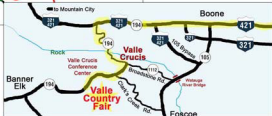


From Winston Salem, NC



Scenic Route (This route will have less congestion and will take you through some of the most beautiful farm land in the region.):

Take US 421 North through downtown Boone. Travel 5.9 mi. to where NC 194 takes a 90-degree LEFT hand turn toward Valle Crucis across from the Vilas Grocery & Hardware.

When you arrive in Boone, you will want to continue straight ahead at the intersection where NC 105 South and US 221 South turn 90-degrees to the LEFT. (You will recognize this intersection as the place where the green overhead traffic sign has arrows pointing left toward Blowing Rock.) Begin counting the 5.9 miles to where NC 194 turns LEFT from this intersection.

NC 194 will take a 90-degree LEFT hand turn toward Valle Crucis across from the Vilas Community Trading Post. Travel 3.6 mi. on NC 194 into Valle Crucis.

This winding country road ambles past farmhouses, barns, cultivated fields and pastures filled with livestock. In addition to being amazingly beautiful, this route allows you to skip the stoplight on NC 105 at Broadstone Road, the one place where Fair traffic can clog up and cause an extended wait.

At 3.6 miles, NC 194 will take a 90-degree turn to the RIGHT at the Valle Crucis Elementary School (just past the original Mast General Store). Turn right and travel 1 mi. on NC 194 to the Fair entrance. Turn LEFT into the Fair, where parking attendants will assist you.

Second Option: (This is the most direct route to Valle Crucis, but on Fair day it is not always the quickest. Traffic is known to clog up at the stoplight on NC 105 where you turn onto Broadstone Road. When this happens, there can be an extended wait.)

From the intersection of US 421 and NC 105, turn left on NC 105 and travel 6 miles south to the stoplight immediately south of the Watauga River Bridge. Turn RIGHT on Broadstone Road (SR 1112) and go 2.8 miles to NC 194 (at the Valle Crucis Elementary School). Turn LEFT and travel 1 mi. on NC 194 to the Fair entrance. Turn LEFT into the fair, where parking attendants will assist you.