

Group Tour Itineraries for Ritchie County, West Virginia *Tour Planning*

For assistance in planning your group tour please contact either the Ritchie County Tourism & Visitors Bureau, Inc., or North Bend State Park at:

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Where the Rails Once Ran

Ride the rails once more in spirit as you travel throughout Ritchie County and make stops along the North Bend Rail Trail, once part of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. The rail trail, popular among hikers, bikers and horseback riders, follows the area's hilly terrain and winding creeks, which necessitated the railroad to build 36 bridges and 23 tunnels, 13 of which still exist, including the # 19 Silver Run Tunnel, rumored to be haunted by the mysterious woman in white. With access in Cairo, Ellenboro and Pennsboro, the rail trail may also be reached from within North Bend State Park, using an access trail.

Select the Where the Rails Once Ran Tour and choose from the following options in three Ritchie County communities:

Cairo

- Cairo Bank Building Museum (home of North Bend Rails to Trails Foundation, Inc.)
- Country Trails Bikes & The Cairo Supply Company
- North Bend State Park
- North Bend Rail Trail access point
- Ritchie County Veteran's Memorial

Ellenboro

- Hardley Able Carriage Company – Ride along the North Bend Rail Trail
- North Bend Rail Trail access point

Pennsboro

- North Bend Rail Trail access point
- Pennsboro B & O Railroad Depot



The Road Back in Time

To visit Ritchie County is to take the road back in time. Travel to times gone by when you walk through the doors of the oldest 5 & Dime in the nation; the 13,000-square foot auto museum presented as a mid-1940's car dealership; the Pennsboro B & O Railroad Depot still in its original design; or the Old Stone House Museum, constructed in 1810-1815 and now transformed into a museum of 20-plus rooms and a genealogy library. Visit North Bend State Park, to enter the forest, mostly untouched and allowed to mature in its natural state since the park was established in 1951.

Select The Road Back in Time Tour and choose from the following historic sites in three Ritchie County communities:

Cairo

- Cairo Bank Building Museum
- Cairo Museum
- Cairo Post Office
- Historic RC Marshall Hardware Building
- Ritchie County Veteran's Memorial
- Egypt Cemetery – Frances (Piatt) McKinney Gravesite (1770-1847 Served as Flower Girl during George Washington's first Presidential Inauguration)

Harrisville

- Berdine's 5 & Dime
- "The Building" – Cliff's Museum of Car Memorabilia
- General Thomas M. Harris School Museum
- Harrisville Pioneer Cemetery – Gravesites of three Revolutionary War soldiers (Oldest existing cemetery in Ritchie County)
- Independent Order of Odd Fellows Cemetery – General Thomas M. Harris Gravesite (1817-1906 Civil War Union General)
- Ritchie County Court House

Pennsboro

- Old Stone House Museum
- Pennsboro B & O Railroad Depot

Quaint Small-Town Shopping

Enjoy the unique variety of merchandise and one-on-one customer service only small-town shopping can provide. From the antique furniture, glass and toys of yesterday to glassware and marbles of today, Ritchie County offers a variety of quaint small-town shopping. A stop at North Bend State Park offers the shopper a moment to relax and view the lush forests of Ritchie County.

Select the Quaint Small-Town Shopping Tour and choose from the following shops in four Ritchie County communities:

Cairo

- Country Trails Bikes & The Cairo Supply Co.
- Libby's Junction
- Pastry & Petals

Ellenboro

- Curious Goods
- Dodd's Sporting Goods
- Sam's Crystal Creations

Harrisville

- Arlo's Indoor Flea Market & Flower Barn
- Berdine's 5 & Dime
- Bunne's Nest LLC
- Centaur Art & Framing
- The Flower Basket
- Ritchie County Farmer's Market
- Stout Hardware

Pennsboro

- Bargain Cellar
- Jux'd Tattoos
- Shannon's Haven