

May 15, 2021 Day Drive and Picnic Cumberland Gap National Historic Park

Food City, US-11W/Rutledge Pike, Blaine, TN to Cumberland Gap National Historic Park (CGNHP)

Zero Odometer Turn out of Food City

- 0.0 Turn right (east) out of Food City onto US-11W/Rutledge Pike
- 9.3 Turn left onto Joppa Mountain Road
- 13.9 Turn right onto TN-131 N
- 18.0 Stay on TN-131 N by taking sharp left at Oak Grove Baptist Church
- 28.3 Turn left on US-25E/TN-32N/Dixie Highway
- 41.2 In Tazewell
Turn right on US-25E/TN-32N/Dixie Highway toward CGNHP
NOTE: At 47.0 total miles on US-25E/TN-32N/Dixie Highway a Flea Market causes major traffic issues, stay in LEFT LANE
Tunnel ahead under Cumberland Gap: Remember, no Class I Explosives on board!
- 54.7 Exit right to Cumberland Gap National Historical Park
- 55.0 Arrive at CGNHP Visitor's Center
Park for a restroom break, Visitor Center time/shopping
Exit CGNP Visitor's Center, turn right onto Pinnacle View Road for a twisty, 3.7 mile, 25 mph drive to Pinnacle Overlook Parking Lot; park and enjoy the view
Reverse course down Pinnacle View Road; just after the US-25E overpass, turn left onto Bartlett Park Road and park at the far Picnic Pavilion (one next to the bathrooms)

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- 0.0 At the stop sign at the end of Pinnacle View Road, turn right onto the short bit of road that leads to the US25E on ramp, turn right onto the US25E/TN-32 on ramp.
- 13.4 In Tazewell
Stay straight on TN-32 as becomes TN-33S.
- 34.0 Turn left onto TN-61E
- 34.5 Turn right to stay on TN-61E
- 38.2 Slight right onto S. Ridge View Road from the hairpin curve
NOTE: This is a residential section with speed humps.
- 39.0 Turn right at STOP sign to continue on TN-61E
TN-61E meanders a bit, just follow the signs for TN-61E
- 44.8 Turn right onto US-11W/Rutledge Pike
- 46.5 END POINT, Food City in Blaine, TN on US-11W/Rutledge Pike

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4.5 miles east of the Blaine Food City is some sort of abandoned "Old West" set or amusement park on the south side of the road.



