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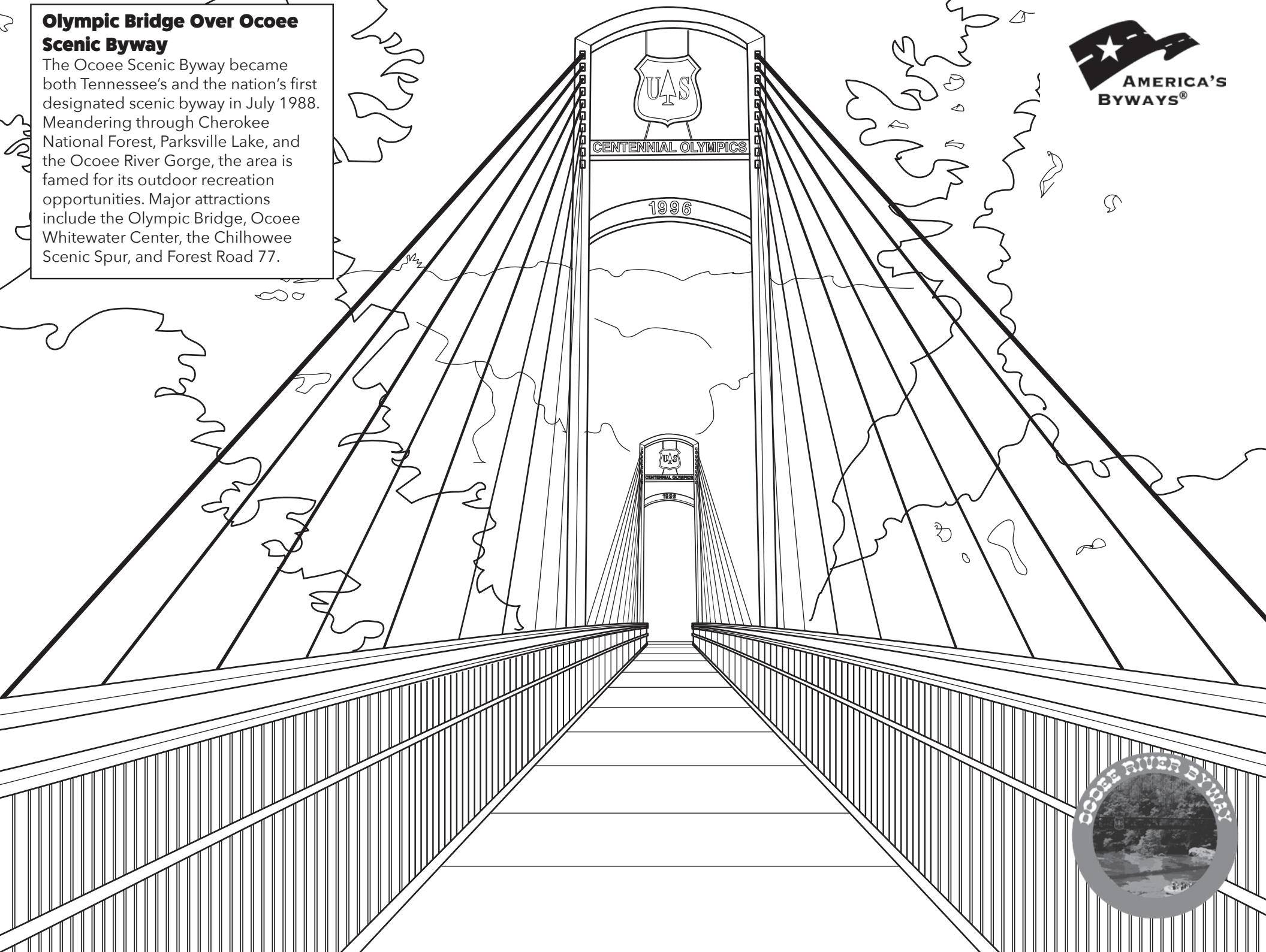
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Colorful Journeys: Explore Tennessee's Scenic Byways



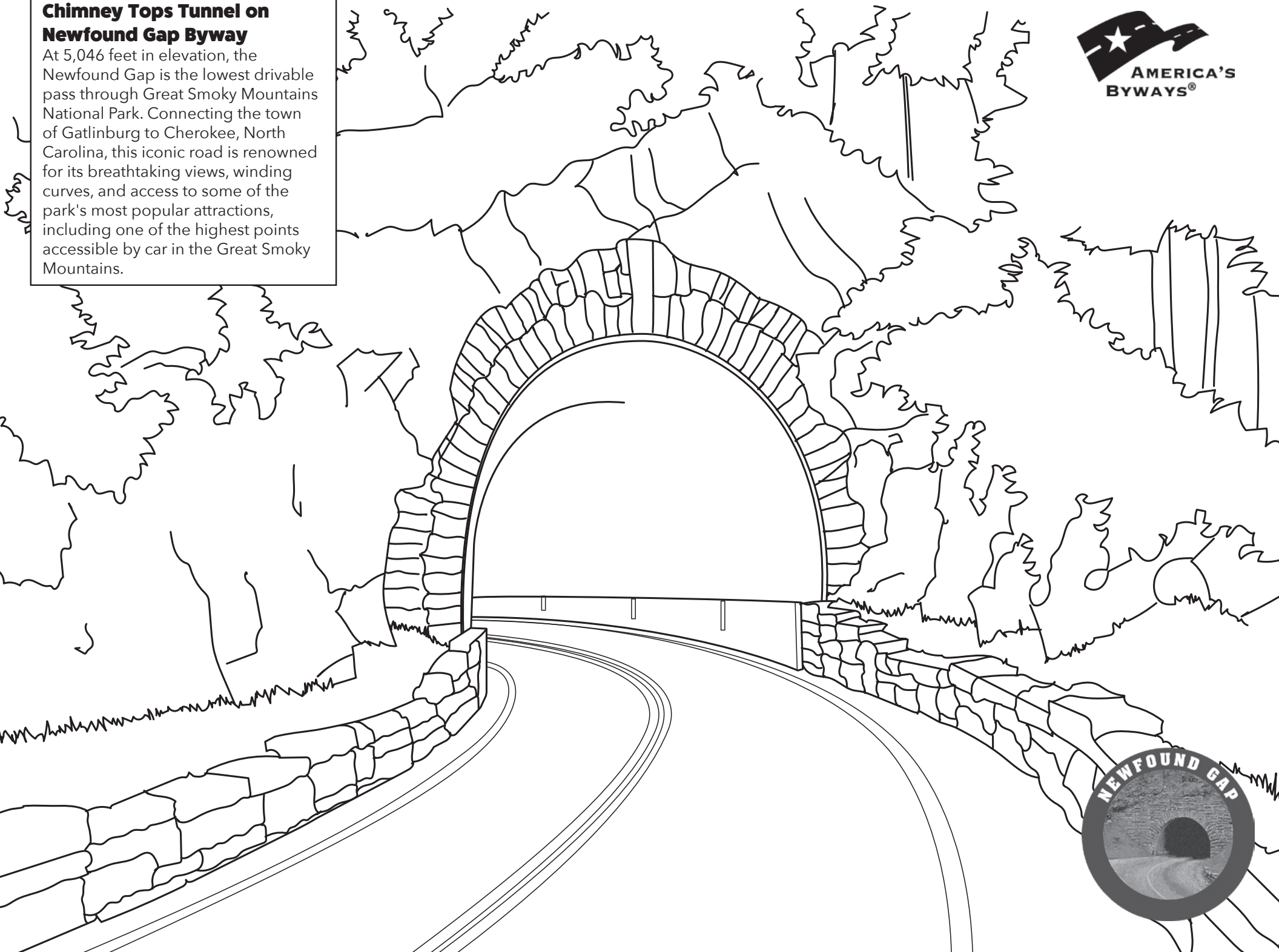
Olympic Bridge Over Ocoee Scenic Byway

The Ocoee Scenic Byway became both Tennessee's and the nation's first designated scenic byway in July 1988. Meandering through Cherokee National Forest, Parksville Lake, and the Ocoee River Gorge, the area is famed for its outdoor recreation opportunities. Major attractions include the Olympic Bridge, Ocoee Whitewater Center, the Chilhowee Scenic Spur, and Forest Road 77.



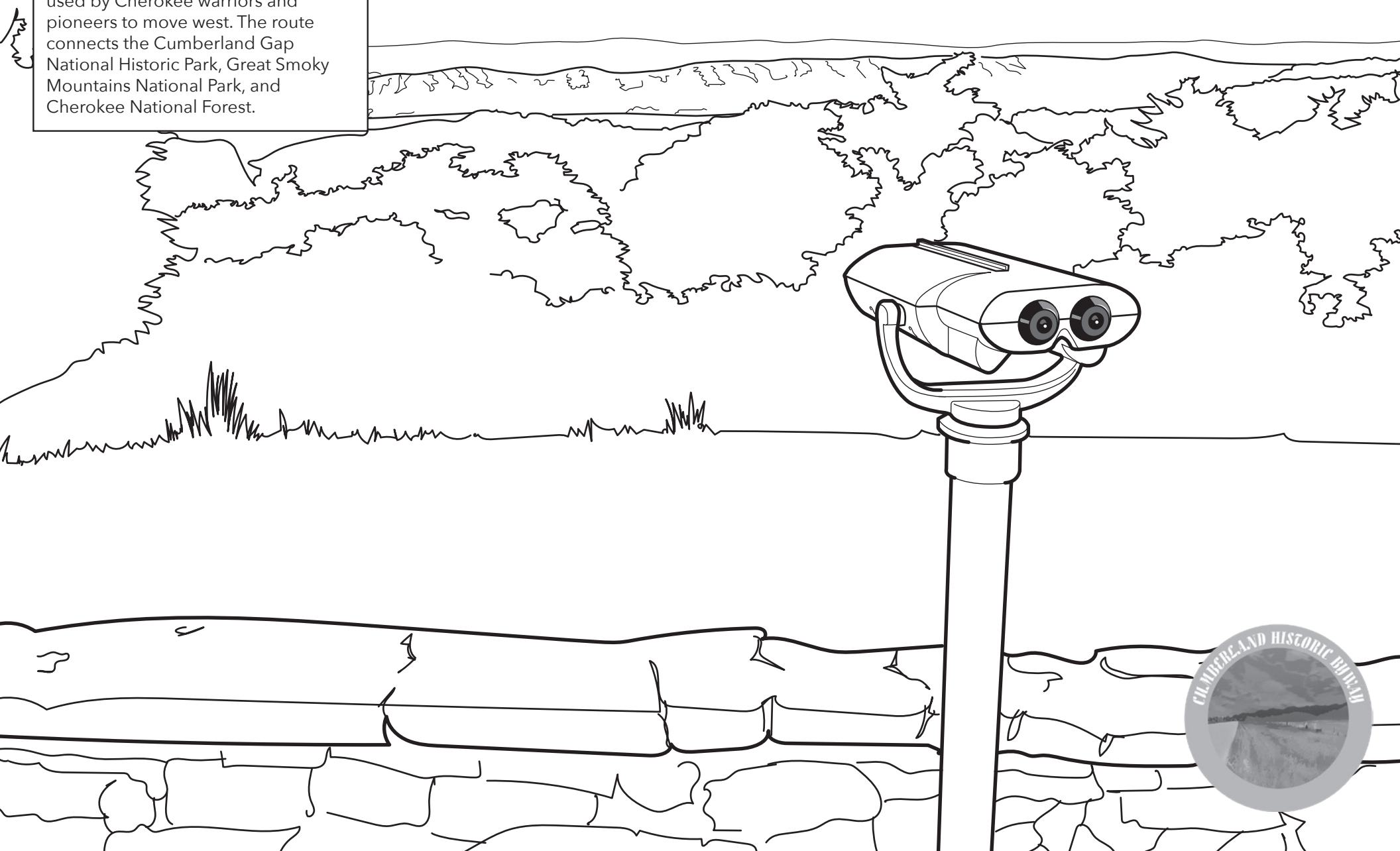
Chimney Tops Tunnel on Newfound Gap Byway

At 5,046 feet in elevation, the Newfound Gap is the lowest drivable pass through Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Connecting the town of Gatlinburg to Cherokee, North Carolina, this iconic road is renowned for its breathtaking views, winding curves, and access to some of the park's most popular attractions, including one of the highest points accessible by car in the Great Smoky Mountains.



Clinch Mountain Overlook on East Tennessee Crossing Byway

The East Tennessee Crossing National Scenic Byway connects the traveling public to Appalachian history and culture. Part of the Wilderness Road Heritage Highway, it was originally used by Cherokee warriors and pioneers to move west. The route connects the Cumberland Gap National Historic Park, Great Smoky Mountains National Park, and Cherokee National Forest.



Reelfoot Lake on The Great River Road

Reelfoot Lake is a natural wonder created by a series of powerful earthquakes in 1811-1812. Located along the Great River Road, the state's westernmost scenic route and one of its three All-American Roads. Nationally, the road runs along both sides of the Mississippi River across 10 states, from the headwaters in Minnesota to the lower delta in Louisiana.



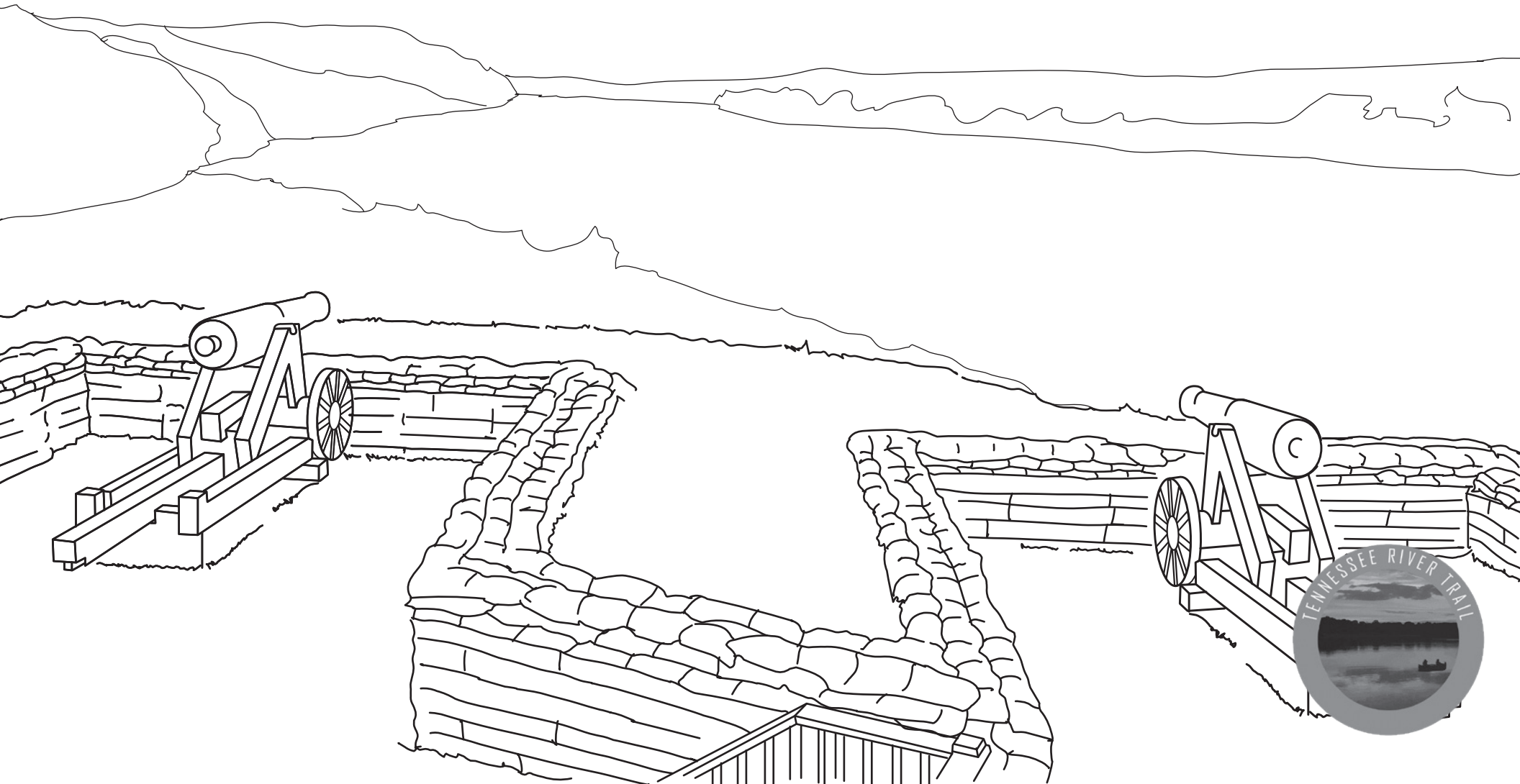
The South Bison Range on Woodlands Trace National Scenic Byway

Spanning between the Tennessee and Cumberland Rivers, the Woodlands Trace National Scenic Byway travels the length of Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area in Kentucky and Tennessee. Get up close and personal with majestic wildlife at the South Bison Range, experience the Homeplace 1850's Working Farm, and see the ruins of an original nineteenth-century iron furnace.



Fort Donelson Lower Battery on The Tennessee River Trail

The Tennessee River Trail is the state's longest scenic byway, at 440 miles, and meanders along winding 2-lane roads on both banks of the Tennessee River. The route offers roadside serene views of the countryside and connects visitors to the Lower Battery at Fort Donelson, a Civil War site marking a crucial point in the Union's strategic victories along the Tennessee River Trail.



Turkey Creek Overlook at Cherochala Skyway National Scenic Byway

Stretching across portions of North Carolina and Tennessee, the Cherochala Skyway National Scenic Byway crosses through the Cherokee and Nantahala National Forests. Dubbed "the Mile High Legend," portions of the route go above the clouds and reach 5,400-foot elevations. Turkey Creek Overlook offers stunning panoramic views of the Appalachian Mountains and lush forests.



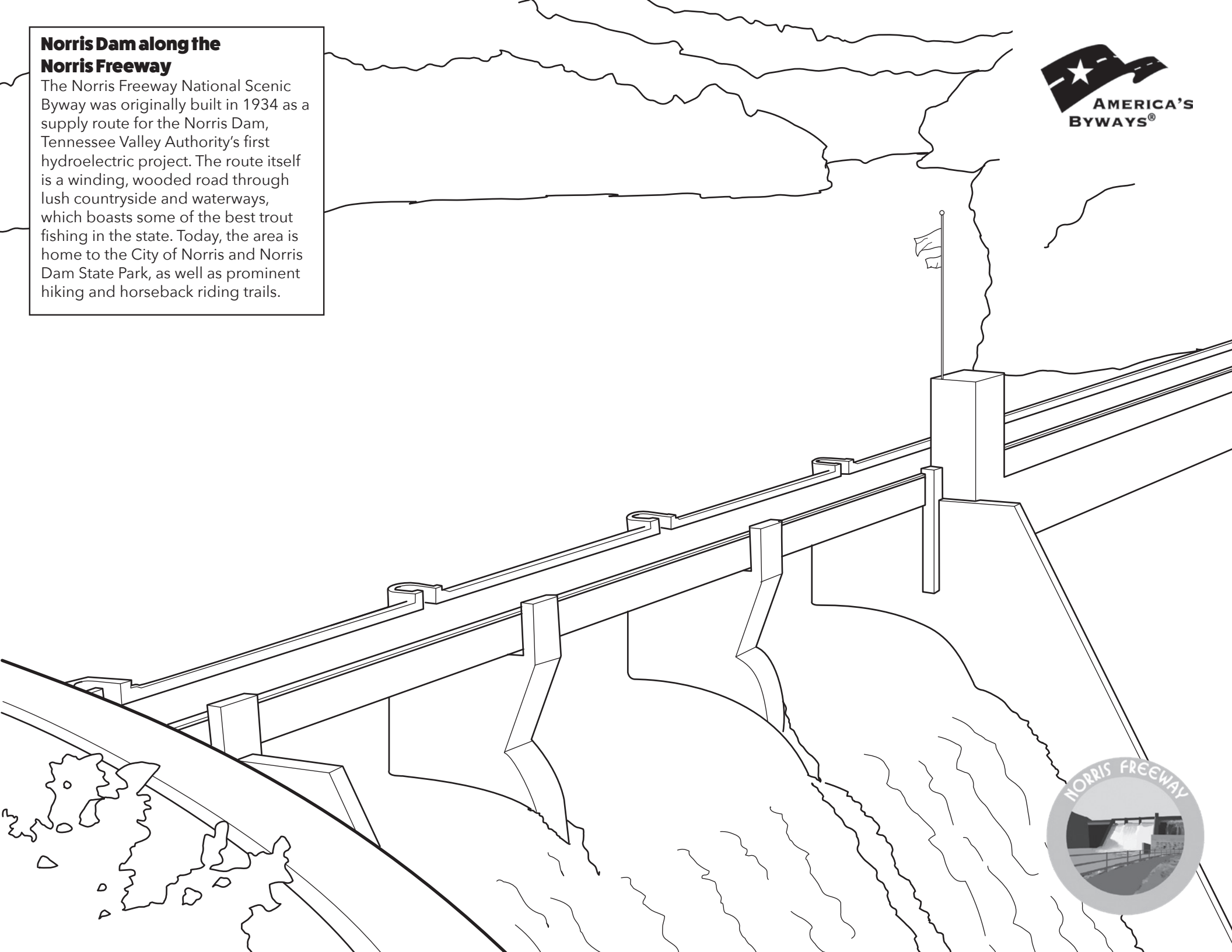
Natchez Trace Arches - Natchez Trace Parkway

The Natchez Trace Arches, an architectural marvel along the Natchez Trace Parkway in Tennessee, provide a stunning gateway to this historic route. Stretching 444 miles from Nashville to Natchez, Mississippi, the route follows the original travel corridor used by Native Americans, boatmen dubbed the "Kaintucks", European settlers, merchants, soldiers, and future presidents.



Norris Dam along the Norris Freeway

The Norris Freeway National Scenic Byway was originally built in 1934 as a supply route for the Norris Dam, Tennessee Valley Authority's first hydroelectric project. The route itself is a winding, wooded road through lush countryside and waterways, which boasts some of the best trout fishing in the state. Today, the area is home to the City of Norris and Norris Dam State Park, as well as prominent hiking and horseback riding trails.



Cumberland Gap National Historical Park - Cumberland Historic Scenic Byway

The Cumberland National Scenic Byway crosses 8 counties in Tennessee's Upper Cumberland and connects the Cumberland Gap in the east to the Cumberland River in the west. One of its highlights is the renowned Cumberland Gap National Historical Park, where visitors can immerse themselves in the history of a natural passageway that played a pivotal role in American westward expansion.



Ozone Falls - Historic Walton Road

Historic Walton Road tells the story of the pioneer era of Tennessee. Completed in 1801 as the Cumberland Turnpike and later named for its builder, Captain William Walton, the route followed what is today U.S. Highway 70 through 4 counties of the Cumberland Plateau. While traveling the route, hikers can easily access Ozone Falls, a magnificent 110-foot waterfall featured in the Disney movie Rudyard Kipling's The Jungle Book.



Sequatchie Valley - Sequatchie Valley Byway

The Sequatchie Valley National Scenic Byway is a great destination for outdoor enthusiasts, offering activities such as rock climbing, cycling, kayaking, and fishing. Following the heart of the Sequatchie Valley, it connects several communities in Tennessee's smallest and most distinctive physiographic region and panoramic views are found throughout this unique part of Tennessee.



Smoky Mountain Overlook - Smoky Mountain Byway

The Great Smoky Mountains Byway follows U.S. Highway 321 on a 200-mile circle tour of the Smokies, providing visitors with an authentic drive in the heart of Appalachia. In addition to iconic scenic views and the nearly 2 million acres of open space at Great Smoky Mountains National Park, it offers access to numerous hiking trails, waterfalls, and historic sites, including Clingmans Dome, the highest point in Tennessee.





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