

## Charlottesville, VA

Famous for the Blue Ridge Parkway, the Shenandoah National Park and surrounding area is home to some of the best driving roads in the country. While you can certainly enjoy the Blue Ridge Parkway (BRP) for an afternoon drive, our Charlottesville routes avoid the BRP (and associated tourist traffic) for our favorite roads in the area. Winding forests, twisty mountain passes, waterfalls and forgotten towns await! Our Charlottesville driving package offers two legs, which can be used as two individual 1/2 day loops, or combined for a full-day driving loop.

### Route master Notes

**Road Selection** - Your route master has made every effort to select roads which are fun to drive, lighter on traffic, and interesting for both driver and passenger. As the route departs onto secondary, or even more remote selections, pavement quality may suffer. If you were attending a drivers' meeting at one of our traditional events, you'd hear your route master tell you "a rough road is only as rough as the speed you drive it at!" Slow driving through any sections you deem rough will ensure enjoyment for the whole route.

**Fuel & Washroom Stops** - Your route master presumes you've started the day with a full tank of fuel. If the route is under 150mi, we haven't worried about fuel stops. If the route is over 150mi, we've ensured we've gone close enough to major centers, or through towns, so that you can find fuel. You may need to go slightly off route to fill your tank. Due to Covid-19, you may find that washroom stops are not available in towns, at gas stations, or anywhere on route. We've included half-day, as well as full day options, so that you can plan accordingly depending on the current pandemic regulations in your area.

**Route Details** - Our Charlottesville drive is divided into two legs. Combined, the legs create a six hour full driving day. Used individually, you can create enjoy two separate half-day loops, of roughly 3 to 4 hours round trip from Charlottesville. Our Leg A route presumes a lunch stop at Devil's Backbone Basecamp Brewpub. Our Leg B route also includes a mid-route coffee stop, presuming you may choose to use it as a half-day adventure. We've included these dining stops in the anticipation of Covid-19 regulations being opened up throughout the summer. In the meantime, simply drive past a featured stop, and your digital app will automatically route to the next waypoint. Participants are reminded to follow all Covid-19 restrictions, only stopping if safe and legal to do so.

#### Leg A Notes:

- This route begins on Scottsville Road, leaving the south end of Charlottesville. Simply start the Rallista drive from your home, and Rallista will take you to the start of the route.
- Our leg A route ends at the Devil's Backbone Basecamp Brewpub. Here you'll find fantastic food, excellent beers on tap, a distillery, and The Summit Coffee shop. Be sure to check [www.dbbrewingcompany.com](http://www.dbbrewingcompany.com) before you depart, for current openings during the Covid-19 pandemic. Currently the pub is offering limited seating, outdoors only, in accordance with Government guidelines.
- If you're using leg A as a 1/2 day loop, after passing Devil's Backbone Basecamp Brewing, TURN LEFT on highway 151, following signs to Charlottesville. In 5.6 miles, TURN RIGHT onto VA-6 east (River Rd), following signs to Route 29 / Scottsville. In 5.7 miles, TURN LEFT onto Hwy 29 north, signs to Charlottesville. You can follow Hwy 29 all the way to Charlottesville.

#### Leg B Notes:

- Our leg B route presumes you'll be starting from the Devil's Backbone Basecamp brewery. If you're using leg B as a half day loop, simply depart Charlottesville south on Hwy 29, and follow your GPS to the Devils Backbone Brewery Basecamp. You can open the drive in Rallista from your home, and it will direct you to the basecamp as your first pin.
- The route includes a stop at Mudhouse Coffee in Crozet VA. Mudhouse coffee roasters is one of our favorite local roasters, and this location includes a bakery and other tasty goodies. Please confirm opening hours using <https://mudhouse.com/pages/location-hours> At the time of route preparations, the Crozet location is closed due to the Covid-19 pandemic, but we've included the stop in anticipation of it opening later in the summer.