

# Clingman's Dome

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**Directions from Waynesville:** *Take Highway 23/74 to the left (towards Sylva). Take the US-441N exit to the GSM/Cherokee. Turn left onto Clingman's Dome Rd. Parking at end of road.*

**Travel Time:** *Approx 1hr 30 mins*

**Difficulty:** *Moderate to Difficult*

**Distance:** *STEEP, half-mile paved trail*

**Scenery:** The observation tower on the summit of Clingmans Dome offers spectacular 360° views of the Smokies

**Trail Description:** *At 6,643 feet, Clingmans Dome is the highest point in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. It is the highest point in Tennessee, and the third highest mountain east of the Mississippi. Only Mt. Mitchell (6,684 feet) and Mt. Craig (6,647), both located in Mt. Mitchell State Park in western North Carolina, rise higher. Very steep, paved with multiple benches along the way*

**To Note:** *There is a gift shop and restroom at the bottom of the trail. The elevation and steepness of the trail make it very difficult. Trail & Dome are closed at times of bad weather/seasons. More info: <http://www.clingmansdome.com/>*