

"Having completed a 200 mile paddle of the entire Yadkin River, I say with confidence that one of the most beautiful stretches is from Wilkesboro down to Elkin. The section from Elkin to Rockford certainly equals this beauty with sweeping mountain vistas, wildlife viewing and good fishing.

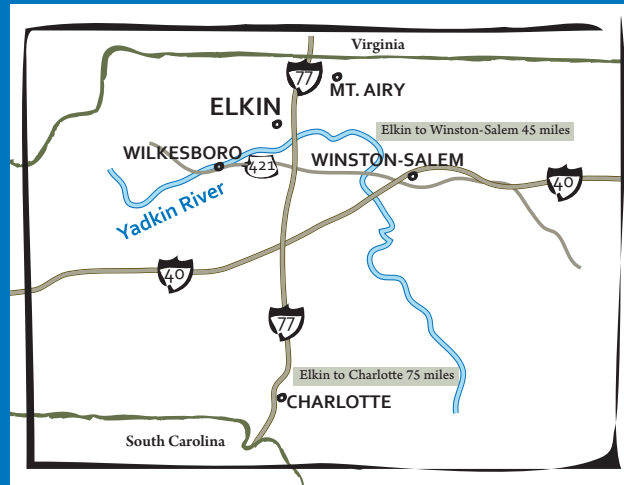
Beginners and experienced paddlers alike can enjoy paddling on this section of the Yadkin River. The new boat ramp at **Crater Park in Elkin** offers easy access to the river and is located near a variety of businesses in downtown Elkin.

The Yadkin River provides some of the best paddling opportunities in the state of North Carolina, rivaling the New River and other premier paddling destinations."

- Dean Naujoks, Yadkin Riverkeeper



Additional River and Paddle Information:
www.yadkinriverkeeper.org
www.yadkinrivertrail.org
www.allaboutivers.com
www.riverfacts.com



Getting Here - From I-77

Exit 82: follow signs on Hwy 21 to Elkin, take first right over Bridge onto E Commerce St, follow signs to the River and Boat Access

Exit 85 – travel west on the Hwy 268 Bypass, after 2.1 miles, take left on HWY 21 (North Bridge St), stay on this until you reach Historic Downtown, take the first left after the railroad tracks, E Commerce St, follow signs to the River and Boat Access



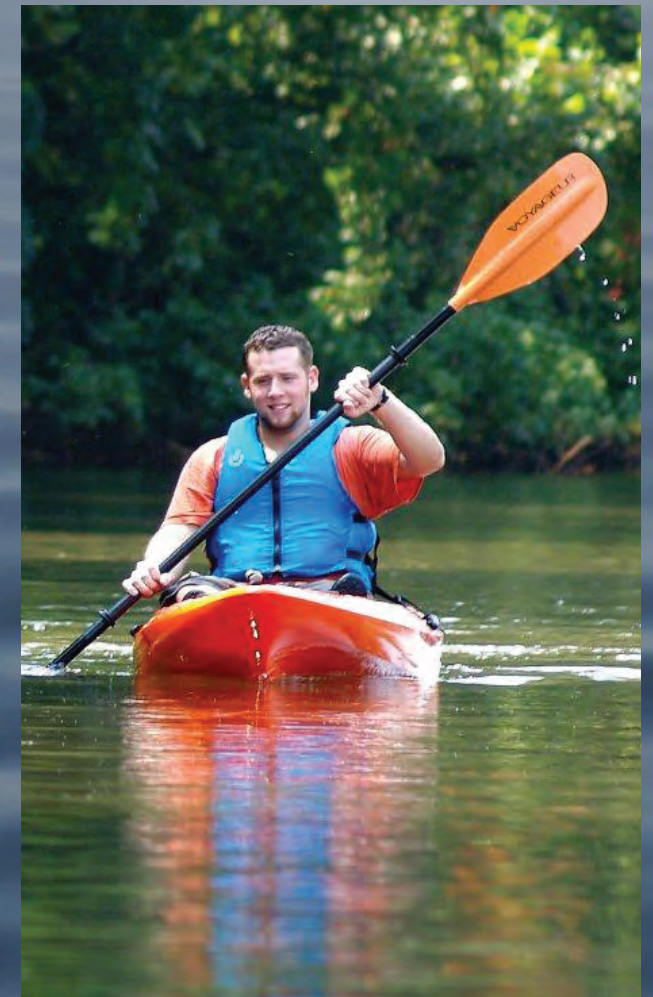
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YADKIN RIVER

The Yadkin River Trail

The Yadkin River Trail is a Class I-II 165 mile river trail, rich in natural beauty and American history. From the connection to Daniel Boone who called the river basin his home, to Revolutionary War History related to the Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail which followed its shores to the battle on Kings Mountain, SC; the river could tell us a century's worth of stories.

With primarily Class I rapids through the Ronda to Rockford section (18 miles of trail), but with some classic V-rapids, beginners to experienced paddlers can enjoy a day on the Yadkin River. Beginners should always travel with an experienced paddler however!

Enjoy the Sights

Ronda • Elkin • Burch Station • Yadkin Shores • Rockford

There are various combinations of float opportunities supported by good access and take-out locations. Start up stream at Ronda and descend the river to Elkin, take out at the new boat ramp in Elkin, or just jump out for a short walk and bite to eat in downtown Elkin before descending further to either Yadkin Shores in Boonville or on to Rockford.

Birders and wildlife enthusiasts will also enjoy this relaxing stretch of river. Otter, deer and other wildlife can be viewed as well as numerous bird species including herons, egrets and kingfisher. The avid fisherman will find small mouth, large mouth, redeyes and catfish.



Where to Stay

All accessible by I-77, Exit 85:

Fairfield Inn & Suites \$\$\$: 336.258.2157

Elk Inn \$: 336.835.7780

Homecoming Inn \$\$\$: 336.526.7772

Klondike Cabins @ Grassy Creek Vineyard \$\$\$: 336.835.4230

Elkin Creek Vineyard Cabins \$\$\$: 336.526.5119

Byrd's Branch Campground \$: 336.526.1146

Stone Mountain Park Campground: www.ncparks.gov

Outfitters:

Yadkin River Adventures

336.374.5318 paddle@yadkinriveradventures.com

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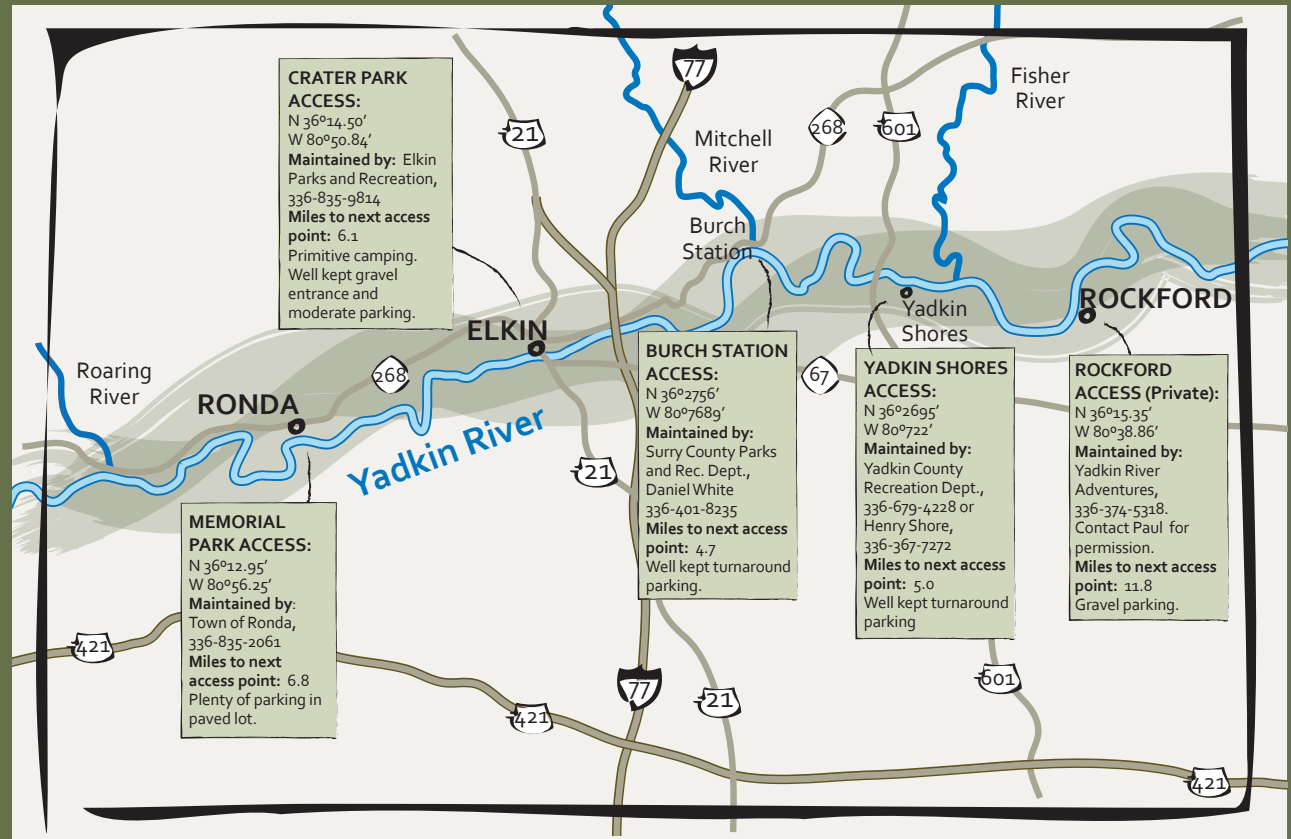
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Rocky Forest River Run

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www.rockyforestriverrun.com



Float Times

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| Ronda to Elkin | 6.8 Miles | Approx. 3 Hours |
| Elkin to Mitchell River | 6 Miles | Approx. 2.5 Hours |
| Yadkin Shores (Boonville, Hwy 67) to Rockford | 5 miles | Approx. 2 Hours |