Proposed Mountain Trip for June 2015

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1. Roan Mountain

(R. calendulaceum and R. catawbiense)
Saturday & Sunday, June 13 & 14:
Americourt Hotel Mountain City

450 Dotson Lane, Mountain City, TN 37683 Phone: (423) 727-7311

Alternative Hotels if the Americourt is full:

Americourt Hotel Elizabethton 1515 19E Bypass, Elizabethon, TN 37643

Phone: (423) 542-4466

Lakeshore Cottages & Motel 2340 Highway 321 Hampton, TN 37658 Phone: (423) 725-2201

- 6/13 Travel to Mountain City, TN. Quick trip to Roan Mt. or Snake Mt. if time allows. Possibly visit J. Jackson & Lindy Johnson. Call first: (423)-571-2227
- 6/14 Hike to Roan Mt, weather permitting. Pack lunch. Arrive early to get a parking place!





2. Blue Ridge Parkway and Wayah Bald

(Vistas, R. arborescens on Wayah)

Monday, June 15:

Microtel Inn Franklin 81 Allman Dr, Franklin, NC 28734

Phone: (828) 349-9000

- 6/15 Leave early and travel the Blue Ridge Parkway from Boone to Franklin, NC. If weather was bad on 6/14, hike Roan in the AM and drive directly to Franklin.
- 6/16 Visit Wayah Bald and Wine Spring Bald in the AM. Drive to Robbinsville.



3. Hooper Bald

(R. calendulaceum and bald renovation project)

Tuesday, June 16:

Microtel Inn, Robbinsville, NC 111 Rodney Orr Bypass, Robbinsville, NC

Phone: (828) 479-6772



- 6/16 Go to Hooper Bald in the evening to check on *R. calendulaceum* plantings.
- 6/17 Cut back weeds and brush around newly planted azaleas on Hooper in the AM. Drive to Townsend, TN, in the evening.

4. Gregory Bald

(Native Azalea Hybrids)

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday, June 17, 18, & 19: Best Western Cades Cove Inn 7824 E Lamar Alexander Pkwy, Townsend, TN 37882 Phone: (865) 448-9000

- 6/17 Buy food for hike and breakfast. Get to bed early in preparation for Gregory Hike.
- 6/18 Hike Gregory Bald, weather permitting. Very early rise... Leave motel at 6:00 AM!
- 6/19 Alternative date for Gregory hike. Visit other places in Smokies if hike was successful.



5. On Your Own

Saturday, June 20:

• 6/20 Head for home, visit nurseries, or tour the Parkway on your own.

East Fork Nursery – Vivian Abney (native azaleas) 2769 Bethel Church Road, Sevierville, TN 37876 Phone: (865) 433-6108

Possible Extensions (Before and After the Primary Trip)



Mt Rogers and Grayson Highlands

(R. calendulaceum and R. catawbiense)

Friday, June 12:

Spend the night in Marion, VA. Explore Mount Rogers and Grayson Highlands areas.

Blood Mt & Slaughter Mt (R. cumberlandense)

Sunday and Monday, June 21 & 22:

Spend night in Murphy, NC. Explore the Appalachian Trail near Blood Mt and Slaughter Mt.