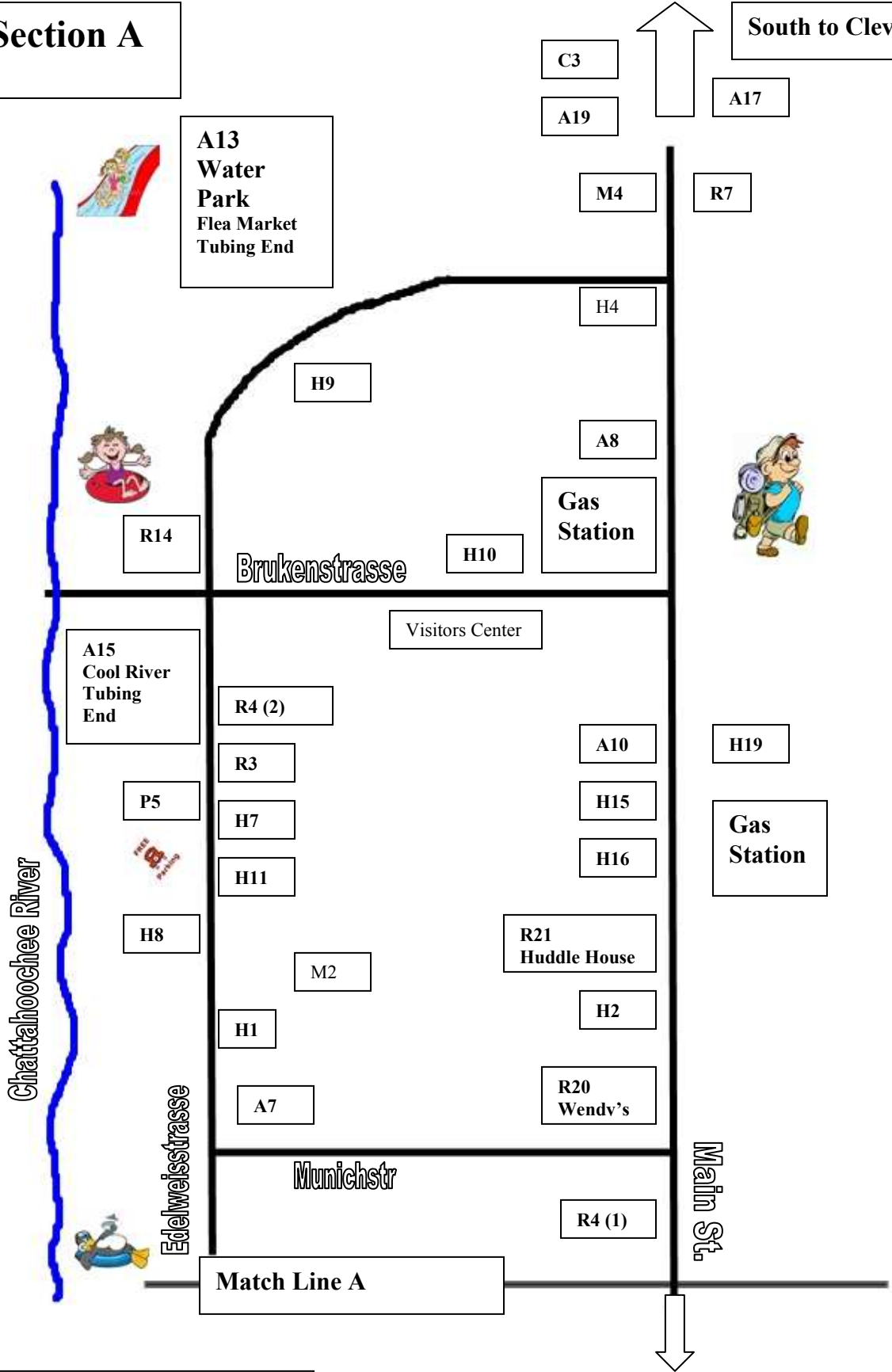


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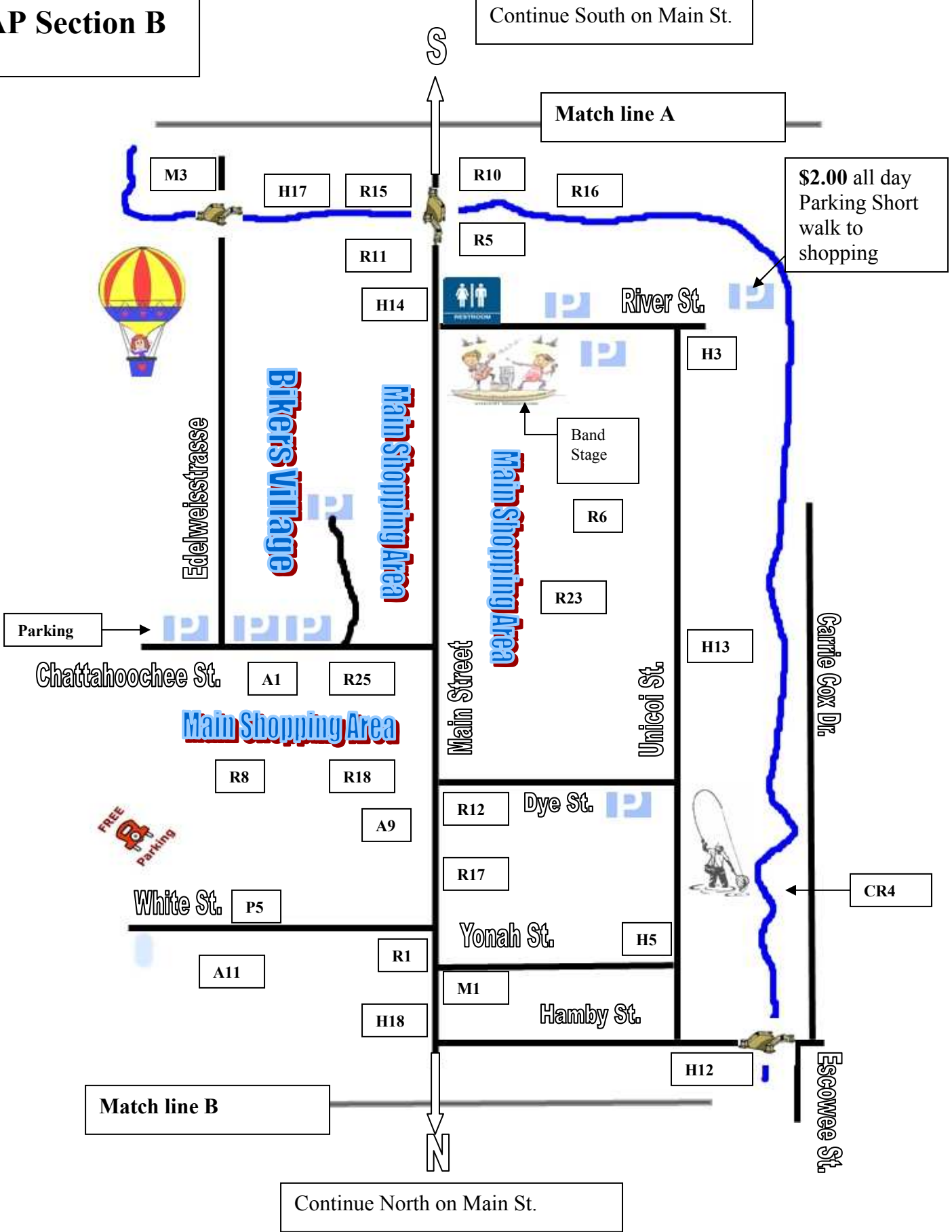
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- KEY...**
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  - P = Day Use Parks
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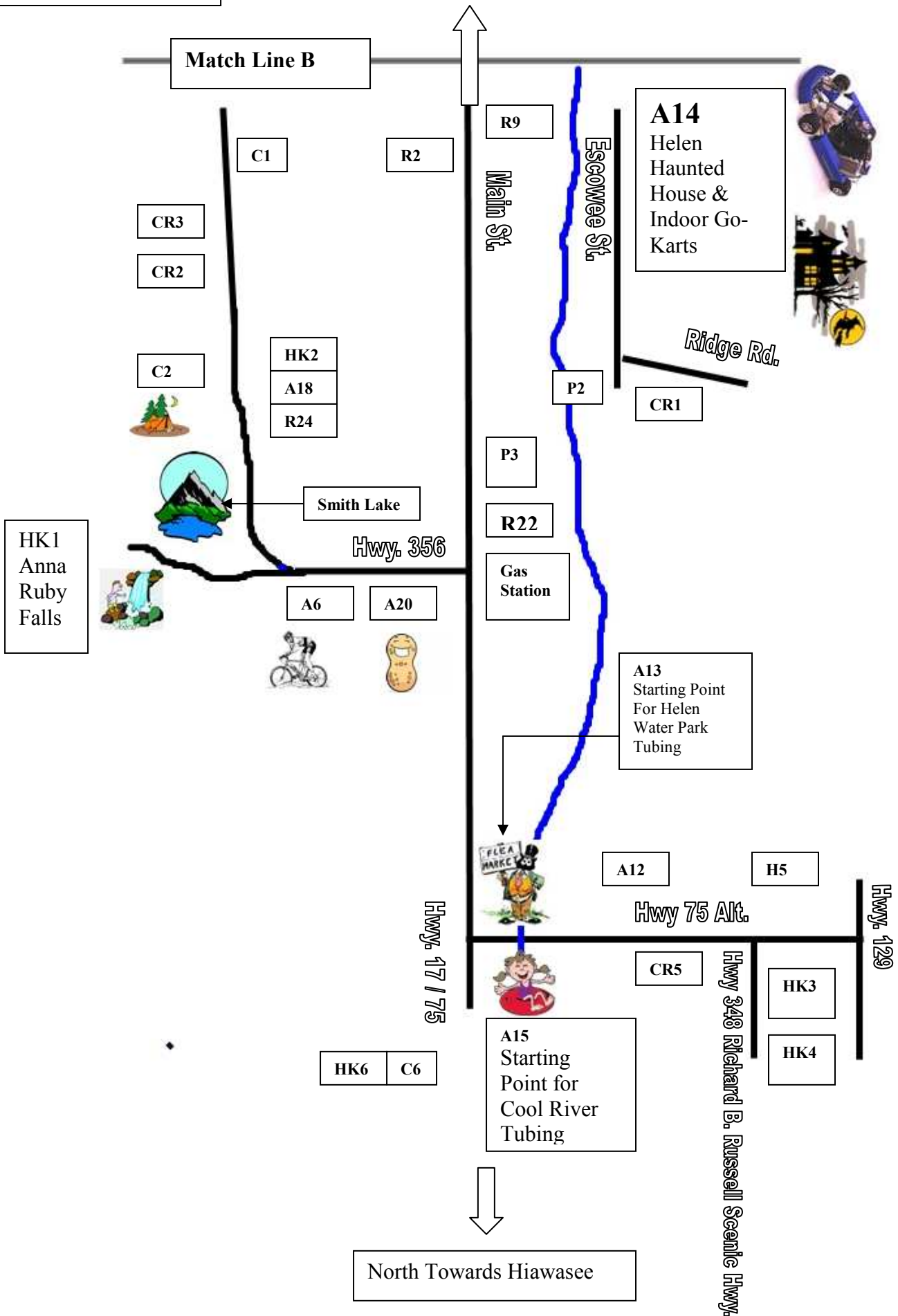
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This Map Section covers the main Helen, Ga. Shopping Area...

# MAP Section C

South Back into the main Helen Ga. Shopping Area going towards Cleveland Ga.



## **Attractions...**

### **A1) Helen Art Gallery & History Museum**

(706) 878-3933

25 Chattahoochee St.

Helen Ga. 30545

[www.HelenArts.org](http://www.HelenArts.org)

### **A6) Woody's Mountain Bikes – Mountain Bike Rental and tours**

(706) 878-3715

457 Highway 356

Helen, Ga. 30545 P.O. Box 774

[www.Helenga.org/woddys](http://www.Helenga.org/woddys)

### **A7) Pirates Cove – Miniature Golf**

(706) 892-1205

1081 Edelweiss Strasse

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.PiratesCove.net](http://www.PiratesCove.net)

### **A8) Alpine Helen Mini Golf & Village – Miniature Golf & Old Fashion Ice Cream Parlor**

(706) 878-3328

7914 South Main Street

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.HelenMiniGolf.Com](http://www.HelenMiniGolf.Com)

### **A9) Live Tarantulas Museum**

8660 North Main Street

Helen, Ga. 30545

(706) 878-7041

<http://livetarantulasgallery.com>

### **A10) Black Forest Bear Park & Reptile Exhibit – See the live bears**

(706) 878-7043

(706) 878-7044

8160 South Main Street

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.BlackForestBearPark.Com](http://www.BlackForestBearPark.Com)

### **A11) Charlemagne's Kingdom – Huge indoor model railroad & gift shop**

(706) 878-2200

8808 North Main Street

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.GeorgiaModelRailroad.Com](http://www.GeorgiaModelRailroad.Com)

**A12) Goats On The Roof**

(706) 892-1250

1204 Ridge Rd.

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.Goats-on-the-roof.Com](http://www.Goats-on-the-roof.Com)

**A13) Helen Water Park & Tubing**

(706) 878-1082

222 Edelweiss St.

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.HelenTubing.Com](http://www.HelenTubing.Com)

[www.HelenWaterPark.Com](http://www.HelenWaterPark.Com)

**A14) Helen Family Fun Center –**

Haunted House, Go-Karts and Game Room, Remember When Theatre, and  
Alpine Auto & Buggy Museum

(706) 878-8404

115 Escowee St.

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.helenentertainment.com](http://www.helenentertainment.com)

**A15) Cool River Tubing**

(706) 878-COOL

(800) 896-4595

590 Edelweiss Strasse

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.CoolRiverTubing.Com](http://www.CoolRiverTubing.Com)

**A17) Dukes Creek Gold & Ruby Mines – Gold and Ruby Panning**

(706) 878-2625

6145 Helen Highway (Just a few miles South of the main Helen Shopping area)

Sautee Nacoochee, GA 30571

[www.dukescreek.com](http://www.dukescreek.com)

**A18) Unicoi State Park**

Park (706) 878-2201

1788 Highway 356

Helen, GA 30545

<http://www.gastateparks.org/Unicoi>

## **Restaurants...**

### **R1) Hofer's of Helen**

(706) 878-8200  
8758 North Main Street  
Helen, Ga. 30545  
[www.Hofers.com](http://www.Hofers.com)

### **R2) Helen's Country Café**

(706) 878-4603  
8988 N. Main St.  
Helen, Ga. 30545  
[www.helenscountrycafe.vpweb.com](http://www.helenscountrycafe.vpweb.com)

### **R3) Bigg Daddy's**

(706) 878-2739  
(706) TRU-BREW  
807 Edelweiss Strauss  
Helen, GA 30545  
[www.biggdaddys.com](http://www.biggdaddys.com)

### **R4) La Cabana Express – Two locations. Reference map R4(1) and R4(2)**

8160 South Main St. Helen, GA  
Phone: (706) 878-3456  
8520 South Main St., Helen, GA  
Phone: (706) 878-8412  
[www.lacabanamexicanrestaurantga.com](http://www.lacabanamexicanrestaurantga.com)

### **R5) Jordano's Pizza Wings & Things**

(706) 878-7732  
11 River Street  
Helen, Ga. 30545  
<http://helenentertainment.com/Jordano%27s%20Pizza.htm>

### **R6) The Old Bavarian Inn Restaurant & Lounge**

(706) 878-3729  
8619 Main St  
Helen, GA 30545  
[www.theoldbavariainnrest.com](http://www.theoldbavariainnrest.com)

### **R7) Nacoochee Village Tavern & Pizzeria**

(706) 878-0199  
7275 S. Main Street  
Helen, Ga. 30545  
[www.VillageTavernPizza.Com](http://www.VillageTavernPizza.Com)

**R8) Old Heidelberg Restaurant & Pub**

(706) 878-3273

8660 North Main Street

Helen, Ga. 30545

<http://oldheidelberg.yolasite.com>

**R9) Hofbrauhaus Riverfront Restaurant & Lounge and Riverside Hotel**

(706) 878-2248

9001 Main Street

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.riverfronthotel.com](http://www.riverfronthotel.com)

**R10) Paul's Steakhouse & Lounge**

(706) 878-2468

8537 South Main Street

Helen, GA 30545

[www.PaulsSteakhouse.Com](http://www.PaulsSteakhouse.Com)

**R11) The Troll Tavern & Restaurant**

(706) 878-3117

8590 – B Main Street (Under the Bridge)

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.TrollTavern.Com](http://www.TrollTavern.Com)

**R12) The Safari Steakhouse and Bar**

(706) 878-2083

8717 North Main Street

Helen, GA 30545

(No website available)

**R14) North Ga. BBQ** – Great BBQ, but no indoor seating, this can be a issue on really hot days.

Edelweiss Strasse

(706) 878-5753

Helen, GA 30545

(No website available)

**R15) Café International**

(706) 878-3102

8546 Main Street

Helen, Ga. 30545

<http://helengeorgia.net/helen-ga-restaurants-cafe-international>

**R16) Viele Margaritas**

(706) 878-5501

8537 S Main St

Helen, GA 30545

[www.vielemargaritas.com](http://www.vielemargaritas.com)

**R17) Han's Restaurant**

(706) 878-2312

8735 N Main St.

Helen, Georgia, 30545

<http://helengeorgia.net/hans-restaurant>

**R18) King Ludwig's Biergarten** (pronounced Beer garden)

(706) 878-0191

8660-1 N. Main St.

Helen, GA 30545

<http://helengeorgia.net/king-ludwigs-beer-garden>

**R20) Wendy's Hamburgers**

(706) 878-3332

8294 Main St

Helen, GA 30545

<http://www.wendys.com>

**R21) Huddle House**

(706) 878-2859

8426 South Main Street

Helen, GA 30545

<http://www.huddlehouse.com>

**R22) Crosby's BBQ**

(706) 878-3775

9669 North Main Street

Helen, GA 30545

(706) 878-3775

(No website)

**R23) Blimpie's Sandwiches**

(706) 878-2136

8663 North Main Street

Helen, GA 30545

<http://www.blimpie.com>

**R24) Unicoi State Park All You Can Eat Buffet**

Park (706) 878-2201  
1788 Highway 356  
Helen, GA 30545  
<http://www.gastateparks.org/Unicoi>

**R25) DJ's Pizza**

16 Chattahoochee St.  
Helen, GA 30545  
(706) 878-0031

**Camping...**

**C3) Cherokee Campground** – About 10 minutes from Helen's main shopping area

(888) 878-2268  
(706) 878-2267  
45 Bethel Road  
Sautee, Ga. 30571  
[www.cherokeerv.com](http://www.cherokeerv.com)

**C4) Unicoi State Park** - About 5 minutes from Helen's main shopping area

Reservations (800) 864-7275  
Lodge Reservations (800) 573-9659  
Park (706) 878-2201  
1788 Highway 356  
Helen, GA 30545  
<http://www.gastateparks.org/Unicoi>

**C5) Yonah Mountain Campground** – About 10 minutes from Helen's main shopping area

(706) 865-6546  
3678 Helen Hwy.  
Cleveland, Ga. 30528  
[www.YonahCampground.Com](http://www.YonahCampground.Com)

**C6) Andrews Cove Campground**

No Address  
Going North from Helen, you take 17/75 for 6 miles and then make a right into the Andrews Cove Trail. Coming from the main Helen Ga. shopping area, you will head towards, and go past the Helen, Ga. Flea Market (The Flea Market will be on your left, also the river will be on your left).

## **Hotels...**

### **H1) Alpine Village Inn**

(706) 878-2296

1005 Edelweiss Strasse

Helen, GA 30545

[www.helengamotel.com](http://www.helengamotel.com)

### **H2) Super 8**

(706) 878-2191

8396 South Main Street

Helen Ga. 30545

[www.Super8.Com](http://www.Super8.Com)

### **H3) Riverbend – Riverfront hotel, cottages & cabins**

(706) 878-2155

134 River Street

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.RiverbendMotelandCabins.Com](http://www.RiverbendMotelandCabins.Com)

### **H4) Ramada Limited**

(706) 878-1451

11 Edelweiss Street

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.helengaramadalimited.com](http://www.helengaramadalimited.com)

### **H5) Quality Inn**

(706) 878-2268

15 Yonah St.

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.ChoiceHotels.Com](http://www.ChoiceHotels.Com)

### **H7) Bavarian Brook**

Reservations (800) 422-6355

Information (706) 878-2840

859 Edelweiss Drive

P.O. Box 333

Helen Georgia 30545

<http://www.helenga.net>

### **H8) Alpine River Suites**

(706) 878-1339

892 Edelweiss Strasse

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.AlpineRiverSuites.Com](http://www.AlpineRiverSuites.Com)

**H9) Econo Lodge**

(706) 878-8000

101 Edelweiss Strasse

Helen, GA 30545

[www.hotelmotelhelenga.com](http://www.hotelmotelhelenga.com)

**H10) Rodeway Inn**

(706) 878-2141

749 Brucken Strasse

Helen, GA 30545-0405

<http://t.co/ICffmRy>

**H11) Country Inn & Suites**

(706) 878-9000 Ph

(800) 456-4000 Reservations

877 Edelweiss Strasse

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.countryinns.com/helen-hotel-ga-30545/gahelen](http://www.countryinns.com/helen-hotel-ga-30545/gahelen)

**H12) Hofbrau Riverfront**

(800) 830-3977

9001 Main Street

Helen, Georgia 30545

[www.riverfronthotel.com](http://www.riverfronthotel.com)

**H13) Hampton Inn on The River**

(706) 878-3310

147 Unicoi Street

Helen, Ga. 30545

<http://hamptoninn.hilton.com/en/hp/hotels/index.jhtml?ctyhocn=HLNGAHX>

**H14) The Castle Inn**

706-878-0022

800-395-3644

8287 S Main St - PO Box 579

Helen, GA 30545

[www.castleinn-helen.com](http://www.castleinn-helen.com)

**H15) Best Western Riverpark Inn & Conference Center**

8220 South Main Street

Helen, Georgia 30545

Reservations: 1-800-HELEN-GA

706-878-2111

[www.helen-georgia-hotels.com](http://www.helen-georgia-hotels.com)

**H16) Days Inn**

706-878-4079  
8288 S. Main Street  
Hwy 75 & US 129  
Helen, GA, 30545  
[www.helengadaysinn.com](http://www.helengadaysinn.com)

**H17) Helendorf River Inn**

33 Munich Strasse  
Helen, GA 30545  
(800) 445-2271  
<http://www.helendorf.com>

**H18) Black Forest Bed & Breakfast**

8902 North Main Street  
Helen, GA 30545-2315  
(706) 878-3995  
<http://www.blackforestvacationrentals.com>

**H19) Americas Best value Inn**

8171 South Main Street  
Helen, GA 30545  
(706) 878-8888  
<http://www.americasbestvalueinn.com/bestv.cfm?idp=1769>

**Cabin Rental...****CR1) Bear Creek Lodge (These cabins are about a 2-mile drive outside of the main Helen, Ga., shopping area)**

(706) 878-9075  
114 Ridge Rd  
Helen, Ga. 30545  
[www.BearCreekLodgeandCabins.Com](http://www.BearCreekLodgeandCabins.Com)

**CR2) Timberloft Cottages & Cabin Rentals (These cabins are about a 10 minute drive outside of the main Helen, Ga., shopping area)**

(866) 514-1499  
(706) 878-2950  
3887 Highway 356  
Sautee-Nacoochee GA 30571  
[www.timberloft.com](http://www.timberloft.com)

**CR3) Tanglewood Cabins (These cabins are about a 10 minute drive outside of the main Helen, Ga., shopping area)**

3387 Georgia 356

(706) 878-3286

Sautee Nacoochee, GA 30571

[www.TanglewoodCabinRentals.com](http://www.TanglewoodCabinRentals.com)

**CR4) Helen Riverside Cabin (Right on the river in the main shopping area)**

(706) 809-0958

(706) 878-3478

Right on the river in Helen, Ga.

<http://www.Vrbo.com/257278>

**CR5) Alpine Mountain Cabins (These cabins are about a 10 minute drive outside of the main Helen, Ga., shopping area)**

(706) 878-3111

7489 Hwy. 75 Alt.

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.AlpineMountainCabins.Net](http://www.AlpineMountainCabins.Net)

## Hiking

**HK1) Anna Ruby Falls**

706-878-1448 (Visitors Center)

3455 Anna Ruby Falls Rd

Helen, GA 30545

<http://www.recreation.gov/recAreaDetails.do?contractCode=NRSO&facilityId=203902&agencyCode=131>

**HK2) Unicoi State Park Hiking Trails -**

(Lake Loop Hike, Unicoi/Helen Hike, Frog Pond Trail Hike, and Bottoms Loop Hike, and Smith Creek Trail)

(706) 878-2201

1788 Highway 356

Helen, GA 30545

<http://www.gastateparks.org/item/60215?ran=1961060529>

**HK3) Dukes Creek Falls**

No address, but simple directions...

Take Main Street (17/75) out of the main shopping area of Helen, Ga. headed north.

1<sup>st</sup> left past the Helen Ga. Flea Market (over the bridge) is Hwy. 75 Follow Hwy. 75 for a few miles, and turn right on Hwy. 348 (Richard B. Russell Scenic Highway)

Watch carefully, the sign for Dukes creek falls will be just a few miles up on your left.

This waterfall hike is just about 10 minutes outside of the main shopping area of Helen.

#### **HK4) Raven Cliffs Waterfalls**

No address, but simple directions...

Same directions as Dukes Creek Falls above, but just a few more miles up on your left past Dukes Creek Falls on Hwy. 348 (Richard B. Russell Scenic Highway).

#### **HK5) Smithgall Woods Conservation Center – Multiple Hiking Trails...**

(Cathy Ellis Trail, Martins Mine Trail, Wetlands Trail, Visitor center Loop Trail, Laurel Ridge Trail, Ash Creek Trail)

Take Main Street (17/75) out of the main shopping area of Helen, Ga. headed north. 1<sup>st</sup> left past the Helen Ga. Flea Market (over the bridge) is Hwy. 75 Follow Hwy. 75 for a few miles, and turn left into the Smithgall Woods main entrance (Just past Hwy. 348 (Richard B. Russell Scenic Highway).

61 Tsalaki Trail

Helen, GA 30545

(706) 878-3087

<http://www.gastateparks.org/item/147827>

#### **HK6) Andrews Cove Trail**

No Address

Going North from Helen, you take 17/75 for and then make a right into the Andrews Cove Trail.

Coming from the main Helen Ga. shopping area, you will head towards, and go past the Helen, Ga. Flea Market approximately 6 miles (The Flea Market will be on your left, also the river will be on your left). Andrews Cove Trail & Camping area will be on your right at a sharp curve. You have to watch close, it's easy to miss.

### **Day Parks...**

#### **P1) Unicoi State Park (Parking Fee)**

(706) 878-2201

1788 Highway 356

Helen, GA 30545

<http://www.gastateparks.org/Unicoi>

#### **P2) Bear Creek Park (Fee Required, but usually very private)**

No phone, No address, The park is right at the corner of Escowee Dr., and Ridge Rd., and trust me, if your not looking for it, you will most likely miss it. It is just about a ¼ mile down the street from the Haunted House. Pass the Haunted House on your left, with the river on your right. You will come to a fork in the road, and this park will be on your right hand side overlooking the river. (See Map)

<http://helengeorgia.net/bear-creek-park>

**P3) Northside Park & Picnic Area (Fee Required, gets packed with family's)**

No phone, No address

Head north like your going out of Helen, Ga., going towards the flea market. You will be able to look down and see the park beside the river on your left. The entrance is behind the Crosby BBQ restaurant, and a small gas station.

It's just about a ½ mile before coming up on the Helen Ga. Flea Market. If you pass the Helen Ga. Flea Market on your left, you passed it. (See map)

<http://helengeorgia.net/parks-helen-ga-northside-park-picnic>

**P5) Unicoi Hill Park (Free)**

No Phone, No address

If you're on the Main St. in Helen, Ga., traveling North, White Street will be on your right just as you pass the main shopping strip. White Street is right near the Hofer's bakery (See Map)

<http://helengeorgia.net/helen-ga-unicoi-hill-park>

**P4) City of Helen Riverside Park (Free)**

800-858-8027 or 706-878-2181

No address.

Park is located on Edelweisstrasse Rd. Along the River just south of the Fest Hall (See map)

<http://helengeorgia.net/parks-helen-ga-riverside>

**Miscellaneous...**

**M1) Betty's Country Store – The only grocery store in Helen**

706-878-2943

18 Yonah Street

Helen, Georgia 30545

[www.bettysinhelen.com](http://www.bettysinhelen.com)

**M2) Helen Soap Opera Laundromat**

(706) 779-2066

963 Edelweiss Strasse

Helen, GA 30545

**M3) Festhalle – This is where Ocktober Fest is held every year**

The Helen Festhalle is available for use by organizations needing a venue to meet while in town. The Festhalle is a walled pavilion with one side open to the Chattahoochee River.

For more information, contact the Alpine Helen Chamber of Commerce at  
706-878-1619  
1074 Edelweiss Strasse  
Helen, GA 30545  
<http://www.helenchamber.com/Festhalle%20Rental.html>

**M4) Unicoi Outfitters – Fly fishing instructions and guides, Full gear store**

(706) 878-3083  
7280 South Main Street  
Helen, GA 30545  
[www.unicoioutfitters.com](http://www.unicoioutfitters.com)

**Off The Map:**

**Below are some nearby interests that weren't really close enough to the main shopping area of Helen, Ga. to try to place on the map, but most are around a 5 to 15 minute drive from the main shopping area, and are well worth taking a look at...**

**Attractions...**

**Folk Pottery Museum**

(706) 878-3300  
283 Georgia 255 N  
Sautee, Ga. 30571  
[www.FolkPotteryMuseum.com](http://www.FolkPotteryMuseum.com)

**Sunburst Stables – Horseback riding & Zipline Canopy Tours**

(800) 806-1953  
(706) 947-RIDE  
3181 State Hwy. 255  
Clarksville, Ga. 30523  
[www.SunburstStables.Com](http://www.SunburstStables.Com)

**Chattahoochee Stables – Horseback Riding**

(706) 878-7000  
2180 Highway 17  
Sautee, Ga. 30571

[www.ChattahoocheeStables.Com](http://www.ChattahoocheeStables.Com)

**Alpine Carriage Company – Carriage rides through Helen Ga.**

For carriage rides, they generally just run all through Helen's main shopping area all day, and pick up and drop off at different points. So essentially, stand anywhere in the main shopping area, and within minutes one will ride by.

(706) 892-8134

(706) 892-9584

[www.AlpineCarriage.Com](http://www.AlpineCarriage.Com)

**The Mine – Gold and Gem Panning**

(706) 865-5454

75 Gold Nugget Lane

Cleveland, Ga. 30528

[www.Goldgem.com](http://www.Goldgem.com)

**Cabbage Patch Kids** – About a 10 minute drive **South** of the main Helen Ga. area. In Cleveland, Ga.

(706) 865-2171

300 N.O.K. Drive

Cleveland, Ga. 30528

[www.CabbagePatchKids.Com](http://www.CabbagePatchKids.Com)

## **Restaurants...**

**Wendell's Country Restaurant** – About 5 minutes outside of Helen's main shopping area headed south towards Cleveland Ga. – Great country breakfast.

5012 Helen Hwy. (75)

(706) 348-1431

Sautee, Ga. 30571

<http://www.1wp.com/go/Wendells>

**Ma Gooch's** – Actually in Cleveland about 15 minutes South of Helen, Ga. Excellent country style food, and one of the **best breakfasts in the North Ga. Mountains.**

(706) 865-2023

318 North Main Street

Cleveland Ga. 30528

<http://helengeorgia.net/ma-goochs-restaurant>

## **Tent Campgrounds...**

**Sleepy Hollow Campground** – About 15 minutes from Helen's main shopping area. Excellent campground with great fishing.

(706) 878-2618

307 Sleepy Hollow Rd.

Sautee, Ga. 30571

<http://helengeorgia.net/sleepy-hollow-campground>

**Jenny's Creek Campground** – About 15 minutes from Helen's main shopping area.

This is a last resort campground if all others are filled up.

(706) 865-6955

4542 Highway 129 North

Cleveland Ga. 30528

[www.Jennyscreek.Com](http://www.Jennyscreek.Com)

## **Cabins...**

**Gabby's** – These are excellent small budget friendly cabins, just about 10 minutes south of the main Helen Ga. Shopping area on your right going towards Cleveland, Ga.

(706) 865-6772

3083 Helen Highway

Cleveland Ga. 30528

[www.GabbysCabins.Com](http://www.GabbysCabins.Com)

**The Bear Affair** – This is a single luxury cabin 5 minutes outside of Helen Ga.

(770) 952-4130

[www.TheBearAffair.Com](http://www.TheBearAffair.Com)

### **Appalachian Campground**

706-896-7243

1504 Rudy Hollow Rd.

Hiawasee, Ga. 30546

<http://www.appalachiancampground.com>

### **Cabin Rental management companies...**

The management companies manage a handful of cabins all around the North Ga. Mountains, including Helen Ga. They can usually get that special cabin your looking for, but they do tend to be a bit pricey, also, when dealing with them, always ask what ALL the fees are upfront.

#### **Cabin Rentals of Helen**

(888) 451-0651

8037 South Main Street

Helen, Ga. 30545

[www.RentHelen.Com](http://www.RentHelen.Com)

#### **Blue Ridge cabin Rentals**

(706) 878-1773

(888) 240-1202

2990 Hwy. 356  
Helen, Ga. 30545  
[www.CabinsGa.com](http://www.CabinsGa.com)

## **SECRET SPOTS...**

**1) Andrews Cove Campground** – Just under 6 miles from the Helen Ga. Flea Market. Take main street out of the main shopping district headed towards the Helen Ga. Flea Market, you will pass the flea market on your left, and the entrance to this campground will be just under 6 miles on your right.

**2) The Swimming Hole** – About a 15 minute drive outside of the main shopping area  
Directions:

Take Main Street Coming from the main shopping area of Helen Ga., pass the Helen Ga Flea Market that will be on your left hand side. Take the 1<sup>st</sup> left past the Flea Market over the bridge, this will be 75. Follow 75 until it dead ends into 129, and turn right. Continue on 129 till you get to what is famously named “Turners Corner”. A turners corner you will turn left and go over a bridge. Then just a few miles further, you will pass Turners Corner Country Store, and turn right onto Dicks Creek Rd. Follow Dicks Creek Rd for a few miles, and it will become a dirt rd. A few miles after turning into a dirt Rd., you will come up to this swimming hole.

Once on the dirt road, you do have to drive slowly, and look for this spot on your left. There are usually a half dozen or so cars parked there with other visitors, and if you see a big bridge on your left, you just passed it. There is also a forestry sign, and a few non parking signs right there at the spot.

If you want to see it on a map, just use Google maps and search Dicks Creek Road, Cleveland, GA, or follow this link

<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=Dicks+Creek+Road,+Cleveland,+GA&hl=en&ll=34.667311,-83.910141&spn=0.025766,0.063601&sll=34.673312,-83.921256&sspn=0.012882,0.048151&z=14>

**3) Appalachian Campground and Cabins** – This is just about a 15-minute scenic ride just outside of the Helen Ga. main shopping district.

706-896-7243

1504 Rudy Hollow Rd.

Hiawasee, Ga. 30546

<http://www.appalachiancampground.com>

**4) Deer Lodge Cabin Rentals & Restaurant**

515 Hwy 75

Hiawasee, Ga. 30546

(706) 896-2726

The address per Google maps is (7466 Georgia 17, Hiawasee, GA 30546)

## **Top Helen Ga. travel tips to help you save time and Money**

**1) Carry cash** – Most paid parking is cash only, also, many of the restaurants have minimal credit and debit card amounts such as \$5.00 or \$10.00

**2) Call ahead and do some price shopping on your lodging.** A handful of the small privately held hotels will make some great last minute deals. I always start out on the phone by asking what is your lowest priced room for such and such a night. Quite often just asking if that's the best they can do, especially during the week, I will get a huge discount.

**3) Unicoi Hill Park (Map P4), and City of Helen Riverside park (Map p5), both offer free parking,** and are excellent spots for a picnic. Also, You can take the short drive up to Anna Ruby Falls, pay a small \$2.00 parking fee, and enjoy one of the most quiet, shaded, scenic picnic areas anywhere around. The picnic spots are lined up along a gorgeous cascading mountain river.

**4) If you want a really good deli style sandwich on a budget price,** you have got to try **Betty's Country Store Deli (Map M1)**. They serve about one of the best sandwiches I've ever had, and it's cheap, plus it's a short walk from the main shopping area.

**5) Unicoi Lodge & Restaurant (Map R24)** is open till midnight every night, they have great lounging areas, Cable TV, great scenery, and free Wi-Fi. It's just a great place to go hang out, watch TV, surf the net, and if your hungry, they have one of the best all you can eat buffets serving fresh rainbow trout nightly. They also have breakfast and lunch buffets.

### **Free Wi-Fi**

Betty's Country Store (**Map M1**)

Huddle House (**Map R21**)  
Unicoi Lodge (**Map R24**)

**6)** If your walking around the main shopping area of Helen, and you get hungry for a quick hot dog, fries, or hamburger, walk down by the bridge to **Viele Margaritas (Map R16)**. There are a couple of spots mixed in with the small shops that serve these type foods, but it's over priced, and also at Vieles, you get great food, great price, riverside dining on a deck, and entertainment. Those small hot dog spots mixed in with the shops are a rip off.

**7) The cheapest paid parking in Helen is at the end of River St.** across from the **Riverbend Hotel (Map H3)** it's only **\$2.00 per day** in and out. It's also a very short walk to the main shopping area.

**8)** Cool River Tubing does offer tubers for an additional cost the option of getting out at a certain point and riding the water slide, but be aware, it's like a assembly line. Once you hit the pool at the bottom of the slide, there are employees rushing you to get out of the water. So if you're looking for a nice water park experience, go with the Flea Market Tubing. The Flea market tubing ends with an awesome water park where you can sit around, and relax by the water all day, and also offers great shaded picnic areas.

**9) Bear Creek Park (Map P2)** is hardly ever being visited by anyone, it's like a few bucks you put in a can to park there, and I think it's just so hidden that no one knows about it. It's a perfect little riverside park with grills for cooking out, a hammock overlooking the river, and a unique environment you don't want to miss. It's also a perfect spot to fish for trout.

**10)** If you don't mind a scenic 15-minute drive outside of Helen, Ga., this place offers really adorable little one-bedroom campers cabins with a back deck overlooking a nice cascading mountain stream for under \$50.00 per night (No cleaning Fee)

**Appalachian Campground**  
706-896-7243  
1504 Rudy Hollow Rd.  
Hiawasee, Ga. 30546  
<http://www.appalachiancampground.com>

**11) Gateway Inn Cleveland, Ga.**

This is a decent budget friendly hotel about a 15-minute ride out of the main Helen, Ga. shopping area. As of this write up, they were offering single rooms as low as \$32.00 per night. This hotel sets right behind the MaGooch's country restaurant in Cleveland, Ga., so this gives you quick access to one of the best country breakfast

spots in the North Ga. mountains. I like staying there, getting up in the morning and enjoying a budget friendly country breakfast, then take the short drive into Helen, Ga. to spend the day. Quite often, I will eat lunch in Helen, then eat a nice country dinner at Ma Gooch's in the evening when I return to the hotel. It's great food, and a cozy stay, and very budget friendly.

(706) 865-312-1300  
North Main Street  
Cleveland, GA 30528  
<http://www.clevelandgatewayinn.com>

**12)** The most budget friendly cabins that are actually in Helen, and close enough to walk to the main shopping district are the **Bear Creek Cabins. (Map CR1)** These cabins are privately owned and managed. I believe they have like 7 available, and they don't beat you up with a ton of stupid fees like you get when you rent from the management companies. They are owned and managed by a husband and wife, and have been here like forever. I don't want to quote any prices, but I know that at one time, their least expensive cabin was like under \$100.00 per night. If you really want a cabin experience, I would definitely start here on price checking.

**13)** Your most budget friendly riverside dining options are:

**Jordano's Map R5** *(Inside dining also available)*

**Viele Margaritas Map R16**

**Café International Map R15** *(Inside dining also available)*

**Crosby's BBQ Map R22** *(Inside dining also available)*

*The Troll restaurant sets right down on the river, but it's a bit pricey in comparison.*