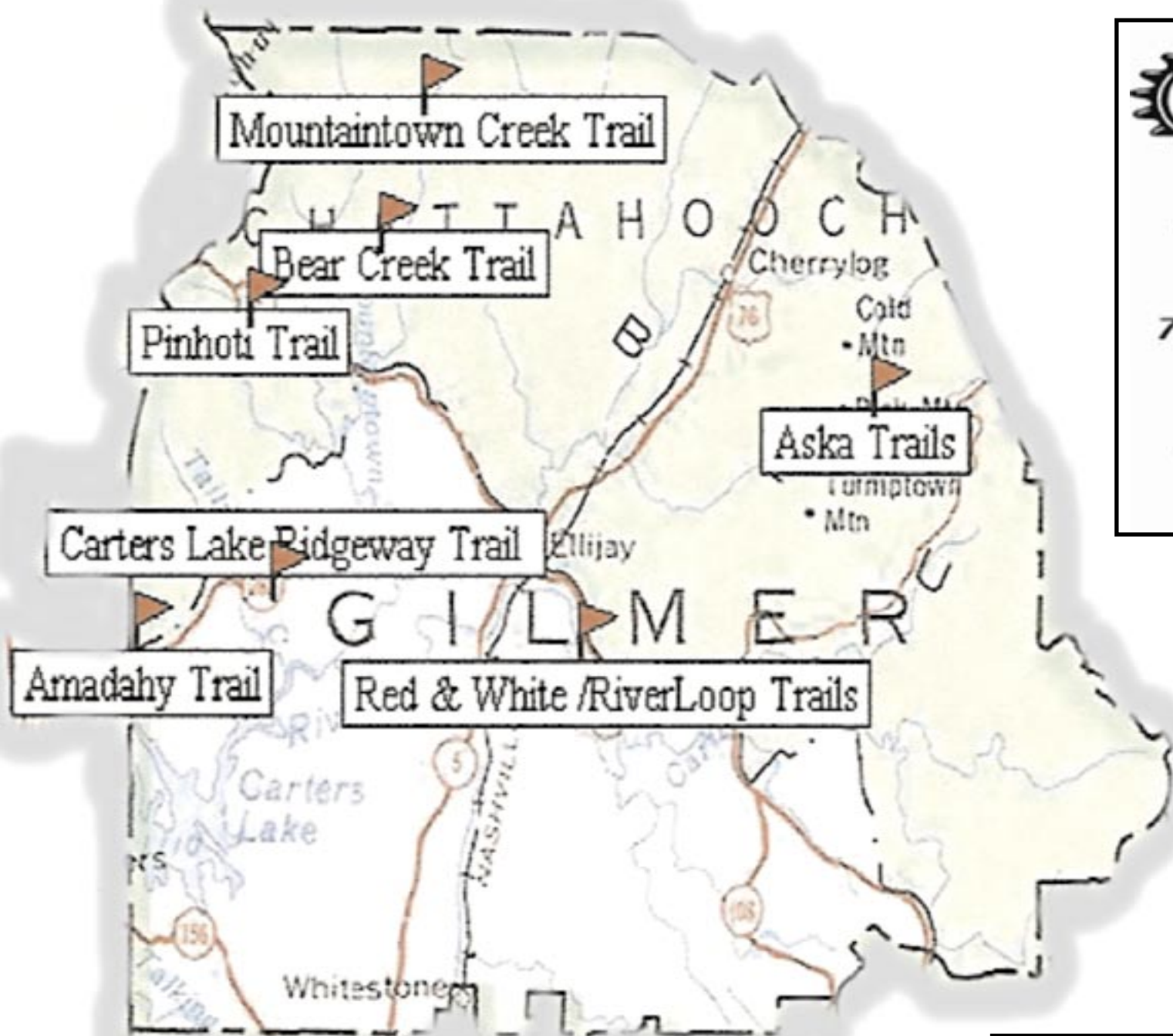


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Hiking & Mountain Biking

Bear Creek Area- On Gates Chapel Rd. off of the 52 West. Follow Gates Chapel for about 5 miles, cross the little bridge and a quick sharp right turn up a steep gravel road takes you to the trailhead and campground. Approximately 13 miles from downtown Ellijay. Creek crossings, fast downhills & long climbs. Stop at the Gennett Poplar! This trails has many options: loop, out & back, link to Pinhoti & Mountaintown or even Windy Gap via forest service roads. Ride the 6.5 mile loop or challenge yourself with epic rides of 50 + miles. Pinhoti and Mountaintown trails are commonly accessed from Bear Creek. **Mountaintown Trail** - Access lower trailhead via Bear Creek Trail or a 13mile hike, drive or bike ride to the upper trailhead on FS 64. This is a 5.5 mile trail , Very fast descent. Many creek crossings, slick/wet technical rocky downhills.great views from FS roads and trail, lush beautiful scenery. **Pinhoti Trails** - Pinhoti Trail splits off to the left about a half mile into Bear Creek Trail. Steep uphill, switchbacks, tight singletrack and fast downhills. The Pinhoti Trail is a massive trail system in North Georgia that runs from Alabama to the Benton MacKaye. Gilmer county has 3 sections that total 16 miles and lead to the top of Ft. Mountain.

River Loop & Red and White Trails - 52 East from 515 to Mulkey Rd. make 1st right turn follow to gate and park. 5 miles from downtown Ellijay. **River Loop:** technical short uphill and downhills. Tough rutted out downhill to the river and a challenging rooty climb back out. Great view of the Cartecay River. 3.2 mile trail. **Red & White:** tight twisty singletrack to short open climbs on doubletrack. 2.2 mile trail. These trails can be linked together for one 6 mile loop with the 1 mile Boy Scout loop included.

Carter's Lake Ridgeway & Amadahy Trails - 282 8.5 miles west of Ellijay turn left at Ridgeway Recreation Area sign. For Amadahy trail stay on 282 for about 5 miles past Ridgeway sign and turn left at the Woodring Branch Recreation Area Sign. **Ridgeway** is a 5.7 mile loop that has difficult steep climbing and some rocket fast rollers and rocky/rooty downhills. **Amadahy Trail** is a 3.5 mile beginner loop. The terrain is more subtle than most that you will find in North Georgia. Very fast rolling terrain and one short steep climb back up to the parking lot. Great views of Carter's Lake and the dam. Nice campground.

Aska Trails - Stanley Gap Parking Lot off Rock Creek Rd. in Cherry Log. Main trail junction at the Deep Gap parking lot on Aska Rd. in Blue Ridge. **Flat Creek Trail 5.5 miles, Stanley Gap trail 5 miles, Long Branch Trail 2 miles, Green Mountain Trail 4.5 miles.** All these trails except for Long Branch have some of the toughest singletrack climbing in the state. The descents are long and fast and take place on the side of a steep mountain. These trails can be done as out & backs, some can be done as loops. One could easily link all four trails for close to thirty miles of hardcore trail riding.

Any questions on the local trails contact Mike @ Cartecay Bikes 706-635-2453 or Colin @ North GA Mountain Outfitters 706-698-4453

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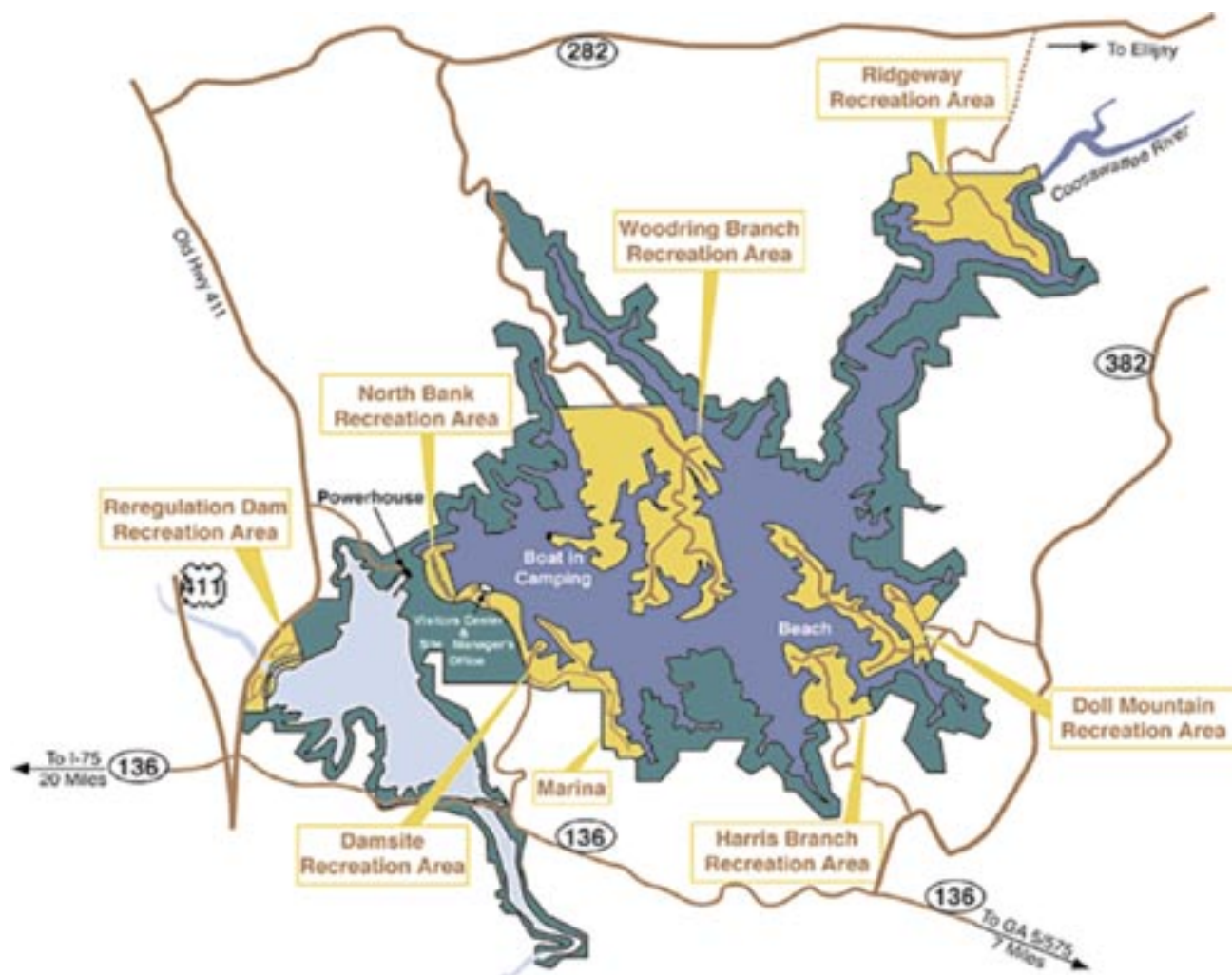
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Paddling, Tubing



Cartecay River - Just outside of Ellijay, Ga. some class 1 -111 rapids, beautiful scenery. River stretches over 19 miles from Tickanety Creek to the Ellijay River, which combined form the Coosawattee River. The river runs right by the side of Highway 52 East of Ellijay. Popular drop in spots are on Lower Cartecay Rd. off of the 52 East. Call 706-635-2524 for info.

Carter's Lake Fishing, Camping and Boating



Located between Calhoun and Ellijay on the Coosawattee River lies 3220 acre lake which is only 1 hour and a half drive from Atlanta. Fish population consists of walleye, striped bass, spotted bass, crappie, white bass, yellow bass, channel catfish, flathead catfish, and bluegill. Boats, campgrounds and cabins are available for rental. Enjoy fishing, water skiing, swimming, boating and lounging in the same place. Carter's is unlike most lakes, in the way that you can enjoy the beautiful outdoors without the sight of houses or other unnatural settings around its shores. Access points from Hwy 382 (Doll Mountain & Harris Branch), Hwy 282 (Ridgeway & Woodring Branch), Hwy 136 (Marina, Dam Site & North Bank) and Hwy 411 (Reregulation Dam Area). Contact Carter's Lake Marina for more info 706-276-4891

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