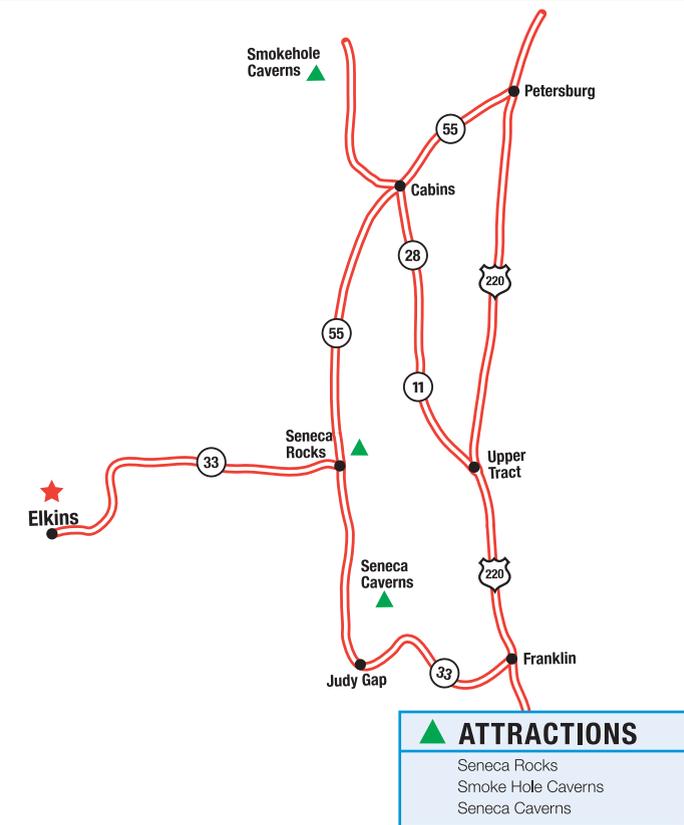


Smokehole Blacksnake

If a challenge is what you're looking for, this is it. Leaving Elkins on Route 33 East, travel to Seneca Rocks. Catch Route 55 N to Cabins. There you will pickup the Blacksnake, Route CR 28/11 to Upper Tract. Take Route 220 S to Franklin. take 33 W back into Elkins.

Estimated Time: 3 hours, 16 mins Distance: 147.10 mi



The challenge ride begins in Elkins, head east on Rt 33 to Seneca Rocks. Stretch your legs a bit and enjoy the scenery of the rocks. From here, you will travel on Rt 55 N to the community of Cabins, here your journey begins. Take CR 28/11 for the Smokehole Blacksnake. At the end you head south on Rt 220 to Franklin. This is a community with a significant collection of the 19th century architecture. Take 33 E back into Elkins, making a memorable trip.

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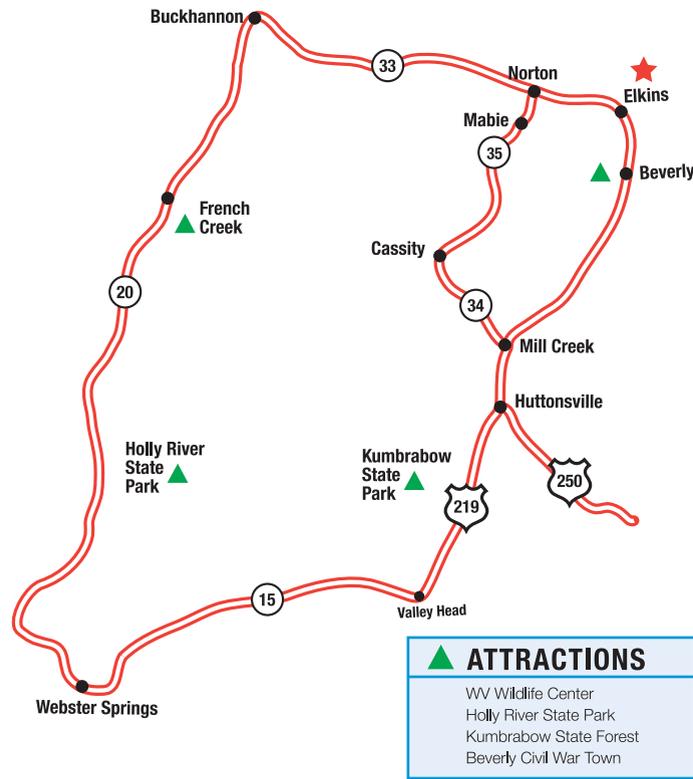
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Backroads Ride

If backroads and curves are your trip then this route will take you there. Leave Elkins on Route 33W to Buckhannon, while there stop by and see one of the last glassblowers. From Buckhannon take Rt. 20 S, here you will find the WV Wildlife Center. Native WV animals can be seen in their natural habitat here. Webster Springs will bring you back in time to the lumber years of old. Taking Rt. 15 back to Rt. 219 N will bring you back to Elkins.

Alternate Routing: Take Rt. 33 W to Norton Exit, turn left onto CR 151 for .05 miles, turn left onto CR 53, continuing onto CR 37/8, thru Coalton to Cassity, stay on CR 35 toward Cassity, CR 35 becomes CR 34, CR 34 becomes CR 46, turning right to stay on CR 46 into Mill Creek bringing 250/219 N back to Elkins.

Estimated Time: 3 hours, 18 mins Distance: 140.38 mi



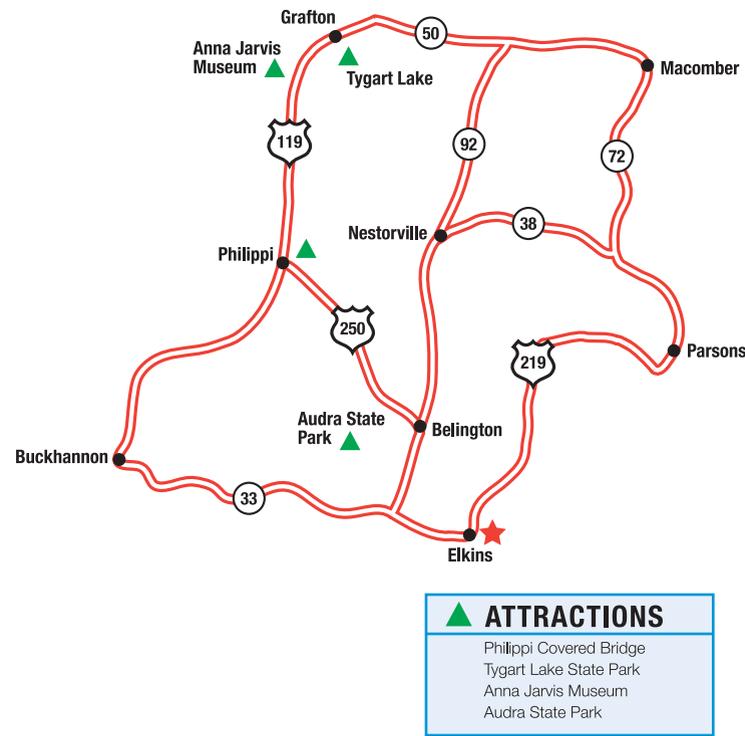
Leaving Elkins heading west on Rt 33 you will come to the town of Buckhannon. Head south on Route 20. Make a stop at the WV Wildlife Center, a realistic and factual exhibit of the State's wildlife. Continuing on Rt 20 S, a side trip for you might be Holly River State Park, the second largest park in the WV state park system. You will come to the community of Webster Springs, take a walk back in time to the lumber years. From there take Route 15 E to Valley Head. From there you will take Rt 219 N pass Kumbrabow State Forest, the state's highest forest at 3,930 feet. Continuing on, Rt 219 N will bring you back into Elkins passing through the Civil War Historical town of Beverly.

Lake & History

This route will wind in and out of Civil War History and beautiful lake country. Leaving Elkins, you will travel north west to Route 250 S to Philippi, noted for the first land battle, from there you will cross one of the largest covered bridges left in West Virginia. From Philippi you will travel Route 119 N to Grafton, home of the Mother's Day Shire and Tygart Lake, a 1,740 acre recreation lake. You will pick-up Rt 50, heading East of Macomber. Route 72 S will bring you into Parsons. Your journey will end with Rt 219 South into Elkins.

Alternate Routing: catch Route 92 South in Fellowsville passing by Teter Creek Lake, a small fishing lake. Then, take Route 250 South to Route 33 E back into Elkins.

Estimated Time: 2 hours, 23 mins Distance: 94.35 mi



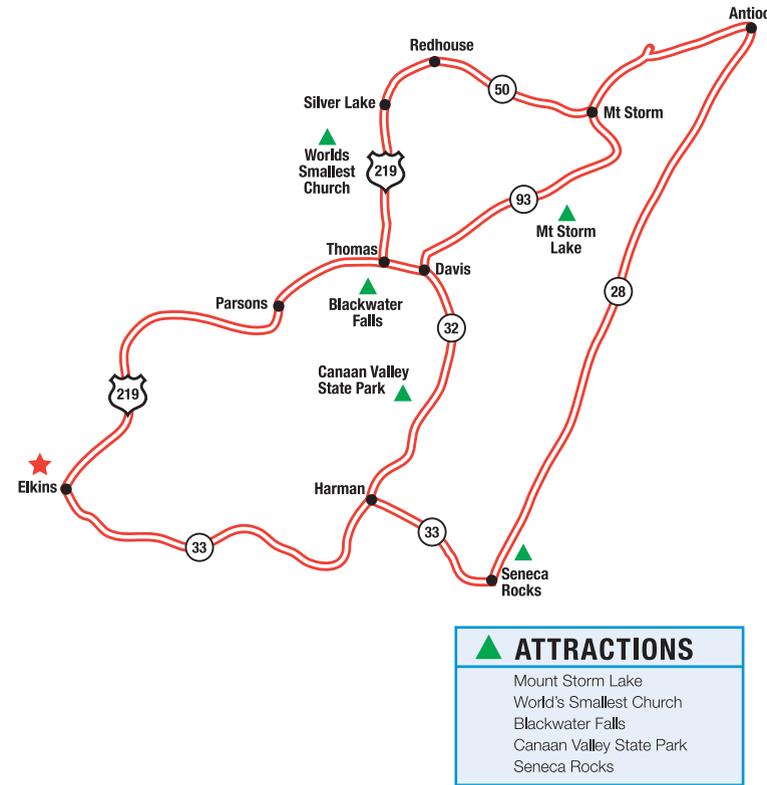
Leaving Elkins traveling west of Route 33 W to Buckhannon taking 119 N toward the historic town of Philippi, don't miss taking in the Civil War history of the covered bridge. Make a short stop at the Anna B. Jarvis house, used as General George B. McClellan headquarters. At Grafton you will pickup Rt. 50 E, here you can take a side trip to Tygart Lake State Park. Traveling on to Macomber you will head south on Rt 72 into Parsons, there take 219 S back into Elkins.

Tucker Run

Leaving Elkins, take Route 219 N through farm country to Parsons. Continuing on 219 North to the intersection of Route 50 E. This curvy road will pass through Maryland and back at Antioch. You will take Route 28 S to Seneca Rocks, bringing Route 33 W back into Elkins.

Alternate Routing: Leave Elkins on Route 219 N to Thomas, pick-up Route 32 E passing by Blackwater Falls and Canaan Valley to Harman. There you will bring Route 33 W back into Elkins.

Estimated Time: 3 hours, 48 mins Distance: 167.51 mi

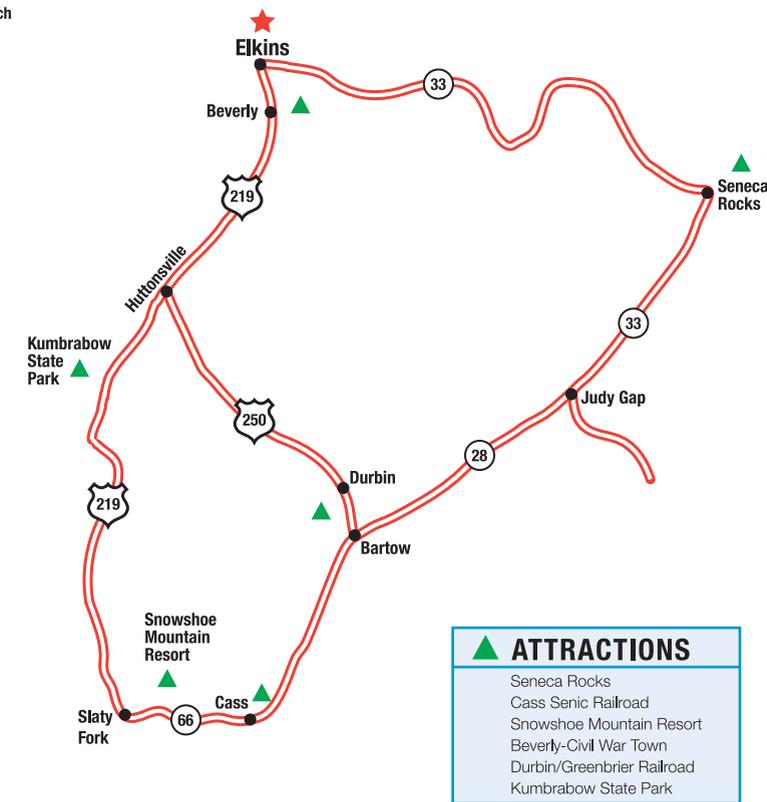


You will begin your run in Elkins, traveling north on Rt 219 towards Thomas. Take a side trip to Blackwater Falls and Canaan Valley on Rt 32 E. Continuing on Rt 219 N you will come to Silver Lake, home of the World's Smallest Church. Route 50 E will bring many curves and scenery as you wind your way to Antioch and head south of Rt 28 to Seneca Rocks. Take a minute to enjoy the spectacular view of this gracious rock. Taking Rt 33 W back into Elkins along scenic mountain roads will conclude your ride.

Mountain & Valleys

Leaving Elkins on Rt 219 S, you will pass through time as you travel into the Civil War town of Beverly. Continuing further on 219 S, your journey will take you along the Tygart River valley and then up the spectacular Cheat Mountain. Continuing on Rt 219 S until you intersect with Rt 66 E. Here you can make a short detour and travel to the top of Snowshoe Mountain, where the view is breathtaking. Traveling on Rt 66 E, you will come into the town of Cass, here you will see one of the last coal operational scenic trains. From Cass, you will travel north on Rt 92. During the stretch, you will travel to Green Bank, the home of the National Radio Astronomy Observatory. Continuing on to the town of Bartow, where you will turn onto Rt 250 N, bringing you back into Elkins.

Estimated Time: 1 hours, 58 mins Distance: 85.93 mi



Leaving Elkins, traveling south on Rt 219 you will come to the Civil War Historical town of Beverly. Founded in 1790 as a Virginia Confederate community. Continuing on 219 S, you will pass by Kumbrabow State Forest, the state's highest forest at 3,930 feet. Traveling on down to the community of Slaty Fork, you will turn onto Rt 66 E. Take a side trip to the top of Snowshoe Mountain, the view is spectacular. A short distance down Rt 66, you will find the small town of Cass, a small coal/timber town built around the railroad in 1902. Leaving Cass, turn north on Rt 28.