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Tail of the Dragon (Deals Gap) US129

This ride is among the most popular destination rides for motorcycles and sports cars in the United States. For many, the Tail of The Dragon begins at the west end of the Foothills Parkway on the western end of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. At the end of the Foothills Parkway you turn left left for a short 3.2 mile drive along beautiful Chilhowee Lake before you begin the eleven miles of the Dragon that features 318 unique curves in 11 miles. There are no buildings and very few turnoffs along the roadside, just the Great Smoky Mountain National Forest on the north side and a large natural wildlife area owned by Alcoa Aluminum on the south side.

While this tour can be beautiful, it can also be hazardous, especially in wet weather or in the fall when leaves are on the ground. Drive carefully! If you are prone to motion sickness you may want to skip this drive.

Travel time from Gatlinburg is about 1.5 hours depending on traffic.

SCENIC ROUTE (This is a beautiful drive partially along the Little River. Road which follows the beautiful Little River. There are many curves and scenic pull offs. Metcalf Bottoms is a great place to picnic on the way.

#	DIRECTIONS	DISTANCE
1.	Jackson Mtn. Homes, Left on US 321 to US-441	3.4
2.	Keep left on US 441 South to Little River Road	2.6 mi
3.	Turn right on Little River Road continue to Hwy 337 (To Townsend)	17.2 mi
4.	Turn right on Hwy-337, (becomes Hwy-321) to the Foothills Parkway	9.7 mi
5.	Turn left on Foothills Parkway to dead end at Hwy-129	16.8 mi
6.	Turn left on US 129 and drive east	3.1 mi
7.	The Tail of the Dragon is the next 11 miles of Hwy-129	

ALTERNATE ROUTE (Through Pigeon Forge)

#	DIRECTIONS	DISTANCE
1.	Jackson Mtn. Homes, Left on US 321 to US-441	3.4 mi
2.	Turn Right through Pigeon Forge to Traffic Light #3, Hwy-321	8.3 mi
3.	Turn left on Hwy-321 through Wears Valley to Townsend	17.2 mi
4.	Turn right on Hwy-321, to Foothills Parkway	6.3 mi
5.	Turn left on Foothills Parkway to dead end at Hwy-129	16.8 mi
6.	Turn left on US 129 and drive east	3.1 mi
7.	The Tail of the Dragon is the next 11 miles of Hwy-129	

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