was in many ways a model for its time. It had a town square, schools, churches, a general store, beauty shops, weekly newspaper and a movie theatre where workers hooted at "talkies."

Cooleemee workers enjoyed the conveniences of the village, where neighbors could readily help each other. Social activities included listening to brass band concerts and rooting for the mill's baseball teams on Saturday afternoons. Cooleemee produced some noteworthy athletes and sent six



The "Bullhole" is a favorite spot at historic RiverPark.

ballplayers to the major leagues. Early mill hours mimicked farm hours: 12-hour shifts and an hour dinner break at noon. By the late 1930s, modern management techniques were tightening production routines. Men fin-

gering stopwatches timed workers' movements and doubled their loads. In 1962, the company demolished the town square. After Burlington Industries purchased Erwin Mills in 1963, full cloth production in Cooleemee ended in 1969.

Today, Cooleemee remains a vital community with a pas-



Old photos at the Mill Village Museum show Cooleemee's textile culture.

sion for its past. Stokes County Yarn Company occupies the old mill.

MAKING IT COME ALIVE

Mill Village Museum: Cooleemee residents and volunteers have done an impressive job of preserving its culture. The Mill Village Museum displays many rare artifacts, worker photographs, old newspapers and themed exhibits. A "Before Electricity" exhibit shows what home life was like before electric power came to the mill houses in 1927.

The Textile Heritage Center: Its mission is documenting Carolina cotton mill life. Its archives contain more than 105 hours of video interviews, more than 600 images and more than 400 documents. Both the Center and the Mill Village Museum are housed in historic Zachary-Holt House on Church Street. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday; 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

Mill Family Life Museum: A block away, you can tour a house carefully restored to depict a mill hand's home life in the early 1930s. Visitors learn that a mill house's front room would have been a parlor or bedroom for grandma, and that workers' meals came from their own vegetable gardens. Furnishings include a wood cook stove, iron beds, linoleum rugs, Edison light bulbs, old radio, and a flip seat commode that flushed when users stood up.

RiverPark at Cooleemee Falls: Cascading falls at the "Bullhole" made this site a favorite spot for picnicking mill workers. The 40-acre nature park has restrooms, canoe portage and trails. Open year-round 8 a.m. to dusk.

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6 HISTORIC GOLD HILL

Rowan County

by Karen Olson House

Located 14 miles south of Salisbury, Gold Hill was once a rowdy boom town with pubs, general stores and brothels. Today, it's a picturesque, reconstructed village where visitors can learn the region's fascinating mining history and peruse charming shops.

GOLD FEVER DAYS

Even though gold was identified in the district years earlier, serious mining at Gold Hill didn't really begin until 1842, when surprised farmers struck a rich vein of ore.

Over the next year, prospectors found more vein deposits on neighboring farms. Miners, including many veterans of the 1820 and 1830 gold booms near Charlotte, flocked to Gold Hill. By 1849, the town boasted a hotel, six blacksmiths, five physicians and one attorney. Described as the richest gold mining center east of the Mississippi, at its peak more than 800 people lived in Gold Hill with production cresting between 1853 and 1858.

A decline in productivity in 1859 and 1860 and Civil War recruitment of miners helped hasten the demise of profitable mining here. It never became a ghost town, but eroded in population and stature. After the Civil War, Gold Hill's glittering legend sparked numerous attempts, mostly unrewarded, to revive mining in the area.

THINGS TO SEE AND DO

Gold Hill is accessed a few turns off of Hwy. 52. Centrally located parking is off St. Stephen's Church Road, near shops and across from Gold Hill Mines Historic Park. The 70-acre park was the site of the famed Bernhardt and Randolph mines. You can still view the barred entrance to a shaft there, along with the Bernhardt family's log barn, a powder house and an ore mill. The town's jail and an office that depicts the trade are open during events and arranged tours.

Vintage photographs and a cozy maze of dining areas add to the appeal of Miss Ruby's Restaurant. Lunch items include Cobb salad and a lemon peppered chicken

The Village at Gold Hill

St. Stephen's Church Road
Gold Hill, NC

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The old Burt Shoe company once housed Gold Hill's post office.

salad, along with "gold plate" specials such as meatloaf. Dinner fare includes prawns and cheddar cheese grits. Miss Ruby's also serves a Sunday brunch with champagne.

Village hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday to Sunday, but some stores keep different hours. The dozen or so shops are within walking distance of each other. They include:

E. H. Montgomery General Store & Pickin' Parlor: tourist information, mining memorabilia, Red Bird candy, Russian tea, ice cream and art by artist/historian Vivian Hopkins. The store hosts live, old-time music Friday and Saturday nights and is also home to Fifth String and Co., which sells banjos, mandolins, strings and instructional videos.

Gold Hill Mint Bake Shoppe: "Miss Carol" sells freshly baked pies, cakes and cookies in a restored miner's shack.

Mauney's 1840 Store & Museum: One of the two original commercial buildings, "Mauney's" actually houses Katie's Amish Heirlooms, which sells Amish furniture, relishes and jellies. The Wine Cellar downstairs has a mini-museum.

Cathy Cain's studio: Cathy sells antiques and garden décor such as birdhouses, wind chimes and wire designs.



A basket shop in the village.

7 MORROW MOUNTAIN STATE PARK

Stanly County

by Karen Olson House

In the ancient Uwharrie Mountains, located near Albemarle, this park offers panoramic views, 32 miles of hiking trails, camping, cabins, a pool, lake recreation and a chance to see how an old-time doc lived.

The steep, rugged hills here are unusual for the area and contrast with rolling piedmont countryside. The park's four peaks—Morrow, Sugarloaf, Hattaway and Fall—have wooded terrain reminiscent of Blue Ridge trails. Morrow Mountain is the highest peak at 936 feet. Visitors can drive to an overlook there for a majestic view of the Uwharries, Lake Tillery and the Pee Dee River.

You can also see salamanders and hear the calls of spring peepers and chorus frogs. In the upland forests observant hikers may glimpse a scarlet kingsnake, a colorful snake guaranteed to raise a pulse. At least 16 miles of hiking trails double as bridlepaths, so you might spot horses, too.

Folks can fish from Lake Tillery's banks or from a pier for game fish such as largemouth bass, striped bass, perch, bluegill and catfish. Rowboats and canoes are rented at the park's boathouse.

The discovery of Indian artifacts in the area attests to the presence of Native Americans before European settlement along the Pee Dee River. An exhibit hall near the park office features displays on Native Americans, early explorers, plants, animals, rock and minerals.

Development of the park began in the 1930s, and many of the attractive facilities here were the welcome work of Civilian Conservation Corps and Work Projects Administration crews. The park's appreciably large swimming pool is one of only a few pools that exist or are planned for in North Carolina's state parks today. Its enclosed area includes stone amphitheater-style bleachers and a 10-table shelter with wheelchair access to restrooms.



Dr. Kron's reconstructed homestead includes his home, greenhouse, doctor's office and infirmary.



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A DOCTOR'S HISTORIC HOMESTEAD

Dr. Francis Kron's reconstructed homestead is a short drive from the park office. Dr. Kron immigrated to America in 1823 and is recognized as the first medical doctor to settle in the southern piedmont.

A hardworking horticulturist and educator who doctored into his 80s, Dr. Kron traveled long distances to care for the sick. Dr. Kron's home, greenhouse, doctor's office and infirmary appear much as they did in 1870. A plaque there relates the respected doctor's fascinating, and occasionally toxic, methods, which included "bleeding" and administering mercury to his patients.

CABINS AND CAMPING

The six vacation cabins near the pool are another welcome sight. Although some state parks in North Carolina have group cabins available, the only other state park to offer family cabins is Hanging Rock State Park. Morrow Mountain's cabins accommodate up to six people, and have living rooms, fireplaces, kitchens and two bedrooms.

For tent or RV camping, visitors can choose from 106 campground sites. There are no RV hookups, but a dump station is provided.

The group tent camping area is near the Pee Dee River. Its six sites, each with picnic tables and a fire circle and grill, are near a shower house.

Backpackers can stay at the park's primitive campground, about two miles in from the park office.

Morrow Mountain State Park

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8 CHINQUA PENN PLANTATION

Rockingham County

by Karen Olson House

Once featured on A&E's "American Castles," this recently reopened plantation is a stimulating surprise from the time you arrive.

Located west of Reidsville, this countryside treasure offers tours through an English manor with exotic furnishings such as French tapestry, Italian mosaics and King Tut chairs. The grounds boast artful landscaping with humorous statuary, elegant water gardens, a massive stone clock tower and a full-size Chinese pagoda overlooking the swimming pool.

Built in 1923 by dairy farmer Thomas Jefferson Penn and his new wife Beatrice, Chinqua Penn was never an antebellum plantation. The attraction's unusual name is a word pun: "Chinqua" refers to the chinquapin or chestnut tree, and Jeff and Betsy, as they preferred to be called, playfully subbed in "Penn."

Jeff's father, Frank Reid Penn, co-founded Penn Tobacco Company in Reidsville. Jeff went into the family business, regularly traveling to California and China. After his dad sold Penn Tobacco, Jeff bought land in Rockingham County and turned his energies to farming. By 1922, he had lost his first wife and a child to childbirth but owned more than 1,000 acres and had a thriving Holstein herd.

In 1923 he married Betsy, the daughter of a wealthy New Yorker. Betsy hosted kickoff dinners and other charity events at Chinqua Penn and helped establish the Penn 4-H Center.

The couple definitely knew how to give a bash. Jeff cooked Green Brunswick stew in an iron pot so large it had to be rolled on a trolley track. Guests played cards at Flintstone-like stone tables and chairs near the outdoor barbecue or took a dip in the pool.

The public restroom at Chinqua Penn has a nice, rather unexpected, gallery of photographs and cattle farming journals that outline the plantation's impressive agricultural history.

GOING THROUGH THE MANOR

The house's eclectic furnishings reveal the Penns' passionate love of travel and decorative art. The entry features ornate, carved doors from Venice. A French powder room displays replicas of paintings at Marie Antoinette's palace boudoir. The dining room walls are Swedish pine and another room



Master suite sitting room in the Penns private quarters is included on tour.

sports Spanish ironwork and red velvet walls.

The pair's sense of adventure really shows in their "mud room," where guests enjoyed cocktails and relaxed after horseback riding. One wall features a collection of 16th and 17th century Spanish spurs and bits and a Greek painting of a bull reigns over the fireplace.

The plantation will soon open a wing that features servants quarters and an Oriental tea room. A wine tasting room is set to open April 21.

SIGHTS FROM THE WALKING TRAIL

A mile and a half trail winds past pretty pastures, brooks and lakes. Points of interest include the dog cemetery, where the Penns held funerals for Betsy's pet spaniels and setters. Farm land adjoining the property is still operated as an experimental agricultural station. Trial crop plantings and prize Black Angus, descendants of Jeff's herd, can be seen from the trail.

TOURS OFFERED

The house and grounds are open on weekends. Admission to both for adults is \$12; students with college I.D., \$10; seniors, \$10; and youth (ages 6-15), \$8. Children under 5 are admitted free. Tours of the grounds are Wednesdays to Sundays and cost \$5 per person.



English manor's front entrance.

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Johnston County Visitors Bureau
(800) 441-7829/(919) 989-8687
www.johnstoncountync.org

Knightdale Chamber
(919) 266-4603/(919) 217-2220
www.knightdalechamber.org
www.ci.knightdale.nc.us

Laurinburg/Scotland County Area
(910) 276-7420
www.laurinburgchamber.org
www.visitscotlandnc.org

Lillington Area
(910) 893-3751
www.lillingtonnc.com

Lumberton Visitors Bureau
(800) 359-6971/(910) 739-9999
www.lumberton-nc.com

Montgomery County
(910) 572-4300
www.montgomery-county.com

Morrisville
(919) 463-7150
www.morrisvillenc.com

Pembroke
(910) 521-9758
www.pembrokenc.com

Person County Tourism
(336) 597-2689
www.visitroxboronc.com

**Pinehurst, Southern Pines
and Aberdeen Area CVB**
(800) 346-5362
www.homeofgolf.com

Pittsboro-Siler CVB
(800) 316-3829
www.visitcathemcounty.com

Raeford-Hoke
(910) 875-5929
www.hoke-raeford.com

Greater Raleigh Chamber
(919) 664-7000
www.raleighchamber.org

Greater Raleigh CVB
(800) 849-8499/(919) 834-5900
www.visitraleigh.com

Red Springs
(910) 843-5241
www.redsprings.org

**Richmond County Chamber,
Rockingham**
(910) 895-9058
www.richmondcounty-chamber.com

Rolesville Town Hall
(919) 556-3506
www.ci.rolesville.nc.us

Roxboro Area Chamber
(336) 599-8333
www.roxboronc.com

Saint Pauls
(910) 865-5164
www.stpaulsnc.gov

Sandhills Area Chamber
(910) 692-3926
www.sandhillsonline.com

Sanford Area Chamber
(919) 775-7341
www.sanford-nc.com

Smithfield-Selma Area Chamber
(919) 934-9166
www.smithfieldselma.com

Greater Spring Lake Chamber
(910) 497-8821
www.springlakenc.org

**Vance County Tourism
Department (Henderson)**
(866) 438-4565/(252) 438-2222
www.kerrlake-nc.com

Wake Forest Area
(919) 556-1519
www.wakeforestchamber.org

Warren County EDC
(252) 257-2657
www.warren-chamber.org

Wendell
(919) 365-6318
www.wendellchamber.com

Yadkin-Pee Dee Lakes Project
(704) 422-3215
www.lakesproject.org

Zebulon
(919) 269-6320
www.zebulonchamber.org

SOUTHERN COAST

**Bald Head Island
Information Center**
(800) 234-2441
www.baldheadisland.com

Beulaville
(910) 298-4647
www.townofbeulaville.com

Brunswick County, Shallotte
(800) 426-6644/(910) 754-6644
www.brunswickcounty-chamber.org

Brunswick Islands, Shallotte
(800) 795-7263
www.ncbrunswick.com

Cape Fear Coast CVB
(Wilmington, Carolina Beach,
Kure Beach, Wrightsville Beach)
(877) 406-2356
www.gocapefearcoast.com

Columbus County Tourism
(910) 649-5998
www.whitevillenc.com

Coast Host
Information on attractions and
accommodations
www.coasthost-nc.com

Duplin County Marketing
(800) 755-1755/(910) 296-2181
www.duplintourism.org

Elizabethtown-White Lake
(910) 862-4368
www.elizabethtownwhitelake.com
www.bladeninfo.org

Fair Bluff
(910) 649-5998
www.fairbluff.com

Faison
(910) 267-2721

**Greater Goldsboro
Travel & Tourism**
(919) 734-2245/(866) 440-2245
www.greatergoldsboro.com

Greater Hampstead Chamber
(910) 270-9642/(800) 833-2483
www.hampsteadchamber.com

Greater Jacksonville-Onslow
(910) 347-3141
www.jacksonvilleonline.org
www.onslowcountytourism.com

Kenansville Area
(910) 296-2180

Kenly Chamber
(919) 284-5510
www.kenlynorthcarolina.com

Kinston CVB
(800) 869-0032
www.visitkinston.com

Kinston-Lenoir County Chamber
(252) 527-1131
www.commercekinstonnc.com
www.kinstonchamber.com

LaGrange
(252) 527-1131
www.lagrangenorthcarolina.com

Mt. Olive Area Chamber

(919) 658-3113
www.moachamber.com
www.ncpicklefest.org

Nash County Visitors Bureau

(800) 849-6825
www.RockyMountTravel.com

NC Ferries

(800) BY-FERRY
www.ncferry.org

Onslow County Tourism

(800) 932-2144
www.onslowcountytourism.com

Pender County

(Burgaw)
(910) 259-1536/(800) 576-4756
www.visitpender.com

Pleasure Island (Carolina Beach, Kure Beach, Fort Fisher)

(800) 631-1460/(910) 341-4030
(800) 641-7082/(877) 406-2356
www.gocapefearcoast.com
www.carolinabeachgetaway.com
www.explorekurebeach.com

Southeastern Welcome Center

(I-95 South, Rowland)
(910) 754-2505

Southport Visitor Center, Southport

(910) 457-7927
www.cityofsouthport.com

Southport-Oak Island

(800) 457-6964/(910) 457-6964
www.southport-oakisland.com

Tabor City

(910) 653-2031

Greater Topsail Area

(800) 626-2780/(910) 329-4446
www.topsailcoc.com

Wallace

(910) 285-4044
www.wallacechamber.com

Warsaw

(910) 293-7814
www.warsawnorthcarolina.com
www.townorwarsawnc.com

Wayne County Chamber

(919) 734-2241
www.waynecountychamber.com

Greater Whiteville

(910) 642-3171/(888) 533-7196

Wilson Visitors Bureau

(252) 243-8440/(800) 497-7398
www.wilson-nc.com

Wrightsville Beach

Visitors Center
(800) 650-9106/(910) 256-8116
www.visitwrightsville.com

NORTHERN COAST**Ahoskie Chamber**

(252) 332-2042
www.ahoskie-nc.org

Aycock Brown Welcome Center, Kitty Hawk

(877) OBX-4FUN/(252) 473-2138

www.outerbanks.org

Belhaven Community Chamber
(252) 943-3770
www.belhavenchamber.com

Chowan County Tourism, Edenton

(800) 775-0111/(252) 482-3400
www.visitedenton.com

Coast Host

Information on attractions and accommodation.
www.coasthost-nc.com

Corolla/Currituck Chamber

(252) 453-9497
www.currituckchamber.org

Crystal Coast Tourism Authority

(877) 206-0929/(252) 726-8148
www.crystalcoastnc.org

Dare County

(252) 475-5000
www.darenc.com

Dismal Swamp Canal Welcome Center, Camden County

(252) 771-8333/(877) 771-8333
www.DismalSwamp.com

Duck

(252) 255-1234
www.townofduck.com

Elizabeth City Area CVB

(252) 335-5330/(866) 324-8948
www.discoverec.org

Farmville Chamber

(252) 753-4670
www.farmville-nc.com

Gates County Manager

(252) 357-1240
www.albemarle-nc.com/gates/
G-O-E/county.htm

Greenville/Pitt County CVB

(800) 537-5564
www.visitgreenvillenc.com

Havelock

(252) 447-1101
www.havelockchamber.net

Halifax County Tourism

(800) 522-4282
www.visithalifax.com

Historic Albemarle Tour

(800) 734-1117
www.historicnenc.com

Historic Bath Visitor Center

(252) 923-3971
www.bath.nchistoricsites.org

Hyde County Chamber

(252) 926-9171/(888) 493-3826
www.hydecountry.org

Kill Devil Hills

(252) 449-5302
www.kdhnc.com

Kitty Hawk

(252) 261-3552
www.townofkittyhawk.org

Lake Gaston Chamber and Visitors Center

(252) 586-5711/(866) 730-5711
www.lakegastonchamber.com

Manteo

(252) 473-2133
www.townofmanteo.com

Martin County Chamber

(252) 792-4131
www.martincountync.com

Martin County Travel & Tourism

(800) 776-8566
www.visitmartincounty.com

Murfreesboro Historical Association

(252) 398-5922
www.murfreesboronc.com

NC Ferries

(800) BY-FERRY
www.ncferry.org

NC Welcome Center

(I-95 North).
(252) 537-9836
www.visitnc.com

NC Welcome Center

(I-85 North).
(252) 456-3236
www.visitnc.com

Nags Head

(252) 441-5508
www.townofnagshead.net

New Bern/Craven County Convention and Visitor Center

(800) 437-5767
www.visitnewbern.com

Ocracoke NPS Visitor Center

(252) 928-4531
www.nps.gov/caha

Outer Banks Chamber

(252) 441-8144
www.outerbankschamber.com

Outer Banks Welcome Center on Roanoke Island

(252) 473-2138/(877) OBX-4FUN
www.outerbanks.org

Pamlico County Visitor Center

(252) 745-3008
www.pamlicochamber.com
www.pamlicodirectory.com

Perquimans County Visitors Center

(252) 426-5657
www.perquimans.com

Roanoke Valley Chamber

(252) 537-3513
www.rvchamber.com

Rocky Mount

(252) 972-1542
www.ci.rocky-mount.nc.us

Scotland Neck

(252) 826-3152
www.townofscotlandneck.com

Southern Shores

(252) 261-2394
www.southernshores-nc.gov

Swansboro

(910) 326-1174
www.tourswansboro.com

Tarboro-Edgecombe Chamber

(252) 641-4200
www.tarboro-nc.com

Greater Tyrrell County Chamber

(252) 796-1996
www.visittyrrellcounty.com

Washington County Tourism

(252) 793-3248
www.visitwashingtoncountync.com

Washington/Beaufort County Visitor Information

(800) 546-0162
www.originalwashington.com

Windsor/Bertie County Chamber

(252) 794-4277
www.windsor-bertie.com