

**Transcript for Video “West Jefferson, Explore the Mountains of North Carolina”  
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West Jefferson, explore the mountains of North Carolina.

Only three hours from Raleigh, West Jefferson offers the small town feel of the North Carolina mountains, but with a modern twist.

Look for the beautiful murals throughout downtown.

Check out Carolina Country Wines for wine, local beers, and the best ginger beer on the planet. Hang out and enjoy a beer or wine tasting.

Shop like a local. Find true western and outdoor gear at Bulls Boots and Western Gear and Mo's Boots.

Grab a coffee at Bohemia Coffee Shop and a blueberry fritter from Hole Lotta Donuts.

Of course, there's the famous Ashe County Cheese where you can find lots of fun things. And, of course, cheese!

Don't forget to head out and visit downtown Boone just thirty minutes away.

And keep going to nearby Blowing Rock.

You can hike the greenway which winds along the lake by the famous and posh Chetola Resort.

For a little extra fun, you can visit The Blowing rock. There's a seven-dollar fee. It's a bit of an illusion as you can see from the underside.

For a silhouette, get there in the evening. Color photos are better in the morning.

There's also plenty of hiking nearby with Elk Knob State Park. Hike two miles to the top for a north and south view.

If you're lucky you may even get to hike on crunchy white snow.

There's also Mount Jefferson State Park. You can hike or drive to most of the lookouts.

West Jefferson is also right by the Deep Gap portion of the Blue Ridge Parkway. Drive or hike this famous area.

I keep coming back to West Jefferson. I bet you will too!