



STORY STARTERS

Reunite Children With Nature

Rein in texting and computer games and reunite children with nature. Impossible? Not at The Wintergreen Nature Foundation at Wintergreen Resort. A living sanctuary that preserves nature and helps allows threatened species to survive, the Nature Center is a unique place where children can discover and enjoy the numerous plants, flowers, and animals that live in the wild and learn respect for all living things. The Center's mission is to protect the heritage and beauty of the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia by encouraging the understanding, appreciation, and conservation of its natural and cultural resources.

More Fun Out of Bounds

Rock climbing, The Zip, bungee trampoline, and team paintball get the adrenaline pumping at Discovery Ridge Adventure Center at Wintergreen Resort atop Virginia's Blue Ridge Mountains. Learn rock climbing on the 25-foot climbing tower, which features varying degrees of difficulty. The Zip soars down 900 feet in under 30 seconds. Experience a thrilling Virginia mountain vacation packed with activities that will satisfy the most adventurous spirit.

Golf Galore!

Wintergreen's acclaimed Junior Golf Program and Nike Summer Golf Camps get young players in the swing early and keep them coming back to hone skills. Designed for children ages 7-14, clinics and camps focus on the fundamentals of the full swing and short game in a group setting, and are taught by leading golf instructors able to uncover the potential in a young golfer. Wintergreen's two championship courses—Devils Knob atop the mountain and Stoney Creek in the Rockfish Valley—provide an ideal setting to learn the game.

S'Wonderful, Spa-velous...

The Spa at Wintergreen promises peace and tranquility on the mountain top. A blissful retreat far from the humdrum, the spa pampers with soothing services such as rejuvenating facials, herbal wraps, hot stone therapeutic massages, plus a selection of restorative mountain mud and mineral treatments. Wintergreen also offers beautifully appointed condos, savory dining options, golf on two championship courses, tennis at Wintergreen's award-winning academy, and scenic hikes along well-marked trails, including a portion of the original Appalachian Trail.

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Brew Ridge Trail Wanders Nelson County

A burgeoning industry of craft breweries, distilleries, and cideries pour through the brewridgetrail.com. Sublime waters and plentiful locally grown ingredients offer an ideal combination for making refreshing beverages. Thriving wineries, apple cideries, antiques and boutiques, peach and apple orchards... all are easily accessed in Nelson Country off Virginia State Route 152, a short and scenic drive from Wintergreen Resort.

Presidential History

Thomas Jefferson, the third President of the United States, lived in the neighborhood. He designed and built [Monticello](#), his classic hilltop home on the outskirts of Charlottesville and filled it with his unique inventions and all kinds of fascinating treasures. James Monroe, the nation's fifth president, lived with his family in [Highland](#), an Albemarle "cabin castle" several miles from Monticello.

Kids Love Wintergreen's Treehouse Program

Designed for children ages 2½-12, the Treehouse Program teaches kids to explore nature on guided age and ability specific walks, participate in indoor and outdoor activities such as arts and crafts, story time, games, new songs, and playground time. Inspiring "Fun experts" know how to keep everyone active and happy. All Treehouse programs require advance reservations and children are grouped according to age and ability. A healthy staff/child ratio is maintained so that the resort can effectively provide children with a quality experience.

Skateboards to Snowboards

Come winter, when kids exchange skateboards for snowboards, parents will want to go to Wintergreen Resort, located in Virginia atop the Blue Ridge Mountains, where kids rule. With one of the most comprehensive ski and snowboarding schools in the Mid-Atlantic, the resort has 24 slopes, the state's largest downhill snow tubing park at The Plunge, snow-time activities at Ridgely's Fun Park, and Shamokin Ice outdoor skating, Wintergreen offers the most extensive beginner-to-expert terrain.

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