



Barn Quilt Loop Trail

A 60-minute drive through the Spring Creek Community, NC

A project of the Madison County Arts Council

SC-1

Spring Creek Community Center

13075 NC Highway 209

GPS: N35° 46' 9" W82° 52' 28"

The schoolhouse pattern was chosen for this site because this old stone building was erected in 1927 by the CCC. Local farmers brought rocks from their fields for the exterior. It served first through high school grades until 1974. At that time it served only grades K through 8 until 1988 when the school district consolidated. The colors on the quilt reflect the schools colors.



SC-3

Barlow Barn

1916 NC Highway 63

GPS: N35° 44' 29" W82° 51' 28"

The owners were fascinated by a quilt pattern in a quilt book entitled *Mariner's Compass Quilts*. This design called Cart-wheel Costa Rica was created by Judy Mathieson and inspired by a design on a postcard from Costa Rica which demonstrated how Costa Ricans paint the wheels of their carts..



SC-2

Davis Cove Farm

75 Davis Cove Road

GPS: N35° 45' 30" W82° 52' 38"

The 380 acres of land on which Davis Cove Farm sits has been in the Davis family since 1853 when the current owner's great-grandfather received it in a land grant. Originally it was a tobacco farm and now Layten and Veda Davis raise beef cattle which they sell to the cattle market in neighboring Canton, NC. The farm has beautiful walking paths leading from its mountain farm equipment museum which has displays of farm equipment from the mid 1800s.



SC-4

Briar Rose Farm

91 Duckett Top Tower Road

GPS: N35° 44' 39" W82° 50' 40"

Tom Hare and Judie Hansen chose a section of a snowball quilt to place on their tobacco barn. This block was part of the very first of 33 quilts that Judie has made. The octagonal "snowball" reminds them of their former lives in Chicago. The 9-patch block is often the first block that beginning quilters learn to piece. This simple block symbolizes to them a new beginning in Madison County and a simpler life. The colors are those of the blackberry briars and roses that are found all over the farm.

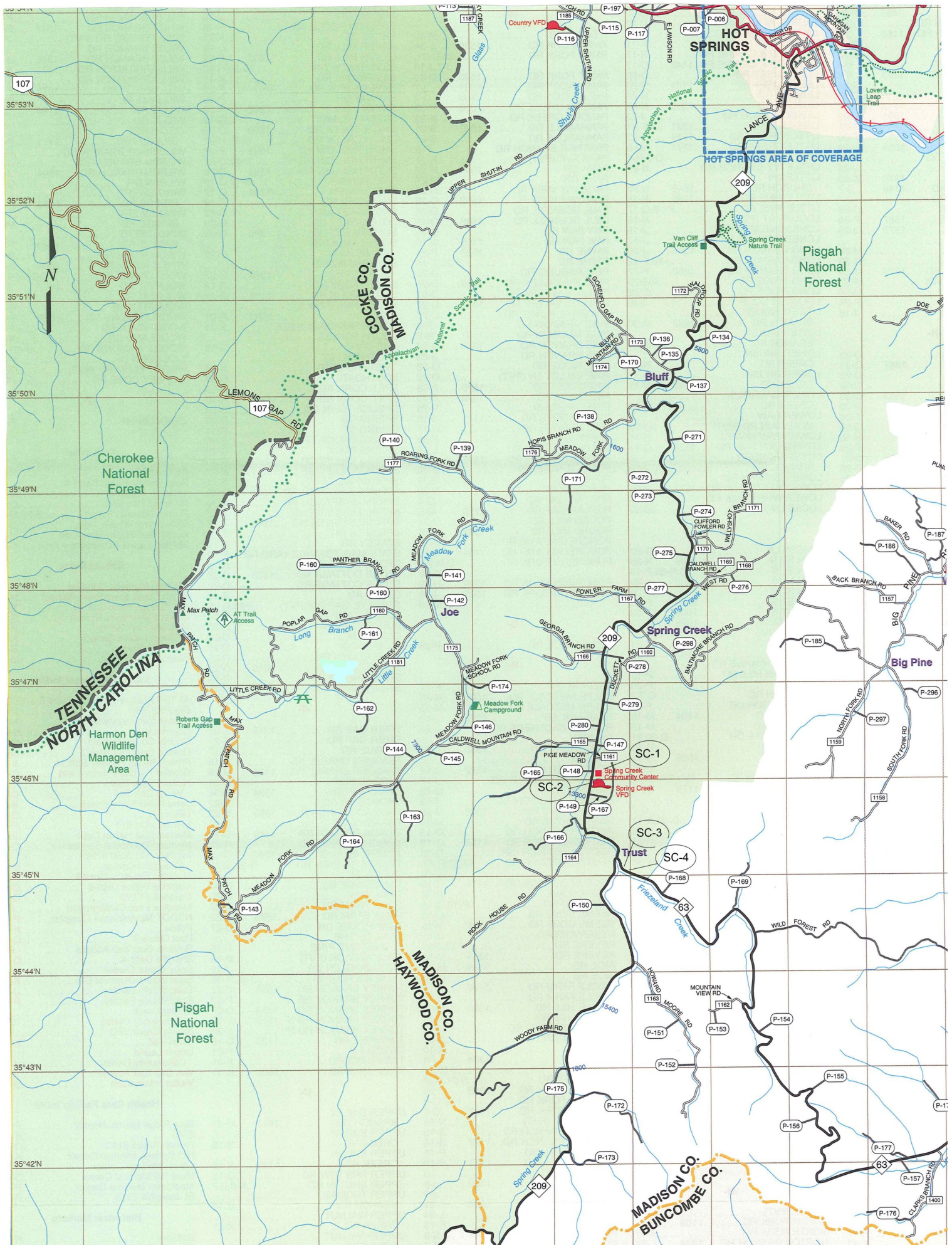


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SPRING CREEK BARN QUILT LOOP DRIVING DIRECTIONS

Take NC Highway 209 South from Hot Springs. ALLOW APPROXIMATELY 1 HOUR FOR THE LOOP DRIVE FROM HERE

Drive for 13.5 miles and you will see the barn quilt on the rock building which serves as a Community Center (it was an old school building) at 13075 Hwy 209 on the left side of the road. **QUILT SC-1**

Drive another 1/2 mile and turn right at 75 Davis Cove Road and drive down the driveway to see the quilt on a garage/warehouse behind the farmhouse. **QUILT SC-2**

Continue south on Hwy 209 for 8/10th of a mile to Trust General Store and Café and turn left onto NC Highway 63. Then drive another 1.6 miles to 1916 NC Highway 63 —the Barlow barn directly on the right side of the road. There is parking by the barn. **QUILT SC-3**

Turn left coming out of the driveway and continue on Hwy 63 for another 6/10ths of a mile. Turn left onto Duckett Top Tower Road and drive 2/10ths of a mile to 91 Duckett Top Tower Road and the quilt is on a barn next to the farmhouse. **QUILT SC-4**

You can choose to retrace your route and go back to Hot Springs or continue on Highway 63 to Asheville. After about 25 miles or 40 minutes, Hwy 63 comes to a “T” intersection at Patton Avenue in west Asheville at the Ingles Store (Leicester Highway).