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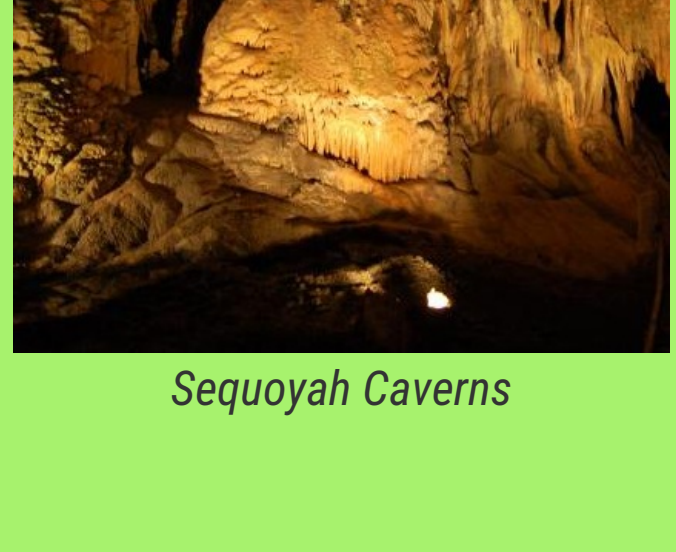
**RV Traveler's**  
**Roadmap to**

# Lookout Mountain Parkway

On a clear day you may not be able to see forever, but you can come mighty close from the summit of Lookout Mountain, where panoramic vistas overlook seven states. The parkway itself, marked by green signs, cobbles together a dozen rural byways to fashion a 120 mile-long paradise that includes cascades, canyons, and even caverns.

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## Highlights & Facts For The Ideal Experience



Sequoyah Caverns

**Trip Length:** Roughly 100 miles, plus side trips

**Best Time To Go:** Year round

**Must See Nearby Attractions:**

- 1** Rock City Gardens - off of GA Rte. 157 (a 10-acre tract that contains rare vegetation and unusual sandstone formations)
- 2** Chattanooga Nature Center - off of Rte. 11 in Chattanooga, TN (with marked roads and trails that pass through areas lush with wildflowers, shrubs, and trees)

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## Traveler's Notes



Little River Canyon

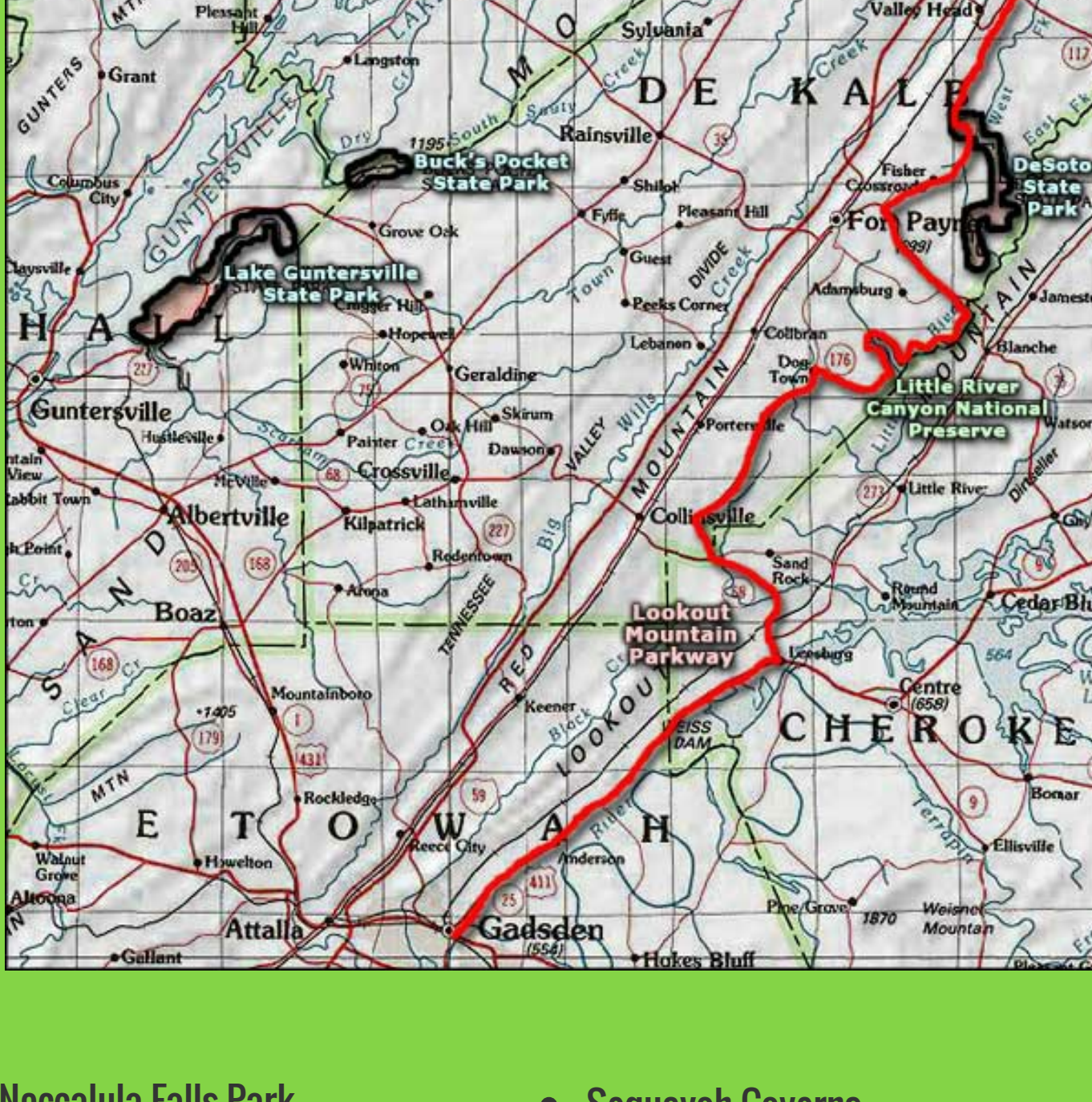
The Lookout Mountain Parkway spans three states as it stretches across Lookout Mountain from Gadsden, Alabama to Chattanooga, Tennessee. Within its 93 miles are waterfalls, canyons, scenic vistas, unique towns and villages, state and national parks and preserves, and many more natural wonders.

Known as the world's steepest passenger railway, the Lookout Mountain Incline has been wowing visitors since the 1800s. Today, it's one of Tennessee's most popular tourist attractions. While the ride itself is worth the trip, the activities on top and at the bottom of the mountain make this one of the south's most beloved destinations.

The most spectacular view into the canyon is an easy walk from the picnic area; however, hikers can also explore a rim trail or journey to the canyon floor by a series of staircases. Two waterfalls cascade over layers of sandstone and shale into pools below, with their flow depending on recent rains. This Waterfalls Trail is part of the popular Canyon Climbers Club.

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## What To See Along the Way



- Noccalula Falls Park
- Little River Canyon
- DeSoto State Park
- Sequoyah Caverns
- Cloudland Canyon State Park
- Point Park

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## Facts & More Information To Plan Your Trip!



Noccalula Falls Park

- Noccalula Falls Park:** A 250-acre public park located in Gadsden, Alabama, USA. The main feature of the park is a 90-foot waterfall with a trail winding through Black Creek Gorge at its base.
- Little River Canyon:** Forested uplands, waterfalls, canyon rims and bluffs, pools, boulders, and sandstone cliffs offer settings for a variety of recreational activities. Natural resources and cultural heritage come together to tell the story of the Preserve, a special place in the Southern Appalachians.
- DeSoto State Park:** A publicly owned recreation area located on Lookout Mountain 8 miles northeast of Fort Payne, Alabama. The state park covers 3,502 acres of forest, rivers, waterfalls, and mountain terrain.
- Sequoyah Caverns:** The cave is shown on official TVA maps as Ellis Cave after it's original owner. However, in 1963 when its present development was started by Clark Byers and Alva Hammond, they named it Sequoyah Caverns after the famed Cherokee. There is no definite proof that he ever entered the Caverns. He did teach and live in the area and in all probability visited with the members of his tribe that lived there.
- Cloudland Canyon State Park:** Located on the western edge of Lookout Mountain, this is one of the most scenic parks in the state, offering rugged geology and exceptional hiking. The park straddles a deep gorge cut into the mountain by Sitton Gulch Creek, and elevation differs from 800 to 1,980 feet.
- Point Park:** To reach Point Park, one needs only to follow the signs which are posted throughout the north end of Lookout Mountain. Hikers may park in the lot behind the Visitor's Center to avoid the expensive parking meters. On weekends the lot is often crowded and it is recommended that you begin your walk at the Cravens House, where ample space is usually available

# Ready, set, go!