



SPRING BLOSSOM GETAWAY

BEST FOR: Singles, Couples, Friends & Family

STAY: 2 Nights | 3 Days

BEST ENJOYED: December - Mid February

Gaston County welcomes spring earlier than many other destinations, making it an ideal retreat for snowbirds seeking to escape the lingering winter cold.

This can be your ultimate spring break, where a variety of outdoor adventures, cultural experiences, and family-friendly activities await.

Spring Blossoms

Immerse yourself in the captivating beauty of spring blooms at [Daniel Stowe Botanical Garden](#). Witness a symphony of colors as the garden comes to life, providing a serene and visually stunning backdrop for your spring retreat. TIME: 1 hr - All Day

Sip Locally Crafted Beverages

[The Ridgeline Craft Beverage](#) Trail features breweries, distilleries, and wineries in Gaston, Lincoln, and Cleveland Counties. Each has a unique feel and culture, and experiencing together creates a great weekend getaway. COST: Varies, TIME: 1 hr - All Day

Paddling Opportunities

Immerse yourself in the captivating beauty of spring. As the days grow warmer, the [paddling opportunities](#) in Gaston County come alive. Keep an eye on the opening of the Boathouse, the Marinas or the Whitewater Center, where you can embark on scenic paddling adventure. COST: Varies, TIME: 1 hr - All Day

Explore a Museum

Spend a day exploring the [Schiele Museum of Natural History](#). fascinating exhibits on natural history, wildlife, and fossils. Don't miss the planetarium for an immersive journey through the stars! COST: Varies, TIME: 1 hr - All Day
1500 E. Garrison Blvd., Gastonia, NC 28054

Spring Hikes

Winter is a fantastic time for hiking in Gaston County. The crisp air and open views from leafless trees create the perfect conditions for exploring trails. Visit [Crowders Mountain State Park](#) for panoramic summit views, or enjoy leisurely walks at [George Poston Park](#) and other local parks.

BOOK YOUR WINTER ESCAPE GETAWAY



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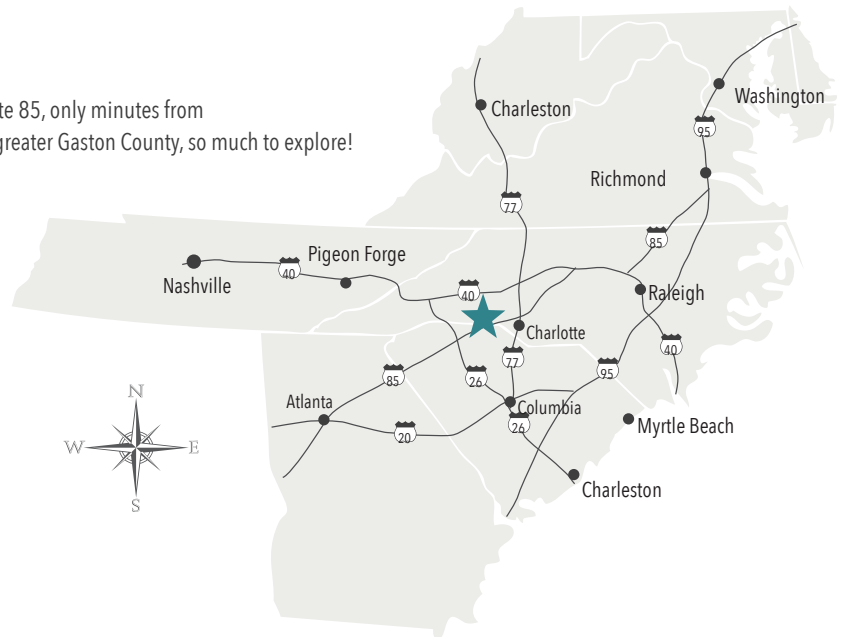
Gaston County offers the perfect mix of scenic beauty, small-town charm, and outdoor adventure. Wander along the Catawba River, explore colorful trails, or stroll through charming downtown streets — all while enjoying the warm, welcoming spirit of the locals. Whether you're after a relaxing escape or an action-packed weekend, Gaston County makes every visit feel effortless, memorable, and uniquely yours.

GETTING HERE

Conveniently located just west of Charlotte, NC, along Interstate 85, only minutes from Charlotte Douglas Airport and surrounded by scenic beauty – greater Gaston County, so much to explore!

Estimated Travel Times

Charlotte, NC	18 mins
Charleston, SC	3 hrs
Raleigh, NC	3 hrs
Charleston, WV	4 hrs
Pigeon Forge, TN	4 hrs
Myrtle Beach, SC	4 hrs
Atlanta, GA	4 hrs
Richmond, VA	5 hrs
Nashville, TN	6 hrs
Washington, DC	7 hrs



SPRING WEATHER

Spring in Gaston County is a season of color, fresh air, and easygoing adventures. Daytime temperatures typically range from the mid-60s to upper 70s°F (18–25°C), with cool mornings and evenings that invite a light jacket or sweater. Gentle breezes and blooming landscapes make it one of the best times to explore the outdoors. A compact rain jacket or umbrella is handy for the occasional spring shower.

As the season unfolds, trails come alive with wildflowers, local farms reopen for visitors, and patio dining returns in full swing. Whether you're here for a weekend getaway or a spontaneous day trip, spring in Gaston County offers the perfect mix of relaxation and discovery.

INSIDER TIPS

Spring is one of the most scenic times to visit Gaston County – pack your camera for the blooming parks and riverside views! Weekends are lively but not crowded, making it easy to enjoy local shops, outdoor dining, and scenic drives. Many trails and parks are dog-friendly, so your four-legged friends can join the adventure.

WHAT TO BRING

- **Light Layers:** Cool mornings and warm afternoons call for versatile clothing.
- **Comfortable Shoes:** Perfect for hiking, strolling, or exploring downtowns.
- **Camera/Phone:** Capture the colorful blooms and vibrant outdoor scenes.
- **Reusable Water Bottle:** Stay hydrated while enjoying nature's beauty.
- **Light Rain Jacket:** Spring showers keep everything lush and green.

BOOK YOUR STAY

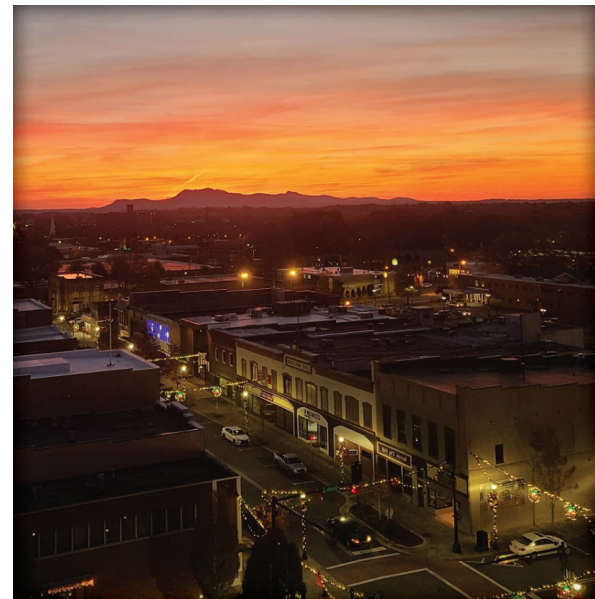
We offer a wide array of affordable accommodations conveniently located on I-85 and numerous unique places to stay, making for a fabulous getaway.

GoGastonNC.org/stay

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Affordable Suites 1921 Bessemer City Rd.	14	•								
Courtyard by Marriott 1856 Remount Rd.	20	•	•						•	
Fairfield Inn Gastonia 1860 Remount Rd.	20	•	•	•	•			•	•	
Hilton Garden Inn Gastonia 444 Cox Rd.	21	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
WoodSpring Suites 1830 Wren Turnpike	17	•					•			
Best Western 360 Best Western Ct.	20	•	•		•		•			
Holiday Inn Express 1911 Broadcast St.	17	•	•	•	•		•	•		
Motel 6 1901 Broadcast St.	17	•					•			
The Esquire Hotel 168 West Main Ave.	17	•				•				
Comfort Suites Gastonia 1874 Remount Rd.	20	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	
Hampton by Hilton Gastonia 1859 Remount Rd.	20	•	•	•	•		•			•
Tru by Hilton New Hope Rd & Remount Rd.	20	•	•	•	•		•		•	•

BELMONT

Home2 Suites by Hilton 871 Hawley Ave.	27	•	•	•	•				•	•
Hampton by Hilton Belmont 820 Cecilia Alexander Dr.	26	•	•	•	•		•			
Fairfield Inn Belmont 1 Caldwell Dr.	27	•	•	•	•				•	•
Holiday Inn Express & Suites 250 Beatty Dr.	27	•	•	•	•			•	•	





WEEKEND GETAWAYS

Adventure. Relaxation. Unforgettable Experiences.

Discover Gaston County, NC. From the breathtaking views at Crowders Mountain, rich history of the area, tranquil beauty of Daniel Stowe Botanical Conservancy, adventure awaits. Experience the thrill of whitewater rafting at the Whitewater Center and paddle along our scenic blueways. Then reminisce about your stay in our vibrant downtowns filled with shopping, unique dining, and entertainment. Book your getaway now!

SUGGESTED ITINERARIES



SUMMER EXTRAVAGANZA

AVAILABLE: JUNE - AUGUST

Embark on a thrilling journey filled with excitement and exploration with our Summer Adventure Extravaganza.



CHRISTMAS VACATION

AVAILABLE: LATE NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

Celebrate the magic of the holiday season with our festive Christmas Vacation including snowless sledding, ice skating and holiday lights.



SPRING BLOSSOM GETAWAY

AVAILABLE: MARCH - MAY

Celebrate the beauty of spring in Gaston County with blooming gardens, fresh trails, and crisp mountain air.



WINTER ESCAPE

AVAILABLE: DECEMBER - MID FEBRUARY

Dive into the enchantment of winter with beautiful landscapes and cozy retreats in our Winter Escape including snowless sledding, ice skating.

BOOK YOUR ADVENTURE TODAY!

GoGastonNC.org/trip-ideas >

