



Hooper Bald Azalea Hike

*Driving Directions
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Start at 474 Rodney Orr Bypass,
Robbinsville, NC 28771

Turn right onto Rodney Orr Bypass

Travel 1.2 miles

Turn Left onto NC 143 W to
Cherohala Skyway

Travel 3.4 miles

Turn right to stay on NC 143 W to
Cherohala Skyway
(Keep Left at Santeetlah Gap)

Travel 17 miles

Hooper Bald will be on your
left shortly after
Huckleberry Knob



Trail Length: 1.2 Miles round trip
Difficulty: Easy
Average hike time: 45-60 min

CHEROHALA SKYWAY
Robbinsville - 21 miles ↑



NATIVE FLAME
AZALEAS

OVERLOOK

PRIVATE ROAD

PARKING

Graham County, North Carolina is home to a one-of-a-kind variety of native flame azalea. The Hooper Bald Flame Azaleas have blossoms that can be as wide as 3 and 1/2 inches with the colors of the blossoms ranging from a scarlet red to a brilliant orange to a lemon yellow. The Azalea Society of America has been nurturing these azaleas for over twenty years on the top of Hooper Bald. Traditionally, during the festival, experienced guides and azalea experts will be available to answer questions and lead visitors through winding paths bordered by multicolored flame azaleas, rain or shine.

- Please be sure to stay on the designated path
- Wear comfortable hiking shoes
- Be sure to bring water and snacks
- Don't forget your camera

