



828-337-4354

This small mom & pop micro-orchard features cidery, wine and craft beer. A farm homestead with chickens and horses is also on site. Visitors refer to this location as their "Mountain Top Oasis" where they can enjoy a casual, friendly setting, peaceful relaxation, and a tasty variety of spirits.

## Little Switzerland Winery, Cidery & Brewery

lsbooksandbeans.com

Enjoy an espresso or pastry while you meander through this one-of-a-kind, three story bookstore and gift shop filled with unique treasures.

## Little Switzerland Books & Beans



828-765-2153

switzerlandinn.com

This fun pub features a variety of craft beers, wines, and your favorite cocktails. The bar menu offers lighter fare including wings, burgers, and fries.

## Fowl Play Pub



828-765-5289

switzerlandcafe.com

For over 30 years, this locally owned cafe has been serving homemade sandwiches, soups and quiche. Their Applewood smoked, pulled pork BBQ and smoked Trout have earned them a well-deserved spot on the North Carolina Barbecue Trail. Save room for their delicious homemade desserts! The General Store offers rubs and sauces, craft beers, wines, novelty and specialty items.

## Switzerland Cafe & General Store

### RESTAURANTS

Located at the Switzerland Inn, The Chalet Restaurant offers breakfast, lunch, and dinner. The Chalet features aged choice steaks, fresh pasta specialties, seafood and other seasonal favorites to be enjoyed inside or on the spacious outdoor terrace dining room.

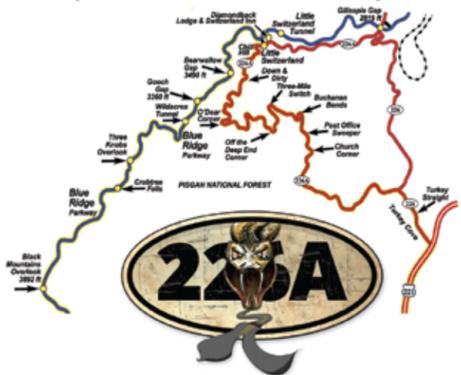
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## MOTOR ROUTES

### DIAMONDBACK motorcycle & sportscar route



**The DiamondbackNC:** The DiamondBack (NC) covers twelve miles of rustic adventure with breathtaking switchbacks and over 190 curves snaking through the dense Pisgah National Forest.

**Devil's Whip/Hwy 80:** Steep switchbacks and dramatic descents along this road make for an adventurous roadtrip towards the Blue Ridge Parkway. Combine the Diamondback with the Devil's Whip to experience a challenging 38 mile loop with plenty of twists, elevation changes, and scenic overlooks. You will find great, biker-friendly, accommodations and delicious food along the way.

**Lake James Loop:** A 90-mile loop that includes a portion of the Blue Ridge Parkway, Linville Gorge, and Lake James.

**Trans-America Trail:** Hardcore adventure riders will enjoy this off-the-beaten-path trail with challenging offroads and dirt tracks through rough terrain.

diamondback226.com



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## LITTLE SWITZERLAND The Outpost

Milepost 331 on the  
Blue Ridge Parkway  
est 1910



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## LITTLE SWITZERLAND NORTH CAROLINA

In 1910, North Carolina Judge Heriot Clarkson's dream was realized when he purchased a large tract of mountain land to create the seasonal community of Little Switzerland. Clarkson described it to his friends as, "the beauty spot of the Blue Ridge" and today those views continue to surpass expectations.

Clarkson assigned specific deed restrictions to each land tract in Little Switzerland suppressing commercial development. Mountain views in the 21st century are the same as they were at the turn of the 20th century, thanks to Judge Clarkson.

Known for its breathtaking views and stunning landscapes, Little Switzerland is nestled next to the Blue Ridge Parkway, north of Marion, NC. When the Blue Ridge Parkway was constructed, Little Switzerland was one of the few communities given its own exit, Milepost 331. Plan your Blue Ridge Parkway vacation and stay just steps away from the iconic motor route known for its beautiful views, diverse wildlife, numerous overlooks, hiking trails, and historical sites.

For more information about Little Switzerland or help planning your trip, contact us at 828-668-4282 or visit our website.

### LODGING

**Alpine Inn**  
828-765-5380  
alpineinn.com

**Big Lynn Lodge**  
828-765-4257  
biglynnlodge.com

**Chalet Switz**  
407-678-9383  
chaletswitz.com

**Skyline Village Inn**  
828-765-9394  
skylinevillageinn.com



**Switzerland Inn**  
828-385-4500  
switzerlandinn.com

**Whispering Creek Cottage**  
813-215-8906  
whisperingcreekcottage.com



### RESTAURANTS

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828-765-2153

**Switzerland Cafe**  
828-765-5289

**Switzerland Inn Chalet  
Restaurant and Pub**  
828-765-2153

**Little Switzerland  
Books & Beans**  
828-766-2601  
lsbooksandbeans.com

**Little Switzerland Winery,  
Cidery & Brewery**  
828-337-4354

## LODGING



### Alpine Inn

Located directly on Grassy Mountain, this rustic mountaintop inn opens to incredible Blue Ridge views at 3200 feet above sea level. It's the perfect base to explore nearby attractions and towns. There is also a food truck on site.

Open year-round, the scenery is ever-changing! Each room offers something a little different with updated furnishings and sweeping views. Little Switzerland and the Blue Ridge Parkway are seconds away from this picturesque property.

[alpineinnnc.com](http://alpineinnnc.com)  
828-765-5380

### Chalet Switz

Originally a stone tower, located at a cool 4,000 feet, this private house has been lovingly restored and is perfect for a couple. It's located on a private residential road in the center of Little Switzerland.

[chaletswitz.com](http://chaletswitz.com)  
407-678-9383



*Little Switzerland is surrounded by breathtaking natural beauty. Waterfalls, stunning views and cool mountain air await you.*



### Big Lynn Lodge

Originally, this site was a collection of cabins located on a 100+ year Dahlia farm. Named for an iconic "Big Linden Tree" the Big Lynn Lodge has grown and is now a 42 room inn. While retaining some of the original buildings and character, new rooms have been added to create the delightful complex. Come see why travelers have been making Big Lynn Lodge their vacation destination for over 100 years!

[biglynnlodge.com](http://biglynnlodge.com)  
828-765-4257



### Skyline Village Inn

Imagine the moonshining days of the 1940s, the days when John Greer built the Skyline Village Inn within a few yards of Milepost 331 on the Blue Ridge Parkway. Today, the memorable mix of history and hospitality continues with a new generation of owners. This 16-room inn is a favorite of motorcycle enthusiasts and offers a full-service bar and restaurant, store and wonderful views of the valley below.

[skylinevillageinn.com](http://skylinevillageinn.com)  
828-765-9394



*Visit the Shops at the Switzerland Inn to pick up regionally made arts and crafts, jewelry, and more.*



### The Switzerland Inn

Since 1910, the Switzerland Inn has welcomed visitors to the Little Switzerland colony and the Blue Ridge mountains. This property features sweeping mountain views and is framed by both the Blue Ridge Parkway and the DiamondbackNC, officially known as NC 226-A.

The Inn offers a unique mix of hotel rooms, cabins, cottages, and suites creating the perfect venue for group gatherings, club events, or corporate retreats. Enjoy indoor or outdoor dining at the Chalet Restaurant or a quick bite at the Fowl Play Pub. Recent renovations include on-site shopping, spa services, patio bars, outdoor fire pit, swimming pool, hot tubs, pickleball courts, and fitness center.

[switzerlandinn.com](http://switzerlandinn.com)  
828-385-450

### Whispering Creek Cottage

A quaint, 2 bedroom period cottage located south of the Blue Ridge Parkway overlooking Turkey Cove.

[whisperingcreekcottage.com](http://whisperingcreekcottage.com)  
813-215-8906

## WHAT TO SEE AND DO



Start your day off with breakfast at the **Chalet Restaurant** or **Switzerland Café** before heading off for a day exploring the area.

A must stop is the **NC Minerals Museum** on the Blue Ridge Parkway, where you can learn how these ancient mountains were formed and the history of the **Overmountain Victory Trail**.

The **Shops at Switzerland Inn** and the **Artisan League of Little Switzerland Gallery** feature regionally made arts, jewelry, and crafts.

Nearby, experience the thrill of the hunt at **Gem Mountain** or **Emerald Village**, where guests of all ages will love rock hounding and exploring the historic underground mine.



Pack a picnic and head to one of the many waterfalls in the area including **Crabtree Falls** or **Linville Falls** for an

unforgettable hike, or visit the highest peak east of the Mississippi at **Mt. Mitchell State Park**.

Step into **Geneva Hall** on Saturday evenings in July and August to join the community square dance and try your luck at the cake walk.

Head up the parkway to the **Historic Orchard at Altapass** for live music on summer weekends and U-pick apples in fall. Hand dipped ice cream and locally made specialty items are abundant at their gift shop, and hiking trails throughout the orchard feature beautiful ridgetop views.

A short drive away is the **Penland School of Craft**, where you can visit the historic campus and watch artisans in action. There are regular art showings and a public gallery and visitor center.



Spend another day exploring the quaint towns of Marion, Spruce Pine or Old Fort and visit unique shops, natural attractions or the local art galleries.

**Vic's Place** will test your putt putt skills as you walk through a lovely forest.

Another great day trip is up to **Grandfather Mountain** to the Mile High Swinging Bridge or down to North Cove for a look deep inside a cave at **Linville Caverns** or a round of disc golf at the **North Cove Social Club**.

LITTLE Switzerland is BIG on adventure!

