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**WELCOME** 

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The Greystone Inn is pleased to welcome you as its guest for the next five days. We look forward to introducing you to the miles of our local trout waters and guiding you through the Western North Carolina Mountains that truly come alive during New England's frozen winter months and offer some of the best cold water fly fishing opportunities for Brook, Brown and Rainbow trout in the eastern half of the United States.

We are pleased to partner with Davidson River Outfitters, Headwaters Outfitters and Brookings Anglers to guide you along the dozens of rivers and streams including the Davidson River and the Tuckaseegee River, two of the most famous trout streams in the United States, as well as some Private Waters that drain off the eastern slopes of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Your Guides have intimate knowledge of the entire region and can help to present opportunities to fool a trout on dry fly, nymph and a streamer at various points throughout each day. Depending on the time of year and the daily conditions, your time on the water may start with the sunrise, end with the sunset or may be any time in between but our Guides will ensure unforgettable days of angling.

## Day One

Welcome the Greystone Inn. Your luggage will be delivered directly to your room and any fishing gear that you may have sent ahead will be waiting for you.

Depending on your arrival time, we would like to offer you an opportunity to meet with your Hosts and your Guides for an Introduction to Western North Carolina Fly Fishing including a presentation on the region and its seasons, appropriate gear, knot-tying, fly selection, casting techniques and proper fish handling including the necessity of catch-and-release. This is also the time to assess everyone's gear and ensure that the group will be properly equipped for their time on the water. Depending on the season, the water temperatures can be in the mid-30s and their air temps can be close to freezing so we will also make sure that everyone has appropriate clothing. Guests who have arranged in advance to be outfitted with gear or clothing through the Guides or the Greystone Inn can secure their equipment.

### 5pm

Intimate social gathering with your Hosts in the Mansion Bar to discuss the next day's schedule including your destination, weather, river conditions and safety considerations and river-specific fishing strategies and techniques. Dinner will follow in the Greystone Inn's Lakeside Dining Room.

## Day Two

#### 7am

Depending on your group's recommended start time, we will begin with breakfast in the Lakeside Dining room before departing for the day.

#### 8am

The Greystone Inn will bring you directly to the water to meet your Guides and will help to manage all of your gear. Depending on your arrival the previous day, there may also be time for instruction on knot tying, fly selection, and casting techniques before departure.

### 9am

Arrive at the river and prepare for your morning on the water including a gear and a safety check based on weather and conditions. There will be one Guide for every two Anglers so there will be every opportunity for instruction on water on the basics as well as more advanced casting, fly presentation and a refresher on landing techniques.

The Greystone will provide plenty of hot beverages and snacks throughout the day so please do not be afraid to pause to warm your fingers.

#### 12pm

Depending on the weather and conditions, your Guides will break and help present a lunch provided by the Greystone Inn, However, if the fish are active and everyone is warm, there is no need to break the action at any specific time.

### 4pm

With the sun settling towards the horizon and the afternoon temperatures likely dropping, the group will break from the water and return to the Inn. The exact break for the day will be determined by the group but generally will be based on the daylight, fishing conditions and the temperatures.

#### 5pm

Return to the Inn and recover from the day. Please keep in mind that the Greystone Inn has a full service Spa so an end-of-day massage can be worked into the schedule.

#### 6pm

Meet with your group and your Hosts over cocktails to recap the day and also to discuss plans for the next day on the water. Depending on the group, your Guides will offer a fly-tying workshop focusing on what worked for that day and how to modify the flies for the following day. Additionally, the fly-tiers can also discuss the subtle differences in well-known fly patterns between New England waters and North Carolina waters. Once again, dinner will follow in the Lakeside Dining Room.

# Day Three

#### 7am

Depending on your group's recommended start time, we will begin with breakfast in the Lakeside Dining room before departing for the day.

#### 8am

The Greystone Inn will once again bring you directly to the water and will help to manage all of your gear.

#### 9am

Arrive at the river and prepare for your morning on the water including a gear and a safety check based on weather and conditions. Since we will be fishing a different river, your Guides will offer a brief introduction to the new water including any differences in fishing strategies. Again, there will be one Guide for every two Anglers to help manage your day on the water.

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## 12pm

Depending on the weather and conditions, your Guides will break for lunch and help present a lunch provided by the Greystone Inn. Again, if the fish are active and everyone is warm, there is no need to break the action at any specific time.

### 4pm

The conditions will dictate the close of the day but as the group seeks warmth and perhaps another massage, your Guides will help break down your gear and return to the Greystone.

### 5pm

Return to the Inn and recover from the day - and perhaps a return to the Spa

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## Day Five

## 7am

### **Farewell**

Depending on departure times, we will again begin with breakfast in the Lakeside Dining Room. Once packed, your luggage will be brought from your room to be loaded into your car or into your transport to the airport. If you are shipping your gear directly to your home or if you are purchasing any additional items, we will help to secure everything and make the necessary arrangements.

If you are planning on leaving later in the day and wish to get back out on the water for a half-day, our Guides can return and take you to back out. Or, if your gear is otherwise packed away, we can offer you any necessary equipment and we can advise you on how to spend the morning on your own, either on the Lake or on a nearby river or stream.

Thank you for joining us at the Greystone Inn. We know that the Blue Ridge Mountains of Western North Carolina provide a sublime backdrop for a feeding trout and we hope that you were able to savor all of the currents and every seam, foam line, pool, riffle and slick. We hope that your experience was unforgettable and please know that we welcome your return to explore that next river bend to present your fly to that trout that you have yet to meet.

Tight Lines!!!