

# TOP OF THE ROAN

*About 2 ½ hours round trip*

This drive takes you through Elizabethton to the top of Roan Mountain – at a crossing of the Appalachian Trail and home of East Tennessee’s grandest scenery. Roan Mountain is also home to the world’s largest natural stand of Catawba Rhododendron. The views are spectacular and the roads winding up and down the mountain are perfect for any Porsche.

***The starting point for this drive will be at Winged Deer Park Festival Plaza. It will take approximately 20 minutes from the hotel. You will do this portion of the drive on your own.***

## **Directions to WDP Festival Plaza:**

- 0.0 Right out of hotel on to W State of Franklin Rd.
- 6.2 Use the left lane to merge onto US-11E N/US-19W N/Bristol Hwy via the ramp to Bristol
- 8.4 Left at Carroll Creek Rd. (traffic light – Fire Dept. on right after turn)
- 8.7 Right into Winged Deer Park Festival Plaza
  
- 0.0 Zero odometer at Stop sign when leaving
  
- 0.0 Left on Carroll Creek Rd.
- 0.1 Left on N. Bristol Highway (traffic light)
- 6.1 Exit 19E S/321S
- 33.1 Right on Hwy 143 S Roan Mountain
  
- 35.1 Left into Visitor Center  
LAST STOP FOR RESTROOMS!
  
- 45.7 Hwy 143 changes to NC 261
- 58.5 Right on Hwy 226 N
- 74.8 Hwy NC226 changes to TN 107 W
- 85.3 Right on Hwy 173 (Watch your ODO! There is an earlier turn off for 173 going the other direction. Hwys 107 and 173 are the same for the last several miles.)
- 85.9 Left on Hwy 173
- 86.8 Right on I-26 W
- 94.5 Exit 24 Elizabethton  
Left on University Parkway at bottom of ramp
- 96.6 Left on W State of Franklin Rd.
- 96.7 Right on Gilbreath Dr.  
Left at roundabout  
Right into garage

Welcome back to the Carnegie Hotel! We hope you enjoyed your drive!!