

WEST VIRGINIA

THE ELKHORN INN & THEATRE

Dan and Elisse Clark's Elkhorn Inn & Theatre, in Landgraft, WV, is on some of the best ATV trails in the eastern US. One of the great things about McDowell County, where

Landgraft is located, is that you can ride your quad right from the Inn to trails throughout the county, as well as to the famed Hatfield-McCoy trails at Pinnacle Creek (Castlerock

Trailhead). The Indian Ridge Trails of the Hatfield-McCoy Trail System is set to open in McDowell County this spring, and that will add to the area's renowned ATVing.

The Inn has 13 guest rooms and can host individuals and groups of up to 28 people; room rates include Continental breakfast, and excellent lunches and dinners are offered as well. The Inn is featured in the new edition of West Virginia Off The Beaten Path, and Dan's award-winning recipes are in this year's Great Country Inns of America Cookbook. "Chef Dan" was showcased on Good Morning West Virginia on the Fox Network and on ABC News in February.

The Clarks saved and restored the last surviving "Coal Heritage Trail" building in Landgraft after floods devastated the area in 2001 and 2002, and opened their home, the former Empire Coal & Coke Company "Miner's Clubhouse" (a.k.a. "Dan & Elisse's Really Big House"), as the Elkhorn Inn and Theatre in 2003. The Inn has WiFi--so you can bring your laptop--a gift shop/museum room and art studio, a balcony, patio café and fireplace, antique claw-foot bathtubs and a bathroom with two tubs (just like in the movie Maverick!), vintage, handmade quilts, signature toiletries, antiques and art. It's not what you would expect to find in the rural wilderness, but there it is!

All guest rooms have air conditioning and heat, and the Inn has satellite TV/VCR/DVD, as well as books and games. Kids are welcome, as are pets (by advance arrangement; there's a pet cleaning fee), and the Inn hosts

