

Visit Tazewell County and the Pocahontas Exhibition Mine



From the Pocahontas Mine & Museum Brochure

- Designated as a national historic landmark.
- Virginia's official coal heritage museum.
- First mine in the Pocahontas coalfield.
- Opened in 1882.
- Spectacular 13 foot tall coal seam.
- Produced more than 44 million tons of coal.
- Coal produced would fill a train 6,000 miles long.
- World famous Pocahontas coal heated homes across America.
- Chosen fuel of the American Navy.

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The Pocahontas Exhibition Mine is a 20-minute drive from Bluefield over Route 102. In 1938, the “show” mine was opened. Visitors walk through the mine with a tour guide to view the coal formed 400,000,000 years ago and see the methods of mining used in the 1880s to the present day. The Exhibition Coal Mine site is part of the original Pocahontas Mine, which was the first mine opened in the world - the renowned Pocahontas Coal Field.

The original mine opened in 1882 and was worked out in 1955. During the 73 years of operation, 44,000,000 tons of coal were mined. The mine is the only one of its kind. It is the only exhibition coal mine designated as a National Historic Landmark. The mine and the adjacent Coal Heritage Museum, gift shop and learning center are open April through September.

Open April 15 - Sept. 30

Monday - Saturday: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Sunday: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Admission: Guided tour of the mine and educational center

\$7 adults

\$4.50 children ages 6-12

Children under 6: free

Prices and hours are subject to change.