Greenville makes Top 10 destination list

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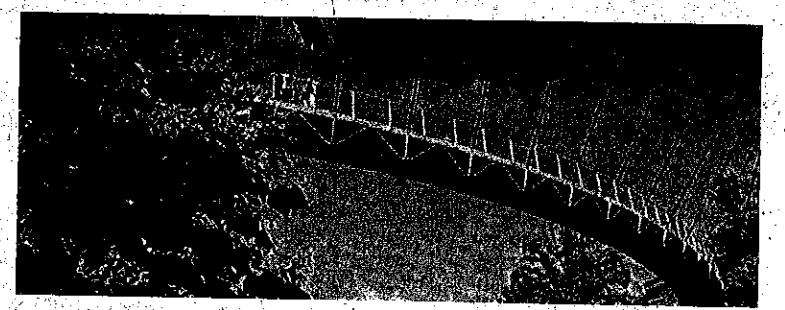
Another prestigious list, another Top 10 ranking for Greenville.

This time as No. 7 on Lonely Planet's "Best in the US" destinations for 2015.

Lonely Planet, publishing guidebooks since 1973, bills itself as the second most-visited English language travel media website in the world.

The list, now in its fifth year, is put together by the publication's U.S. staff, authors and contributors and is designed to point travelers to "urban and natural spots, popular and lesser known sites, and locations that have something significant happening in 2015."

The list cites familiar attributes that have brought Greenville national attention in recent years — Falls Park, Main Street, Heritage Green, Swamp Rabbit Trail, Blue Ridge Mountains.



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Falls Park and the Reedy River have helped garner national attention.

"The banks of the Reedy River were once lined with mills, textile factories, and warehouses," the authors wrote of Greenville. "Today, inviting trails and gardens greet visitors, leading off to a revitalized Main Street, with local shops, craft-beer pubs, and a global array of restaurants."

The works of Andrew Wyeth and Jasper Johns at the Greenville County Museum of Art are mentioned, along the scavenger hunt for the "Mice on Main" sculptures along Main Street.

Greenville's new B-Cycle bike share program is suggested to explore the Swamp Rabbit Trail.

The list points to six nearby state parks, including Table Rock and Caesar's Head, for day trips.

Topping the list is Queens, New York, citing for its reinvention as a hip and diverse borough of 2 million people long overshadowed by Manhattan.

THE TOP 10:

» Queens, NY
» Western South Dakota
» New Orleans
» Colorado River
» North Conway, New Hampshire
» Indianapolis
» Greenville
» Oakland
» Duluth, Minnesota
» Mount Shasta, California