What About FUN?

When it’s time to have some fun, ETSU and Northeast Tennessee have a lot to offer! Here are just a few of the possibilities ...

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**Live Music**

**Live Music in Johnson City and Beyond!** A guide to music venues in our area

**Music Festivals**

- **Belle Chere Festival** (Asheville, NC)
- **Blue Plum Festival** (Johnson City, TN)
- **Brevard Music Festival** (Brevard, NC)
- **FunFest Concert Series**
- **Merlefest** (Wilksboro, NC)
- **Music on the Square** (Jonesborough, TN)
- **Rhythm & Roots** (Bristol, TN/VA)

**Restaurants (all in Johnson City)**

- Alley Kat Sandwich Shop
- Alta Cucina
- Amigo's
- Applebee's
- Atlanta Bread Company
- Barberitos
- Bella Vita
- Bob Evans
- Bone Fish
- Bucks Pizza
- Café Pacific
- Jason's Deli
- Jonny Bruscos
- Logan's Roadhouse
- Lone Star Steakhouse
- Magic Wok Chinese
- Main Street Pizza
- Makato
- The Marble Slab Creamery
- McAlisters
- Mellow Mushroom
- Mid City Grill
Café 111
Carrabba's Italian Grill
Cheddar's Casual Café
Chef Anna
China Chef
Chili’s Grill & Bar
Cook Out
Cootie Brown’s
The Cottage
Crackie Barrel
Cranberries
Crazy Tomato
Dixie Barbeque
Earth Fare
El Charolias
El Matador
Fazolis
Firehouse Restaurant & Catering
Five Guys Burgers & Fries
Fox’s Pizza Den
Freidburg’s German Restaurant
Fuddruckers
Golden Corral
Gourmet & Company Inc.
Harbor House
Hooters
IHOP
Jack’s City Grill
Jane’s Lunch Box/At Your Service
Miso Teriyaki House
Moe’s Southwest Grill
Moto Japanese Restaurant
Natural Foods Market
O’Charley’s
The Olive Garden
One 12 Downtown
Outback Steakhouse
Panera Bread
Papa Murphy’s Pizza
Peerless Steak House
Perkins Restaurant
Poor Richard’s Deli
Red Hots Chicago Style Food
Red Lobster
Red Pig Bar-B-Q
Ruby Tuesday Restaurant
Sahib
Scratch Brick Oven Foodworks
Shoney’s Restaurant
Smokey Bones Bar & Fire Grill
Starbuck’s Coffee
Texas Roadhouse
Tipton Street Pub
Wellington’s Restaurant
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Shopping

Franklin Terrace (Barnes & Noble, Cheddaars, etc.)
Johnson City Crossings (PetsMart; Home Depot; Bed, Bath & Beyond; Michaels; Old Navy; Stein Mart; etc.)
Mountcastle Shopping Center
Peerless Shopping Center (Talbots, Treasure House, etc.)
Target Center (Target Store, Pier 1 Imports, Books-A-Million, T. J. Maxx, etc.)
The Mall at Johnson City (Belk, Sears, JCPenny, Justice, Forever 21, Express, Gap & Gap Kids, Victoria’s Secret, Bath & Body Works, etc.)

Storytelling & Theater
Barter Theater (Abingdon, VA)
ETSU Theater
International Storytelling Center (Jonesborough, TN)

Regional Festivals

Grandfather Mountain Highland Games (NC)
Virginia Highlands Festival (Abingdon, VA)
Hancock County Fall Festival (Sneedville, TN)

Skiing & Snowboarding

Appalachian Ski Mountain
Cataloochee Ski Area
Hawksnest Golf and Ski Resort
Ski Beech Mountain
Ski Wolf Laurel

Mountain Biking

ETSU Cycling Club
Mountain bike rentals at ETSU Center for Physical Activity
Virginia’s Creeper Trail
Virginia Creeper Trail Bike Shop

Whitewater Rafting & Kayaking

ETSU Kayaking Club
Kayak rentals at ETSU Center for Physical Activity
Cherokee Adventures, Inc.
Nantahala Outdoor Center, Inc.
USA Raft
Wahoo’s Adventures

Hiking & Climbing

Hiking equipment rentals at ETSU Center for Physical Activity
Hiking the Appalachian Trail
Hiking in Tennessee
Overmountain Victory Trail
ETSU Basler Ropes Challenge Course & climbing wall
Tennessee Rock Climbing
Table Rock & Linville Gorge
**Fun on Campus**

*Center for Physical Activity* (A photo tour and guide to ETSU's premier recreation and fitness facility)
*ETSU Bucaneers*
*Intramurals*
*Student Activities Online Calendar*
*WETS-FM Radio*

**National & State Parks**

*Great Smoky Mountains National Park*
*Cherokee National Forest*
*Pisgah National Forest*
*Blue Ridge Parkway*
*Grandfather Mountain*
*Rhododendron Gardens*
*Roan Mountain State Park*
*Sycamore Shoals State Park*
*Warriors Path State Park*

**Camping, Fishing, Boating, Water-Skiing**

*Camping equipment rentals at ETSU Center for Physical Activity*
*Fishing*
*Watauga Lake*
*Boone Lake*
*TVA-Boone Dam Conditions*
*Lakeshore Resort & Marina*
*TVA – Watauga Dam Conditions*

**Golf**

For links to many excellent courses within easy driving of Johnson City, see the:
*Great Smoky Mountains Golf Trail*
*Buffalo Valley Golf Course*
*Pine Oaks Golf Course*
*Johnson City Country Club*
*Ridges Golf & Country Club*
*Disc Golf at Warriors Path State Park*
Racing

Bristol Motor Speedway

Museums and Historical Sites

Andrew Johnson Historical Site (Greenville, TN)
Bays Mountain Park (Kingsport, TN)
Birthplace of Country Music Alliance (Bristol, TN-VA)
Carroll Reece Museum (ETSU)
Carter Family Memorial Music Center (Hiltons, VA)
Davy Crockett Birthplace State Park (Greenville, TN)
Hands-On Regional Museum (Johnson City, TN)
Historic Jonesborough (Jonesborough, TN)
International Storytelling Center (Jonesborough, TN)
Museum at Mountain Home (Johnson City, TN)
Rocky Mount Historic Village (Piney Flats, TN)
Slocumb Gallery (ETSU)
Tipton-Haynes Historical Site (Johnson City, TN)

Regional Tourism

Historic Jonesborough
Elizabethton/Carter County Tourism Association
Northeast Tennessee Tourism Association
Tennessee Tourism

Nearby Travel Destinations

Asheville, NC: 1 hour
Atlanta: 5 hours
Charleston, SC: 5 1/2 hours
Charlotte, NC: 3 1/2 hours
Gatlinburg/Pigeon Forge, TN: 1 1/2 hours
Knoxville: 2 hours
Myrtle Beach, SC: 6 1/2 hours
Nashville: 4 1/2 hours
Panama City, FL: 11 hours

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