Elk Springs Resort
Driving Directions

Resort Address:
Elk Springs Resort
1088 Powerdermill Road
Gatlinburg, TN 37738

Elk Springs Resort is conveniently located off highway 321 in Gatlinburg, TN and is within a 10 minute drive to both The Great Smoky Mountain National Park and Dollywood. For travelers driving from the North, West or East towards Gatlinburg, you can avoid the typically heavy traffic encountered on route 66 at exit 407 and through Pigeon Forge by exiting at exit 435 or 443 off interstate 40 and then traveling on highway 321 towards Gatlinburg.

The traffic on highway 66 from exit 407 to Gatlinburg can be very very heavy. We STRONGLY recommend that you bypass exit 407 and travel towards Asheville, NC and take exit 435 (highway 321) towards Gatlinburg. While the driving distance is about 25-30 miles further, you can save up to 1.5 to 2 hours in driving time and frustration by using this preferred route, especially during peak visitor times.

Elk Springs Resort offers an express check in, so there is not a check in office that you need to go to. We will call you the day of check in and provide you with an access code to get into your cabin. You should reply to your reservation confirmation email with your confirmation number and mobile phone number. We will call you when your cabin is ready. Our standard check in time is 3:00pm. Should you require a late check in, please let us know so we can prepare for your arrival.

Elk Springs is located at the edge of the Historic Arts and Crafts Community off Glades road.

Using a GPS? Many guests have had problems using MapQuest, Google Maps and/or their GPS when navigating to our property. As such, we recommend that guests navigate to the intersection of Glades Road and Highway 321 and then follow the directions to their cabin on your reservation confirmation that was emailed to you.

From Knoxville - Airport (TYS – McGhee Tyson):

1. Upon leaving the airport, follow the signs to Maryville / Townsend.
2. After one mile, the highway splits, stay left and follow the signs to Townsend / Smoky Mountains.(411 / 321 North)
3. Stay on 321 / 73 the whole way. After about 20-23 miles, there is a stop light off the main road, take a left (this is 321 North / 73). There will be a sign that says Gatlinburg / Pigeon Forge
4. Travel approximately 15 miles into to a busy street called "the parkway", there is a go-kart track across the street. Turn right, this is still 321 / 73.
5. Travel on the parkway thru the national park for about 8 miles, then you will start to come into Gatlinburg.
6. There will be a stop light, and you need to take a hard left on 321 (towards Pittman Center). If you pass the Hard Rock Cafe or the Ripley's Aquarium, then you have gone to far.
7. Travel 2.7 Miles to Glades Road.
8. Turn Left onto Glades Road and travel 1.5 miles.
9. Turn Left onto Powder Mill Road at the flashing yellow light.
10. Travel 3/4's of a mile and Elk Springs Resort will be on your Right. See Sign.

Approximate drive time from Knoxville Airport: 1 hours 20 minutes

From I-40 West, 75 South, or From Nashville:

1. Travel east on I-40 to I-140 East (Exit 376).
2. Travel 11.2 Miles to Exit 11a towards Alcoa (Airport Highway, US-129 South, Smoky Mountains)
3. Travel approximately 3 miles. The highway splits, stay left and follow the signs to Townsend / Smoky Mountains.(411 / 321 North)
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Approximate drive time from Exit 376, 1 hour 30 minutes.

From Virginia:

1. Take I-81 South to I -40 East towards Asheville, NC.
2. Exit 435 (Newport) and follow Hwy 321 South towards Gatlinburg – Travel Approximately 22-23 Miles.
3. Turn Right onto Glades Road and travel 1.5 miles.
4. Turn Left onto Powder Mill Road at the flashing yellow light.
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Approximate drive time from interstate: 45 minutes

From Asheville, NC:

1. Take I -40 West towards Knoxville, TN.
2. Exit 443 and follow Foothills Parkway to Hwy 321 South towards Gatlinburg – Travel approximately 22-23 Miles.
3. Turn Right onto Glades Road and travel 1.5 miles.
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