



Barbi College at the Trail of Faith



Our Wine



Waldensian Winery

EXPERIENCE OUR HERITAGE

In 1893, eleven families left Italy seeking economic opportunity and founded a settlement in the foothills of Western North Carolina. They named their town Valdese.

Today, through artifacts, attractions and special events, Valdese honors its French-Italian heritage and shares the story of the Waldenses' heritage and their journey to prosperity.



Bluegrass Music at Old Rock School

The Waldenses' journey is portrayed in the drama "From This Day Forward" and in unique exhibits at the Waldensian Heritage Museum. At the Trail of Faith,

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tour replicas capture the history of the homeland and early settlement.

In the Old Rock School, visitors will find Art Galleries I & II, Studio 101, the Piedmont and Western Railroad Model Train Museum, Auditorium which hosts the *Bluegrass at the Rock Concert Series* and the Valdese Tourism Office.

The Waldensian Winery represents more than 250 years of wine making. The Winery offers special tours, tasting events and a large selection for purchase.

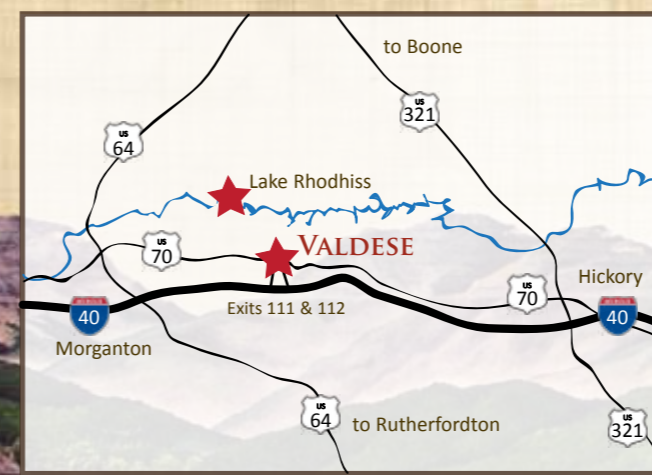


"From This Day Forward" Historic Drama

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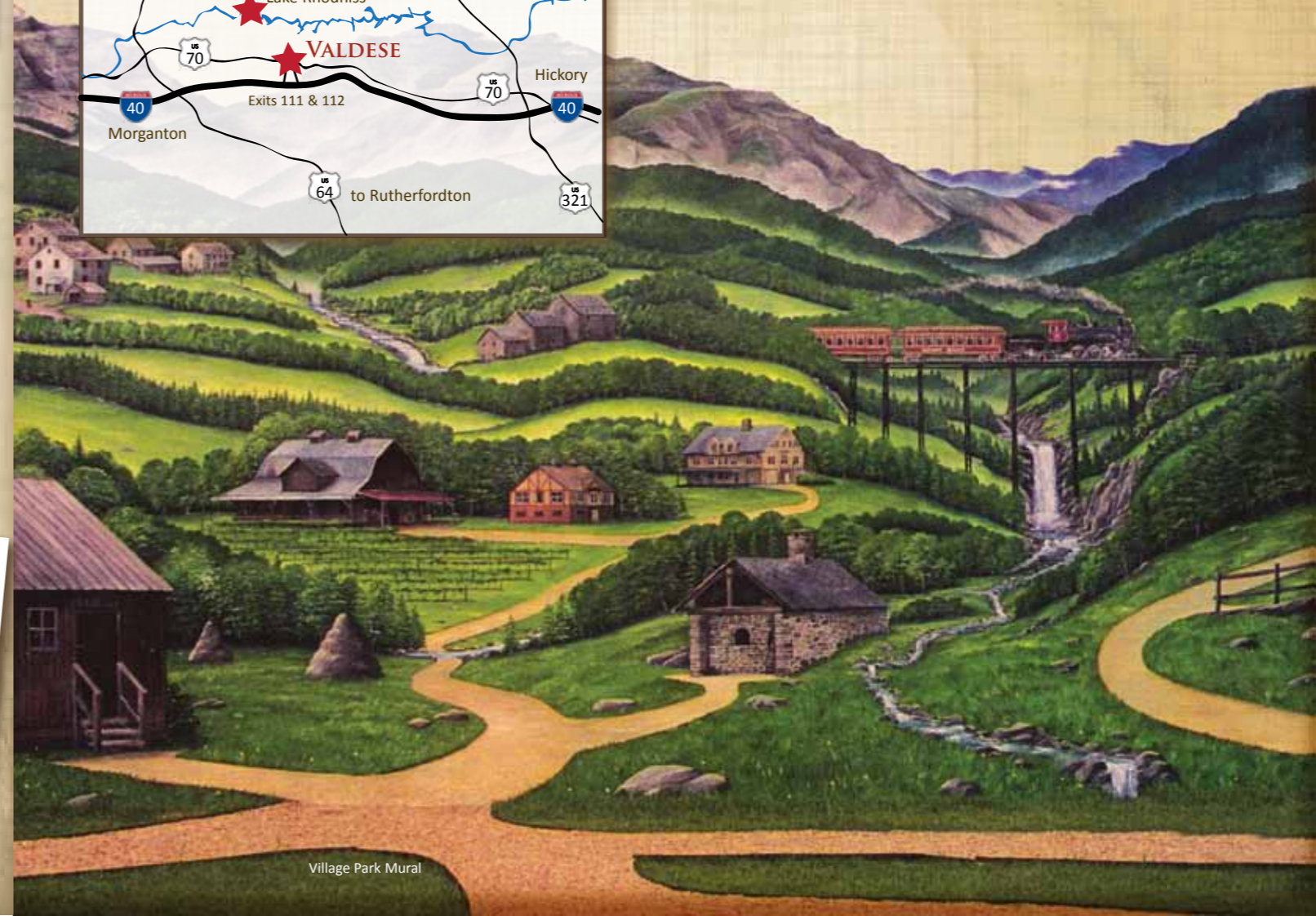
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400 Main Street West - Valdese, NC 28690
Local 828-879-2126

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Historic VALDESE

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Village Park Mural

SHOP, DINE & PLAY

- 1 Pizza Hut of Valdese
- 2 Chubby's Bakery & Sub Shop
- 3 McGalliard Falls Park
Meytre's Grist Mill • Fletcher Ball Park
- 4 "From This Day Forward" Historic Drama
- 5 Waldensian Trail of Faith
- 6 Angie's Lil' Place Children's Clothing
- 7 Old Rock School
Tourism Office • Piedmont & Western Railroad Club
Art Galleries I & II & Studio 101 • Auditorium
- 8 Subway of Valdese
- 9 McDonald's
- 10 Foothills Thrift Store
- 11 Rock Drugstore & Fountain
- 12 Myra's Restaurant
- 13 Myra's Little Italy
- 14 Myra's General Antiques
- 15 Play It Again Records
- 16 Heritage Arts Center
- 17 Dolls & Designs by Sandi
- 18 Farmers Market (May-September)
- 19 Jacumin Plaza
- 20 Town Parking Lot - Summer Concerts
- 21 Waldensian Heritage Museum & Gift Shop
- 22 100 Main Restaurant
- 23 Your Floral Bouquet
- 24 Grace Jewelry
- 25 Burke Hospice Thrift & Gifts
- 26 Waldensian Presbyterian Church/Centennial Park
- 27 Valdese Town Hall
- 28 Burke County Public Library
- 29 Valdese Community, Aquatics & Fitness Center
- 30 Bimbo Bakeries
- 31 Waldensian Heritage Winery
- 32 Village Park Mural
- 33 Giovanni's Pizza of Valdese
- 34 Children's Park



McGalliard Falls Park



Waldensian Heritage Museum



Historic Downtown

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YEARLY EVENT CALENDAR

- Myra's Antique & Classic Car Cruise In
-Friday Nights April - October at 6pm
- Family Friday Nights Summer Concert Series
-FREE Outdoor Concerts May - September 7-10pm
- Valdese Independence Day Celebration
-Live Music, Classic Car Cruise In, Fireworks Display
- "From This Day Forward" *Drama of the Waldenses*
-Mid July through Mid August
- Historic Valdese Waldensian Festival
-Held Annually the second weekend in August
-Amusement Rides, Food/Art/Craft Vendors & Music
- Bluegrass at the Rock Concert Series
-Various Bluegrass Concerts October-April
- Merchant Association - Treats in the Streets
-Trick or Treat the merchants of Downtown Valdese
- Christmas in November Craft & Gift Show
-2nd Saturday in November at the Old Rock School
-Christmas Crafts & Gifts from over 35 Vendors
- Waldensian Trail of Faith - Trail of Lights
-Christmas Lights Display November - December
- Valdese Christmas Parade
-Held the 1st Saturday in December at 10am
- Celebrate Christmas in Valdese
-Held the 2nd Friday in December 6-8pm
-Carols, Shop Hop & Tree Lighting with SANTA!



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Old Rock School

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