



## SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS RESERVE

### Directions to and from the Southern Highlands Reserve

**From Asheville:** Take 1-26 toward Hendersonville. Take the airport exit and go right at the end of the ramp. You will immediately pass the airport on your right. You will be on Hwy 280 (Airport Rd.). Follow 280 to Brevard, NC. In Brevard, 280 becomes Hwy 64 just past Wal-Mart. Follow 64 through Brevard to Lake Toxaway, 18 miles. Follow the directions "Coming from the east from Brevard" below.

**Coming from the east from Brevard** on Hwy 64 after you pass the junction for Hwy 281 on the right, look for the Bill McNeely, Jr. bridge that spans the Toxaway river at the dam. Go about 1 mile and look for the entrance with a stone and wooden sign that says Lake Toxaway Country Club and Greystone Inn on your right. There is a guard house and large waterfall feature at this entrance.

**Coming from the west from Cashiers** on Hwy 64, look for a gas station and convenience store on your right in Sapphire called the Sapphire Country Store at the Hwy 281 junction. Go 1.4 miles and the entrance with a stone and wooden sign that says Lake Toxaway Country Club and Greystone Inn on your left. There is a guard house and large waterfall feature at this entrance.

Turn in at this entrance. You do not have to stop at the guard house. You are now on West Club Drive. Approximately 2.1 miles past the guard gate, the road forks at a stop sign. Go straight ahead onto Chestnut Trace. This will be up a steep grade. There will be a sign indicating your fork leads to the Country Club and the Greystone Inn. This road has changes in elevation and hairpin curves.

This road ends after a short, steep downhill. At the stop sign there is a sign indicating the country club is to the right. **Turn left** onto Fairway Drive and proceed 0.1 miles past a small clearing with a man-made stone creekbed and stones lining the road. Bear a soft-left/straight at the fork in the road. There is a large stone sign that says Toxaway Mountain. Your climb up will last approximately 2 miles. You will encounter a few side roads along the way....be sure to stay on Toxaway Drive and always bear uphill. At the first intersection with Toxaway Court and Raven Rock Vista, bear right and up on Toxaway Drive. If you pass a little pond on the right, you went too far at this intersection.

Near the top of the mountain, the road will level off after a hairpin turn to the right. Take a left turn onto Summit Ridge Road. Follow the road 0.5 miles through rock pillars with brass signs that mark the entrance to Summit Ridge. Stay on Summit Ridge Road. Shortly before the top, the road will veer to the right at the 472 Summit Ridge private residence entrance. Take the **first right** into a brown gravel drive marked with two rock pillars. Stay straight and follow the rock-lined drive to a gravel parking area. You will see the Chestnut Lodge up on the left. Please park in the large gravel area on the right. A staff member will meet you at the Lodge.

If the parking area is full, you may park out on the road and walk in. Please stay off the grass if you park out on the road. There is a cul-de-sac a half mile down from SHR's entrance for turning around.

*Our address is: 558 Summit Ridge Road, Lake Toxaway, NC 28747  
The office phone number is: (828) 885-2050*



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### **Leaving SHR (back to Hwy 64)**

From the parking lot at Chestnut Lodge, proceed out of the driveway and turn left onto Summit Ridge Rd. Follow Summit Ridge Rd downhill for approximately .8 miles to a stop sign.

At the stop sign, take a right on Toxaway Drive. Follow Toxaway Drive for approximately 2 miles until you reach a stop sign-do not veer from Toxaway Drive until you reach the stop sign (there will be hairpin curves as you come down the mountain, as well as two particular times that you will bear to the left, but there is no stop sign and no road name change-always stay on Toxaway Dr until you reach the stop sign).

At the stop sign, take a right onto Fairway Drive. Continue forward on Fairway Drive through the next stop sign. Approximately 0.1 miles after this stop sign you will reach another stop sign.

Turn right onto Chestnut Trace (do not follow the sign to the country club/Inn). Continue forward on Chestnut Trace through the next stop sign; the road name changes to W. Club Blvd. Follow W. Club Blvd. for approximately 2.1 miles back to Hwy 64.

Follow directions to your destination from Hwy 64. Thank you for your visit and come back soon!