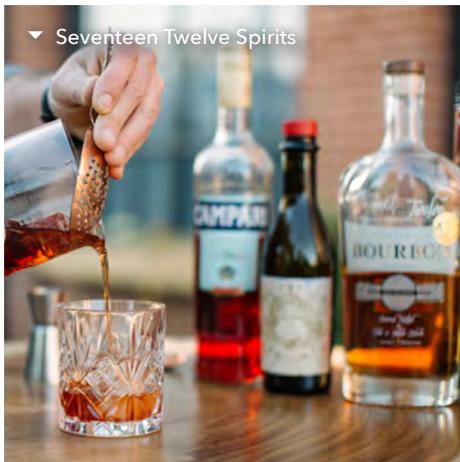




Welcome to Hickory, North Carolina. A city of revival and resurgence. A city with a history and future of craftsmanship. Hickory is home to a huge culinary and outdoor renaissance while continuing in traditions that strengthen the core and roots of our community. Don't just take our word for it...



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**WE JUST BY CHANCE DECIDED TO STOP OFF THE HIGHWAY-AND LUCKILY YELP REMINDED ME OF THIS PLACE. WORTH THE DIVERSION!**  
**- MATT N. (ASHBURN, V.A.)**  
 Yelp Reviewer on Hatch Sandwich Bar



Inspiring forms from around the world for over 50 years. Open to the public and home to many specialty sales year round.

**Stepping Back Into A More Simple Time:**

**Hart Square Village** has the *World's Largest Collection of Historic Log Structures* dating back to the 1800's. This unique working village opens its door taking you back into the 1800's with events like their Founder's Day BBQ, Hart Square Festival & a Hart Square Christmas complete with a candle light service in the chapel.

**Saturday October 26th-34th Annual Festival**



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**WHETHER YOU'RE INTO HISTORY, GHOSTS OR HUNGER GAMES, HENERY RIVER MILL VILLAGE DELIVERS IN ALL ASPECTS. TAYLOR WAS THERE TO GREET US WHEN WE ARRIVED, WAS FULL OF GREAT FACTS AND OF COURSE FILMING (TIPS) THAT OCCURRED FOR THE HUNGER GAMES. WE SPENT A GOOD HOUR WALKING THE AREA TAKING SOME FANTASTIC PHOTOS. IF IN THE AREA WOULD DEFINITELY RETURN!** - JULIA D. Reviewer from Trip Advisor



▼ Folk Art Festival

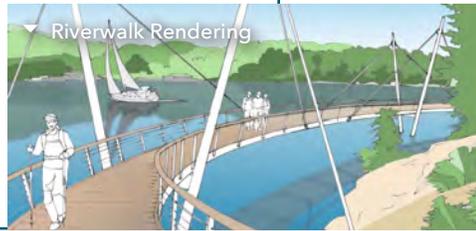
**Discover Folk Art: unique visions by southern self-taught artists**

The Hickory metro area is home to a large selection of Folk Art with the entire third floor of the Hickory Museum of Art dedicated to Southern Contemporary Folk Art. Our area also welcomes thousands of visitors and artisans from all over the southeast to the Foothills Folk Art Festival each year in Newton, NC. **Next date: October 5, 2019.**

**Crafting Hickory: The Riverwalk and Citywalk projects** are just a couple of ways that Hickory is enhancing our city with more walkable ways to explore.

The City Walk which is currently under construction will allow access from our Downtown Hickory area to Lake Hickory. Renovations are now complete on Union Square, Downtown Hickory as we continue to move forward.

Once completed the entire project will boast over 5 miles of connected trails throughout our city and along Lake Hickory.



▼ Riverwalk Rendering



▼ Downtown Hickory, North Carolina



**TUESDAY I REALIZED I COULD CATCH THE CRAWDADS AFTER A MEETING NEAR HICKORY. NO TIME TO PLAN, BUT THIS IMPULSIVE DASH OF A TRIP YIELDED:**

**A BRIEF VISIT TO THE HICKORY MUSEUM OF ART (I'M EMBARRASSED TO SAY HOW MANY YEARS I'VE WANTED TO SEE IT).**

**A PARK-MY-BUTT FEST AT THE LARGEST FACTORY OUTLET FOR MITCHELL GOLD + BOB WILLIAMS FURNITURE.**

**A DOWNTOWN QUEST FOR COFFEE AND A NIBBLE. TWO WRONG MOVES, BUT WHAT A REVELATION! I DIDN'T KNOW THERE WAS SO MUCH BEYOND UNION SQUARE!**

**CRESCENT MOON CAFÉ: I'D LOVE TO HAVE A BEER AND HANG OUT SOMETIME.**

**HATCH: NEXT TIME FOR SURE. EXTREMELY COOL PLACE!**

**TASTE FULL BEANS: BINGO! I COULD NOT HAVE ENJOYED MYSELF MORE, SITTING NEAR THE WINDOW, SIPPING A LATTE, MUNCHING ON CHOCOLATE-COVERED ESPRESSO BEANS. I HAD TO TEAR MYSELF AWAY TO GO SEE THE CRAWDADS ... ERR LLAMAS DE HICKORY! THE GAME WAS FUN! LOVED THE CAROUSEL AND THE MASCOTS!**

**THE GAME WAS FUN! LOVED THE CAROUSEL AND THE MASCOTS! - ANONYMOUS EXPLORER**



▼ Lady Bass Anglers

**Lake Hickory** is located on the Catawba River in North Carolina. We are home to many fishing tournaments and water sports year round. Hosting local, regional and national events and showcasing the beautiful area around Lake Hickory we invite you to explore by boat, paddle board, kayak or even our new favorite "fly-boarding."



▼ Lake Hickory



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