

# MOUNTAIN TROUT MAP

Please visit [ncwildlife.org/fishing/trout](http://ncwildlife.org/fishing/trout) for more information about trout regulations, stockings and angling opportunities.

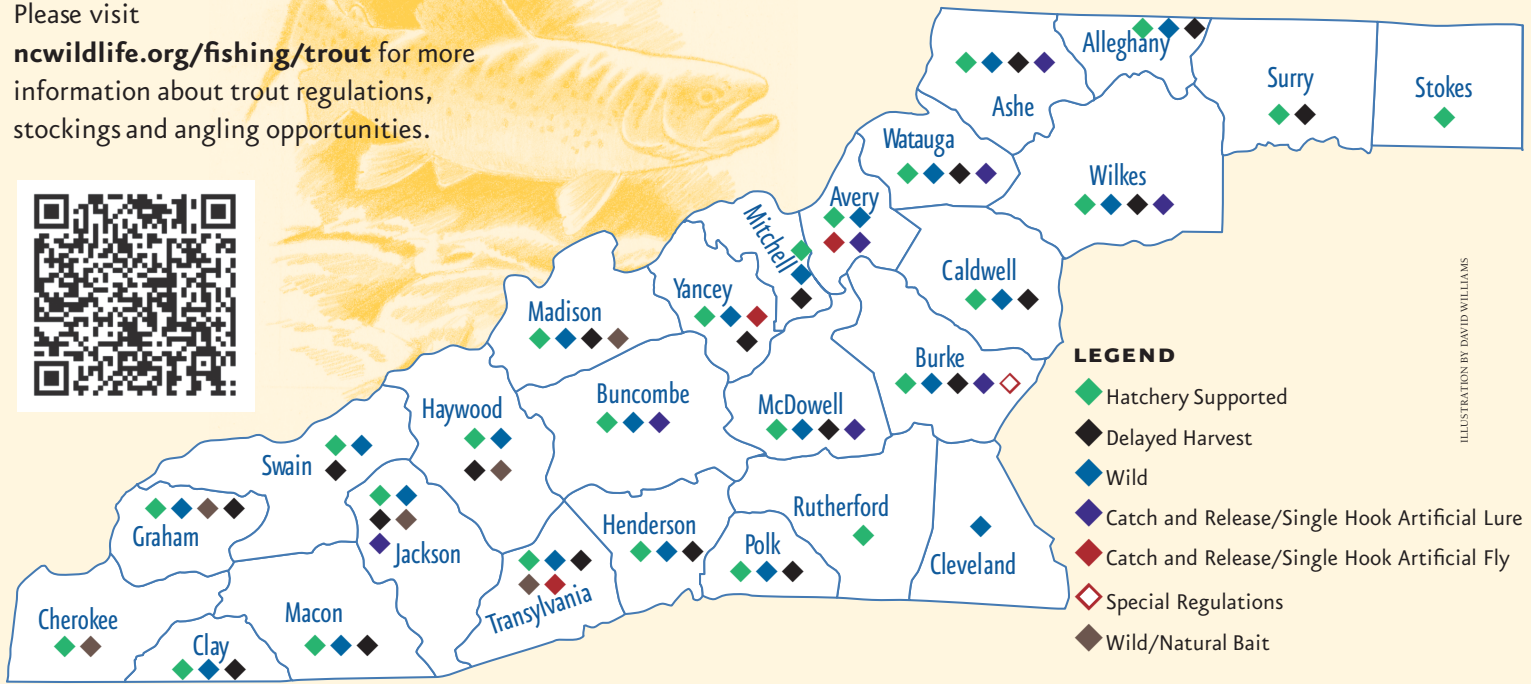


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## Brook, brown and rainbow trout require cold, clean water and are therefore generally restricted to mountain streams and lakes.

Those mountain waters that support trout and are open to public fishing are designated as “Public Mountain Trout Waters” by the Wildlife Resources Commission and are managed for public trout fishing. A significant amount of trout fishing opportunities in western North Carolina are located on private property. These landowners have generously allowed for public access for fishing. Please respect their property. Your cooperation is needed to protect fishing opportunities for future generations. The Commission conspicuously marks Public Mountain Trout Waters with regulation signs that indicate locations for public access. When anglers encounter “posted against trespass” signs along these designated sections on private lands, they should respect the property owner’s rights and choose another location along that stream to fish. Maps of trout waters and their classifications may be viewed at [ncwildlife.org/trout](http://ncwildlife.org/trout).

## 2020 DELAYED HARVEST STOCKING DATES

COUNTY	LOCATION	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER
Alleghany	Little River	5	6	6	2	3
	Helton Creek	2	1	1	1	2
Ashe	Trout Lake	2	2	2	7	9
	Big Horse Creek	5	6	6	2	3
	South Fork New River	5	6	6	7	9
Burke	Jacob Fork	4	3	5	9	11
Caldwell	Wilson Creek	3	2	4	8	10
Clay	Fires Creek	6	8	6	6	17
Graham	Big Snowbird	6	8	6	1	2
Haywood	West Fork Pigeon River	2	1	7	1	13
Henderson	North Fork Mills River	3	1	5	2	12
Jackson	Tuckasegee River	4	2	4	8, 12	3, 4
Macon	Nantahala	6	7	7	2	16
Madison	Big Laurel Creek	2	1	1	5	2
	Shelton Laurel Creek	2	1	1	5	2
	Spring Creek	5	7	6	7	6
McDowell	Curtis Creek	4	3	5	5	4
	Mill Creek	4	3	5	5	4
	Catawba River	4	3	5	5	4
Mitchell	Cane Creek	4	3	5	6	5
	North Toe River	3	2	4	8	10
Polk	Green River	3	3	1	7	5
Surry	Ararat River	4	3	5	9	11
	Mitchell River	2	1	1	1	2
Swain	Tuckasegee River	5	6	5	9	10
Transylvania	East Fork French Broad River	3	7	7	5	5
	Little River	2	3	1	6	9
Watauga	Watauga River	2	1	1	7	9
	Coffee Lake	2	1	1	7	9
Wilkes	East Prong Roaring River	2	2	2	1	2
	Stone Mountain Creek	2	2	2	1	2
	Reddies River	3	2	4	8	9
	Elk Creek	3	2	4	8	9
Yancey	Cane River	6	7	7	6	5

Dates listed are subject to change due to unexpected events, such as snow. Changes will be announced through press releases, Twitter, Facebook and on [ncwildlife.org](http://ncwildlife.org).