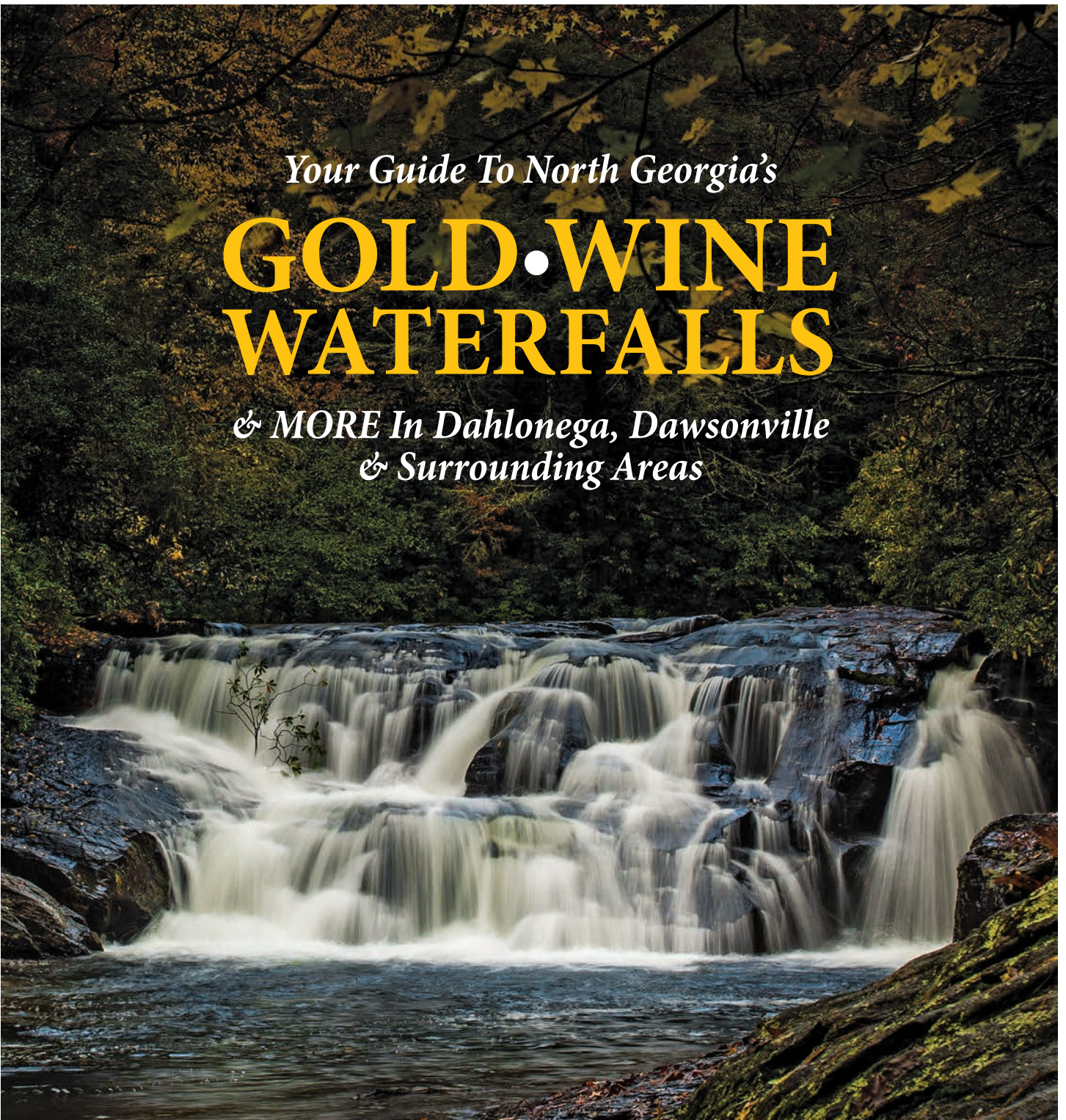


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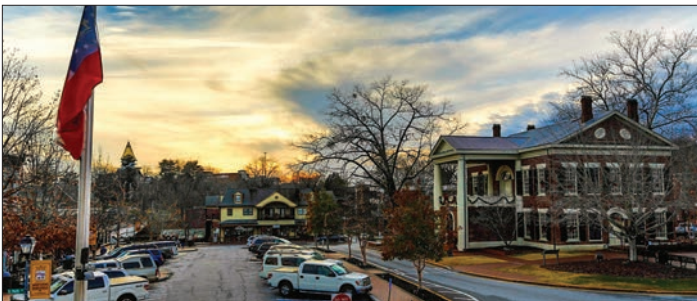
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- PICNIC AREA

- DICKS CREEK FALLS – Dahlonega (cover photo) A local favorite. Short walk - Swim, fish, enjoy. 1933 Dicks Creek Rd.
- CANE CREEK FALLS – 865 Camp Glisson Rd, Dahlonega. Closed to the public 5/1 - 8/1. • 706-864-6181
- DESOTO FALLS – 2 mile hike. Hwy 129/19N Dahlonega
- DUKES CREEK FALLS – 4 mile hike. 1699 Richard Russell Pkwy, Helen
- ANNA RUBY FALLS – 3455 Anna Ruby Falls Rd. Helen

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■ MOTORCYCLE ROUTE – GEORGIA'S DRAGON

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■ HIKE TO PREACHERS ROCK



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- **NORTH GEORGIA ZOO & PETTING FARM** 2912 Paradise Valley Rd. • 706-348-7279
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- **YAHOOOLA CREEK PARK** – Tennis, baseball, softball, & soccer fields plus playgrounds, disc golf, picnic area and splash pad for kids. 464 Mechanicsville Rd. • 678-488-1211
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- **GOLF** – Achasta 706-876-7900 & Chestatee • 706-216-7336



CHRISTMAS IN DAHLONEGA – All of December

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- **NORTH GEORGIA PREMIUM OUTLETS** – On GA 400. Get a free coupon booklet at Forrest Hills Resort
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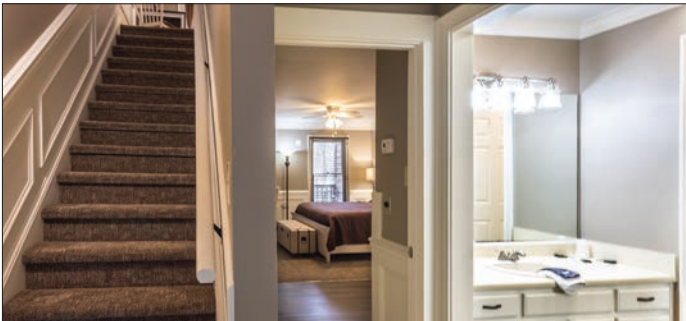
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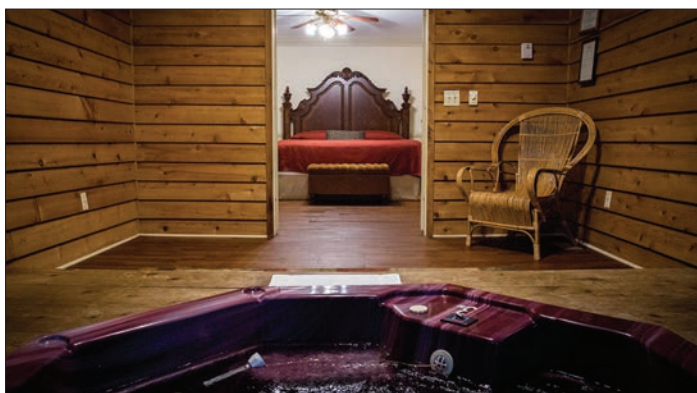
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"Krafting A Dream"

*A clip from a story on how Forrest Hills began
written by Kathy Witt for "Points North" magazine.*

Visit the website to read the full article.

It's what happens when you put three teenagers on a 140-acre piece of forestland (with no electricity or running water) with a hammer, some bean sprouts and a dream as big as the Great Outdoors.

Back in 1977, Forrest Hills Resort in Dahlonega was a wilderness without a name in Northeast Georgia. The land had been purchased by Frank Kraft who wanted a place where people could unwind and forget about the outside world. That summer, he "dropped into the wilds" his 17-year-old son, David, 19-year-old daughter, Denise and 21-year-old son Stephen. Arriving from the Florida flatlands where the family lived, the Kraft siblings shared their father's vision of what could be and had more than enough enthusiasm to compensate for the experience they lacked. "I always loved Daniel Boone and Davy Crockett movies," recalls David, who had literally walked across the stage at his high school, picked up his diploma and then headed to Dahlonega. "I loved the mountain climate and the quiet. I was thrilled to be here."

Denise, likewise had picked up her college diploma, spent the next day learning to drive a "stick shift" and followed David in the moving van. "I did not think about how I was going to do it," says Denise. "I just knew that somewhere in time I was already there on a farm in the mountains." Seven hundred miles later, an adventure not unlike those of David's childhood TV heroes would begin.

The house that 'jack' built

... Meaning, neither of them knew 'jack' about building a full-scale resort, much less a log cabin. Yet build the cabin they did and then followed it up with five others—and all without benefit of electricity. "I came here with the most building experience and that was very little," says David, laughing. "My dad had taken an architect's class and had more practical knowledge and he would fly up every couple of weeks and show us something." The two worked with hand tools and used a clear hose filled with water for a level. They hauled their water from the creek. Construction plans were sketched on placemats at local restaurants during their father's visits. They bathed in the mountain creek, hand-cranked drinking water from a 110-year-old, hand-dug well and ate mostly raw food. "We were living the life of Davy Crockett," says Denise. "I wouldn't do it again, but it was such a wonderful old west way of living."

Hard-knocks meets can-do

Denise and David, and their younger sister, Michele, agree that everything they learned about running a premiere resort came jointly from the heart and the school of hard knocks. Over the years, guest input has provided valuable. "If it wasn't immoral, illegal or life-threatening, their wish was our command," says Denise. "After three times of hearing the same suggestion, we made it happen. **"If we could conceive it, we could achieve it."**

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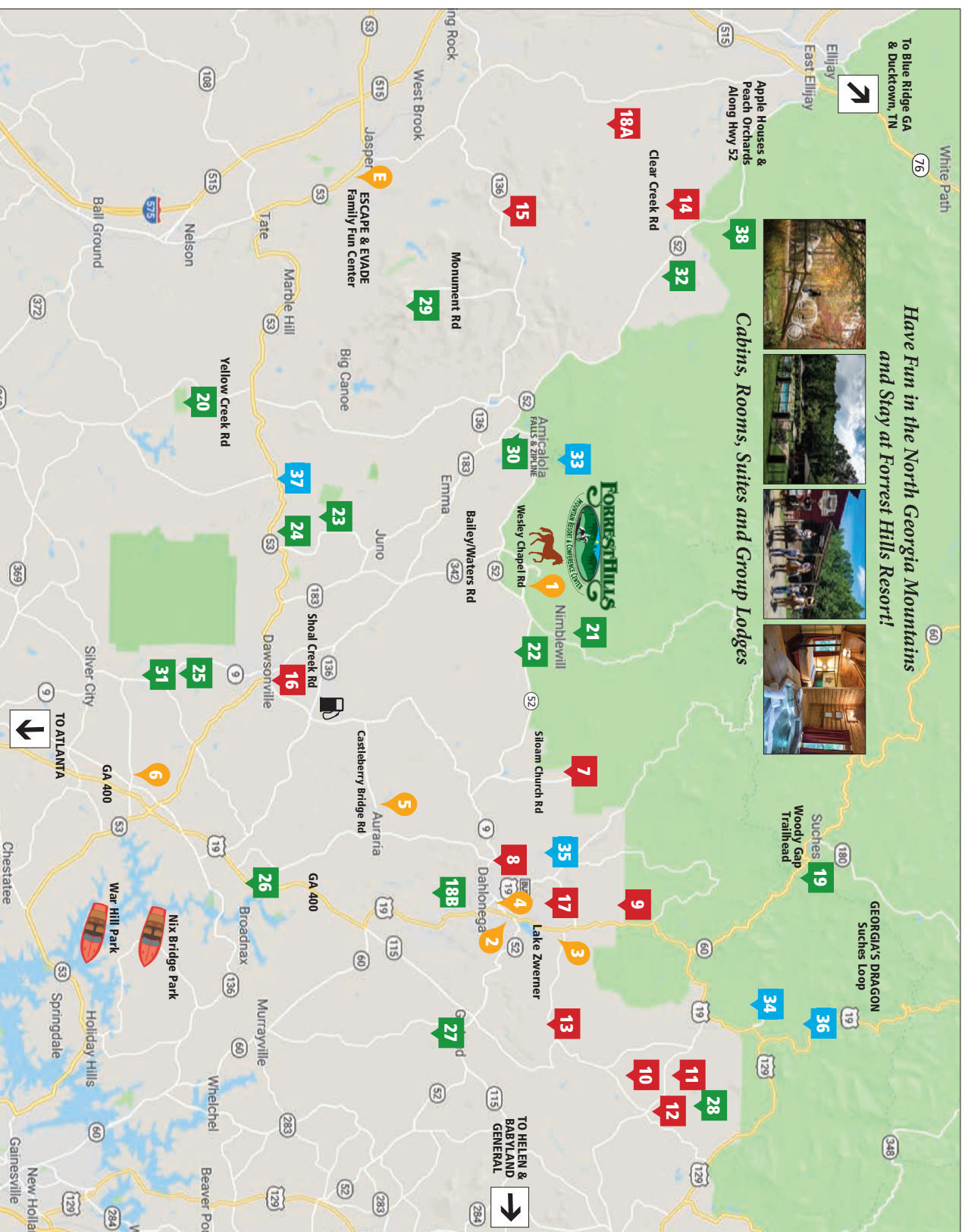
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