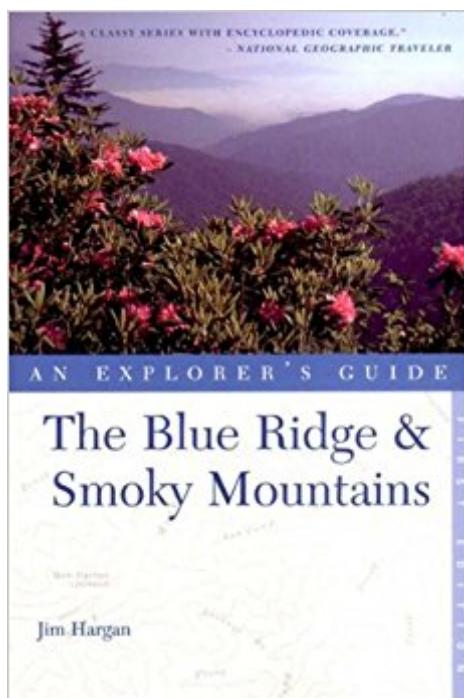


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# The Blue Ridge And Smoky Mountains: An Explorer's Guide



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Professional travel writer and photographer Jim Hargan, a long-time resident of western North Carolina, is your guide to the hills and back roads of the Blue Ridge and Smoky Mountains regions of North Carolina and Tennessee. Hargan reveals where to find local produce, crafts and music, and leads you to the region's many historic homes and museums. He recommends scenic drives along the Blue Ridge Parkway and gentle walks in the mountains; outdoor activities from whitewater rafting to bicycling to hiking the Appalachian Trail; and distinctive dining, lodging and shopping opportunities. Features of the guide include: hundreds of dining and lodging reviews, from barbecue joints to four-star cuisine; opinionated listings of inns, B&Bs, hotels, and vacation cottages; and 22 regional maps. Handy icons point out places that offer best value, cater to families, welcome pets, and provide handicapped access.

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