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#### MERCIER ORCHARDS

Mercier Orchards is the only apple orchard in Georgia that grows, presses, ferments and bottles their own hard apple cider & farm wines. Mercier's is also the first producer of Hard Cider in the state. Visit their 120-acre farm and enjoy a round of tasting; hard ciders include Grumpy Granny, Adele's Choice, Black Bee, Apple Bramble, Lone Tree, Old #3 and Just Peachy. Their farm wines include Fall Harvest Apple, Blackberry Winter and Summer Sweet Peach wines. Plus Pearody, Rock Steady Red, Legends and Cherrohoochee hard cider. Mercier's also has tastings of some of the best regional wines produced in the Georgia Mountains. Mercier's is open from 7am to 6pm, 7 days-a-week. Tasting Room, M-SA 11am-7pm and SUN 12:30-7pm. 706-632-3411 or see: www.mercier-orchards.com

#### **BEAR CLAW VINEYARDS**

2 Bear Claw Vineyards in Blue Ridge, Georgia, is a place known for breathtaking mountain views, pristine bubbling springs, amazing fishing and wild life, a place you can soak up the beauty of the Blue Ridge Mountains and breathe in the clean mountain air to renew your spirits. Bear Claw Vineyards is a densely planted vineyard, which is rarer to see, producing less grapes but better wine. Coming in fall of 2017. 2281 Tennis Court Rd., Blue Ridge, 706-223-3750. Or visit: www.bearclawvineyards.com

## **GRUMPY OLD MEN Brewing**

3 A "Nano Brewery" and home of the world famous Moon Over Blue Ridge Wheat, Aska Pale Ale, Devils Den IPA, Hells Holler Porter, Tootla

Creek Blonde Ale. Bergey Brown Ale, and Grasshoppa Imperial IPA. Grumpy Old Men Brewing was established in 2012 by two "old retired guys" who were home brewing in an outdoor shower and graduated to their brewery on East Main in Blue Ridge. Their corporate mission is simple: "If we don't like it, we don't drink it. If we don't drink it. we don't sell it." Open for tastings from 2 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Call 770-331-8870 or 404-966-2665 and see:

www.grumpyoldmenbrewing.com

### **BLUE RIDGE BREWERY**

4 "The Brewery" is Blue Ridge's own brewpub, with the capacity to pour six of their own house brews and eight beers from other craft breweries. The Brewery also has great food and live acoustic music on Friday and Saturday nights starting at 6 p.m. Open Wednesday through Saturday for lunch and dinner. Call 706-632-6611 or visit: www.blueridgebrewery.com

# **FANNIN BREWING** COMPANY

5 Tom brought his brewing skills to Fannin County for two simple reasons: Fresh air and fresh water make for fresh beer. Being local is important to Fannin Brewing; it's in the name of their beers. Hiawassee Golden Ale, Toccoa Brown and Chief Whitepath White IPA, along with several specialty beers and seasonal beers. They also source local ingredients in many of their beers. Tasting Room and Beer Garden

hours Thursday & Friday 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday 12 p.m. to 6 p.m., often with live music. 706-258-2762. www.fanninbrewingcompany.com

### **SERENBERRY VINEYARDS**

6 Serenberry is a charming vineyard and farm winery just a few country miles from downtown Blue Ridge. Experience this intimate place and take in the simple and serene pleasures of the North Georgia Mountains while being surrounded by nature's down-to-earth gifts of life, people, and wine. Visit the Tasting Barn, dating back to the 1920s, and sample a variety of sweet, dry, and hearty wines. Linger longer; select your favorite wine, by the glass or bottle, and explore the beautiful, relaxed setting on the open-air patio or take a leisurely stroll through the vines. For directions and hours, call 706-623-8463 or visit:

www.serenberry.com

## **LOCAL BREWS FOOD & DRINK PAIRINGS**

Our pubs pair locally made brews with delicious food. For your own 'food & drink' wandering through town you could follow the route on the front map and explore:

- 4 Blue Ridge Brewery 187 Depot St., Blue Ridge, L/D, W/B, FB 706-632-6611
- **7** Chester Brunnenmevers Tavern 733 E. Main St., Blue Ridge. L/D W/B. FB. TV 706-258-2539
- **8** The Vine Wine Bar & Bistro 632 E. Main St., Blue Ridge, L/D, W/B 706-946-8463
- 9 Masseria Kitchen + Bar 67 Roberts Way, Blue Ridge. LD, W/B, FB 706-946-1511

- **10** Fightingtown Tavern 511 E. Main St., Blue Ridge, L/D, W/B, FB, TV 706-946-2006
- 11 Last Stop Stop Bar & Grill 500 E. Main St., #105, Blue Ridge. L/D W/B. FB. TV. live music 706-946-
- **12** Blue Ridge Cellars, 500 E. Main St., # 206, W/B, light bites 706-946-1416

TOUR - Blue Rldge Mountain Food Tours, Brew House Tour, www. blueridgemountainfoodtours.com 678-697-1120

**14** Boro Inn Irish Pub & Restaurant - 150 W. Main St., Blue Ridge, L/D, FB, TV 706-851-8660

Be sure to drink responsibly! Always have a designated driver or call one of our local cab and transportation companies:

- \* A2B Transit 844-354-6622
- \* Howard Jabalev Taxi Service 706-455-0082: 706-492-3244
- \* Mountain Transportation, LLC 706-851-9465

Abbreviations in the restaurant descriptions include L for Lunch and D for Dinner. W/B serving wine and beer, FB full bar and TV for sports tv. Please call ahead for detailed directions & make sure the establishment is open when you want to go.



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