



Gaston County has a wealth of parks with countless activities for all ages to enjoy that are fun, affordable and right around the corner. We hope that the Park Hop scavenger hunt will become an annual tradition for friends and family to enjoy.

**Name of Participant** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** (Parent/Guardian) \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** (Parent/Guardian) \_\_\_\_\_

**Zipcode** (Parent/Guardian) \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** (Parent/Guardian) \_\_\_\_\_

The deadline for passport submission is **September 5, 2022.**

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**PRIZES**

Each participant that answers at least 10 clues correctly will receive a prize. Participants answering all 13 clues will be entered in a grand prize drawing. For more information visit [www.gastongov.com/parkhop](http://www.gastongov.com/parkhop)

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# PASSPORT SUMMER 2022

Park Hop is a free, summer long scavenger hunt that explores Gaston County's local parks, trails and greenways.

**REGISTER YOUR PARK HOP PASSPORT AT  
[GASTONGOV.COM/PARKHOP](http://GASTONGOV.COM/PARKHOP)**

# Get Hoppin' in Gaston County!

In order to guide you on your journey we have provided you with this passport to record your answers to the clues.

## 1. Centennial Park | Bessemer City West Virginia Ave.

Bessemer City just recently received the North Carolina Main Street Center Award "Best Outdoor Space Improvement" for the renovations of the Centennial Park located in downtown Bessemer City. **On the east side wall of the park, how many replica Sundrop bottle caps are on the wall?**

## 2. Lineberger Park | Gastonia 632 E. Garrison Blvd.

This park was developed in the late 1920s. Still a favorite after all of these years, Lineberger Park features picnic shelters, two playgrounds, a basketball court, a spray ground, swimming pool, walking trails, a miniature train, a creek, lots of trees and green space. It is also a trailhead for the Avon/Catawba Creek Greenway. **What are the colors of the Mushroom caps in the swimming pool?**

## 3. Martha Rivers Park | Gastonia 1525 Neal Hawkins Rd.

This youth sports complex in Gastonia is not only a destination for soccer, baseball and softball teams who use the eight athletic fields, but also attracts many children to its castle-themed playground, picnics at two large shelters, horseshoes and volleyball players, and countless walkers and joggers who use the paved trails that wind around the property and exercise stations. **What animal is outside the castle? (clue submitted by Amanda Jennings, Mount Holly)**

## 4. Rankin Lake Park | Gastonia 1750 Rankin Lake Park Rd.

This park was developed in the mid-1930s as Gastonia's second city park. This park has lots of opportunities to be active with an almost 80-acre lake for fishing and boating, paved walking trails, a playground, horseshoes, an 18-hole disc golf course, plus many picnic shelters. **What is the maximum age for the Zip Line? (Clue submitted by Angela Boyce, Gastonia)**

## 5. Poston Park | Gastonia 1101 Lowell Spencer Mountain Rd.

This park has sports fields, dog park, trails, a lake, picnicking, playgrounds, mountain biking and a pump track. **How many bridges does the Lake Loop have?**

## 6. South Fork Trail | Gastonia 119 Willow Dr.

This trail (a part of the Carolina Thread Trail) is a natural surface trail running along the bank of the South Fork of the Catawba River and connecting the quaint towns of McAdenville and Lowell. The trailhead is also adjacent to the R.Y. McAden River Access. **What is painted on the columns of the Highway 85 bridge?**

## 7. Dallas Park | Dallas 1303 Dallas-Cherryville Hwy.

This park is the oldest county park and it was built in the 1970s. The park includes some unique features like the 1890s Heritage Village. Each village structure was moved to the park from another location or constructed as a replica of an historic building. **What is the total number of horse stalls in the Dallas Park?**

## 8. Tuckasee Park | Mount Holly 165 Broome St.

This park has a playground, picnic shelters, skatepark, ballfields, dog park, and a walking trail. **On the large rock under the flag pole, what is the man's name on the monument plaque?**

## 9. River Street Park | Mount Holly 300 North River St.

This park has a sand volleyball court, disc golf course, playground, fishing pier, basketball court, and a walking trail. **What kind of critter is in the tree feature under the playground?**

## 10. C.B. Huss Recreation Complex | Cramerton 8 Julian St.

This complex was named after Mr. Jack Huss, a longtime resident, teacher, coach and administrator in Cramerton. The complex consists of a community center, senior center, swimming pool, a wading pool, and other amenities. **How many steps are on the two sets of stairs on the concrete stadium seating?**

## 11. Rocky Branch Park | Belmont 103 Sacco St.

This park includes several nature trails that are used for biking and walking. The trails connect Belmont and Cramerton and is located in walking distance from downtown Belmont. **How many miles is the trail from Belmont to Cramerton?**

## 12. Kevin Loftin Riverfront Park | Belmont 1400 Catawba St.

This 10-acre park along the banks of the Catawba River includes permanent restrooms, onsite parking, picnic shelters, walking paths, a canoe and kayak launch, a public boat launch, two fishing piers, an amphitheater, and a brand-new nature themed playground. **What is the surface of the new playground made out of?**

## 13. Harper Park | Stanley 301 Blacksnake Rd.

This park features and playground, walking track and sports fields. **How many handles are on the monkey bars? (Clue submitted by Zachary Forrester, Lowell)**

### ANSWERS

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