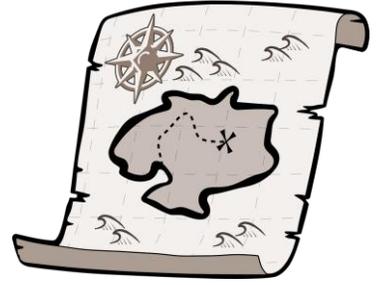


# Hidden Gems Scavenger Hunt

## CLUES & LOCATIONS



Have fun and be safe as you discover these “hidden gems” in Transylvania County.

1. **FIND IT! Historical marker honoring the tannery industry in Rosman.**

In 1901, Joseph Silversteen moved from Pennsylvania to Western North Carolina and established the Toxaway Tanning Company. He settled in the community now known as the town of Rosman. Near today’s Rosman Town Hall, there is an historical marker honoring the area’s lost industry. For more information, visit <http://www.ncmarkers.com/Markers.aspx?MarkerId=P-91>

2. **FIND IT! Any public sculpture on Brevard's Sculpture Walk.**

If you want to know where the wild things are, you don’t always have to venture into the woods. This urban walk features animals that are, or were, indigenous to this area. These include wild turkey, fox, panther, black bear, chipmunks and even white squirrels. For more information, visit [https://www.artsofbrevard.org/tours\\_sub.php?ptid=100021](https://www.artsofbrevard.org/tours_sub.php?ptid=100021)

3. **FIND IT! Any historical plaque in the Rosenwald community.**

The African American Storyline Project is a collaborative initiative between Transylvania Citizens Improvement Organization and Morning Glory Inspirations. Marking such places as the Old Rosenwald School and Jackie “Moms” Mabley’s Home Place, these plaques are an important part of Transylvania history. For more information, visit <https://morninggloryinspirations.com>

4. **FIND IT! Batson Creek Falls**

This may be a small waterfall, but what it lacks in height, it makes up for in accessibility. The 20-foot tiered cascade is located where Batson Creek and Carson Creek meet. It is often overshadowed by a more well-known waterfall that cascades directly opposite its lower falls. For more information, visit <https://southeastwaterfalls.com/trail/batson-creek-falls/>

5. **FIND IT! Tannery Skate Park on Silversteen Rd**

Built almost entirely by volunteers, this 3,200-square-foot gem represents Brevard's very first foray into a public-private partnership project to provide a safe skating outlet for local youths and the fearless young at heart. For more information, visit <https://www.facebook.com/TannerySkatePark/>

6. **FIND IT! Allison Deavor House**

The oldest standing frame house in Western North Carolina was slated for demolition in 1987 when a group of citizens quickly formed the Transylvania County Historical Society and bought the house, barn, and the nearly four acres of land. The Society has restored and maintained the house as a tribute to the early settlers and as an example of remarkable mountain-crafted architecture.

For more information, visit [http://www.tchistoricalociety.com/?page\\_id=9](http://www.tchistoricalociety.com/?page_id=9)

7. **FIND IT! Sherwood Forest Community Sign**

The history of Cedar Mountain reveals that the area was more than just a summer community for South Carolinians. For example, nestled in one of the communities within Cedar Mountain one can find Feed Rock. Back in the mid-1800s up to the 1920s, Feed Rock was the site of a feeding station for the cattle drives from South Carolina into North Carolina. This same community also boasts membership in the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program.

For more information, visit <http://www.transylvaniaheritage.org/content/short-history-sherwood-forest-part-cedar-mountain-community>

8. **FIND IT! Historical marker honoring the Eastatoe Path trading route**

A level gravel trail that connects the Brevard City Greenway to the Art Loeb trailhead and Davidson River Campground is another gem! Along the way, you'll travel through rhododendron tunnels, over boardwalks, and have lots of great views of the Davidson River. Rhododendrons and mountain laurels line the trail and river. There are hemlocks, pines, oaks and wildflowers in the spring and summer. Near the trail's beginning at Hwy 280, there is a marker honoring the historic Eastatoe Path trading route.

For more information, visit <https://www.hikingproject.com/trail/7006876/estatoe-trail>

9. **FIND IT! McGaha Chapel**

Plans for this locally famous church was begun in the mid-1800s and the church was finished circa 1872. It helped repair relationships between families and friends divided by the Civil War. Nearly forgotten in the second half of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, it was revitalized by some industrious Cedar Mountain Folks and is now under the stewardship of the Transylvania County Historical Society.

For more information, visit <http://www.transylvaniaheritage.org/content/mcgaha-chapel-little-river-methodist-episcopal-church>

10. **FIND IT! Caboose in Lake Toxaway near 502 Blue Ridge Road (Hwy 281N).**

Started in the 1880s and completed by 1903, the Transylvania Railroad Company provided rail service for 42 miles from Hendersonville to Lake Toxaway. At that time, the area was a favorite vacation getaway, and the train provided a convenient way to reach the destination. The site of the old railway station is marked by a relic from those days.

For more information, visit <http://www.etowahnheritage.org/the-railroad---hendersonville-to-toxaway.html>

11. **FIND IT! Transylvania Heritage Museum**

Opened in May 2008, this treasure houses temporary and permanent displays of heirlooms, artifacts, genealogical exhibits, vintage photographs, and other exhibits reflective of the history and heritage of the county. Its website hosts amazing stories of history and folklore.

For more information, visit <http://www.transylvaniaheritage.org>

12. **FIND IT! Any access point on the French Broad River Paddle Trail in Transylvania County.**

The English originally knew it as the Broad River because of a 1766 map of Indian Nations. By 1776, the word "French" had been added since much of the territory west of the Blue Ridge, where the river drained, was occupied by the French in the 1700s.

For more information, visit <https://frenchbroadpaddle.com/>

