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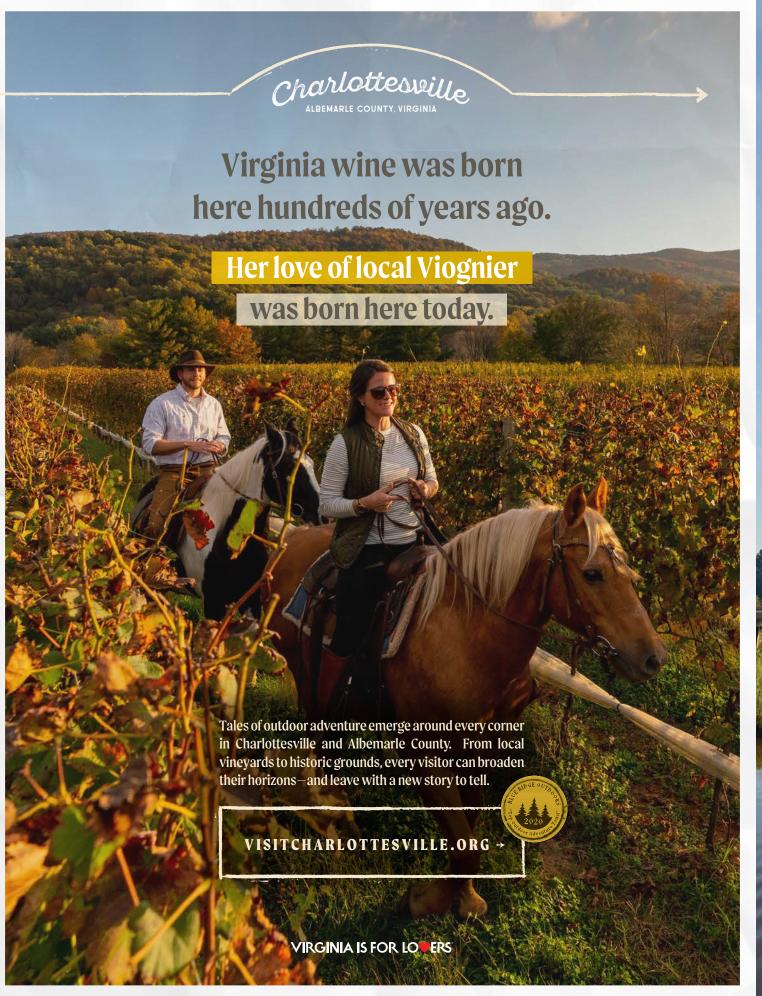


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The health of our residents and visitors is our top priority. From enhanced cleaning protocols to socially distanced layouts, businesses around the state are prepared to safely welcome you to Virginia.

For the latest travel information and safety guidelines, please visit virginia.org/covid19



## A vacation in Virginia is about reconnecting with what you love - and making memories that will last a lifetime.

While travel may look different right now, the love of travel is still strong in Virginia. Whether you take an eastern route to Virginia's pristine beaches or traverse the scenic curves of storied mountains, a trip through the Commonwealth is a perfect way to vacation safely with your loved ones.

We hope the stories and photos featured in this guide will inspire you to take an adventure in Virginia when you're ready to travel.

Virginia's outdoor recreational opportunities are accessible and unforgettable. We're home to 41 state parks and 22 national parks, including national wildlife refuges, national scenic trails and national historic parks. We also have more miles of the Appalachian Trail than any other state -544 miles, more than one-fourth of the 2,175-mile footpath.

Love can be found in every corner of the Commonwealth at more than 250 life-sized LOVE signs. These "LOVEworks" are special places for both locals and visitors, who often choose them as

backdrops for engagements and family photos and inspiration for road trips and bucket lists.

You can also immerse yourself in Virginia's history by visiting our hundreds of historic sites that date back to the first permanent English settlement at Jamestown and cover every important period of American history. And while Virginia has had a complex and often painful past, the historic sites and attractions enhance the educational experience.

We hope you will enjoy all that the Commonwealth has to offer while staying safe and healthy. Whether you're hiking one of our many trails, sipping wine overlooking mountain views, or taking the scenic route along the Blue Ridge Parkway, we can't wait for you to discover for yourself why Virginia is for Lovers.



Sincerely,

Ralph and Pam Northam GOVERNOR AND FIRST LADY, COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

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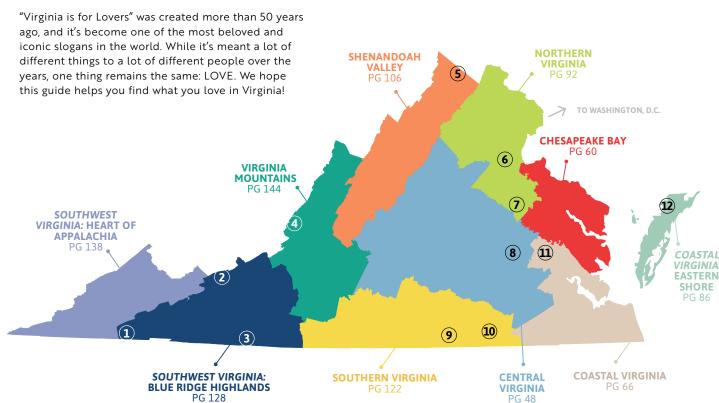
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2. Rocky Gap: I-77 S, Mile Marker 61 276-928-1873

3. Lambsburg: I-77 N, Mile Marker O 276-755-3931

#### **VIRGINIA MOUNTAINS**

4. Covington: I-64 E, Mile Marker 2 540-559-3010

#### **SHENANDOAH VALLEY**

5. Clear Brook: I-81 S, Mile Marker 320 540-722-3448

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7. Northern Virginia Gateway, Caroline: I-95 N. Mile Marker 107 804-448-3980

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10. Skippers: I-95 N. Mile Marker 0 434-634-4113

#### **COASTAL VIRGINIA**

11. East Coast Gateway, New Kent: I-64 E, Mile Marker 213 804-966-7450

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12. New Church: U.S. 13, 3420 Lankford Hwy 757-824-5000

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# FORTHE AGE AGE AT LAST

## FOR 16 STRAIGHT WEEKS IN THE SUMMER OF 2020,

the top-ranked destination in the country\* for travelers wasn't New York City, nor Orlando, nor Las Vegas, it was right here in the Old Dominion in Norfolk-Virginia Beach. As the pandemic's unprecedented disruption to travel plans the world over began to become evident, so too did the first-time-ever pairing of the culture and character of Norfolk with the surf and sand of Virginia Beach into a safe and satisfying vacation offering for visitors looking for an escape.

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# YOU WOULD BE HARD-PRESSED TO FIND ANOTHER DESTINATION THAT OFFERS SO MANY COMPLEMENTARY ATTRIBUTES IN SUCH CLOSE PROXIMITY. WE ARE DEFINITELY BETTER TOGETHER.

- Kurt Krause, President and CEO, Visit Norfolk While impressive apart, combined, the destination's 182 miles of shoreline, four unique beaches, 20+ breweries and distilleries, hundreds of independent dining experiences, 128 hotels, dozens of museums, nearly 300 bike trails, myriad of shopping options, aquarium, and zoo, make for a getaway few other markets can match.

And while COVID-19 hopefully begins to wane, this partnership isn't going anywhere.

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# TOGETHER, NORFOLK AND VIRGINIA BEACH TRULY HAVE SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE! WE ARE UNITED IN OUR COMMITMENT TO ENSURING YOUR NEXT VISIT IS A SAFE, UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE.

- Lauren Townsend, Director of Marketing, Visit Virginia Beach

Take a stroll down one of America's Top 10 favorite boardwalks\*\*, or trace the trail of brave souls en route to their freedom on the Underground Railroad, watch the walls come alive with color, charm, and creativity in the NEON and ViBe districts, or sample the soul, seafood, spirits and more at the region's many eateries; snag a fly ball at Harbor Park (home of the Norfolk Tides), or freefall yourself at iFly at the Beach. Their just launched digital discount application available at visitnorfolkvabeach.com makes saving simple while you experience everything both cities have to offer.

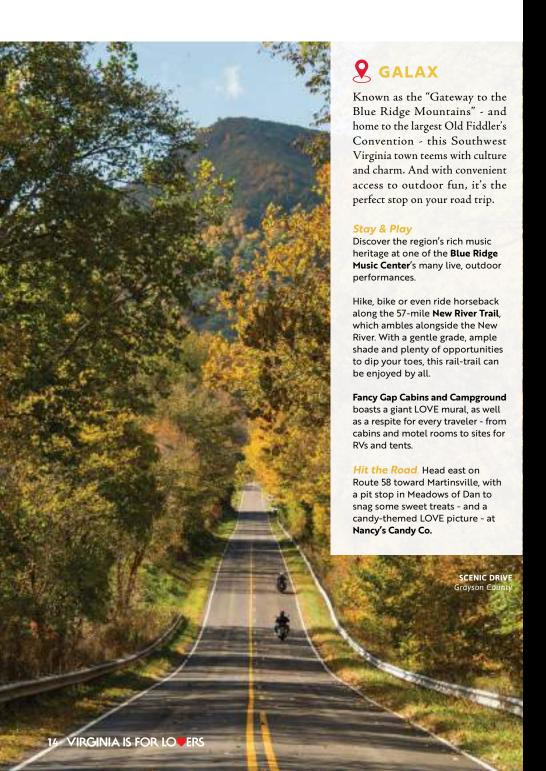
These days, we could all use a little togetherness. So bring a friend, bring the family, or bring your favorite to Norfolk-Virginia Beach.





# SMALL TOWN

U.S. Route 58 stretches west to east across southern Virginia, from Cumberland Gap to Virginia Beach, meandering through scenic stretches and picturesque towns, and blending natural beauty with culture and history along the way.



#### MARTINSVILLE

Martinsville may be best known for its heart-pounding NASCAR races, but even those looking to downshift will find plenty of ways to enjoy this friendly southern town.

**Stay & Play**Grab a few reads for the road at Books and Crannies, a cozy independent bookstore in Uptown.

Families will love discovering exhibits that span from dinosaurs to volcanoes at the Virginia Museum of Natural History.

The pristine, craftsmen-style Starling Place sleeps up to nine guests (and a pet!) right in the heart of downtown.

Hit the Road. Hop back on Route 58 east, stopping in Danville to stretch your legs on the Riverwalk Trail and fill up on tacos at Mucho Taqueria.



#### **CLARKSVILLE**

Located on Buggs Island Lake (aka: Kerr Reservoir), "Virginia's only lakeside town" offers both a quaint downtown and access to the best of the area's outdoor recreation, from fishing and watersports to shoreline trails.

Stay & Play Stretch your legs with a stroll along Virginia Avenue to browse local artwork, home decor and a selection of gourmet foods and

Enjoy a meal - and stay the night at Cooper's Landing Inn & Traveler's **Tavern**, a historic home renovated into a beautiful restaurant and inn.

Venture to Occoneechee State Park to park your RV, pitch your tent or cozy up in one of 13 cabins for an overnight stay.

# RIVERSIDE

Discover a unique blend of U.S. history, waterfront beauty and maritime culture as you follow the Rappahannock River from Northern Virginia to The River Realm.

#### **P** FREDERICKSBURG

History around every corner (literally). Amazing local fare. And did someone say retail therapy? Find it all in quaint Fredericksburg, just an hour south of D.C.

#### Stay & Play

Plan a few stops along the Trail to Freedom, which traces the routes of more than 10,000 freedom seekers that passed through the area by mid-September 1862.

Enjoy an al fresco meal at Brock's Riverside Grill, where the patio overlooks the Rappahannock River.

Wander along Caroline Street, exploring art galleries, dozens of boutique shops and some of the best dining in the area.



#### **MUSICAL JOURNEY**

Explore Southwest Virginia's role in the evolution of Bluegrass and Traditional Mountain Music along The Crooked Road: Virginia's Heritage Music Trail. Running from Franklin County (yes, the "Moonshine Capital of the World") all the way to Breaks Interstate Park on the Virginia-Kentucky border, its 300 miles connect 60 cultural music venues with artisan shops, outdoor attractions and historic sites.



#### Hit the Road. Head south on Route 17 toward Virginia's River Realm, stopping at NN Burger to satiate your hunger and your Instagram feed with drool-worthy burgers and the state's largest LOVE mural. From there, cross the river on Route 360 east to connect to Route 3 east through the Northern Neck.

#### **RILMARNOCK**

The Northern Neck's commercial hub, this charming town will greet you with a beautifully renovated Main Street that houses boutique shops and local restaurants, with nods to the region's history.

#### Stay & Play

Go on a scavenger hunt for the iconic boots of Watermen's Way, a public art project honoring the area's heritage.



#### **THRILLING RIDE**

Spanning 32 miles across three mountains, the Back of the Dragon's 400 curves and epic views are a rider's dream. This stretch of Route 16 between Tazewell and Marion is a favorite during fall foliage season, but you can become a "Dragon Master" any time of the year, stopping at the new Welcome Center to kick back and swap stories of the road.

"Sip" back and relax on the outdoor pavilion while taking in vineyard views at Good Luck Cellars.

Just a half-block from Main Street, the Kilmarnock Inn is your home away from home, with Victorian beauty, a serene courtyard and a deck made for friends.

Hit the Road. Continue along Route 3 east, taking the bridge across the Rappahannock River to the Middle Peninsula. Grab a waterside lunch at Merroir, an "oyster tasting room" known for their crab cakes and oysters, sourced fresh from the Chesapeake Bay.

#### **Q** DELTAVILLE

Bounded by the Chesapeake Bay, the Rappahannock River and the Piankatank River - and boasting more than 25 marinas - the "Boating Capital of the Chesapeake Bay" is the perfect launch pad for maritime adventure.

#### Stay & Play

Get out on the water with a boat charter or pontoon rental from Norton Yachts. New to sailing? Their sailing school will show you the

Explore from land at Holly Point Nature Park, meandering along their waterfront trail dotted with wildlife sculptures and benches to stop and take it all in.

The Deltaville Maritime Museum is a must-visit to learn about the history and culture of the region and its watermen.



Travelers are familiar with Interstates 81 and 64, but natural wonders and hidden gems beg to be discovered along quieter roads as you traverse the Shenandoah Valley and head into Virginia's mountains.



#### **WINCHESTER**

At the north end of the Shenandoah Valley, Winchester is both a hub for outdoor adventure as well as a historic town with local flair, anchored by Old Town's vibrant pedestrian mall of boutique shops, patio dining and live performances.

Stay & Play Marker-Miller Orchards Farm Market is just one of many orchards in this "Apple Capital", offering an abundance of fresh produce and family fun.

With 3,000 acres, 100 campsites and three spring-fed lakes, the pet-friendly Cove Campground is a mecca for swimming, fishing, hiking, mountain biking, caving and more.

Hike the lesser-known Tuscarora Trail to the Eagle Rock Overlook for the best views of the Great North Mountain range. Avid hikers enjoy the 7.2-mile out-and-back route from U.S. 48/55, while families often opt for the 2.1-mile trail from Dry

Hit the Road. Parallel I-81 on the quieter Route II, the historic Wilderness Road that was once a natural thoroughfare for migrating bison, Native American hunters and settlers striking out for the western frontier. Stop for an appropriately themed snack at the Route 11 Potato Chips Factory and Visitor Center in Mount Jackson.



#### **LEXINGTON**

This historic college town is anything but sleepy. A bustling downtown welcomes you with local restaurants, galleries and boutiques, while natural wonders abound nearby.



#### Stay & Play

Follow the Maury River on bike or foot along the Chessie Nature Trail, a rail-trail that connects Lexington and Buena

Celebrate a day of adventure by pairing mountain views with a crisp brew and a jumbo pretzel on the patio at **Devils Backbone Outpost Tap Room** & Kitchen.

The majestic Natural Bridge towers 215 feet over the creek that carved it. Continue along the Cedar Creek Trail to discover bonus gems: the reconstructed Monacan Village and the cascading Lace Falls.

Hit the Road. Forego I-64 for the more scenic route, following Route 39 west to Warm Springs with a stop at Goshen Pass - and connecting to U.S. 220 south to Falling Spring Falls.

#### **?** COVINGTON

Surrounded by the George Washington and Jefferson National Forests, Covington offers a taste of small-town life along the banks of the Jackson River and is a great jumping off point for fresh-air fun.

#### Stay & Play

Double down on your LOVEwork bucket list by checking off two - in downtown Covington and at the iconic Humpback Bridge.

Call up Alleghany Outdoors for a kayak or tube trip on the Jackson River. They even offer bike trips for those who prefer dry land.

Enjoy a sandy beach with mountain views at Lake Moomaw, which offers two options for this rare combo: Coles Point on the southern end and Bolar Mountain Campground to the north.

If these itineraries have you itching to hit the road, head to virginia.org/wanderlove for even more trip ideas!





Have you ever been to a place that just felt like home, even though you've never been before? That's the magic of Middleburg. You'll feel our authentic sense of community from the moment you pass into our town, where gracious avenues, inviting storefronts and hospitable residents welcome you with open arms. Not sure what to do when you get here? Just ask a friendly local. If we do say so ourselves, we're your best tour guides.



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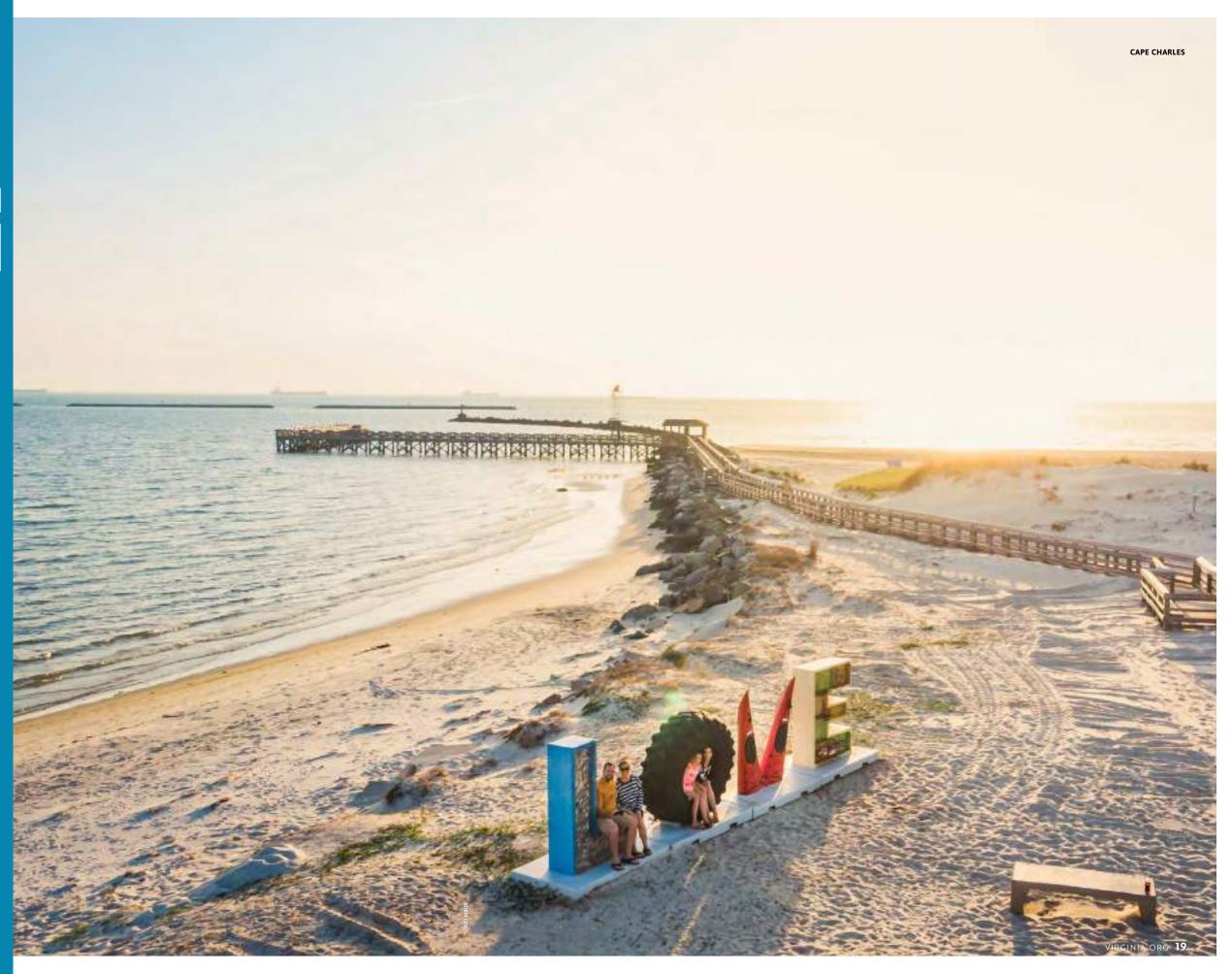
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BY SAMANTHA NELSON

imply put, LOVEworks are the heartbeat of Virginia – put on display for all to see. With "love" from the state's slogan "Virginia is for Lovers," and "works" like distinctive works of art, these giant LOVE signs uniquely represent the communities in which they're found. And with more than 200 LOVEworks to be discovered throughout the Commonwealth, we're challenging you to spot as many as you can while traveling.

To get you started, here are six LOVEwork Expeditions that pair hearty family adventures with prime LOVEworks spotting. Best of all, these experiences promise incredible sights throughout Virginia and priceless family memories.













## ALPACAS & WATERSPORTS Smith Mountain Lake

Sneak away to the Blue Ridge Mountains to discover a wealth of opportunities for charming family adventure. First, visit the nation's largest agritourism facility for alpaca education: Smith Mountain Lake Alpaca Farm. It's not a petting zoo, but it will provide up-close experiences (feeding alpacas!), as well as engaging, hands-on learning activities for the entire family. After that, rent a pontoon boat from Bridgewater Marina & Boat Rentals and explore the crystal waters of Smith Mountain Lake. You can even dock your boat for lunch at a variety of waterfront marina restaurants.

**LOVE Hunt:** Can you locate the decorative LOVEwork at the alpaca farm? How many activities can you find in the new LOVEwork mural at the Smith Mountain Lake Visitor Center?

## ZIPLINES & WILDLIFE Breaks Interstate Park

Encompassing the "Grand Canyon of the South" – a 5-mile gorge that plunges 1,650 feet! – this park affords all visitors endless adventure and spectacular views. Rent a private cabin or yurt, or book a restful getaway at the park's lodge. Whatever you choose, don't skip the ziplining! The entire family can experience a safe but thrilling adrenaline rush of soaring over the Russell Fork gorge from incredible heights. The views are unforgettable. Don't miss the seasonal elk watching tour, too.

LOVE Hunt: Look closely as you enter Breaks Interstate Park. There is an intricately painted LOVEwork depicting all the adventures you can find while visiting this location.

# DINOSAUR TRAIL & ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS Virginia Living Museum

This impressive living museum is appropriate for travelers ages one to 100! From touch tanks filled with sea stars and horseshoe crabs to life-sized dinosaurs and a delicate butterfly garden, the opportunities for experiential learning abound. There are few other places that can feature so much of Virginia's natural wonders and wildlife all in one location.

LOVE Hunt: There are two LOVEworks nearby. One is located at the museum. The other is in nearby City Center at Oyster Point and has an extra set of letters after the L-O-V-E. Stop by to discover what they are!

# FRESH AIR & WILD PONIES Chincoteague Pony Swim

Set your sights on Virginia's Eastern Shore and visit Chincoteague and Assateague Islands. Not only will you be able to tour the Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge with more than 14,000 acres of beaches, sand dunes and maritime forests, but you can also catch a glimpse of the famous wild ponies. Time your visit just right and you'll be able to see the annual pony swim, a tradition dating back to the 1700s. Other nearby activities great for families include Maui Jack's Waterpark and the Assateague Lighthouse.

**LOVE Hunt:** Commemorate your trip with a family picture on the LOVEwork made of giant Adirondack chairs!

# Mt. Vernon or Historic Jamestowne

Experiential learning is one of the fastest ways to stimulate curiosity in little minds. So, a visit to either of these spots is a great way to make history come alive! Tour George Washington's home at Mount Vernon or visit Historic Jamestowne, the original site of America's very first settlement. Let Virginia transform your family of history learners into history lovers.

LOVE Hunt: Drive 16 minutes from Mount Vernon to spot the LOVEwork at the Workhouse Arts Center. Painted by artist Marlon Diggs, "Marly McFly," this LOVEwork represents the area's melting pot of culture. If you are near Historic Jamestowne, don't miss the 8-foot-tall steel LOVEwork at Quirks of Art.

# EVERYTHING BUT THE KITCHEN SINK Massanutten Resort

Want to experience an indoor/outdoor waterpark, ziplining, mountain biking and golfing all in one spot? Massanutten Resort is known for being a hotspot for family adventure with all sorts of activities, including skiing and snow tubing, as well as year-round fun. Located just two hours from the nation's capital, it's the perfect combo of thrills and learning, with can't-miss sights like White Oak Lavender Farm just a short drive away.

LOVE Hunt: When you're at the resort, you literally can't miss the gigantic LOVEwork sign, which stands at 11 feet tall and 35 feet wide and is made of wood and grapevines from around the resort. Strike a pose and snap a picture when you find it.





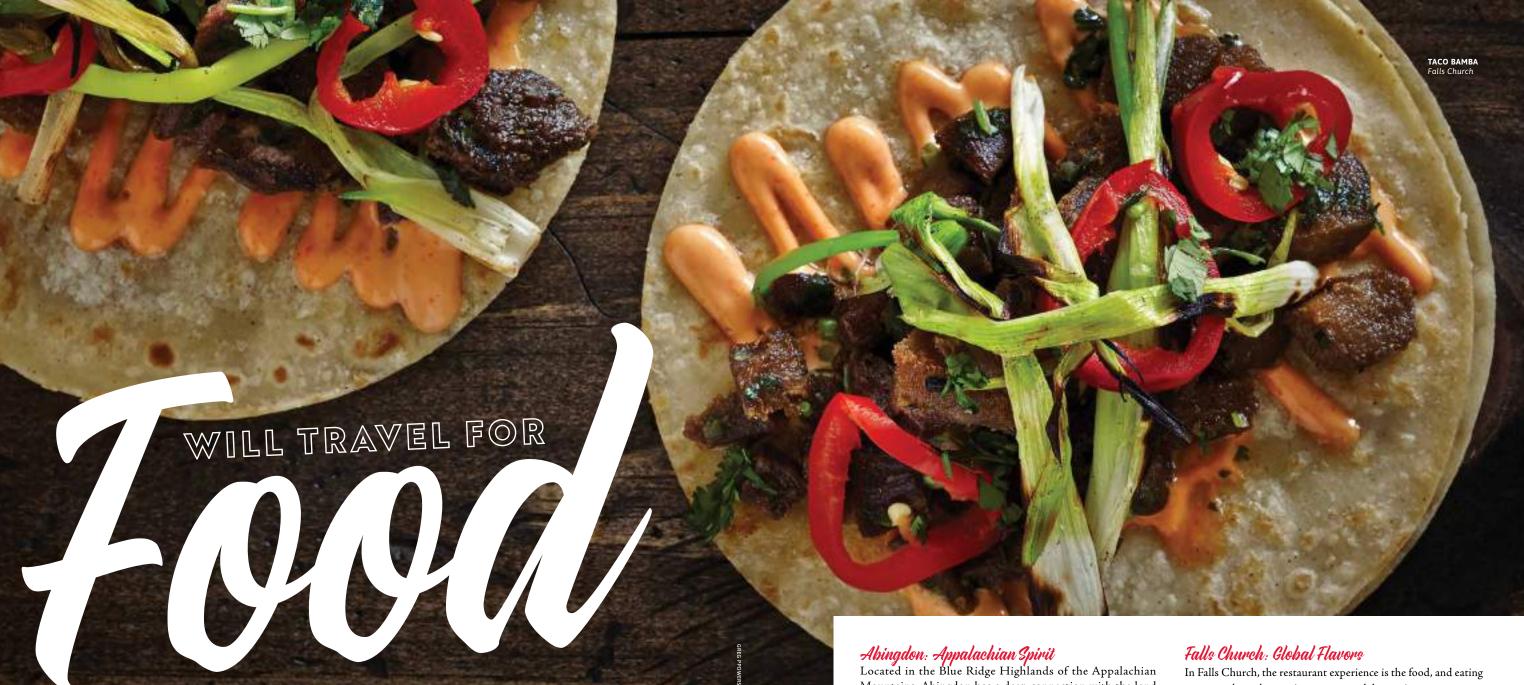






Did you find all the LOVEworks?
Be sure to snap and share with fellow LOVE seekers using #LOVEVA.

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#### BY LAYLA KHOURY-HANOLD THESE FIVE CITIES ARE DINING DESTINATIONS FOR BEST-IN-CLASS EATS.

irginia's food scene reflects the rich agricultural history that generations of farmers and artisans have preserved, as well as the vibrant and diverse cultures of those who have made these food hubs home. What makes dining in the Commonwealth so exciting is the way that restaurants are doubling down on these foodways and interpreting them in dishes both modern and traditional, giving Virginia towns distinct dining calling cards. From Pakistani-Appalachian food truck fare to Southern comfort classics, these five delicious destinations are worth the trip.

Mountains, Abingdon has a deep connection with the land with its agricultural history and the Creeper Trail's outdoor recreation. The laid-back mountain town's creative spirit is anchored by downtown's historic Barter Theatre and reflected in Appalachian foodways, in which seasonal, resourceful cooking is echoed on local restaurant menus.

**Abingdon Farmers** Market: Robust year-round market with produce and provisions from local farmers and purveyors.

#### White Birch Kitchen & Juice Bar: Vibrant juice bar

and café serving locally sourced, scratch-made breakfast and lunch on historic Main Street.

Snow's Fine Meats & Provisions: Whole animal butcher shop offering custom cuts and pantry provisions, plus butchery and cooking classes.

#### Sarah Jean's Eatery: The Pakalachian: Food truck blending its

A casual spot for clever spins on homey Southern and Appalachian co-owners' Southwestern Virginia and Pakistani heritages.

Harvest Table:

farm-to-table

plates.

Casually elegant

restaurant where

heirloom crops are

the star of seasonal

your way through town is a gustatory, globetrotting extravaganza. You can find a stellar bowl of Vietnamese pho as easily as Peruvian rotisserie chicken, reflecting the diverse cultures and vibrant cuisines of the people who call Falls Church home. Hidden gems include the best sushi in town unassumingly located next to a carpet cleaning service and sitting across the street from a Lebanese halal butcher shop.

Taco Bamba: Logicdefying tacos from Falls Church native chef Victor Albisu.

Padaek: A Lao and Thai restaurant at Seven Corners Center showcasing unabashedly spicy, bright and funky

#### **Eden Center:** Vietnamese shopping center chockful of restaurants. Hit up Huong Viet Restaurant, Rice

Paper or Hai Dong.

Four Sisters: Stalwart familyowned Vietnamese restaurant lauded for its crispy spring rolls

#### **Peking Gourmet** Inn: Local institution specializing in Peking duck, carved tableside. Dumplings are topnotch, too.

Takumi: Intimate yet unpretentious sushi bar serving some of the most pristine fish in the D.C. area.

#### Cape Charles: Spectacular Seafood

Thanks to a resurgence in local aquaculture and tourism, Cape Charles is experiencing a renaissance. The secret to the flourishing seafood scene—including local oysters, clams, crabs and fish—is the area's pristine water quality. While shucking houses dotting the landscape once shucked oysters for mass consumption, now it's all about craft oysters, each of which reflect their unique merroir, or marine environment.



John Park describes himself as a food evangelist. The Roanoke-based financial planner is passionate about restaurants: dining at them, forging relationships with chefs and purveyors and chronicling his eating adventures on Instagram as @hungryasianrke, which led to his food photography side gig. He and his wife, Sharon, frequently plan trips across the state with food in mind. John shares some of his most memorable bites, from hidden gem pastries on the Eastern Shore to hometown sandwich hits.

#### JOHN'S TOP 5

Croissant at Amarin, Chincoteague Island Baked fresh daily with a perfectly crisp exterior and a soft, warm interior. Pair it with a house coffee, sourced

from the owners' family farm in Vietnam.

BLT Taco at Pico Taqueria, Chincoteague Island This beachy taco shack has excellent seafood tacos

- but don't sleep on the BLT taco with house-made bacon if it's on special. Pair with cilantro lime rice and Fastern Shore street corn

Sorghum Crepes at Commune, Virginia Beach Everything at this daytime spot is beautifully presented; try the cornmeal waffles or sorghum crepes. The sourdough croissants are amazing, too.

#### Bánh mì at Viet Sub, Roanoke

This is a go-to weekend lunch spot for me. Get the "traditional" with ham, chicken liver pâté and all the fixings, all piled onto house-baked bread.

#### Pastrami at ZZQ, Richmond

The pastrami, beef ribs and house-made sausages are outstanding. Bring a friend and share a couple platters

#### Island House Restaurant: Fine dining seafood

spot overlooking the picturesque Wachapreague Harbor.

The Shanty: A local favorite for steamed seafood in Cape Charles Harbor.

#### Tim's Place: Local institution with a decades-long reputation for seafood baskets and fried chicken.

The Oyster Farm Seafood Eatery at Kings Creek: Upscale seafood eatery with al fresco dining and sunset views of the Chesapeake shore. Its raw bar earned it a spot on the Virginia Oyster Trail

Hook@Harvey: Formerly the Hook-U-Up Gourmet, this modern bistro serves up marina views and seasonal seafood-inspired

Pearl Market: A curated shop for local seafood provisions and artisanal

#### Charlottesville: Wine-To-Table

Charlottesville's burgeoning restaurant scene reflects the widespread support for eateries that champion local sourcing, including wine. Restaurateurs' appreciation for the diversity of the Monticello Viticultural Area's terroir has steadily grown. You'll find Virginia staples such as Cabernet Franc and Viognier, but also lesserknown varietals such as Petit Verdot, a full-bodied red with dark fruit flavors, or Petit Manseng, an aromatic dry white wine. Whether paired with Southerninflected tapas or classic French cuisine, Charlottesville's viticulture makes it a wine-to-table foodie paradise.

Oakhart Social: Midtown neighborhood gem with a laid-back vibe and eclectic menu

Little Star: Tapas-jointmeets-wine-bar with a dose of whimsy.

The Local: Cozy Belmont eatery with a lovely patio, winning modern American menu and more than 50 Virginia wines on its 300-label list.

Fleurie: Polished French restaurant with a localleaning wine list on the historic Downtown Mall.

Public Fish & Oyster: Chic seafood restaurant with a stellar raw bar.

#### Roanoke: Southern Comfort

With over 1,000 miles of trails for biking, hiking and climbing, plus sweeping mountain views along the Blue Ridge Parkway, Roanoke is an outdoor lovers' paradise. The Star City's culinary scene shines bright thanks to classic and contemporary restaurants dishing out Southern comfort food. Roanoke's culinary heritage can be traced back to downtown's Roanoke City Market, where farmers and vendors have sold fresh produce, flowers, baked goods and artisanal wares since 1882. From biscuits to barbecue, cornbread to cheese slaw, it's all guaranteed to be served with a hearty helping of Southern hospitality.

The Roanoker: Iconic spot known for down-home breakfasts such as country ham with red eye gravy.

#### **Scratch Biscuit Company:**

Casual counter-service spot known for fluffy, buttery biscuits and clever sandwiches.

#### Mama Jean's Barbecue:

Air-stream-trailer-turnedfood-truck known for its pulled pork, braised Virginia beef brisket and special smoked cheeseburger.

Blue Cow Ice Cream Co.: Small-batch scoop shop near the Roanoke River

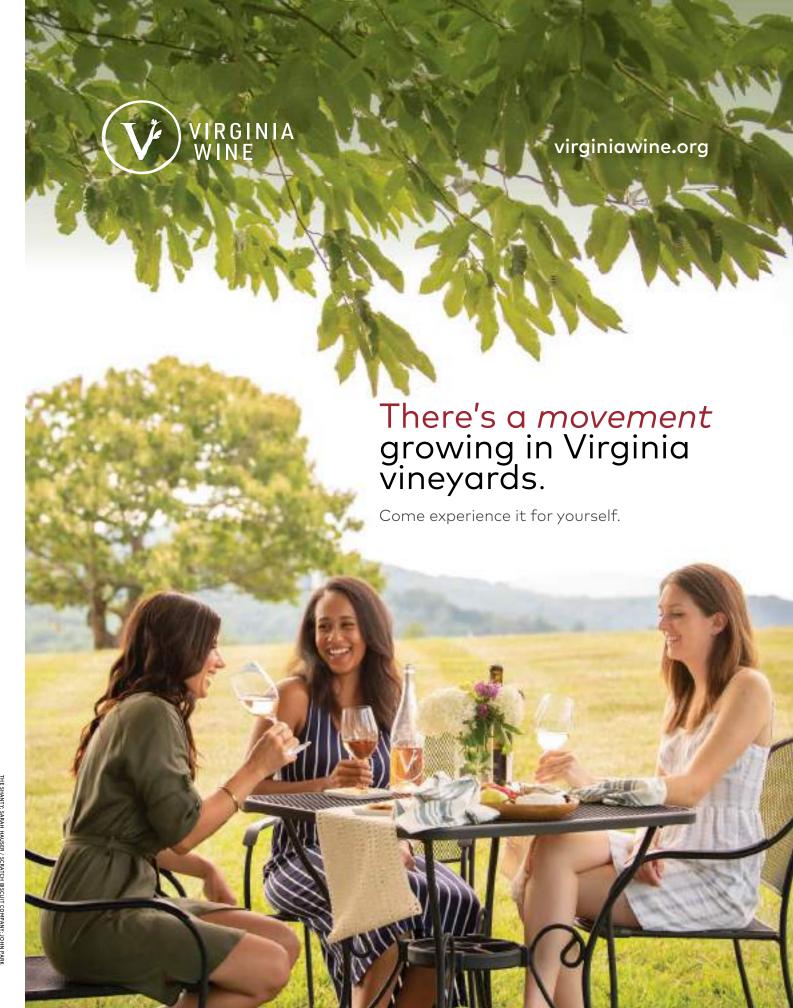


Greenway. Try the banana pudding, or signatures like goat cheese and blueberry

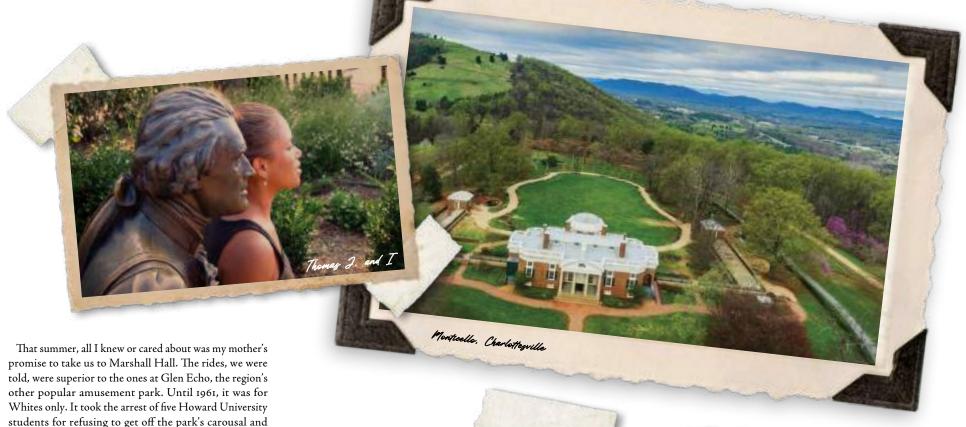
**Lucky:** Cozy downtown spot with warm service, ace cocktails and Southern fare with global flair.

River & Rail: Casual-cool spot for elevated seasonal comfort food and choice

**Crystal Spring Grocery:** Gourmet grab-and-go and casual café. 💙







students for refusing to get off the park's carousal and the protests that followed to desegregate Glen Echo. Marshall Hall had a similar history, but I would not learn about the brave people who paved the way for my summer adventure until I was an adult.



The day we sailed across the Potomac was full of sunshine and anticipation as the Wilson Line left D.C.'s wharf and headed toward Maryland. After a journey that seemed like an eternity (but was probably less than an hour), we approached the bank. I stood on the boat's deck, my heart pounding as we drew closer and park's view grew larger.

But we never got to Marshall Hall that day. Nature called Michelle just as we were about to disembark. By the time we made it to the gangway, the boat was pulling away. With tears rolling down my cheeks, I watched my dream fade into the distance.

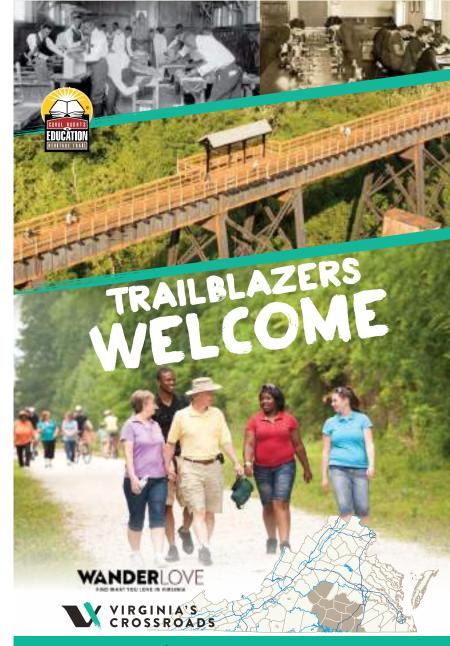
Never mind, Mom said, we'll take the ferry to Mount Vernon instead. George Washington's home was almost directly across the river from Marshall Hall, and while visiting the first president's estate was not my idea of fun, I accepted my fate.

But once we crossed Mount Vernon's threshold, I was enthralled. Walking through the rooms that had been Washington's, I learned about his life and his America. I explored the dining room where he took his meals and the bedroom where he slept. What I did not see in 1967 was evidence of the 317 enslaved people owned by Washington and his wife Martha.

It was the same story at Jamestown where in 1619, "20 and odd" kidnapped Africans arrived at the English settlement, the first enslaved Blacks in what would become the United States of America. In 1967, at Thomas Jefferson's Monticello, there was no indication that the principal author of the Declaration of Independence owned 607 men, women and children throughout his life. For generations, African American history was not considered part of Virginia's sacred past.

But over the years, the spirit of evolution brought change to the Commonwealth. From house museums like Monticello and Montpelier, to locations such as Colonial Williamsburg and Point Comfort (now Fort Monroe in Hampton), the stories of the enslaved are an integral part of the visitor experience.

For me, the stories shared at Virginia's venerated historical sites are personal because they also tell the history of my family. Not only am I descended from enslaved people from throughout central Virginia, but I am also related to those who enslaved them - most famously, Thomas Jefferson.



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A domestic who could not read, write or even spell her own name, she left little behind aside from a conviction that her nieces and nephews were descended from the third president of the United States. "You're descended from Thomas Jefferson. I'm not, but you are," she would say.

It was easy to doubt Aunt Peachie. Back then, people did not discuss Jefferson's connection to Sally Hemings, the enslaved woman who bore six of his children. However, after decades of research, I would discover that Aunt Peachie was telling the truth. Oral history, fragmented documents and DNA testing confirm that my family is in fact descended from Jefferson, though not through his connection with Hemings.

In an extraordinary discovery, I uncovered that I am descended from one of Jefferson's great-great-grandsons who had a relationship with my great-grandmother, a niece of Sally Hemings. Named after her aunt, she was the daughter of enslaved Monticello cook and brewer, Peter Hemings, one of Sally's older brothers.

My family's history, like America's, is confounding and complex. Untangling the past is one reason

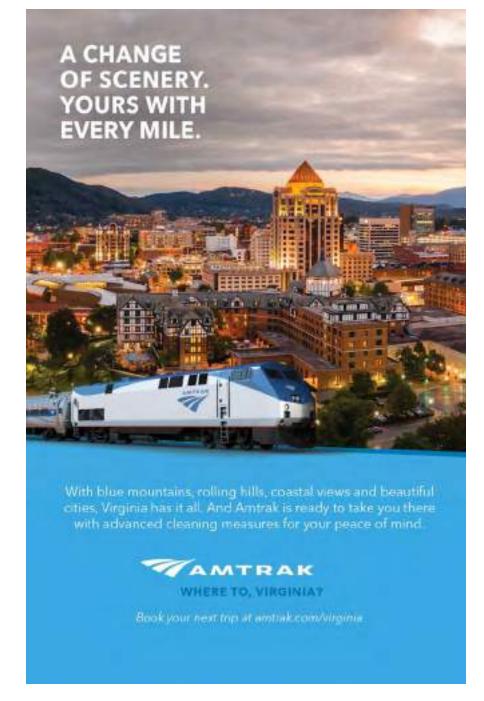


Virginia is rich with links to our past, from Colonial-era historic sites in Jamestown and Williamsburg to presidential homes (Virginia, known as the "mother of presidents," has eight), to Civil War sites such as Appomattox Court House, Civil Rights points like the Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail™, and museums such as the Black History & Cultural Center of Virginia.

visiting Virginia's historical sites is essential. Places like Monticello tell an honest American story, with all of its contradictions, complexities, failures and triumphs. Understanding our history will help us build a better, more inclusive future.

I could not have imagined when I was a curious 10-year-old exploring

Mount Vernon, the home of America's first president, that I would one day work at the home of the third American president, Thomas Jefferson. I could not have foreseen that I would give voice to the people he enslaved, including my own family. I could not have envisioned that what started as a disappointment would result in such a gratifying ending.





Want to pair a waterfall hike with a visit to a winery? **DuCard Vineyards** is located in the shadow of Shenandoah National Park near the wild waterfalls of Shenandoah's Whiteoak Canyon. DuCard Vineyards sets the standard for green wineries. This leading producer of organic wine uses

cutting edge biodynamic procedures (utilizing the land's natural qualities with minimal inputs and a long term approach to conserving the land and environment). DuCard Vineyards simply wants to be a good steward of the land when they compost grape waste byproducts and

filter wastewater through a wetland of their own creation, among other practices. Be sure to visit the tasting bar, enjoying vineyard samples plus new release wines. Up your game with a wine flight combined with tasty platters of locally made gourmet cheese or a homemade dessert.

The historic **Mountain Lake Lodge** - where the iconic movie "Dirty Dancing" was filmed – is part of the non-profit Mountain Lake Conservancy, protecting 2,600 acres of picturesque Appalachian highlands. The untamed forest ecosystem safeguards stream water quality while protecting lesserseen flora and fauna, including the wide lip orchid and sought-for bird species like the Northern saw-whet owl and yellow-bellied sapsucker. The land, laced with enticing hiking trails leading to overlooks such as Bald Knob and Butt Mountain, is also used for scientific research. After a rewarding hike on the conservancy property, enjoy locally sourced farm-to-table dining at the Then you can overnight at the Main Stone Lodge, a rustic cabin or modern mountain home, all set at 4,000 feet on Virginia's

highest lake.

Virginia's state parks are among the leaders in sustainable tourism. When you visit preserves such as **Grayson Highlands** with its wild ponies, historic

Occoneechee on Lake Kerr or sandy **Kiptopeke** on the Eastern Shore, you will see these Virginia State Parks participating in wide ranging green initiatives covering all aspects of environmental integrity. This includes installing water bottle filling stations and reestablishing native landscapes, as well as mounting soap and shampoo dispensers in their cabin showers. These actions reduce waste while preserving and restoring the natural landscape. This way your travel experience will be for the good, whether you are gazing into the wild gorge of Breaks Interstate State Park, camping beneath the stars at Lake Anna State Park or admiring the fascinating geology of Natural Tunnel State Park.

#### **Adventure Kayak**

Tours leads paddling trips in southeastern Virginia, from primeval coastal creeks to beachcombing island treks in the Atlantic

Ocean, all with an eye on the environment. Adventure Kayak Tours periodically holds "P.I.T.O." (Paddle In Trash Out) events, partnering with paddling enthusiasts to clean up local streams. Waterways they paddle on their ecotours include **North Landing River Natural Area** Preserve and the celebrated Dismal **Swamp**. The outfit will also take you out to Smith Island for shelling after paddling through wildlife-rich

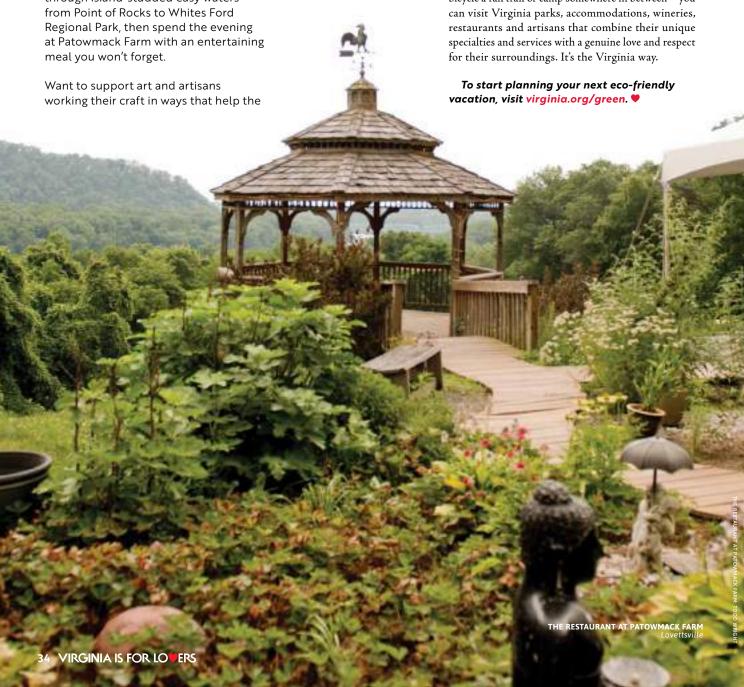
coastal marshes.

Would you like to mix a relaxing float down the **Potomac River** with a dining experience at one of America's first organic farm eateries? The Restaurant at Patowmack Farm, located near Lovettsville, will do it for you. Their motto is to "nourish the soul and excite the palate." They do this using freshly cultivated products from their own farm along with other local ingredients – and combine them for a stellar dining event. One of Virginia's first certified organic farms, they take a long-term, healthy farming view, rotating crops and using smart conservation while protecting the soil. On your way to Patowmack Farm, first paddle the legendary Potomac River through island-studded easy waters meal you won't forget.

Please be sure to leave no trace as you explore Virginia's diverse natural habitats. Always pack up what you bring along, respect the wildlife and your surroundings and leave the land as you found it: **beautiful**. Visit **Int.org** for more information.

environment by repurposing materials and turning them into works of beauty? Come to Abingdon and explore the **Southwest** Virginia Cultural Center and Marketplace. Admire locally handcrafted fineries such as glass works, pottery, jewelry and clothing. Check ahead for live artisan demonstrations. The center also sustains area farms by selling homegrown products and hosting agritourism events such as grape stomping and apple butter making. And when in Abingdon, a bicycle ride on the gorgeous Virginia Creeper Trail – a repurposed rail trail running through lovely terrain – is a must.

No matter your chosen Virginia outdoor vacation - whether you paddle the coast, hike the mountains, bicycle a rail trail or camp somewhere in between - you



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Virginia State Parks offer canoeing, kayaking, and, for a real challenge, stand-up paddleboards. Other water amenities include full-service marinas, car-top, slide and concrete boat ramps. State parks provide access to Virginia's most popular rivers and lakes, as well as the Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic Ocean.

#### WATCHING

Bald eagles soaring thousands of feet overhead. Deer gracefully stepping through the forest. Foxes, raccoons, beavers ... the list goes on and on. You'll find few places better suited to wildlife than Virginia's state parks. Remember: Wildlife is wild, so keep a respectful distance.

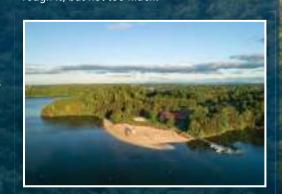
#### HIKING

Virginia State Parks trails are as diverse as the parks, so you're sure to find a great trail for a short and easy family walk or a strenuous hike suited for backpacking. Every park has a trail guide to make planning your visit a snap.

#### **RIDING**

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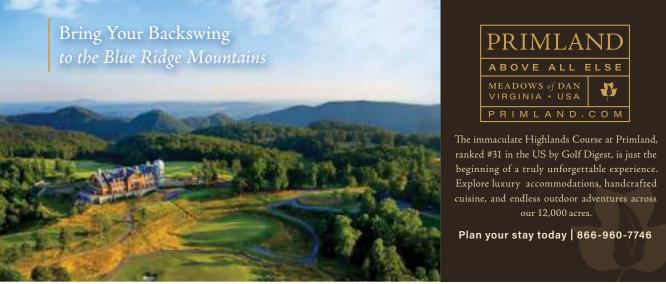
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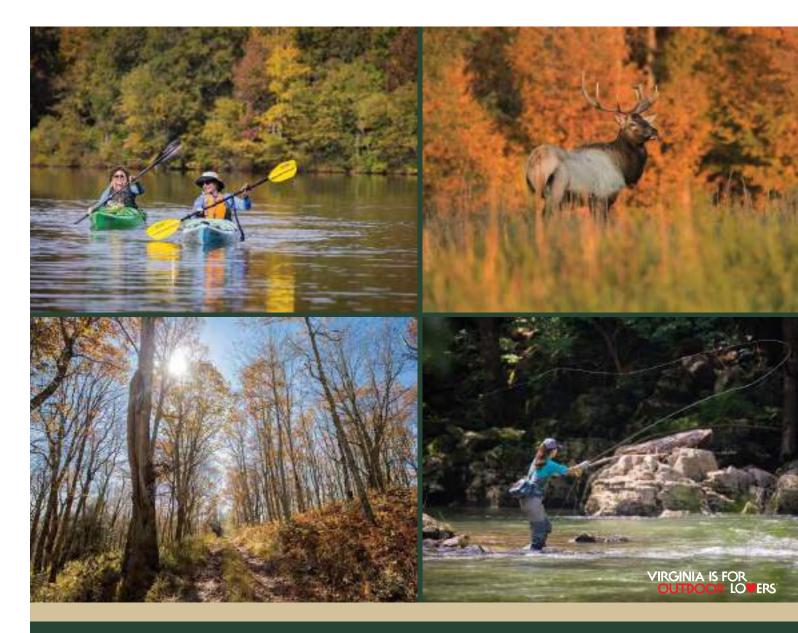
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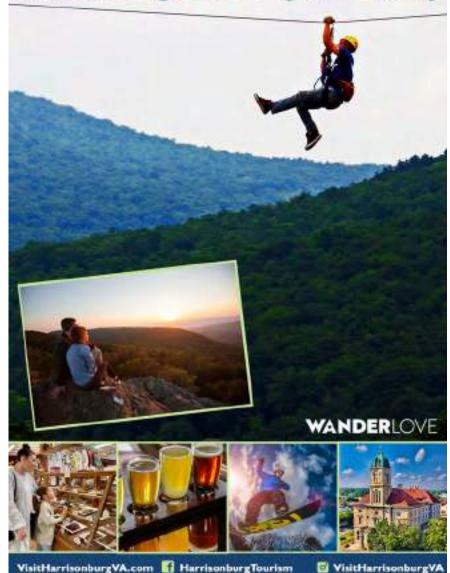
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#### THE GOOD LORD BIRD

Based on the eponymous novel by James McBride, and starring Ethan Hawke as 19th-century abolitionist John Brown, "The Good Lord Bird" is told from the point of view of Onion, an enslaved teenager who becomes a member in Brown's motley family during the time of Bleeding Kansas, eventually participating in the famous 1859 raid on the Army depot at Harpers Ferry. Brown's raid failed to initiate the slave revolt he intended but is often cited as the instigating event that started the Civil War.



**LOCATIONS:** Richmond, Petersburg, Powhatan, Goochland and more. The cast and crew stayed in Richmond, with favorite locations including the Byrd Theatre and Carytown.

- Richmond's **Belle Isle** serves as John Brown's Camp in episodes 101 and 102.
- Thomas Jefferson's real-life childhood home, **Tuckahoe Plantation**, plays the exterior of Colonel Washington's Farm in episodes 106 and 107.
- Old Towne Petersburg's Grove Avenue, Main Street and Appomattox Ironworks all make appearances - as Chatham's Main Street in episode 105 and the parade ground in episode 108.

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**LOCATIONS:** Hopewell, Richmond, Powhatan, Charles City and more.



- Virginia State University plays several university settings, as well as Dr. K's Apartment.
- The infamous plane crash was filmed in downtown Hopewell.
- Look for **Powhatan State Park** in the Horde of Walkers scene.
- Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden's
  Bloemendaal House stars as the University
  Greenhouse and Antelope Hall.



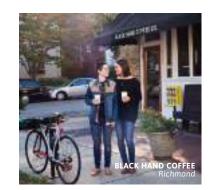
Want to find more of Virginia in these shows and others? Check out virginia.org/film to learn more. ♥





#### **ALEXANDRIA**

A walk down King Street immediately rebukes the notion that Alexandria is just a suburb of Washington, D.C. A perfect day in this standalone city starts at the Torpedo Factory Art Center — a repurposed warehouse that's now home to dozens of diverse artists working in a variety of media and materials - and ends with seafood at Hank's Oyster Bar plus a nightcap at Captain Gregory's, tucked past the trick wall of a donut shop.



#### RICHMOND

In capital-city Richmond, it's hard to pick the district that's pulsing with the most creativity along the Parisianesque boulevards that spiderweb between historic mansions and monuments. Try Carytown to Eat, Play, Love among the row homes that hide some of the best bistros and gift shops like Mongrel — behind their technicolor facades. Tour the galleries and bars of the Fan District and Scott's Addition, then wind up at **L'Opposum** in Oregon Hill with its cheeky dessert names on the menu.

#### **NORFOLK**

Home to the country's naval military headquarters, Norfolk is not the most obvious choice for the LGBTQ+ traveler, but every year thousands descend upon the city for Hampton Roads Pridefest, one of the most dynamic LGBTQ+ festivals in the country that honors its maritime roots with a unique boat parade. After, hit up Granby Street which — following a glamorous face lift — has anchored the Ghent neighborhood as the region's new locus of bohemian cool.



emerging as Virginia's very own seaside escape with affordable, craftsman-style inns and rentals, and a smattering of watering holes that feel more Cheers-for-queers instead of a thumping club scene. Get in on the ground floor before prices appropriately soar; enjoy second-Friday art walks each month then cap off summer nights at Dockside Tiki Bar.





#### CHARLOTTESVILLE

One of America's original college towns exudes youthful rebellion from its maroon, Jeffersonian bricks. The **Charlottesville Pride Community Network** supports causes dear to every letter in the alphabet and bolsters other communities in need as well. Brunch-hop your way around the city to check out the LGBTQ+ hangouts, like Marie-Bette Cafe & Bakery, The Pie Chest and Bagel Ladies.



From vibrant small towns to bustling cities, Virginia can't wait to welcome you! For a full list of LGBTQ+ city guides, visit virginia.org/lgbt.

# CENTRAL VIRGINIA



#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Athlete, physician, civil rights activist, philanthropist and tennis advocate – these are just a few of the civic accomplishments of Dr. Robert Walter "Whirlwind" Johnson. He was the first Black doctor to receive staff privileges at Lynchburg General Hospital. And because of the segregation served up on white-owned tennis courts, Johnson built his own courts and supported young players - including Arthur Ashe and Althea Johnson, the first Black man and woman to win Wimbledon.



#### **BUCKET LIST**

Picture whitewater rafting and you probably envision rivers far from a big city. Not so with the James River, which flows right through downtown Richmond. It spills over ancient rocks and challenging rapids to offer natural class III and IV whitewater rafting. Given the forested banks and wildlife cameos – including bald eagles and great blue herons – you might forget you're in the city. But afterwards, you'll enjoy being mere minutes from restaurants, breweries and a multitude of urban conveniences.

#### **INSTAGRAM-WORTHY**

Your hopes for a photo op will climb as you make the ascent to Stone Mountain Vineyards. Situated 1,700 feet high in the foothills of the Blue Ridge, the tasting room gives away free, soul-refreshing views that stretch uninterrupted over Virginia's Piedmont. The vineyard takes advantage of the location, too, since the steep mountain slopes prevent vine damage from spring frost and summer humidity. You'll appreciate this distinction as you sip the delightful wines and snap awe-inspiring pics.



#### **ASK A LOCAL**

"What I love about my region is taking friends from elsewhere who have always heard about the Blue Ridge Mountains to see them. We visit one of the

many wineries with breathtaking views of our ridges, and people are amazed by how blue they really are! They immediately fall in LOVE with Virginia!"— Olivia Branch, Lockn' Music Festival

#### **NOTABLE NEIGHBORHOOD**

Previously overlooked despite a rich history and contemporary gems, Old Towne Petersburg has revived its image to the benefit of residents and visitors alike. Bustling businesses occupy historic buildings, showing off a wealth of architecture virtually every popular style of the late 18th and early 19th centuries. Diverse local restaurants, antique shops, boutiques, craft shops and the award-winning Trapezium Brewing all call Old Towne home. Need a celebrity rec? Steven Spielberg filmed much of his award-winning "Lincoln"

movie here!



#### ICONIC

The pounding of hooves, the majesty, strength and grace of the horses as they navigate the steeplechase obstacles, the thrill of competition – such excitement and exhilaration have enticed spectators to the annual Montpelier Hunt Races since 1932. Some visitors may be more intrigued by the history behind the races, initiated by America's First Lady of Racing, Marion duPont Scott. Others may be enticed by the race-day party: tailgating, stick-horse races for kids, hat contests. terrier races, vendors and more.

#### **HIDDEN GEM**

The phoenix has

soared from the ashes, transforming a deserted quarry to a natural marvel: The Quarry Gardens at Schuyler. Soapstone was mined here between the 1950s and 1970s, then the property became a dumpsite. After years of clean-up - by man and Mother Nature! - and the reintroduction of native plants, the Quarry Gardens offers trails, pollinator gardens, wetlands, multiple diverse plant communities, and a visitor center with exhibits on local flora and ecosystems and on the soapstone industry.

#### WHAT'S NEW The Civil Rights in

**Education Heritage** Trail® now covers 53 sites throughout 14 counties. Learn of powerful, under- and untold stories of what life was like for African Americans. Native Americans and women fighting for an education in the early days of this country. Walk in the shoes of real-life heroes: Maceo Conrad Martin, who fought for a state park allowing African Americans (now Twin Lakes State Park): Barbara Johns and other children at the Moton School who peacefully sought for equal rights; and many more.



Crabtree Falls Hwy., Tyro; 434-Includes Pamplin 263-7015; nelsoncounty.com. Access 45 miles of AT trails at three access points.

#### **AMHERST**

Appalachian Trail

**Amherst County Visitor Center** 328 Richmond Hwy, Amherst; 434-946-0990;

visitamherstcounty.com. Appalachian Trail, Blue Ridge Parkway, camping, festivals, parks, lakes, fishing, orchards, hiking, vineyards, breweries, kayaking, County Fair. 🖚 🕹

#### Amherst County Museum & **Historical Society**

154 S. Main St., Amherst; 434-946-9068: amherstcountymuseum. org/visit. Exhibits on the history of Amherst County. 🖚 🕹

#### **Monacan Indian Ancestral** Museum

2009 Kenmore Rd., Amherst: 434-946-5391; monacannation. com/museum.shtml. Houses artifacts from one of the oldest groups of indigenous. \$

#### **APPOMATTOX**

**Appomattox Visitor Information Center** 

214 Main St., Appomattox; 434-352-8999: historicappomattox.com Displays, video and brochures on local and regional destinations.

#### Turn of the Century Walking Tour

215 Main St., Appomattox; 434-352-8999: historicappomattox.com. Experience 50 stops including historic homes, buildings and heritage markers. ===

#### The American Civil War Museum - Appomattox

159 Horseshoe Rd. Appomattox; 434-352-5791; acwm.org. Incredible artifacts and interactive exhibits. One mile from surrender grounds.

#### **Appomattox Battlefield Station**

Rt. 24, Jamerson Ln., Appomattox; 434-664-0012. April 8, 1865 battle site of Union cavalry and Confederate

#### **Appomattox County Historical**

337 Court St., Appomattox; 434-352-3910; appomattoxhistoricalsociety.org. Historic original jailhouse, housing interesting, unique memorabilia from the county.

#### **Appomattox Court House** National Historical Park

111 National Park Dr Appomattox; 434-352-8987; nps.gov/apco. Historic site of surrender bringing an end to Civil War.

#### **Appomattox Court House**

331 Court St., Appomattox; 434-664-9525; appomattoxcourthousetheatre. wordpress.com. Historic 1897 theater offering plays and

#### Carver-Price Legacy Museum

102 Carver Ln., Appomattox; 434-352-7880; carver-price. com. Showcasing local African-American history and heritage in education exhibits.

#### Clover Hill Village Living **History Museum**

5747 River Ridge Rd. Appomattox; 434-352-8999; appomattoxhistorical society. org. Living history village depicting life in the 1800s. Open daily. \$ === \*\*

#### **Cub Creek Pottery**

2411 Wheeler Springs Rd., Pamplin; 434-248-5074: cubcreek.org. Experience pottery made at this fascinating residential, apprenticeship studio.

#### **Hazel Moon Resource Center** and Museum

401 Confederate Blvd, Appomattox; 434-352-5806; historicappomattox.com. Houses the fascinating African artifact collection of missionary Hazel Moon.

#### Holliday Lake State Park 2759 State Park Rd, Appomattox; 434-248-6308; virginiastateparks.gov. \$ == &

Pamplin Pipe Factory Business 460, Pamplin; 434-352-8999; historicappomattox. com. Original 1800s clay pipe kiln. National Register of Historic Places.

#### Steins Unlimited Museum

616 Swan Rd., Pamplin; 434-248-6114; historicappomattox. com. Largest collection of antique and collectible steins in the world

**Welcome Center at Main** 

Travel Information Center Virginia Tourism Corporation 1500 F Main Street Richmond, VA 23219 804-545-5581

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#### **Wolf Performing Arts Center**

618 Country Club Rd., Appomattox; 434-579-3542; wolfbane.org. Stunning outdoor venue for theater. free movie night, farm ghost tours.

#### ASHLAND / **HANOVER COUNTY**

VIRGINIA MAIN STREET COMMUNITY Includes Beaverdamn, Hanover, Mechanicsville

#### Ashland/Hanover Visitor Center 112 N. Railroad Ave., Ashland; 804-752-6766; visitashlandva. com. Discover Ashland &

Hanover county where history and hospitality flourish. 🖚 📽

#### The Ashland Museum 105 Hanover Ave.,

Ashland; 804-368-7314; ashlandmuseum.org. Features Ashland history, restored Red Caboose. Open Saturday 10am-2pm and Sunday 1-3pm.

#### **Cold Harbor National** Rattlefield

5515 Anderson Wright Dr. Mechanicsville; 804-226-1981; ashlandva.gov. Site of 1864 battle, features guided tour. 🖚📽

#### **Hanover Tavern**

13181 Hanover Courthouse Rd., Hanover; 804-537-5050; hanovertavern.org. Central Virginia's home for history, dining and theater. 🖚 🕹

#### **Keeble Observatory**

Randolph Macon College, Ashland; 804-752-3210; rmc. edu/directory/academics/ phys/keeble/index.asp. Only astronomical observatory in central Virginia on historic 1868 campus.

#### Patrick Henry's Scotchtown

16120 Chiswell Ln., Beaverdam; 804-227-3500; patrickhenryscotchtown.org. Home of the Orator of the American Revolution circa 1719. \$

#### **Pole Green Church Site**

Rural Point Rd., Mechanicsville; 804-261-3837; historic polegreen.com.Open air historic church site Guided tours available upon request. 🖚

#### **BLACKSTONE**

#### VIDGINIA MAIN STREET COMMUNITY Blackstone Chamber of **Commerce Visitor Center**

121 N. Main St., Blackstone; 434-294-0280; blackstoneva. com. In the heart of the town's historic district, open Monday-Friday 10am-6pm, Saturday 10am-5pm, Sunday noon-5pm. 🖚 📽

#### The Robert Thomas Carriage

217 N High St., Blackstone; 434-292-3041; blackstoneva. com/visitors. Features fully restored buggies and carriages donated from a local collector. Tours by appointment.

#### Schwartz Tavern

100 Tavern St., Blackstone: 434-292-3041; blackstoneva. com/visitors. A fully restored Revolutionary War Era tavern located in downtown Blackstone. Tours by annointment

**ALTAVISTA** VIRGINIA MAIN STREET COMMUN Includes Altavista, Brookneal, Rustburg Altavista Chamber of Commerce

> 414 Washington St., Altavista; 434-369-6665; altavistachamber.org. Excellent source of business and tourism information in Altavista. 🖚 🖔

**CAMPBELL COUNTY /** 

#### **Campbell County**

85 Carden Ln., Rustburg; 434-592-9595; campbellvirginia. com. Nestled in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, Campbell County boasts rich history and beauty. 🖚 🕹

#### 246 The Main Cultural Arts Theatre

246 Main St., Brookneal: 434-376-2461; 246themaintheatre. com. Community theatre in Brookneal showcasing various plays and musicals. \$ == &

#### **Red Hill Patrick Henry** National Memorial

1250 Red Hill Rd., Brookneal; 434-376-2044; redhill.org. Home to the world's largest collection of Patrick Henry artifacts \$

#### Avoca Museum

1514 Main St Altavista: 434-369-1076; avocamuseum.org. Beautiful 19th-century home with Civil War and slavery artifacts. \$ 🖚 🖔

#### **Historic Courthouse Museum**

774 Village Ln., Rustburg; 434-332-9618; cchsva.org/museum Historic courthouse and local history on display; call before visiting. 🖚

#### Willie Hodges Booth Museum 204 Lynchburg Ave., Brookneal;

434-376-3046; townofbrookneal.com Local history on display including World War II and tobacco. 🖚 🕹

#### CHARLOTTESVILLE / **ALBEMARLE COUNTY**

Includes Scottsville Charlottesville Albemarle CVB PO Box 178, Charlottesville; 434-293-6789; visitcharlottesville.org. Travel information:

guides, brochures, local recommendations. The operating schedule for our Mobile Visitor Centers can be found at visitcharlottesville.org.

the University of Virginia Thomas H. Bayly Building, 155 Rugby Rd., Charlottesville; 434-924-3592; uvafralinartmuseum. virginia.edu. Exciting exhibitions, world-class collections, special openings,

lectures and group tours.

The Fralin Museum of Art at

#### Hatton Ferry

10120 Hatton Ferry Rd., Scottsville: 434-960-0732: visitcharlottesville.org. The last hand-poled ferry still operating in America Weekends April-October. \$**~~**\*

#### **Historic Court Square of** Charlottesville

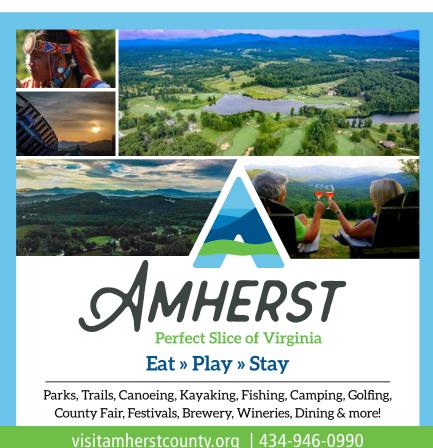
Between High & Jefferson St., Charlottesville; 434-296-1492; albemarlehistory.org/index. php/programs. Original courthouse & buildings known to Presidents Jefferson, Madison, Monroe.

#### James Monroe's Highland

2050 James Monroe Pkwy., Charlottesville; 434-293-8000; highland.org. Discover the home of fifth U.S. President James Monroe, \$ --- &







#### Kluge-Ruhe Aboriginal Art Collection of UVA

400 Worrell Dr., Charlottesville; 434-244-0234; kluge-ruhe.org. The only museum of Indigenous Australian art outside of Australia.

#### Maplewood/Oakwood Cemeteries

Lexington Ave., Charlottesville; 434-960-0732; charlottesville.org. Walking tours provided of Charlottesville's historic cemeteries by reservation.

#### Michie Tavern ca. 1784

683 Thomas Jefferson Pkwy., Charlottesville; 434-977-1234; michietavern.com. Near Monticello. Southern Fare served daily. 1784 Pub: local beers, wines.

#### Monticello - Home of Thomas Jefferson vg

931 Thomas Jefferson Pkwy., Charlottesville; 434-984-9800; monticello.org. Guided tours conducted daily at this National Historic Landmark and United Nations World Heritage Site. S で い

#### The Rotunda, University of Virginia

1826 University Ave., Charlottesville; 434-924-7969; rotunda.virginia.edu. The Rotunda is open daily 9am-5pm.

#### Scottsville Museum

290 Main St., Scottsville; 434-286-2247; avenue.org/smuseum/home. Permanent and rotating exhibits on James River transportation and local history.

#### Virginia Discovery Museum

524 E Main St., Charlottesville; 434-977-1025; vadm.org. Hands-on museum for young children on the downtown pedestrian mall. \$\delta\$.

#### **DINWIDDIE COUNTY**

Includes Dinwiddie, Petersburg

#### **Dinwiddie County Tourism**

14010 Boydton Plank Rd., Dinwiddie; 804-469-4500; discoverdinwiddie.com Over 500 square miles of awesome, with everything from agriculture to a night at the races. Define your experience, discover Dinwiddie.

#### **Adams Acres**

23919 Ellington Rd., Dinwiddie; 804-732-0696. On-site farm, hours vary.

#### **Autumn Harvest Acres**

20825 Carson Rd., Dinwiddie. 804-898-5942; autumnharvestacresllc.com. Farm tours and seasonal events.

#### Five Forks Battlefield

9840 Courthouse Rd., Dinwiddie; 804-469-4093; nps.gov/pete. 5-stop driving tour, visitor center, 8 miles of trails. ニーン・カー

#### **Historic Dinwiddie County Courthouse**

14101 Boydton Plank Rd., Dinwiddie; 804-469-5346; discoverdinwiddie.com. Civil War history; County museum and library

#### Historic Southside High School

12318 Boydton Plank Rd., Dinwiddie; hshalum.com. Civil Rights in Education Trail Stop and historic site.

#### Pamplin Historical Park and The National Museum of the Civil War Soldier

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It's not just the beautiful surroundings or bounty of adventures that make Lynchburg such a desirable destination – it's the people who make Lynchburg the best small city in America. From the boutique owner selling her own designs, to the chef wowing diners with exciting new dishes, to the hotelier making sure the beds are cozy and warm, these are the experiences that will have you coming back time and time again.



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#### **Adventure for Everyone**



#### Art Worth the Drive

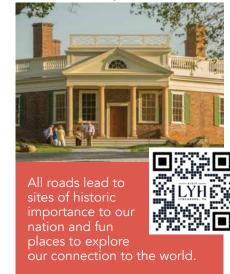


#### VIRGINIA IS FOR LOVERS



#### Take Our Craft Beer Crawl





**Our History Bucket List** 

# Use your camera phone to scan QR codes for ideas on how to spend your time with us.

Our lodging, dining and retail community is wiping down surfaces, perfecting their "mask smile" and ready to help visitors #travelconfidently.

#### lynchburgvirginia.org



#### Poplar Grove Cemetery

8005 Vaughan Rd., Petersburg; 804-732-3531; nps.gov/pete/ learn/historyculture/poplargrove-national-cemetery.htm Historic Civil War Cemetery.

#### The Red Barn Farm

5115 Smith Grove Rd., N. Dinwiddie; 804-536-6879; theredbarnfarmva.com. Hands-on farm experiences. tours, petting zoo, feed the animals. \$

#### **Willows Bend Farm**

20413 Carson Rd., Dinwiddie: 804-892-7588: willowsbendfarm.com. A center for sustainable farming, tours are offered; heirloom plants, herbs, spices,

#### **FLUVANNA COUNTY**

Includes Fork Union, Palmyra

Fluvanna Visitor Center 271 Pleasant Grove Dr Palmyra; 434-589-2016; fluvannacounty.org. Information about local things to do include golf, wineries, history tours, campgrounds. parks, bird watching, biking, horseback riding, hunting and fishing.

#### Fluvanna Old Stone Jail Museum

14 Stone Jail St., Palmyra: 434-589-7910; fluvannahistory org. Built in 1828. Open by appointment.

#### Fork Union Military Academy

4744 James Madison Hwy. Fork Union; 434-842-3212; forkunion.com. Nationallyknown boys' military-style boarding school founded in 1898

#### Hardware River & Wildlife Management Area

3612 Hardware River Dr., Scottsville; dgif.virginia.gov/ wma/hardware-river. 1,034-acre park. Boating, trout fishing, camping, hunting and bird watching.

#### Holland Page Place Log Cabin Museum

14 Stone Jail St., Palmyra; 434-589-7910; fluvannahistory. org. Post Civil War log cabin built by John Benjamin Page in 1865.

#### Pleasant Grove House Museum 271 Pleasant Grove Dr.,

Palmyra; 434-589-2016; visitfluvanna.org. National Register of Historic Places, Fluvanna's transportation and

#### Rivanna River History Water Trail

271 Pleasant Grove Dr., Palmyra; 434-589-2016; visitfluvanna.org. Staff offer guided, educational, hands-on. interactive tours. Reservations required.

#### **Town of Scottsville**

Scottsville; 434-286-2247; scottsville.org. Small town with more than 300 years of history. Historic tours.

#### **GOOCHLAND COUNTY**

Includes Goochland

**Goochland County Chamber** of Commerce 2913-D River Rd., Goochland;

804-556-3811; goochlandchamber.org. Goochland, a day well spent with history, recreation, wineries, craft breweries, cidery. Kayak river launch, mountain bike trails.

#### **GREENE COUNTY**

Includes Ruckersville, Stanardsville **Greene County Visitor Center vg** 

9157 Seminole Trl., Ruckersville: 434-985-6663: exploregreene.com. Explore the serenity, scenery and fresh mountain air. Stay at our distinct lodging while enjoying antique shopping, SNP, hiking, biking and fishing. Adventure and history await. 🖚 📽 🕹

#### Blue Ridge Barn Quilt Trail

9157 Seminole Trail. Ruckersville: 434-985-6663: exploregreene.com/explore/ barn-quilt-trail. Quilt squares, hand-painted and displayed on barns, fences, buildings, mailboxes.

#### Blue Ridge Heritage - Greene Memorial

40 Celt Rd., Stanardsville: 434-985-7905; blueridgeheritageproject.com/ greene. Memorial honoring families displaced during creation of Shenandoah National Park. 🖚📽 🕹

#### **Greene County Courthouse**

22 Court St., Stanardsville: 434-985-5208; stanardsville. org/about/#historic, Circa 1838. Listed National Register of Historic Places in 1970. Virginia's famous Greek Revival Courthouse tradition. **~**\*6

#### **Greene County Historical** Society Museum

360 Main St., Stanardsville: 434-985-1834; greenehistory. org. Established 1978, Fridays & Saturdays 10-3, No admission charge. 🖚 🕹

#### Old Greene County Jailhouse

22 Court St., Stanardsville; 434-985-1834; greenehistory. org. Built in 1838. Prior Greene County Historical Society Museum. A &

#### **Ruckersville Antique District**

9157 Seminole Trl., Ruckersville; 434-985-6663; exploregreene.com/explore/ antiques. A designated district with over 75,000 square feet of antiques. 🖚

#### Shenandoah National Park / Skyline Drive Entrance

9157 Seminole Trl. Ruckersville; 888-896-3933; nps.gov/shen/index.htm. Swift Run Gap, milepost 65.7, one of only 4 entrances \$ ₩ &

#### Stanardsville Historical **Walking Tour**

360 Main St., Stanardsville; 434-985-1834; greenehistory. org. Self guided interactive historic tour. ₩&

#### **HOPEWELL**

Hopewell/Prince George Visitor Welcome Center

4100 Oaklawn Blvd., Hopewell; 804-458-5536; visithpg.com. Let us be your guide to Hopewell and Prince George.

#### **Beacon Theatre**

401 N. Main St., Hopewell; 804-446-3457; thebeacontheatreva.com. Fully restored 1928 silent movie and Vaudeville show palace. 🖚 🕹

#### **General Grant's Headquarters** at City Point

1001 Pecan Ave., Hopewell; 804-458-9504; nps.gov/pete. Location of General Grant's headquarters from June 1864-April 1865. Guided Tours. ₩&

#### Hopewell's Historic **Downtown District**

205 E. Broadway, Hopewell; 804-571-1068; hopewelldowntown.com Visit our many unique eateries and shops on Hopewell's historic East Broadway.

#### Hopewell Marina

1051 Riverside Ave., 804-541-6417. hopewellrecandparks. com/hopewell-city-marina. Four-lane boat ramp with floating docks, convenience store and many other watersports amenities

#### Hopewell Riverwalk

205 Appomattox St., Hopewell; 804-541-2353; hopewellrecandparks.com. Boardwalk on Appomattox River through tidal cove and

#### Historic Sandusky

Weston Plantation 400 Weston Ln., Hopewell; 804-458-4682; historichopewell.org. Tours, river view event area, tent, dock, boutique. \$ === \*\*

#### **LOUISA COUNTY**

Includes Louisa

#### Louisa County Parks,

Recreation and Tourism Betty Queen Center, 522 Industrial Dr., Louisa; 540-967-4420; visitlouisa.com. Offering information on recreation, parks, amenities, programs, events and tourist attractions in Louisa County. &

#### **Louisa County Historical Society**

Museum and Heritage Farm 214 Fredericksburg Ave. Louisa: 540-967-5375: louisahistory.org. Experience history in exciting museum exhibits and living history programs at the Sergeant Museum.

#### **Netherland Tavern**

400 block of Oakland Rd., Louisa; 540-967-2114; nethernlandtavern com General Wade Hampton's headquarters in the 1864 Battle of Trevelians. By

#### LYNCHBURG

**Lynchburg Visitor Center** 216 Twelfth St. at Church St.,

Lynchburg: 434-847-1811: lynchburgvirginia.org. Travel Counselors available to make your trip to Lynchburg memorable!

#### **Academy Center of the Arts**

600 Main St., Lynchburg; 434-846-8499; academycenter. org. Contemporary art gallery, pottery studio and historic performance theater.

#### **Amazement Square**

27 Ninth St., Lynchburg; 434-845-1888; amazementsquare. org. Hands-on museum offering four floors of interactive exhibitions. \$ 555 &

#### Anne Spencer House & Garden Museum

1313 Pierce St., Lynchburg: 434-845-1313: annespencermuseum.com Home of international acclaimed African-American poet. House museum and garden. \$ 🖚 📽

#### Fort Early

3511 Memorial Ave., Lynchburg; 434-485-7290; lynchburgvirginia.org. Civil War earthworks, cannon and Jubal Early memorial.

757 Sandusky Dr. Lynchburg; 434-832-0162; historicsandusky.org. Union headquarters during the 1864 Civil War Battle of Lynchburg.

#### Jones Memorial Library

2311 Memorial Ave., Lynchburg; 434-846-0501; jmlibrary.org. Second oldest public library in Virginia.

Specialty: genealogy and history. 🖚

#### **Liberty Mountain Snowflex** Centre 4000 Candlers Mountain Rd.,

Lynchburg; 434-582-3539; liberty.edu/snowflex. Year-round skiing. snowboarding and tubing on a synthetic ski slope. 🖚

#### Lynchburg Museum

901 Court St., Lynchburg; 434-455-6226: lynchburgmuseum org. Exhibits and stories of the people of Central Virginia-free admission!

#### Maier Museum of Art at Randolph College

1 Quinlan St., Lynchburg: 434-947-8136; maiermuseum org. An outstanding collection of American art from the 19th-21st centuries.

#### Miller Claytor House & Garden

2200 Miller-Claytor Ln., Lynchburg; 434-528-5353; lynchburghistoricalfoundation. org. Circa 1791. Open by appointment only. Gardens open year-round. 🖚

#### Monument Terrace

Church and 9th Sts., Lynchburg; 434-847-1811: lynchburgvirginia.com. Scenic attraction of 139 steps with monuments to Lynchburg

#### National Civil War Chaplain's Museum

Mountain View Blvd. Lynchburg; 434-582-2087; chaplainsmuseum.org. Looking at the role of religion during the Civil War

#### The Nature Zone

301 Grove St., Lynchburg; 434-455-5828; lynchburgparksandrec.com. Hands-on or just take in the "wild" sights.

#### **Old City Cemetery Museums** & Arboretum 401 Taylor St., Lynchburg:

434-847-1465; gravegarden. org. Established in 1806, this cemetery is home to 20,000 citizens. 🖚 📽

#### Packet Boat Marshall

Riverside Park - Rivermont Ave., Lynchburg; 434-528-5353; lynchburghistoricalfoundation.org. The Marshall carried Stonewall Jackson's body to Lexington.

#### Pierce Street Renaissance Historic District

1300-1400 blocks of Pierce St., Lynchburg; 434-845-1313; annespencermuseum.com. African-American historic district & Civil War medical Camp Davis.

#### Point of Honor

112 Cabell St., Lynchburg; 434-455-6226; pointofhonor. org. Furnished Federal home, tours, gift shop, grounds, early medical exhibit. \$

#### Shoemakers American Grille

1312 Commerce St., Lynchburg; 434-455-1510; shoemakersdining.com. Rated #1 by TripAdvisor, upscale dining, seafood, steaks, outdoor patio.

#### **South River Meeting House**

5810 Fort Ave., Lynchburg: 434-239-2548; ampc.org/ srmh.htm. Lynchburg's first known house of worship. John Lynch buried in adjacent cemetery.

#### Waterstone Fire Roasted Pizza

1309 Jefferson St., Lynchburg; 434-455-1515; waterstonepizza.com. Rated top 25 pizzeria in U.S. Fireroasted pizzas, salads, sandwiches, biergarten. 🖚 📽 🕹

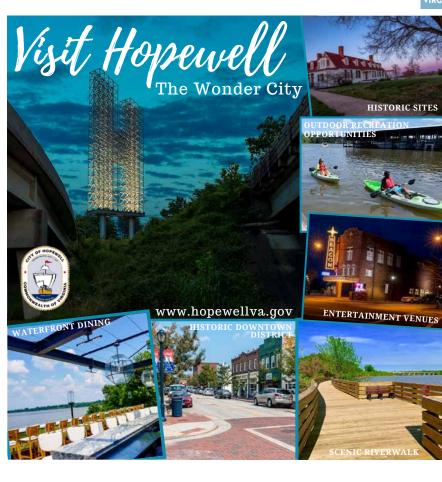
#### **MADISON COUNTY**

Includes Madison

#### Madison County Visitor Center

110 N. Main St., Madison; 540-948-4455; madisonva. com. Hike Old Rag Mountain, White Oak Canyon Falls in SNP, find history, wineries, breweries, restaurants, unique lodging. Ride, hike, taste, shop and stay in Madison. - &

## Madison County Come to Madison for the hiking, history, artisans, scenery, the festivals, the breweries, wineries, or your destination wedding! Stay in a B&B, cabin, camper, RV, lodge, vacation rental house, tent or even a yurt! We have it all away from it all! **VANDER** OVF madisonva.com





#### Blue Ridge Heritage -**Madison Memorial**

1120 Old Blue Ridge Tpke., Madison; 540-395-5119; madisonvahistoricalsociety. org. Memorial to the families who lost their land for SNP.

#### **Madison County Historical Society**

412 N. Main St., Madison 540-395-5119; madisonvahistoricalsociety. org. The Kemper residence is the former home of Civil War General Kemper and The Arcade building housing historical items and special exhibits.

#### Mountain Museum at Criglersville

1128 Old Blueridge Pkwv.. Madison; 540-395-5119. A museum to showcase "Life on the Mountain" before Shenandoah National Park. 🖚📽

#### **NELSON COUNTY**

Includes Afton, Arrington, Faber, Gladstone, Love, Lovingston, Montibello, Nellysford, Piney River, Roseland, Schuyler, Tyro, Wingina, Wintergreen

#### Nelson County Tourism & **Visitors Bureau**

8519 Thomas Nelson Hwy., Lovingston; 434-263-7015; nelsoncounty.com. Blue Ridge Mountains, wineries, breweries cideries, distilleries, orchards, hiking, biking. 🖚 📽

#### Afton-Greenwood **Historic District**

Afton Mountain Rd., Afton; 434-263-7015: nelsoncounty com. Villages of Afton and Greenwood and includes historic Crozet Tunnel. 🖚 📽

#### Blue Mountain Hop Farm

9519 Critzers Shop Rd., Afton; 540-456-8020; bluemountainbrewerv.com See hop fields growing on Nelson County's first brewery property.

#### Blue Ridge Fruit Loop

8519 Thomas Nelson Hwv. Lovingston: 434-263-7015: blueridgefruitloop.net. Savor local fruits and berries. Pick vour own. Festivals. Tours.

#### Blue Ridge Parkway

650 Afton Cir., Lovingston; 434-263-7015; nelsoncounty.com. First 30 miles of the Blue Ridge Parkway- Nelson County.

#### **Bold Rock Cider Museum**

1020 Rockfish Valley Hwy., Nellysford; 434-361-1030; boldrock.com. Trace the history of American cidermaking while watching bottling operations.

#### **Brew Ridge Trail**

8519 Thomas Nelson Hwy., Lovingston; 434-263-7015; brewridgetrail.com. Virginia's original beer trail with five award-winning breweries.

#### Butterfly & Children's Trail at Spruce Creek Park

1368 Rockfish Valley Hwy. Nellysford: 434-361-0271: rockfishvalley.org. Gardens: lavender, butterfly, rhododendron, hosta, star watch, picnic tables. trails. 🖚 📽

#### Crabtree Falls in the George **Washington National Forest**

11581 Crabtree Falls Hwy., Montebello: 434-263-7015: nelsoncounty.com. Hike the highest cascading waterfall trail east of the Mississippi River. 📽

#### Critzer Family Farm

9388 Critzer Shop Rd., Afton; 540-241-3305: critzerfamilyfarm.com. Open May through October. Guided farm tours on request.

#### Crozet Tunnel Greenway

215 Afton Depot Ln., Afton; 434-263-7015: coolesthikeinvirginia.com. 2.25-mile hiking and biking trail through 1858 restored

#### **DelFosse Trail**

500 DelFosse Winery Ln., Faber: 434-263-6100: nelsoncounty.com/outdooradventures/hiking/loops-trails. 5.5-mile hiking and mountain biking trail at DelFosse Winery.

#### **Dickie Brothers Century Farm** and Orchard

2685 Dickie Rd., Roseland; 434-277-5516; dickiebros.com. One of Virginia's famous family-owned century farms. Guided tours available. 🖚 📽

#### **Drumhellers Orchard**

1130 Drumheller Orchard Ln. Lovingston; 434-263-5036; drumhellersorchard.com. Tour the farm - bus tours and school groups welcome.

#### Edible Landscaping

361 Spirit Ridge Ln., Afton; 434-361-9134; ediblelandscaping. com. Farm tours. Plants and trees that produce edible landscaping.

#### Fitzgerald Farm

4850 Tve Brook Hwv. Arrington; 434-277-8047: fitzgeraldfarms.com. Pick-Your-Own Pumpkins during the season. Guided farm tours on request.

Fortune's Cove Nature Preserve Fortune's Cove Ln. (Rt. 651), Lovingston: 434-263-7015: nelsoncounty.com, 755-acre conservancy preserve, 5.3-mile hiking, watchable wildlife trail, 7 viewpoints.

#### Hill Top Berry Farm

2800 Berry Hill Rd., Nellysford: 434-361-1266: hilltopberrywine.com. Farm tours. Fruit wines and meads. Pick your own blackberries.

#### **Humpback Rocks Trail on the** Blue Ridge Parkway

Milepost 5.8, Blue Ridge Parkway, Afton; 540-943-4716. Amazing 360-degree views from Blue Ridge Parkway milepost 5.8.

#### James River

924 Front St., Gladstone; 434-263-7015. Ideal for fishing canoeing, kayaking and small hoats

#### James River State Park vg

104 Green Hill Dr., U.S. 60 East, Gladstone; 434-933-4355; virginiastateparks.gov.

#### James River Wildlife **Management Area**

Rt. 56 to Rt. 626, Wingina; 434-525-7522; nelsoncounty. com. See wildlife, explore habitat native to the James River area. 📽

#### Lake Monocan

239 Camping Ridge Rd., Nellysford: 434-325-8180: wintergreenresort.com/ lake-monocan. Swim, play on sandy beaches, canoe, kayak, fish, bicycle, picnic. \$ ===

#### Lake Nelson

801 Lake Nelson Ln., Arrington; 434-525-7522; dgif.virginia. gov/waterbody/lake-nelson. 40-acre reservoir for fisheries related activities with accessible boat ramp.

#### **Lovingston Historic District**

Front St., Lovingston; 434-263-7015; nelsoncounty.com. Village includes the oldest courthouse in continuous use in Virginia. 🖚 📽

#### Lower Rockfish Valley Watchable Wildlife Loop

Rockfish River Rd. to Rockfish Depot. Faber: 434-263-7015. View birds and wildlife on this valley trail.

#### Mau-Har Trail

Milepost 13.7, Blue Ridge Parkway, Afton; 434-263-7015; nelsoncounty-va.gov/ departments/parks-recreation/ hiking. 3.3-mile Appalachian Trail circuit hike through Three Ridges Wilderness. 📽

#### Montebello Nature Trail

359 Fish Hatchery Ln., Montebello: 540-377-2418: nelsoncounty.com. Short. half-mile trail follows fish hatchery stream with wildflowers.

#### **Montebello State Fish** Hatchery

359 Fish Hatchery Rd. Montebello: 540-377-2418: dgif.state.va.us. Tour trout hatchery and hike the nature trail on property.

#### Monticello Artisan Trail

8519 Thomas Nelson Hwy. Lovingston; 434-263-7015; artisanscenterofvirginia. org/index.php/ artisan trail network/artisan. Explore artisan studios and agri-artisan farms, craft food and beverages.

#### The Nature Foundation at Wintergreen Trails

Trillium House, 3421 Wintergreen Dr., Roseland; 434-325-8169; twnf.org. 25 miles of trails near the Blue Ridge Parkway. 🖚 📽

#### Nelson 151 Craft Beverage Trail

Rockfish Valley Hwy., Lovingston; 434-263-7015; nelson151.com. Virginia's weekend address - six wineries. four breweries, three cideries and distillery. 🖚 📽

#### Nelson 29 Craft Beverage Trail

8519 Thomas Nelson Hwy., Lovingston; 434-263-7015; nelson29.com. Tour four wineries, a brewery and a distillery along Route 29.

#### **Nelson County Wilderness Area**

Washington and Jefferson National Forests, Rt. 56, Tyro: 434-263-7015; nelsoncounty. com. The Priest and Three Ridges, 10,000 acres hiking, camping, fishing, hunting.

#### Norwood-Wingina Rural **Historic District**

8519 Thomas Nelson Hwy. Lovingston; 434-263-7015; nelsoncounty.com. Historic plantations, tobacco barns. churches, canals along the James River.

#### Oak Ridge Estate

2300 Oak Ridge Rd., Arrington; 434-263-8676; oakridgeestate. com. 5.000-acre estate. 1802 restored Colonial Revival mansion. \$

#### Oakland Museum

5365 Thomas Nelson Hwy. Lovingston; 434-263-8400; nelsonhistorical.org. An 1842 tavern, exhibits featuring rural life & Hurricane Camille. \$

#### Pharsalia Estate

2333 Pharsalia Rd., Tyro; 434-277-5231; pharsaliaevents. com. 1814 restored plantation estate and farm near dePriest Mountain, \$ ===

#### **Quarry Gardens at Schuyler**

1643 Salem Rd., Schuyler; 434-466-3988 quarrygardensatschuyler.org Soapstone quarry, walking trail, native plant communities visitor center, classroom.

#### **Rockfish River**

VA-6. Faber: 434-263-7015. Canoeable in winter, with very good scenery.

#### **Rockfish Valley Foundation** Natural History Center

1368 Rockfish Valley Hwy. Nellysford: 434-361-0271: rockfishvalley.org. Rockfish River Trails, Spruce Creek Park. Nelson Scenic Loop. contact@rockfishvalley.org **~**\*

#### **Rockfish Valley Foundation** Nelson Scenic Loop

Begins at: 1368 Rockfish Valley Hwy, Wintergreen; 434-361-0271; nelsonscenicloop.com. Downloadable map. 50 miles scenic roads auto/bike/hike contact@rockfishvalley.org

#### **Rockfish Valley Hawk Watch**

185 Afton Cir., Afton; 434-263-7015; dgif.virginia.gov/vbwt/ mountain-trail. Part of the Virginia Birding and Wildlife Trail. 🖚📽

#### **Royal Oaks Watchable** Wildlife Loop

45 Royal Oaks Ln., Love; 540-943-7625. View birds and wildlife on this Royal Oaks

#### **Saunders Brothers Farm** Market & Antique Farm Display

2717 Tye Brook Hwy., Piney River: 434-277-5455: saundersbrothers.com. Antique farm displays and seasonal farm marketvegetables, peaches and apples.

#### **Schuyler Historic District**

Rockfish River Rd., Schuvler: 434-263-7015; nelsoncounty. com. Includes Walton's Mountain Museum, Alberene Soapstone, Waltons Hamner House. 🖚 📽

#### Seamans' Orchard

415 Dark Hollow Rd., Roseland: 434-277-8130: seamansorchard.com. Farm tours by appointment. Pick your own berries in season.

#### Silver Creek Orchards

5529 Crabtree Falls Hwy., Tyro; 434-277-5865: silvercreekorchards.com. Pick-vour-own apples second weekends September-October. farm tours on request.

#### South Rockfish Rural **Historic District**

Rockfish Valley Hwy. Nellysford: 434-263-7015: dhr.virginia.gov/registers/ counties/register\_nelson. Tour historic places along the South Rockfish Rural Historic District.

#### Spy Rock Trail to **Appalachian Trail**

359 Fish Hatchery Ln., Montebello; 540-291-2188; outdoor-adventures/hiking/ appalachian-trail. Stunning 360-degree panoramic view of Blue Ridge Parkway mountain

#### Swannanna Palace

497 Swannanoa Ln., Afton; 540-942-5201; facebook.com/ swannanoaofficialpage. Open for tours on selected dates, 1912 Italianate marble palace. \$

VA-56, Tyro; 434-263-7015; nelsoncounty.com/ outdoor-adventures/canoeingkayaking-tubing. A beautiful whitewater stream for

#### with Kids in Parks Track Trail

River; 434-263-7130; traillink. com/trail/virginia-blue-ridgehiking, cycling, equestrian access, kid-friendly, 📽

#### Walton Hamner House **Boyhood Home of Earl** Hamner, Jr.

434-831-2017: thewaltonhamnerhouse com Tour the boyhood home of Earl Hamner from the Walton's show \$

6484 Rockfish River Rd Schuyler; 434-831-2000; walton-mountain.org. Re-created sets and memorabilia from The Walton's TV show. \$

#### Blue Ridge Parkway

Milepost 18.5, Blue Ridge Parkway, Montebello: 434 263-7015; nelsoncounty.com waterfall, natural wading pool. 📽

#### Wild Wolf Brewing

**Company Hop Yard** 2461 Rockfish Valley Hwy... Nellysford; 434-361-0088; wildwolfbeer.com. Hop yard with interpretation. chickens, ducks. Koi pond in the biergarten. 🖚 📽

#### Woodson's Mill

3211 Lowesville Rd., Roseland; 804-803-1794; woodsonsmill. com. Tour the 1794 mill that produces local flours and grains. War museum and critically

VIRGINIA MAIN STREET COMMUNITY Includes Barboursville, Gordonsville Locust Grove, Orange, Montpelier Station, Somerset

#### **Orange County Visitors Center**

540-672-1653: visitorangevirginia.com. World class wineries, delicious food, historic sites, charming main streets, outdoor adventure and more await your arrival Plan your getaway to Orange County,

Grove: 540-423-1700: germanna.org. Telling America's story through the frontier experience of the original

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#### Fort Germanna Visitor Center

2062 Germanna Hwy., Locust

#### Fort Germanna settlers and

their descendants using archaeological, historical and genealogical research and

540-832-1735:

#### Gordonsville Visitor Center vg 200 South Main St., Gordonsville;

townofgordonsville.org. A charming town of quaint shops and galleries, a noted Civil acclaimed restaurants in the heart of historic central Virginia. 🖚 🛎 🕭

#### The Arts Center in Orange 129 East Main St., Orange;

540-672-7311; artscenterinorange.com, Cente houses gallery exhibiting works of emerging artists, gift shop. 🖚 **Barboursville Ruins** 

#### 17655 Winery Rd Barboursville:

540-832-3824: bbywine.com. Ruins of Jefferson designed mansion of Governor Barbour; historic landmark.

#### Ellwood Manor & Wilderness **Battlefield**

36380 Constitution Hwy., Locust Grove; 540-693-3200; nps.gov/frsp. Civil War battle between Grant and Lee, restored headquarters building. 🖚 🕹

#### **Exchange Hotel and Civil War** Museum

400 S. Main St. Gordonsville: 540-832-2944: the exchange hotel museum.org. Restored 1860 railroad hotel and Civil War hospital; exhibits, re-enactments. \$

#### Gilmore Cabin: A Freedman's

11407 Constitution Hwy., Montpelier Station: 540-672-2728: montpelier.org/visit/ galleries-and-exhibits. Home of an emancipated family after the Civil War.

#### The James Madison Museum of **Orange County Heritage**

129 Caroline St. Orange; 540-672-1776; theiamesmadisonmuseum net. Preserves and presents the remarkable history of Orange County. \$ ----

#### James Madison's Montpelier

11350 Constitution Hwy., Montpelier Station; 540-672-2728; montpelier.org. Home of our fourth President, the Father of the Constitution & America's first First Lady. \$ 🖚 🛎 🕭 🧷 🖍

#### Liberty Mills Farm

9166 Liberty Mills Rd., Somerset; libertymillsfarm.com, Farmtastic Adventure. Home to largest corn maze in Virginia.

#### **Montpelier Train Depot**

11350 Constitution Hwy., Montpelier Station: montpelier. org/visit/galleries-and-exhibits. 1910 Train Depot, home to In the Time of Segregation exhibit.

#### **PETERSBURG AREA**

Includes Blackstone, Chester, Chesterfield, Colonial Heights, Fort Lee, Prince George

#### **Petersburg Visitor's Center**

The Exchange Building, 15 W. Bank St., Petersburg; 804-835-9630; petersburgpreservationtaskforce com. Welcome center for tour information/tickets, brochures event information, maps, gift items -





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#### Tye River

canoeing and kayaking.

#### Virginia Blue Ridge Railway Trail

3124 Patrick Henry Hwy., Piney railway-trail. 7-mile easy trail;

128 Tree Top Loop, Schuyler;

#### Walton's Mountain Museum

#### White Rock Falls Trail on the

2.5-mile trail, impressive gorge,

#### Battersea

1289 Upper Appomattox St., Petersburg; 804-586-3337; batterseafound.org. Beautiful 36-acre property with outstanding 5-part Palladian villa built in 1768. \$ ===

#### **Blandford Church and Cemetery**

111 Rochell Ln., Petersburg; 804-733-2396; petersburgpreservationtaskforce. com. This 1737 church has 15 Tiffany windows; 30,000 Confederate soldiers buried in Cemetery, \$

#### Centre Hill Museum

1 Centre Hill Ct.. Petersburg; 804-733-2401; petersburgpreservationtaskforce. com. Built in 1823 by Robert Bolling IV on five acres overlooking the Appomattox River. \$

#### Drewry's Bluff

7600 Fort Darling Rd., N. Chesterfield: 804-226-1981: nps.gov/rich. Civil War anchor point and the main line of defenses protecting Richmond.

#### Fort Clifton

100 Brockwell In Colonial Heights: 804-520-9392: colonialheightsva.gov/facilities/ facility/details/fort-cliftonpark-34. Civil War site on Appomattox River: hiking trails picnic pavilions.

#### **Half Way House**

10301 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Richmond: 804-275-1760: halfwayhouserestaurant.com 1800's tavern was a Civil War military hospital and medical supply depot.

#### **Historic Farmers Bank**

19 Bollingbrook St., Petersburg; 804-722-0198; petersburgpreservationtaskforce. com. The First bank museum of its kind in the U.S. opened in 1817.

#### Keystone Truck & Tractor Museum

880 W Roslyn Rd Colonial Heights: 804-524-0020: keystonetractorworks.com. 300+ antique farm tractors & road trucks: cars: vintage products displays. \$ 🖚 🖔

#### **Peter Jones Trading Station**

Short Market St. & Grove Ave., Petersburg; 804-733-2096; petersburgpreservationtaskforce. com. Oldest building in Petersburg - 1600s - trading hub. 🖚 📽

#### **Petersburg National Battlefield** 5001 Siege Rd., Petersburg;

804-732-3531; nps.gov/pete. Commemorates the Civil War siege of Petersburg, 1864-1865. **₹**\$&1

#### Pocahontas Island **Black History Museum**

224 Witten St., Petersburg; 804-861-8889 pocahontasislandmuseum.com. Petersburg's earliest predominantly African-American neighborhood - 1732. \$

#### Pocahontas State Park-Civilian

Conservation Corps (CCC) Museum 10301 State Park Rd. Chesterfield: 804-796-4255 dcr.virginia.gov/state-parks/ ccc-museum. 1930's era Civilian Conservation Corps artifacts and displays from original CCC camp. 🖚 🖔

#### **Point of Rocks Park**

201 Enon Church Rd., Chester; 804-751-4946; petersburgarea. org. Defensive positions on Bermuda Hundred Line: Clara Barton served at field hospital.

#### The Prince George County Regional Heritage Center

6406 Courthouse Rd., Prince George; 804-863-0212; princegeorgevahistoricalsociety. org. Regional Museum and Home of Virginia Czech and Slovak Festival

#### The Red Barn Farm

5115 Smith Grove Rd., N. Dinwiddie: 804-536-6879: theredbarnfarmva.com. Hands-on farm experiences tours, petting zoo, feed the animals; fun for whole family.

#### Richlands Dairy Farm & Creamery

116 Cox Rd Blackstone: 434-233-3014; richlandscreamery com. 4th generation dairy, 800 acres, farm tours. See where the ice cream comes from and 

#### **Swift Creek Mill Theatre**

17401 Jefferson Davis Hwy., South Chesterfield: 804-748-5203; swiftcreekmill.com. Professional theatre, historic site \$ - 5 0

#### **U.S. Army Quartermaster Museum** Bldg. 5218, 2220 Adams Ave.,

Fort Lee; 804-734-4203; ammuseum.lee.armv.mil Museum interprets quartermaster corps history from 1775 to present.

#### U.S. Army Women's Museum

Bldg. 5219, 2100 Adams Ave., Fort Lee: 804-734-4327: awm.lee.army.mil. The only museum in the world dedicated to Army women! 🖚 🕹

#### **Violet Bank**

303 Virginia Ave., Colonial Heights; 804-520-9395; colonialheightsva.gov. General Lee's headquarters during the Siege of Petersburg.

#### Walk in Lincoln's Final Footsteps

1964 Wakefield St., Petersburg; 804-861-1666: walkinlincolnsfinalfootsteps.com. Driving tour of sites visited by Lincoln in final weeks.

#### **POWHATAN COUNTY**

#### Powhatan State Park 4616 Powhatan State Park

Rd., Powhatan: 804-598-7148: virginiastateparks.gov.

#### PRINCE EDWARD / FARMVILLE / CUMBERLAND

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#### Lee's Retreat/Virginia's Crossroads

121 East Third St., Farmville: 434-392-1482: vacrossroads. com. From Civil War to Civil Rights-historic attractions & outdoor recreation.

#### Virginia's Heartland Regional **Visitor Center**

Heartland Regional Visitor Center, Farmville; 434-392-1482; visitfarmville.com. Information about shopping, golfing, canoeing, hiking/ biking, museums, Civil War. 🖚 📽

### Bear Creek Lake State Park

929 Oak Hill Rd., Cumberland: 804-492-4410; virginiastateparks.gov

#### High Bridge Trail State Park vg 6888 Green Bay Rd., Green Bay;

434-315-0457; virginiastateparks.gov. 🖚

#### **Longwood Center For The** Visual Arts

129 N. Main St., Farmville: 434-395-2206; cva.longwood. edu. Nationally recognized, rotating exhibits focusing on Virginia artists.

#### Robert Russa Moton Museum

900 Griffin Blvd., Farmville; 434-315-8775; motonmuseum. org. Explores history of civil rights in education and America's struggle to integrate

#### Sailor's Creek Battlefield Historical State Park 6541 Saylers Creek Rd., Rice;

804-561-7510: virginiastateparks.gov. **Twin Lakes State Park** 

788 Twin Lakes Rd., Green Bay; 434-392-3435; virginiastateparks.gov. \$ 🖚 🕹

#### RICHMOND AREA

Includes Chesterfield, Colonial Heights, Doswell, Glen Allen, Henrico Mechanicsville, Midlothian, Moseley

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#### **Richmond Region Visitor** Center vo

405 N. 3rd St., Richmond: 804-783-7450; visitrichmondva.com. Open 9am-5pm daily.

#### 1892 Historic Jail

6819 Mimms Loop, Chesterfield; 804-768-7311; chesterfieldhistory.com. Chesterfield's 1892 iail features police memorabilia exhibits and authentic cells. \$

#### The American Civil War Museum - Historic Tredegar 500 Tredegar St. Richmond: 804-649-1861; acwm.org. Richmond's official gateway to the American Civil War.

#### The American Civil War Museum - White House &

Museum of the Confederacy 1201 E. Clay St., Richmond; 804-649-1861; acwm.org. Confederate White House tours & three-floor museum featuring original artifacts. \$

#### Beth Ahabah Museum and Archives

1109 W. Franklin St., Richmond: 804-353-2668: bethahabah.org/bama. Museum of Richmond's Jewish history and culture. Open Sunday-Thursday, 10am-3pm.

#### **Black History Museum and Cultural Center of Virginia**

122 W. Leigh St., Richmond; 804-780-9093: blackhistorymuseum.org. Statewide resource on the many facets of Black history through exhibitions, discussions and celebrations. \$

#### **Chesterfield Berry Farm**

26000 Pear Orchard Rd Moselev: 804-739-2404: chesterfieldberryfarm.com. Working farm/agricultural events throughout year/pick your own/family friendly.

#### **Chesterfield County Museum** 6813 Mimms Loop,

Chesterfield: 804-768-7311: chesterfieldhistory.com. Rotating exhibits, general store and a timeline of county history. \$

#### Children's Museum of Richmond vo

2626 W. Broad St., Richmond; 804-474-7000: childrensmuseumofrichmond.org. Inspiring growth in children by engaging families in learning

#### Chimborazo Medical Museum

through play. \$ 🖚 🕹

3215 E. Broad St., Richmond; 804-226-1981: nps.gov/ rich. Exhibits on Civil War surgical practices and medical equipment. &

#### Clark-Palmore House

904 McCoul St., Henrico: 804-652-3406; henricorecandparks. com. Historic house interpreting life on a farm during the Depression.

#### Cold Harbor Battlefield **Visitor Center**

5515 Anderson Wright Dr., Mechanicsville; 804-730-5025; nps.gov/rich. Site of 1864 Battle of Cold Harbor Seasonal hours Free. 🖚📽 🛦

#### **Dabbs House Museum**

3812 Nine Mile Rd., Henrico: 804-652-3406; henrico/rec/places/dabbshouse. Historic house served as General Robert E. Lee's headquarters. 🖚 🕹

#### **Eppington Plantation**

14600 Eppes Falls Rd. Chesterfield: 804-748-1624 nps.gov/nr/travel/jamesriver/ epp.htm. Francis Eppes VI built the plantation and Thomas Jefferson, his brother-in-law was a frequent visitor.

#### Fort Harrison Battlefield

8621 Battlefield Park Rd., Richmond; 804-226-1981; nps.gov/rich. Site of 1864 Union assault on Richmond's defenses. Open seasonally. 🖚📽 🕹

#### Glendale and Malvern Hill **Battlefields**

8301 and 9175 Willis Church Rd., Richmond: 804-226-1981: nps.gov/rich. Sites of summer 1862 "Seven Days" battles. 4 &

#### Henricus Historical Park

251 Henricus Park Rd., Chester 804-748-1611; henricus.org. Outdoor 17th-century living history museum with re-created English settlement and Powhatan village. \$ == &

#### The Historic Bolling Haxall House

211 East Franklin St., Richmond; 804-643-2847: twcrichmond. org. Circa 1858. An imposing Italianate mansion in the heart of downtown Richmond.

#### Historic Tuckahoe

12601 River Rd., Richmond; 804-971-8329: visithistorictuckahoe.com. Thomas Jefferson's boyhood home. Grounds open, House tours by appointment, \$ === \*\*

#### John Marshall House

818 E. Marshall St., Richmond; 804-648-7998; preservationvirginia.org/marshall Home of the "Great Chief Justice" of the Supreme Court. \$ ===

#### Kings Dominion vc

I-95, Exit 98, Doswell; 804-876-5000; kingsdominion.com. We've got the most hair-raising rides, the wettest water park, the most sizzling stage shows and tons of other cool stuff evervone can enjoy.

#### Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden vo 1800 Lakeside Ave., Richmond;

804-262-9887; lewisginter.org. Fifty acres of themed gardens; dining, shopping. Conservatory; children's garden. \$ 🖚 🖔

#### Maggie L. Walker National **Historic Site**

600 North 2nd St., Richmond; 804-771-2017: nps.gov/mawa, Historic home of Maggie L. Walker, pioneering African-American businesswoman. 🕹

### Magnolia Grange House Museum

10020 Iron Bridge Rd., Chesterfield: 804-796-1479: chesterfieldhistory. com. Restored 1822 Federal-style plantation house. Open Tuesday-Friday 10am-4pm, Saturday 10am-2pm, \$

#### Maymont vg

2201 Shields Lake Dr., Richmond: 804-358-7166: maymont.org. 100-acre adventure with treasure-filled mansion. gardens, wildlife, farm, nature center.

#### Meadow Farm Museum

3400 Mountain Rd., Glen Allen; 804-501-5520; co.henrico. va.us/rec/current programs/ meadow\_farm.html. An 1860 living historical farm and museum with programs and exhibits.

#### Metro Richmond Zoo

8300 Beaver Bridge Rd. Moselev: 804-739-5666; metrorichmondzoo. com. Come feed the giraffes and penguins. Rides, gift shop, educational programs.

#### Mid-Lothian Mines Park

13320 N. Woolridge Rd., Midlothian; 804-796-7075; midlomines.org. Passive park containing ruins of 1870's mining structures. 🖚 🖔 🖔

#### **Museum of Virginia Catholic History**

7800 Carousel Ln., Richmond; 804-359-5661; richmonddiocese.org. Provides tours to learn about the roots of Virginia's Catholic culture.

#### Old Brick House

131 Waterfront Dr., Colonial Heights; 804-520-9390; oldbrickhouse.org. Conjurers Field Archaeological Site, a prehistoric native village on the Appomattox River

#### **Pocahontas State Park**

10301 State Park Rd., Chesterfield; 804-796-4255; virginiastateparks. 20v. \$ --- 5

#### The Poe Museum

1914 E. Main St., Richmond; 804-648-5523; poemuseum.org. The world's most comprehensive collection of Poe-related artifacts and memorabilia. \$ ===

#### **Richmond National Battlefield Park** Visitor Center at Historic Tredegar

500 Tredegar St., Richmond: 804-226-5050: nps.gov/rich. Provides touring information for visiting Richmond's Civil War battlefields. 🖚 🕹

#### Richmond Raceway 600 F Laburnum Ave Richmond

866-455-7223: richmondraceway com. See NASCAR's hottest stars, "Under the Lights." \$ 🖚 🕹

#### Richmond Railroad Museum

102 Hull St., Richmond: 804-231-4324: richmondrailroadmuseum.com. Located in the former Southern Railway Hull Street station. \$**==**\*6.

#### Science Museum of Virginia vg 2500 W. Broad St., Richmond:

exhibits and demonstrations. Immersive film dome. Historic building. \$ 🖚 🖔 St. John's Church 2401 E. Broad St., Richmond; 804-

"Liberty or Death" speech, Tours,

804-864-1400: smv.org. Interactive

#### 648-5015; historicstjohnschurch.org. Location of Patrick Henry's

The Valentine First Freedom Center 14 S. 14th St., Richmond: 804-649-0711: firstfreedom.org. Exhibitions and monument that delve into America's religious

reenactments. \$ == & 1

#### The Valentine

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1015 East Clay St., Richmond; 804-649-0711: thevalentine.org. 1812 John Wickham house, garden, sculpture studio, exhibitions, walking tours. \$ 🖚 🕹 🆍

#### **Virginia Center for Architecture**

2501 Monument Ave., Richmond; 804-644-3041; architectureva.org. Discover how architecture and design influence our lives.

#### Virginia House 4301 Sulgrave Rd., Richmond;

804-353-4251; vahistorical.org/ your-visit/virginia-house. 16th-century English manor house. Tours by appointment. \$===

#### Virginia Museum of Fine Arts vo

200 N. Arthur Ashe Boulevard, Richmond; 804-340-1405; vmfa.museum. Open 365 days a year. General admission is always free A

#### Virginia Museum of History & Culture

428 N. Boulevard, Richmond; 804-340-1800: virginiahistory. org. Museum and library. Open Monday-Saturday 10am-5pm. Sunday (museum only) 10am-5pm

#### Virginia State Capitol

10th & Bank Sts., Richmond: 804-698-1788; virginiacapitol.gov. Thomas Jefferson's restored classical Capitol welcomes lawmakers, students and tourists. 🖚 🖔

#### Virginia War Memorial

621 S. Belvidere St., Richmond; 804-786-2060; vawarmemorial.org. Tribute to Virginia's fallen heroes, Historical exhibits, films and tours,

#### Wilton House Museum

215 S. Wilton Rd., Richmond: 804-282-5936; wiltonhousemuseum org Experience Colonial history at Richmond's only James River plantation. \$ ===

#### **SCOTTSVILLE** Scottsville Community Chamber

of Commerce 385 Valley St., Scottsville; 434-286-6000; scottsvilleva.com. Visit Scottsville for museums, parks and events featuring bateaux canal and river history, the Civil War and our heritage-rich history.

#### Canal Basin Square

Main St., Scottsville: 434-286-6000; avenue.org/cbs. Outdoor transportation history park depicting history of bateaux and canal. 🖚📽

#### SUSSEX COUNTY

#### Includes Wakefield, Waverly First Peanut Museum in U.S.A.

Rt. 460 W. near intersection with Rt. 40. Waverly: 804-834-3327. Story of peanuts through pictures, antique farm machinery and equipment. &

#### Miles B. Carpenter Folk Art Museum

201 Hunter St. Waverly: 804-834-3327. 1890 home of Miles Burkholder Carpenter, nationally known folk artist.

#### Wakefield Foundation Center for the Arts

100 Wilson Ave., Wakefield; 757-899-6005; wakefieldfoundation. org. Historic school building. Open 1-5pm year-round, Visiting exhibits and shows.

#### The Babcock House Lodging • Food • Drink



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#### **PET-FRIENDLY**

If you like traveling with your four-legged friend, then **The Tides Inn** is the place for you, ensuring you both feel like royalty. Your buddy will luxuriate on a cozy Harry Barker pet bed, eat from a ceramic bowl and chomp on in-room doggie biscuits. Roam the grounds, beach and marina, then head to Kilmarnock for a downtown stroll and some off-leash play at **Scottie Yard dog park**.



#### **ASK A LOCAL**

"Virginia is one of only two places in the world where vineyards exist alongside water with oysters; Bordeaux in France is the other. Wine and oysters both reflect a sense of place. The 'terroir' of the grape and wine is like the 'merroir' of the oyster, which results in a perfect culinary pairing. The weather and climate, soil composition and geography are the same for Virginia's coastal grapes and the nearby oysters. You can seek this pairing at restaurants that offer wine from vineyards on Virginia's shores and pair it with Virginia's oysters. Experience for yourself why foods that grow together should be served together. Tasting is believing." — Dudley Patteson, Hope & Glory Inn and Dog & Oyster Vineyard

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Virginian **Gladys West**, who began her career at the U.S. Naval Weapons Laboratory in **Dahlgren**, was part of the "Hidden Figures" team – the Black female mathematicians known as "computers" - performing computations for the U.S. military before the advent of electronic calculators and computers. Among other awe-inspiring accomplishments, she verified calculations for Navy weapon systems and programmed a computer to deliver calculations for a "geodetic Earth model," which ultimately became GPS.

#### **NOTABLE TOWN**

In Mathews, Main Street is more than just an address – it's a description.

Downtown Mathews exudes a nostalgic small-town vibe, with plentiful smiles and 21st-century benefits. Stroll the friendly streets to boutique and antique shops. Muses thrive here, as evidenced in local art and craft galleries and studios that highlight pottery, paintings, wood carvings, jewelry and more.

Choose from fine dining, casual fare or fast food, but don't miss regionally celebrated White Dog Bistro or local favorite Southwind Pizza.

#### **HIDDEN GEM**

Time took a toll at **Menokin**, a 1769 Georgian-style mansion that was crumbling to the earth. Meanwhile, the surrounding woods reclaimed the native plants and animals. Now, the two exist side by side – the home is being gently restored and the land is a wildlife refuge. The National Historic Landmark won't become just another museum house, though. The restoration of the ruins will use structural glass, leaving elements of the house visible, to better illuminate Menokin's story for visitors.



#### **INSTAGRAM-WORTHY**

Your photo finger will be itching at **Merroir** oyster tasting house on the Rappahannock River. With waterside views, spectacular skyscapes, fabulous food and numerous accolades, it's the epitome of **Virginia's River Realm**. Your drool-worthy pictures are sure to inspire FOMO and food envy, though you may have trouble putting down your fork to pick up your phone.

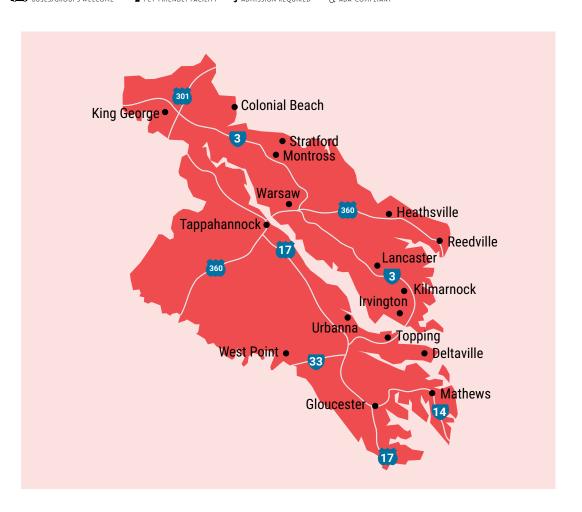
#### ICONIC

The small park seems unassuming, but **Tyndall's Point Park** showcases an enlightening connection to history. As you read the interpretive signs, a picture of the past materializes: first settlers landing here in the early 1600s; forts during the 17th century, the Civil War, and the Revolutionary War; and sporadic battles. Imaginary sounds of musket fire and cannon may drown out nearby river traffic as you wander past redoubts and trenches. You'll leave respectful – and better informed.



#### **BUCKET LIST**

Of course, **Westmoreland State Park** offers outdoor opportunities galore, but you'll also find something unexpected, something that just might be on your bucket list. The sand at **Fossil Beach** harbors sharks' teeth and other fossils, from millions and millions of years ago, when the region was covered by the ocean. Think whale teeth, shark and fish bones, and big-as-yourpalm megalodon teeth – the biggest shark ever to patrol the oceans.



#### Northern Neck Tourism Commission

457 Main St., Warsaw; 804-333-1919; northernneck. org. Historic sites, waterfront recreation, oysters, craft beverages and relaxation!

#### **Northern Neck Watertrails** 457 Main St., Warsaw;

804-333-1919; northernneck. org. Water trails along the creeks and tributaries of the Rappahannock and Potomac Rivers and Chesapeake Bay.

#### **TOWN OF COLONIAL BEACH** VisitCBVA Colonial Beach

**Tourist Center** Beach Terrace, Colonial Beach; 804-224-7181; visitcbva.com. CBVA's sandy beach, located on the shores of the Potomac

#### River, is the second largest in Virginia.

Colonial Beach Boardwalk Colonial Ave. to Hawthorne St., Colonial Beach; 804-224-7181; colonialbeachva.net. On the Potomac River, sandy beach, great views. Open daily. 🖚 🖔

#### Colonial Beach Municipal **Fishing Pier**

Beach Terrace, Colonial Beach; 804-224-7181; colonialbeachva.net. Fishing pier extending over the Potomac River. Open daily. &

#### **Colonial Beach Public Boat** Ramp

Monroe Bay Ave. on the Point, Colonial Beach; 804-224-7181; colonialheachya net Public boat launch with vehicle and trailer parking.

#### Museum at Colonial Beach 128 Hawthorne St. Colonial

Beach; 804-224-3379; museumatcolonialbeach. com. History of 19th-century bathing and fishing resort on Potomac River.

#### **DAHLGREN**

Dahlgren Heritage Museum & **Tourism Information Center** 3540 James Madison Pkwy.,

Dahlgren; 540-663-3680; dahlgrenmuseum.org. Interpreting stories that make Dahlgren a jewel of national defense.

#### **GLOUCESTER COUNTY**

VIRGINIA MAIN STREET CO Includes Hayes, Goucester Point, White Marsh

#### **Gloucester Visitor Center**

6504 Main St., Gloucester: 804-693-3215: visitgloucesterva.org. Visit the clerk's office, now the visitor center, for maps, area brochures and information. Revolutionary War and Native American exhibits. 🖚📽

#### Whitley's Peanut Factory vg 1977 George Washington

Memorial Hwy., Gloucester Point; 804-642-1975; whitleyspeanut.com. Certified Visitor's Center, retail store selling peanut products and souvenirs. 🖚 🕹

#### Abingdon Episcopal Church

4645 George Washington Hwy., White Marsh; 804-693-3035; abingdonchurch.org. Virginia's largest Colonial church built mid-18th century; historic cemetery

#### Beaverdam Park

8687 Roaring Springs Rd., Gloucester; 804-693-2107; visitgloucesterva.info/pr. Fishing, interpreted hiking trails, biking and horseback riding, boat rentals.

#### Gloucester Blueways Watertrails

6504 Main St., Gloucester; 804-693-3215; visitgloucesterva.info. Self-guided maps, water trails suited for kayaks in Gloucester.

#### **Gloucester Museum of History** 6539 Main St., Gloucester; 804-693-1234; gloucesterva.info. Static and changing exhibits of early Gloucester and its

#### **Gloucester Nature and** Birding Trail

people. 🖚

6504 Main St., Gloucester; 804 693-3215; visitgloucesterva. info/pr. Self-guided maps, eight sites, part of Virginia birding trails system.

#### **Gloucester Point Beach Park** 1255 Greate Rd., Gloucester

Point; 804-693-2355; visitgloucesterva.info/pr. Sandy beach, picnic tables, grills, fishing pier, snack bar.

#### **Historic Courthouse Circle**

6504 Main St., Gloucester; 804-693-3215; visitgloucesterva.org. Virginia's oldest courthouse circle, 1832 debtor's prison, 1870 jail, 1896 clerk's office and more. 🖚📽

#### Machicomoco State Park

3601 Timberneck Farm Rd. Hayes; virginiastateparks.gov.

#### **Point Walk**

1255 Greate Rd., Gloucester Point; 804-693-2355; visitgloucesterva.info/pr. Interpreted walk along York River explains area's history, ecology, significance.

#### **Rosewell Ruins**

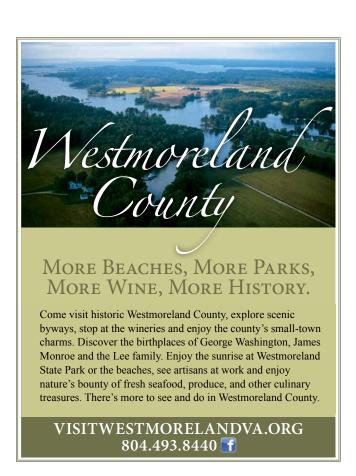
5113 Old Rosewell Ln., Gloucester; 804-693-2585; rosewell.org. Preserved ruins of one of Colonial America's grandest mansions. \$===

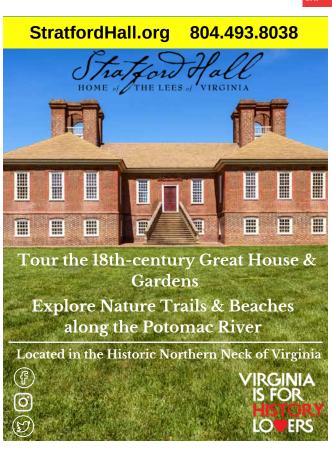
#### Ware Episcopal Church

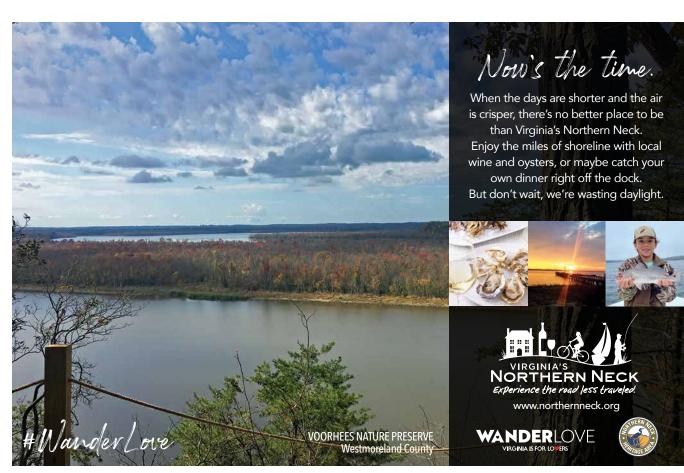
7825 John Clayton Memorial Hwy., Gloucester; 804-693-3821; warechurch.org. Historic early 18th-century church and

#### Woodville Park

3904 Woodville Park Rd., Hayes; 804-693-2355; visitgloucesterva.info/pr. Nature park with wetlands, woodlands, trails, picnic tables, memorial gardens. 🖚 🛎







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Rice's Hotel/Hughlett's Tavern

73 Monument Pl., Heathsville; 804-580-3377; rhhtfoundationinc.org. 18th-century tavern, heritage arts center and guilds. Farmers market.

#### **INDIAN NECK**

#### Rappahannock Tribe Cultural Center

5036 Indian Neck Rd Indian Neck: 804-769-0260: rappahannocktribe.org. Come experience Native American historical exhibits of culture and tradition.

#### **IRVINGTON**

Steamboat Era Museum 156 King Carter Dr., Irvington:

804-438-6888: steamboateramuseum.org. Original "Potomac" pilothouse installation, dioramas, artifacts, models, paintings and photos

#### **KILMARNOCK**

#### Kilmarnock Museum

76 N. Main St., Kilmarnock; 420 Christ Church Rd., Weems: 804-438-6855: 804-436-9100: northernneck org. Recalls early days of the bustling town, first known as Steptoe's Ordinary, settled in 1719.

#### KING GEORGE COUNTY

#### Includes King Georg King George County

Citizens Center

8076 Kings Hwy., King George; 540-775-4386: kinggeorgecountyva.gov Gateway to the historic Northern Neck of Virginia

#### Caledon State Park

11617 Caledon Rd., King George; 540-663-3861; virginiastateparks.gov \$<del>~~</del>\*&

#### King George Museum

Located at the Old Jail at the King George county courthouse, King George; 540-775-9477; kghistory.org. Open Thursday and Saturday, 10am-2pm or by appointment.

#### KING WILLIAM

West Point Chamber of Commerce

621 Main St., West Point: 804-843-4620; westpointvachamber. com. Information on waterfront town with collection of Victorian homes.

#### King William Historical Museum

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227 Courthouse Ln., King William; 804-769-9619; kingwilliamcounty.us. History of King William. Open weekends and by appointment.

#### Pamunkey Indian Reservation and Museum

175 Lay Landing Rd., King William; 804-843-4792; pamunkey.net. Open daily except Mondays, Confirm by calling. 🖚

#### St. John's Church

103 St. John's Church Ln., stjohnswp.org/oldstjohns. Guided tours available by Musical programs.

#### **LANCASTER COUNTY**

Includes Morattico, Weems Belle Isle State Park

virginiastateparks.gov. \$

#### Preserve

Rd., 804-720-4295; dcr.virginia. gov. 254 acres of mixed pinehardwood forest, ravines and Cabin Swamp.

#### Historic Christ Church & Museum

christchurch1735.org. National Historic Landmark and one of America's finest Colonial churches. \$₹\$\$

#### Lancaster VA Historical Society- Mary Ball Washington

8346 Mary Ball Rd, Lancaster; 804-462-7280; lancastervahistory.org. Lancaster County exhibits. historic district buildings and genealogy research center.

6584 Morattico Rd., Morattico: 804-462-7690; morattico.org. Cultural history of a working watermen's village in the 1901 Morattico general store.

#### **MATHEWS COUNTY**

#### Includes Mathews Mathews County Visitor &

239 Main St Mathews: 804-725-4229: visitmathews. com. Outdoor adventure guides, maps, brochures,

#### Bethel Beach Natural Area

804-725-4229; visitmathews. com. Sandy beach, low dunes and salt marshes on Chesapeake Bay. 🖚 📽

King William; 804-769-4560; appointment. Call for tours.

1632 Belle Isle Rd., Lancaster; 804-462-5030;

#### **Hickory Hollow Nature**

VA 604 in Lancaster, Regina

### Museum & Library

#### Morattico Waterfront Museum

#### Information Center

aquarium, artisan gallery & displays. 🖚 📽

Bethel Beach Rd., Mathews;

Gwynn's Island Museum Old Ferry Rd., Gwynn's Island, Mathews; 804-725-2656; gwynnsislandmuseum org. Historic building, Colonial artifacts, antiques, memorabilia, displays and

#### **Haven Beach Nature Preserve**

exhibits.

Haven Beach Rd., Mathews; 804-725-4229: visitmathews. com. Nature preserve, kayak launch, sandy beach, wildlife on the Chesapeake Bay.

#### **Historic Williams Wharf**

1039 Williams Wharf Rd., Mathews; 804-725-9685; mathewslandconservancy. org. Historic steamboat wharf. Steamboat museum, fishing, kayak landing, pavilion docks. 🖚 📽

#### **Mathews Birding and Nature** Trails

239 Main St., Mathews: 804-725-4229: visitmathews com. Self-guided maps, nine locations, part of Virginia Birding Trails system.

#### Mathews Blueways Watertrails 239 Main St., Mathews:

804-725-4229; visitmathews. com. Self-guided maps, 9 miles of water trails in and around

#### **Mathews Maritime Foundation**

#### **New Point Comfort Lighthouse** New Point, Mathews; 804-725-4229: visitmathews.com. The 3rd oldest lighthouse (1805) on

#### Tompkins Cottage/Mathews **Historical Society**

Brickbat Rd., Mathews: 804-725-4229: visitmathews com. Built in 1815, the oldest wooden structure in historic district.

Middlesex, Saluda, Urbanna

Development & Tourism

877 General Puller Hwy.,

virginiasriverrealm.com. Life

towns, boating, fishing, local

seafood, camping, history and

year-round events. 🖚 🛎 🖔

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Middlesex Economic

Saluda: 804-654-1363:

Urbanna Museum

& Visitors Center

#### MIDDLESEX COUNTY Includes Deltaville, Hartfield,

Mathews. 🖚 📽

482 Main St., Mathews; 805-725-4444; mathewsmaritime. com. Artifacts and boats celebrating the waterman's history.

140 Virginia St., Urbanna; 804-758-2613: urbannava.gov. Historic 18th-century building the Chesapeake Bay. Houses original John Mitchell map. 🕊 🖧

#### **Chesty Puller Park**

777 General Puller Hwy., Saluda: 804-758-3663: middlesexmuseum com Beautifully landscaped memorial for Lt. General Chesty Puller. Picnic area. 🖚 🛎 👃

#### Deltaville Maritime Museum and Holly Point Nature Park

287 Jackson Creek Rd., Deltaville: 804-776-7200 deltavillemuseum.com. Museum, 34-acre park, picnic areas, trails, waterfront pier, kayak launch, pavilion/ banquet room rentals and year-round events center. Open daily. \$ 🖚 🛎 🛦 🦍

#### Historic Clerk's Office

877 General Puller Hwy., Saluda; 804-758-3663; middlesexmuseum.com. Insightful hands-on exhibit exploring 300+ years of official county records. Local brochures & maps. 🖚 🛎 🕹

#### **Lower United Methodist Church**

120 Lower Church Rd., Hartfield: 804-776-6250: lowerumc.com. Circa 1717 Colonial Hipped brick church. Sunday services. Tours June-Sentember

#### Middlesex County Museum & Historical Society, Inc

777 General Puller Hwy., Saluda; 804-758-3663; middlesexmuseum.com. Prehistoric, Native American, military Civil War and 400+ years of local history collections. Featuring Lt. General Chesty Puller and Irene Morgan. Maps and Genealogy.

#### Virginia Motor Speedway 4426 Tidewater Trl., Middlesex;

804-758-1867; vamotorspeedway.com. 1/2-mile semi-banked dirt oval raceway and pit mud bog. 🖚 🕹 🆍

#### **MONTROSS**

#### Northern Neck of Virginia Historical Society Research Library

15825 Kings Hwy., Montross; 804-493-1862: nnvhs. org. Covering genealogy of Westmoreland. Northumberland Richmond Lancaster, King George and Stafford counties.

#### **NORTHUMBERLAND** COUNTY

Includes Heathsville, Kilmarnock **Bush Mill Stream** Natural Area Preserve VA 642 until you see the

sign for Bush Mill Stream.

Heathsville: 804-225-2303: dcr.virginia.gov. Freshwater meets saltwater of the Great Wicomico River, blue herons.

#### Dameron Marsh Natural Area Preserve

Ball's Neck Rd., to Cloverdale Rd., to Guarding Point Ln., Kilmarnock; 804-225-2303; dcr.virginia.gov. Trail. boardwalk, wildlife viewing platform, parking, kayak/ canoe launch site.

#### **Hughlett Point Natural Area** Preserve

From VA 200 between Wicomico Church and Kilmarnock, take a right onto VA 606, right onto VA 605., Wicomico Church; 804-225-2303; dcr.virginia.gov. Parking, trails, a woodland boardwalk, wildlife viewing platforms, interpretive signs.

#### Northern Neck Farm Museum

12705 Northumberland Hwv.. Heathsville: 804-761-5952: thefarmmuseum.org. Tells the story of Northern Neck agriculture. Exhibits and equipment \$

#### **Northumberland County Historical Society Ball** Memorial Museum & Library

86 Back St., Heathsville; 804-580-8581 northumberlandvahistory.org Extensive genealogical library and programs in Heathsville's Historic District. 🖚

#### REEDVILLE

Reedville Fishermen's Museum 504 Main St., Reedville: 804-453-6529; rfmuseum. org. Fishing industry exhibits, heritage vessels, 1875 house. model trains. \$ ===

#### RICHMOND COUNTY

#### Includes Warsaw Menokin

4037 Menokin Rd., Warsaw; 804-333-1776; menokin. org. Waterfront property of Declaration of Independence signer Francis Lightfoot Lee. 🖚📽

#### Rappahannock River National Wildlife Refuge

336 Wilna Rd., Warsaw; 804-333-1470: fws.gov/refuge/ rappahannock\_river\_valley. Wildlife viewing and photography, fishing, boating, walking, environmental education, nature.

#### **Richmond County Museum**

5874 Richmond Rd., Warsaw; 804-333-3607; co.richmond. va.us/visitors/richmondcounty-museum, 1872 jail gallery, Colonial courthouse, country store, Rappahannock tribe, gift shop.

#### TAPPAHANNOCK **Essex County Museum and**

**Historical Society** 218 Water Ln., Tappahannock; 804-443-4690; ecmhs.org. Rappahannock Indians. Colonial and Civil War eras African-American experience.

#### WESTMORELAND COUNTY

and Visitor Center

Includes Kinsale, Montross, Oak Grove, Stratford, Warsaw Westmoreland County Museum

43 Court Sq., Montross; 804-493-8440: visitwestmorelandva.com View the Charles Willson Peale 1768 portrait of Sir William Pitt, artifacts, displays and programs related to county history and a research library. 🖚 📽

#### A. T. Johnson Museum African American Education & Culture

18849 King's Hwy., Montross; 804-493-7070: northernneck org One of the first African-American high schools in area. Historical artifacts and memorabilia.

#### George Washington Birthplace National Monument

1732 Popes Creek Rd., Oak Grove; 804-224-1732; nps.gov/gewa. Birth site, Memorial House, Colonial kitchen, hiking and farm.

#### **James Monroe Birthplace Site**

4460 James Monroe Hwy. Colonial Beach: 804-214-9145: monroefoundation.org. Birthplace of the 5th U.S. president. Open weekends Memorial Day to Labor Day. 🖚📽

#### Kinsale Foundation and

Museum 449 Kinsale Rd Kinsale: 804-472-3001; kinsalefoundation. org. Oldest customs port. Steamboat-era museum. 🖚 📽

#### Northern Neck Heritage Trail **Bicycling Route**

457 Main St., Warsaw; 804-333-1919; nps.gov/pohe/ planyourvisit/maps.htm. Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail's Northern Neck segment. Maps available.

#### Stratford Hall

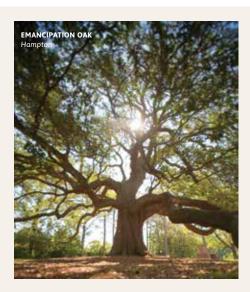
483 Great House Rd., Stratford; 804-493-8038: stratfordhall org. Docent-led and audio tours, nature trails, fossil hunting, kayaking, lodging.

#### Westmoreland State Park

145 Cliff Rd., Montross; 804-493-8821: virginiastateparks.gov. \$**~**\*&

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

The accomplishments of **Pharrell Williams** reach as high as "a room without a roof": musician, producer, entrepreneur and more. And Virginia Beach residents know that Williams treasures the city where he was born and raised, and that he supports what he values – as highlighted by the **Something in the** Water festival. The multiday beachfront experience welcomes internationally acclaimed recording artists, providing epic entertainment while benefiting Virginia Beach.



#### **NOTABLE NEIGHBORHOOD**

You can bask in **Phoebus** entertainment and food, but don't pass up the historical highlights of Hampton's early beach resort and "liberty spot" for World War II soldiers. Tour Fort Monroe. located where the first Africans arrived in 1619, and which sheltered freedom seekers during the Civil War. Visit **Hampton University**, an HBCU founded in 1868. See the Emancipation Oak, where the Black community gathered in 1863 to hear the first Southern reading of the Emancipation Proclamation. Then pair your newfound knowledge with a pint from 1865 Brewing, a new history-themed brewery.

#### ICONIC

Three Virginia locations that played major roles in early American history lie within easy driving distance. Dubbed the Historic Triangle, Jamestown, Yorktown and Williamsburg showcase the first English settlement, the end of the Revolutionary War and the founding of a new nation. Each destination offers dynamic learning opportunities for all ages. Chat with historical interpreters, watch historically accurate demonstrations, taste true-to-the-times food and explore re-created living-history communities and interactive museums.



#### **LOVEWORK**

Ham it up at the LOVEwork in Smithfield, where the popular country ham has been cured, treated, smoked and processed for centuries. The Smithfield brand also produces bacon, so using two strips of the delicious pork product as inspiration for the "V" was a no-brainer for designer Meagan Pugh. Your baconthemed photo op will certainly make you hungry, so turn your focus to the official ham shop, informative museum and several restaurants serving local products.

#### **BUCKET LIST**

You won't want to blow off the opportunity to take a whale-watching tour in Virginia Beach. These massive majestic mammals come to the Virginia shores in the winter months, when northern waters get too cold. Catch the acrobatic humpback whales in their natural habitat to see them blowing, breaching, rolling over, fluking and slapping the water. You might also spot bottlenose dolphins; harbor seals; harbor porpoises; fin, right and minke whales; and a variety of seabirds and waterfowl.

#### **HIDDEN GEM** The Mikelaites family

has welcomed guests to their pastoral land since 1987, when parents Joseph and Helene – "Jolene" – operated a nursery and garden center. Siblings Sandy, Brian and Cindy have since converted the property to Jolene Family Winery and vineyard. Choose from their vibrant whites, ruby rosé or robust reds, and then choose where to sip and savor: on The Veranda, in The Pines beside the placid lake, in The Greenhouse or in the comfortable tasting room

#### **INSTAGRAM-WORTHY**

Picture-worthy scenes at Lake Drummond in the Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge inspire your soul and your camera. Here, untarnished stretches of forest habitats and marshes support a diversity of mammals, birds and butterflies. Picturesque bald cypress trees rise from the water on wide rippled bases, like pleated skirts, often with knobby "knees" jutting up beside them. Their quirky appearance summons thoughts of enchanted forests and of prehistoric swamps!



#### **ASK A LOCAL**

"I love Coastal Virginia so much because of the variety: '7 Cities' is not just a name! ... What I like most is that each city has its own identity and vibe. Beyond that, we have the beach,

bay, rural, city ... a little bit of something for everyone!"—Jarrell Williams, Nomarama



#### **Sea to Stars**

#### MANY ATTRACTIONS. ONE LOW PRICE.

Hampton's 410-year legacy as the city "First from the Sea, First to the Stars" is captured in this combination ticket that mixes history, adventure, water recreation and fun! Explore some of Hampton's best attractions at one low price.

#### **Hampton University** Museum

#### HISTORY COMES TO LIFE.

Founded in 1868, the Hampton University Museum is America's oldest African American museum. Located on the historic Hampton University campus that dates to the same year, the museum features more than 9,000 pieces of African American, traditional African, Native American, Native Hawaiian and Asian art.

#### **Fort Monroe**

#### REMEMBER AND REFLECT.

It is the site where the first Africans brought to English North America landed in 1619. During the Civil War, it became known as "Freedom's Fortress" following the controversial Contraband Decision, prompting thousands of enslaved people to seek sanctuary within its walls. Today visitors from around the world come to this National Monument and walk in the footsteps of these courageous individuals.

# **Virginia Air & Space Science Center**

#### REACH FOR THE STARS.

The visitor center for NASA Langley Research Center is a world-class facility featuring more than 100 "hands-on" exhibits that tell America's exciting story of air and space exploration. See the Apollo 12 Command module, a Mars meteorite and even a threebillion-year-old moon rock.

#### **Drinks and Dining** BRING YOUR APPETITE.

Ideally located on the edge of the Chesapeake Bay and Atlantic, it's no surprise that Hampton is a haven for lovers



of fresh-caught seafood and delectable Southern dining. Whether in Downtown, Phoebus, Fort Monroe, Coliseum Central or a hidden hot spot, you'll find a dish to savor.

#### **400 Years Forward** EXPLORE BLACK HERITAGE.

Experience the historic museums, sites, and monuments that illustrate the perseverance of the human spirit with The 400 Years Forward Heritage Tour, showcasing the rich Black heritage of Hampton, from the landing of the first Africans in America in 1619 to the flourishing campus of Hampton University, one of the nation's oldest Historically Black Colleges.

# Miss Hampton II

# **CAST OFF FOR ADVENTURE!**

All aboard! Take a harbor cruise and enjoy a unique and exciting nautical experience around the Hampton Roads harbor, See water views of Fort Monroe and Fort Wool, the world's largest naval base, and the site of the Battle of the Ironclads during this popular April-October daily

# HISTORY & ADVENTURE INSPIRED.

Experience the 400 Years Forward tour, showcasing Hampton's rich African American heritage and highlighting the perseverance of the human spirit. Visit Fort Monroe which was the site of the 1619 first African Landing and served as a sanctuary for enslaved people who escaped during the Civil War. Discover the nation's first African American museum, the Hampton University Museum, and learn more than 400 years of Hampton's story at the Hampton History Museum. While you're here, see the spectacular sights of the world's greatest harbor, gaze into the stars at the Virginia Air & Space Science Center, and enjoy a delicious family meal with fresh seafood at one of our many restaurants.

Get inspired at visithampton.com/see-and-do









# CHARLES CITY COUNTY

# Includes Charles City Edgewood Plantation

Hwy., Charles City; 804-829-2962; edgewoodplantation. com. Circa 1849. The surprise is inside. 7,000 square feet, 10 fireplaces.

#### **Sherwood Forest Plantation**

14501 John Tyler Memorial Hwy, Charles City; 804-829-5377; sherwoodforest.org. Home of 10th U.S. President John Tyler from 1842-1862. \$

#### CHESAPEAKE Chesapeake Convention & Visitors Bureau vg

1224 Progressive Dr.,
Chesapeake; 757-382-6411;
visitchesapeake.com. A great
vacation is within reach.
Within an hour or less of the
area's beaches, theater, arts,
professional sporting events
and historical sites.

#### Chesapeake Visitor Center

1224 Progressive Dr., Chesapeake; 757-382-6411; visitchesapeake.com. Visitor center offering maps, brochures, coupons and more.

#### Chesapeake Arboretum vo 624 Oak Grove Rd., Chesapeake; 757-819-7510. Come explore free nature

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310 Shea Dr., Chesapeake; 757-547-0153; cpschools.com/ planetarium/public-programs. Free public programs to include telescope observations offered weekly.

#### Deep Creek Lock Park

300 Luray St., Chesapeake; 757-382-6411. Elevated walkway over marsh; boat dock, playground and picnic shelters.

#### **Dismal Swamp Canal Trail** 1200 Dismal Swamp Canal

1200 Dismal Swamp Canal Trail, Chesapeake; 757-382-6411; cityofchesapeake. net/dsct. A nature and history devotee's delight. Great outdoor recreation playground.

#### **Elizabeth River Park**

1400 Elizabeth River Way, Chesapeake; 757-382-6411. Waterfront park with boating access. Paved trail and ship's store.

# Great Bridge Lock Park

100 Locks Rd., Chesapeake; 757-382-6411. Watch locks in action on historic location along Intracoastal Waterway.

#### Northwest River Park

1733 Indian Creek Rd., Chesapeake; 757-421-7151; cityofchesapeake.net/nwrp. The perfect blend of natural beauty and recreational activities.

#### FRANKLIN / SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY

VIRGINIA MAIN STREET COMMUNITY Includes Capron, Courtland

#### Franklin Southampton Economic Development

Franklin; 757-562-1958; fsediva.com. Come Escape to Tradition in Franklin Southampton!

#### Franklin/Southampton Area Chamber of Commerce

108 W. Third Ave., Franklin; 757-562-4900; fsachamber. com. A short drive away from the ordinary. Explore, experience, enjoy.

# Cattashowrock Town

27345 Aquia Path, Courtland; 757-562-7760; cheroenhaka-nottoway.org. Tour the 17th-century replica Native American Palisade Village.

#### Downtown Franklin Visitors Center & Museum

120 S. Main St., Franklin; 757-562-6900; downtownfranklinva. org. Shop. Dine. Play. Learn. Open Monday-Friday 8:30am-5pm.

#### Nottoway Indian Tribe of Virginia Community House and Interpretive Center

23186 Main St., Capron; 757-876-7597; nottowayindians. org. Nottoway Indian History - From Barter...To Buffer...To Be.

#### **Rawls Museum Arts**

22376 Linden St., Courtland; 757-653-0754; rawlsarts. com. Displays world-class art exhibitions from modern to classical art. &

# East Coast Gateway Welcome Center at

New Kent vc Virginia Tourism Corporation I-64 Eastbound Mile Marker 213 New Kent 23124 804-966-7450

# Southampton Agriculture & Forestry Museum

26315 Heritage Ln., Courtland; 757-653-9554; rootsweb.com/~vaschs. Open Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday, 1-5pm. 6,000 farm artifacts, gristmill, sawmill, heritage village. \$

# Village Fire Engine Exhibit

100 South Main St., Franklin; 757-562-8581; franklinva. com. See antique fire trucks and other City of Franklin memorabilia.

#### **HAMPTON**

# Includes Fort Monroe Hampton Visitor Center

120 Old Hampton Ln.,
Hampton; 757-727-1102;
visithampton.com. Full-service
visitor center adjoining
the Hampton History
Museum.

#### Aberdeen Gardens Historic Museum

57 N. Mary Peake Blvd., Hampton; 757-251-2283; visithampton.com/attraction/ aberdeen-gardens-historicmuseum. Museum celebrates the history, heritage and future of Aberdeen Gardens.

#### Air Power Park

413 W. Mercury Blvd., Hampton; 757-726-0650. Outdoor air and spacecraft display, picnic facilities.

#### Bluebird Gap Farm

60 Pine Chapel Rd., Hampton; 757-825-4750; hampton.gov/ bbgf. A 60-acre farm/park/zoo with farm animals and Virginia wildlife.

#### Buckroe Beach

100 S. First St., Hampton; 757-850-5134; hampton.gov/parks. Chesapeake Bay beach with playground, bandstand, beach rentals, picnic shelters.

#### Casemate Museum at Fort Monroe

Casemate 20, Bernard Rd., Hampton; 757-788-3391; fmauthority.com/visit/casemate-museum. Features Jefferson Davis' post-Civil War cell, Battle of the Ironclads.

#### The Charles H. Taylor Arts Center

4205 Victoria Blvd., Hampton; 757-727-1490; hamptonarts. net. Hampton's 1925 Neoclassical library hosts contemporary art, sculpture, photography and more.

#### Fort Monroe Visitor & Education Center

30 Ingalls Rd., Fort Monroe; 757-690-8181; fortmonroe.org. Orients visitors to the largest moat encircled stone fort and National Monument; galleries tell the stories of 1619 African Arrival, contraband decision.

#### Fort Wool

Hampton Roads Harbor,
Hampton; 757-722-9102
misshamptoncruises.com.
Island fortress dating back
to 1819. See and learn about
the island aboard the Miss
Hampton.

# **Grandview Nature Preserve**

State Park Dr. at Beach Rd., Hampton; 757-850-5134; hampton.gov/parks. 578-acre preserve on Chesapeake Bay, home to aquatic species, waterfowl.

#### Hampton Carousel

602 Settlers Landing Rd., Hampton; 757-727-0900; vasc. org. One of only 170 antique wooden merry-go-rounds in the U.S. \$

#### Hampton History Museum

120 Old Hampton Ln.,
Hampton; 757-727-1610;
hamptonhistorymuseum.org.
Experience more than 400
years of Hampton history
across ten galleries. \$ &

#### Hampton University Museum

100 East Queen St., Hampton; 757-727-5308; hamptonu. edu/museum. Exceptional collection of African, African American, American-Indian and Asian and Pacific islands

#### Langley Speedway

3165 N. Armistead Ave., Hampton; 757-865-7223; langley-speedway.com. NASCAR Late Model Stock Car racing and other exciting events.

#### Little England Chapel

4100 Kecoughtan Rd., Hampton; 757-660-8646. Virginia's only known African-American missionary chapel. A National Historic Landmark.

#### Miss Hampton II Harbor Cruises

710 Settlers Landing Rd.,
Hampton; 757-722-9102;
misshamptoncruises.com.
Double-decked tour boat.
Narrated cruises of Hampton
Roads harbor.

#### Ocean Eagle - Hampton Roads Charters

Downtown Public Pier, Hampton; 757-868-3474; hamptonroadscharter.com. A 65-foot vessel offering daily Chesapeake Bay fishing, tackle included.

#### Peninsula Pilots

War Memorial Stadium, 1889 West Pembroke Ave., Hampton; 757-245-2222; peninsulapilots.com. Coastal Plains League baseball season runs June-August.

#### Sandy Bottom Nature Park

1255 Big Bethel Rd., Hampton; 757-825-4657; hampton.gov/ parks. 456 acres with two lakes, biking and hiking trails, fishing, boating, picnic areas.

#### St. John's Church

100 W. Queen's Way, Hampton; 757-722-2567; stjohnshampton. org. Established 1610. The oldest, continuous Englishspeaking parish in the United States.

#### Virginia Air & Space Center and Riverside 3-D IMAX Theater vc 600 Settlers Landing Rd.,

Hampton; 757-727-0900; vasc. org. Hands-on air, space and science exhibits and flight simulators. \$

#### **NEW KENT**

# New Kent Visitors & Commerce Center

7324 Vineyards Pkwy., New Kent; 804-966-8787; yesnewkent.com. Located on I-64 Exit 211 offers clean restrooms, vending machines and exhibits on New Kent's local history and attractions. Come see why New Kent is a great place to visit.

# NEWPORT NEWS Newport News Tourism

702 Town Center Dr., Newport News; 757-926-1400; newport-news.org. Consumer, group tour and meeting planner services.

#### Newport News Visitor Center vc 13560 Jefferson Ave., Newport

News; 757-886-7777; newport-news.org. Make us your first stop in Newport News! Attraction, restaurant, event, shopping and hotel information. Maps, directions, coupons, combination and discount tickets, souvenirs.

#### 100 Miles of Lights -Newport News

13560 Jefferson Ave., Newport News; 757-886-7777; 100milesoflights.com. Regional light shows, holiday exhibits, performances and shopping.

# Battle of Dam No. 1

13560 Jefferson Ave.,
Newport News; 757-886-7912;
newport-news.org. Extensive
1862 Peninsula Campaign
earthworks. National Register
of Historic Places.

#### Battle of Lee's Mill

Rivers Ridge Cir., Newport News; 757-886-7777; newport-news.org. First engagement of 1862 Peninsula Campaign; massive original Confederate fortifications.

#### **City Center at Oyster Point**

Thimble Shoals Blvd. at Jefferson Ave., Newport News; 757-873-2020; citycenteratoysterpoint.com. Urban festival marketplace with shopping, dining and regularly-scheduled ongoing events.

# Civil War Driving Tour

13560 Jefferson Ave., Newport News; 757-886-7777; newport-news.org. Self-guided tour of 1862 Peninsula Campaign battle sites and attractions.

#### CNU's Ferguson Center for the Arts

Christopher Newport University, 1 Avenue of the Arts, Newport News; 757-594-8752; fergusoncenter.org. Offering shows from classical to country and Broadway to pop. \$\infty\)

#### **CNU's Fine Arts Center**

#### Deer Park

11523 Jefferson Ave., Newport News; 757-886-7912; newport-news.org. Azalea gardens, picnicking, hiking trails and "Boundless" playground. Ranger station.

#### Downing-Gross

Cultural Arts Center 2410 Wickham Ave., Newport News; 757-247-8950; downing-gross.org. Restored historic 1917 building with community art gallery and meeting spaces. 276-seat theatre, named after Newport News native Ella Fitzgerald, hosts year-round entertainment.

#### **Endview Plantation**

362 Yorktown Rd., Newport News; 757-887-1862; endview. org. Built in 1769, Endview Plantation is now a living history museum. During the Peninsula Campaign, it served as headquarters for Confederate generals McLaws and Toombs. S

#### The Founders' Trail

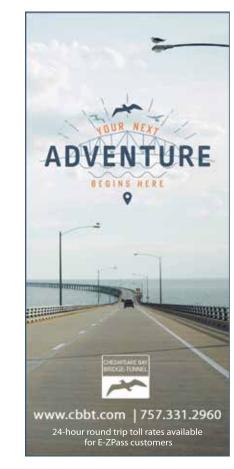
13560 Jefferson Ave., Newport News; 757-886-7777; newport-news.org. Self-guided driving tour of Newport News' 17th- and 18th-century sites.

#### Harwood's Mill Park

Oriana Rd., Newport News; 757-886-7912; newport-news. org. Freshwater fishing, paddleboating, hiking, picnicking, 5.5-mile natural-surface mountain bike trail.

#### Historic Hilton Village

Warwick Blvd. at Main St., Newport News; 757-886-7777; newport-news.org. English village-style neighborhood, built during WWI for shipyard workers.



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#### Historic North End/Huntington Heights

Huntington Ave. at Warwick Blvd., Newport News; 757-886-7777; newport-news.org. National Historic Register district, with homes built in early 1900s.

#### **Huntington Park**

9285 Warwick Blvd., Newport News; 757-886-7912; newport-news.org. James River beach, boat ramp, "Fort Fun" playground, tennis, picnicking.

#### Huntington Park Rose Garden

9285 Warwick Blvd., Newport News; 757-886-7777; newport-news.org. Virginia's only "American Rose City Garden." Hundreds of roses.

#### James A. Fields House

617 27th St., Newport News; 757-813-6014; jamesafieldshouse.blogspot. com. Restored home of African-American community leader. Highlights local black history. \$

#### King-Lincoln Park

600 Jefferson Ave., Newport News; 757-886-7912; newport-news.org. Nature programs, saltwater fishing, interpretive center, picnicking, playground. Special events.

#### Lee Hall Depot

Elmhurst St. and Warwick Blvd., Newport News; 757-525-7372; leehalldepot. org. A historic railway depot, built about 1881, under restoration.

#### Lee Hall Mansion

163 Yorktown Rd., Newport News; 757-888-3371; leehall. org. Lee Hall, circa 1859, served as headquarters for Confederate generals Magruder and Johnston during the 1862 Peninsula Campaign. It affords visitors a glimpse of Antebellum wealth.

# The Mariners' Museum

100 Museum Dr., Newport News; 757-596-2222; marinersmuseum.org. Come see America's National Maritime Museum! \$ \$\iffsightarrow \frac{1}{2}\$.

#### Matthew Jones House

Taylor Ave. and Harrison Rd, Fort Eustis Military Base, Newport News; 757-886-7777; nps.gov/nr/travel/jamesriver/jon.htm. Architectural house museum dating from 1720s. Inhouse history collections.

#### Newport News Golf Club at Deer Run

901 Clubhouse Way, Newport News; 757-886-7925; nngolfclub.com. 36-hole, 4-star Golf Digest-rated facility 20 minutes from Williamsburg. PGA pros, clubhouse, restaurant, driving range, pro shop. A country club experience without the expense. \$

#### Newport News Park

News; 757-886-7912; newport-news.org. 7,711-acre park, nine times larger than NYC's Central Park! Canoeing, paddleboats, fishing, hiking, biking, camping, geocaching, archery, disc golf, picnicking, playgrounds. Arboretum, Japanese tea house.

13560 Jefferson Ave., Newport

#### **Newport News Park Campsites**

13564 Jefferson Ave., Newport News; 757-888-3333; newport-news.org. 188 campsites in wooded setting. Utility hookups, camp store, playgrounds. \$

#### Newport News Park Discovery Center

13560 Jefferson Ave., Newport News; 757-886-7916; newport-news.org. Nature and Civil War exhibits. Interactive displays. Wildlife rehabilitation center.

#### The Newsome House Museum & Cultural Center

2803 Oak Ave., Newport News; 757-247-2360; newsomehouse. org. J. Thomas Newsome (1869-1942) was a lawyer, businessman and journalist. Today, his Victorian-style home is devoted to the expression of African-American culture and historical themes.

# Peninsula Community Theatre

10251 Warwick Blvd., Newport News; 757-595-5728; pctlive. org. Plays, musicals and children's shows staged in restored movie theater. \$

#### Peninsula SPCA and Barnyard

523 J. Clyde Morris Blvd., Newport News; 757-595-1399; peninsulaspca.org. Visit with chickens, rabbits, goats and enjoy a walk-in aviary. \$

#### **Riverview Farm Park**

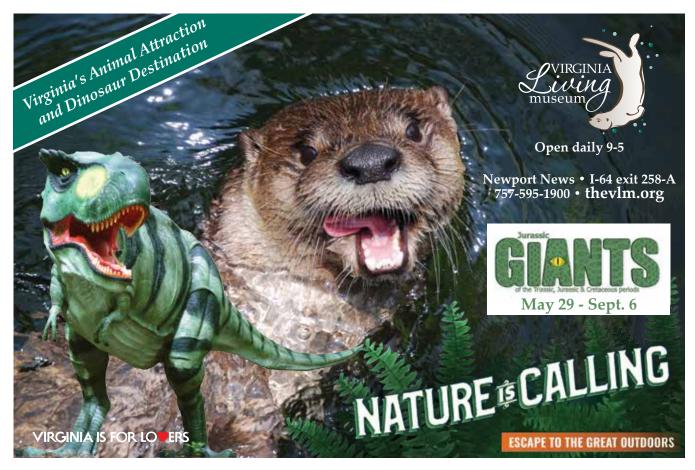
105 City Farm Rd., Newport News; 757-886-7883; newport-news.org. Walking trails, "Fantasy Farm" playground and Fido Field dog

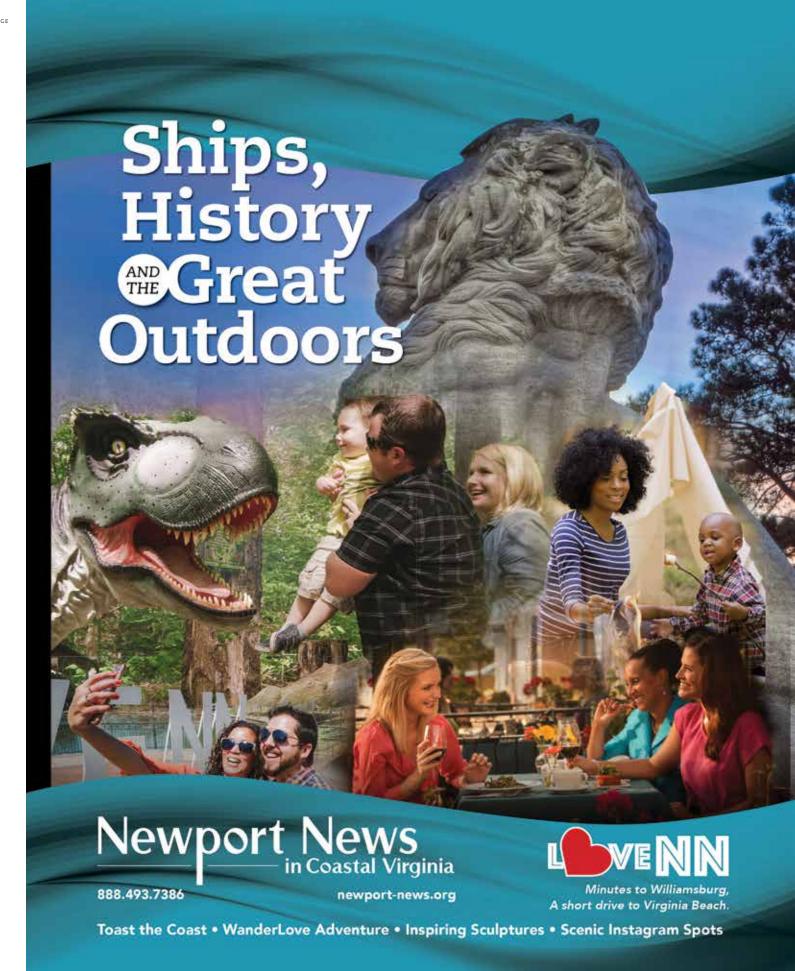
#### U.S. Army Transportation Museum

300 Washington Blvd., Fort Eustis Army Base, Fort Eustis; 757-878-1115; transportation.army.mil/museum. Full-size and model vehicles, aircraft, watercraft, rail and experimental equipment.

#### Virginia Living Museum vo

524 J. Clyde Morris Blvd., Newport News; 757-595-1900; thevlm.org. Virginia's animal attraction and Dinosaur Destination. Tour our indoor and outdoor animal exhibits, visit the universe in our planetarium, plus explore the Dinosaur Discovery Trail.





#### Virginia War Museum

9285 Warwick Blvd., Newport News; 757-247-8523; warmuseum.org. Established in 1923, the Virginia War Museum explores America's military history from 1775 to the present in its nine galleries of uniforms, artwork and weapons. \$

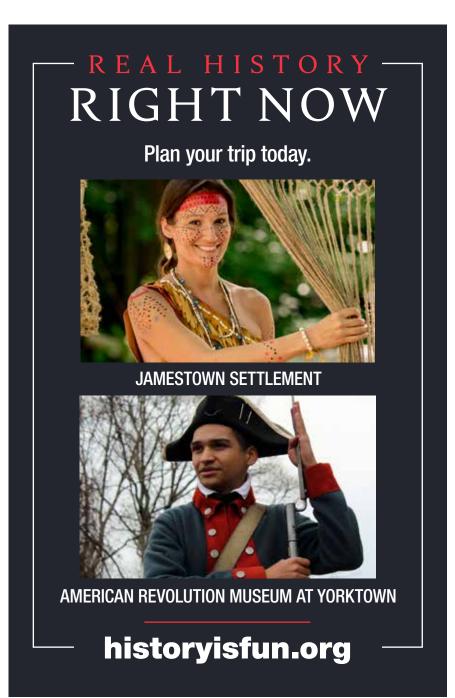
#### Young's Mill

13055 Warwick Blvd., Newport News; 757-886-7777;newport-news.org. Reconstructed 1820s tide mill; 1862 Confederate campground. Original fortifications remain.

#### **NORFOLK**

#### VisitNorfolk vc

232 E. Main St., Norfolk; 757-664-6620; visitnorfolk. com. Norfolk, Virginia: a walkable, waterfront city offering diverse attractions, historic landmarks and culture. Tourist Information Center is open Monday-Friday 8:30am-5pm and 11am-2pm Saturday and Sunday.



#### Armed Forces Memorial

Beside Town Point Park, Norfolk; 757-664-6620; visitnorfolk.com/listings/armed-forces-memorial/29. Twenty cast-bronze letters written home by U.S. service members. &

#### Arthur and Phyllis Kaplan Orchid Conservatory

Between Hampton Blvd and Elkhorn Ave. at 44th St. near the Perry Library, Norfolk; 757-683-5839; odu.edu/sci/research/orchid-conservatory. The conservatory houses the orchids of Norfolk physician Arthur Kaplan. &

#### The Attucks Theatre

1010 Church St., Norfolk; 757-622-4763; cacc-inc. org. Multicultural performing arts, engaging in music, theater, comedy and film.

#### Battleship Wisconsin

One Waterside Dr., Norfolk; 757-664-1000; nauticus.org/battleship-wisconsin. Tour one of the largest and last battleships built by the U.S. Navy! \$== &

#### **Chrysler Museum Glass Studio**

745 Duke St., Norfolk; 757-664-6200; chrysler.org. Lively glassmaking demonstrations complement the museum's extensive glass collection.

#### Chrysler Museum of Art

One Memorial Pl., Norfolk; 757-664-6200; chrysler.org. World-class art collection, stunning glass galleries and interpretive programs.

#### d'ART Center

740 Duke St., Norfolk; 757-625-4211; d-artcenter. org. Watch, create, learn, collect and enjoy work from diverse artists.

#### **Elmwood Cemetery**

238 East Princess Anne Rd., Norfolk; 757-441-2576; norfolk.gov/facilities/facility/details/47. Historic cemetery that exemplifies the Victorian period's Christian view of death as temporary sleep. &

#### Fort Norfolk

810 Front St., Norfolk; 757-640-1720; norfolkhistoricalsociety.wildapricot.org/ ftnorfolk. Last remaining of 19 harbor front forts authorized in 1794 by President George Washington. 点

#### **Hampton Roads Naval Museum**

One Waterside Dr., Ste. 248, Norfolk; 757-322-2987; hrnm.navy.mil. Explore over 238 years of exciting Naval history, for free!

#### Hermitage Museum and Gardens

7637 North Shore Rd., Norfolk; 757-423-2052; thehermitagemuseum.org. Historic house and art museum on 12 acres of waterfront. \$

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#### The MacArthur Memorial

MacArthur Sq., Norfolk; 757-441-2965; macarthurmemorial.org. Museum about the life and times of General Douglas MacArthur. 🖚 &

#### **Moses Myers House**

323 E Freemason St., Norfolk; 757-333-1087; chrysler.org. This home is the oldest Jewish home in America.

#### Nauticus vg

One Waterside Dr., Norfolk; 757-664-1000; nauticus.org. Nauticus explores the naval, natural and economic power of the sea through hands-on exhibits, demonstrations, 3D films and the mighty Battleship Wisconsin! \$ \infty &



If you are what you eat, then Norfolk's pretty darn amazing. With more independently owned restaurants per capita than almost any city in the U.S. and a walkable waterfront downtown with countless attractions, festivals, and experiences to work up an appetite, a great time is always on the menu. So pack your sense of discovery, and your appetite, and give Norfolk a try

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Naval Station Norfolk vg

9079 Hampton Blvd., Norfolk; 757-444-7955; cnic.navy.mil/ regions/cnrma/installations/ ns\_norfolk.html. Call or visit our website for tour availability and information.

Norfolk Botanical Garden vc 6700 Azalea Garden Rd., Norfolk; 757-441-5830; norfolkbotanicalgarden.org. 175 gorgeous acres, 60 themed gardens, children's garden and

Norfolk Southern Museum

trails \$

Norfolk Southern Museum
3 Commercial Pl., Norfolk;
757-823-5325; nscorp.
com/content/nscorp/en/
the-norfolk-southern-story/
norfolk-. Artifacts including
sections of a Civil War-era
track, vintage hand tools and
diagrams. &

#### Norfolk State Planetarium

700 Park Ave., Norfolk; 757-823-8600; userweb.jlab. org/-salgado/astropage/ index.html. Regularly sponsors lecture series to the public, in-service teachers courses and workshops. &

Pagoda Garden and Teahouse 265 West Tazewell St., Norfolk; 757-622-0506; pagodagarden. org. Home to huge Koi pond and over 125 species of Asian

Saint Paul's Episcopal Church

plantings. 🖚 📽

201 St. Paul's Blvd., Norfolk; 757-627-4353; stpaulsnorfolk. org. Built in 1739, St. Paul's Church is Norfolk's oldest building. とか

# Victory Rover Naval Base Cruises

One Waterside Dr., Norfolk; 757-627-7406; navalbasecruises.com. Two-hour narrated Naval base cruises depart daily from Nauticus. \$

#### Virginia Arts Festival 440 Bank St., Norfolk:

757-282-2819; vafest.org. Presenting great performers from around the world to local audiences and making our region a cultural destination for visitors. Music, dance and theater from some of today's most influential composers, choreographers and playwrights as well as education programs that reach tens of thousands of area schoolchildren each year.

#### Virginia Opera

160 W Virginia Beach Blvd., Norfolk; 757-627-9545; vaopera.org. The official opera company of Virginia performing in Norfolk, Richmond and Fairfax. \$\$\infty\$\$\frac{1}{2}\$

#### Virginia Zoo vc

3500 Granby St., Norfolk; 757-441-2374; virginiazoo. org. Home to more than 700 animals representing over 150 species. \$

#### Willoughby-Baylor House

601 E Freemason St, Norfolk; 757-664-6200; chrysler.org. Federal townhouse built in 1794. Local history with changing exhibitions.

# POQUOSON

City of Poquoson
500 City Hall Ave., Poquoson;
757-868-5314; poquoson-va.
gov. Shopping, dining, outdoor
recreation and beautiful
waterfront framed in a relaxed,
unburried setting! A

#### Poquoson Museum

968 Poquoson Ave., Poquoson; 757-868-6830; poquosonmuseum.com. Great local history, enlightening walking trail and magnificent garden.

#### Poquoson Seafood Festival

830 Poquoson Ave., Poquoson; 757-868-3580; poquosonseafoodfestival.com. Chesapeake Bay seafood and entertainment for the whole family.

# PORTSMOUTH

Portsmouth Welcome Center 206 High St., Portsmouth; 757-393-5111; visitportsva. com. Get attraction brochures, dining suggestions, itineraries, information, gifts and more.

# Atlantic Union Bank Pavilion

16 Crawford Cir., Portsmouth; 757-393-8181; pavilionconcerts.com. 6,500 capacity waterfront venue hosting live entertainment. \$\$\iffsize{\text{L}}\$

#### Chevra T'helim Jewish Museum & Cultural Center

607 Effingham St., Portsmouth; 757-391-9266; jewishmuseumportsmouth.org. Established 1917, completed 1922; learn about Jewish history, faith and culture. Tours available.

#### The Children's Museum of Virginia

221 High St., Portsmouth; 757-393-5258; childrensmuseumva. com. Interactive exhibits full of fun and learning that spark the imagination. \$ \( \begin{align\*} \begin{align\*} \begin{align\*} \begin{align\*} \delta \end{align\*} \\ \de

#### Commodore Theatre

421 High St., Portsmouth; 757-393-6962; commodoretheatre. com. 1940s Art Deco movie theatre serving lunch and dinner. \$

#### Fresnel Lens

Adjacent to the Portsmouth Seawall, near High St. Landing, Portsmouth; 757-393-8591; visitportsva.com. Among the largest and brightest of its kind, with more than 250 prisms of optical glass.

#### Hill House Museum 221 North St., Portsmouth;

221 North St., Portsmouth; 757-393-0241; thehillhousemuseum.org. Circa 1820 historic home. Call for hours and group tours. \$

#### Hoffler Creek Wildlife Preserve 4510 Twin Pines Rd.,

Portsmouth; 757-686-8684; Town hofflercreek.org. A natural getaway for hikers, kayakers, birders and wildlife watchers. Outd. sculp

# Lightship Portsmouth Museum

London Slip at the corner of London and Water Sts., Portsmouth; 757-393-8591; portsmouthnavalshipardmusem com. The ship's quarters are fitted out realistically with artifacts, uniforms, photographs and models. Semantimes

#### Paradise Creek Nature Park

1141 Victory Blvd., Portsmouth; 757-399-7487; paradisecreeknaturepark.com. Restored urban wetland. Trails, art, kayak, nature center.

# Path of History Walking Tour

From Norfolk Naval Shipyard to the Portsmouth Navy Medical Center, Portsmouth; 757-393-5111; visitportsva. com. Self-guided walking tout through three centuries of history.

#### Pokey Smokey II

140 City Park Ave., Portsmouth; 757-393-8481; portsvacation. com. A miniature train at City Park. Great for kids.

#### Portsmouth Art & Cultural Center

400 High St., Portsmouth; 757-393-8543; portsmouthartcenter.com. Offering quality educational art exhibits, lectures, classes and performances. \$

# Portsmouth Arts District

Towne Portsmouth,
Portsmouth; 757-393-8481;
portsmouthartsdistrict.com.
Outdoor art exhibits, murals,
sculptures and changing
installations.

#### Portsmouth City Park/Links at City Park

140 City Park Ave., Portsmouth; 757-465-2937; portsmouthparks. com. A 93-acre waterfront park. Fishing, golf, tennis, playground, picnic.

#### Portsmouth Colored Community Library Museum

904 Elm Ave., Portsmouth; 757-393-8983; portsvaafricanamericanheritage. com. Celebrates Portsmouth's African-American heritage through exhibits, photos, journals and memorabilia.

# Portsmouth Naval Shipyard

Museum
2 High St., Portsmouth;
757-393-8591;
portsmouthnavalshipyardmuseum.
com. Ship models, military artifacts,
exhibits portraying life in 18th20th-century Portsmouth. \$

#### Portsmouth Splash Park

900 Elm Ave., Portsmouth; 757-393-8481; portsmouthparks. com. Open Tuesday-Sunday, 11am-7pm. Free admission.

# Railroad Museum of Virginia Corner of Court & Wythe Sts...

Corner of Court & Wytne Sts., Portsmouth; 757-335-2284; railroadmuseumofvirginia.com. A 1910-era steam locomotive with walk-through galleries. \$

# SMITHFIELD AND ISLE OF WIGHT

Smithfield & Isle of Wight

Convention and Visitors Bureau vo 319 Main St., Smithfield; 757-357-5182; genuinesmithfieldva. com. Combined visitor center & arts center. Open daily. Gift shop.

#### Arts Center @ 319

319 Main St., Smithfield; 757-357-7707; smithfieldarts.org. Located in visitor center, gallery, resident artists, gift shop.

#### Boykin's Tavern Museum

17130 Monument Cir., Isle of Wight; 757-357-5182; genuinesmithfieldva.com. Restored 1762 tavern. National landmark self-guided tours by appointment, Monday-Friday.

# The Christmas Store

108 Main St., Smithfield; 757-357-7891; christmasstoresmithfield,com. 5,000 square feet of holiday collectibles and decorations.

# Fort Boykin Historic Park

7410 Fort Boykin Trail,
Smithfield; 757-357-0115;
A genuinesmithfieldva.com. Site of
1 1623 Colonial fort. Open daily.
Free.

# D AND ISLE Historic Downtown Smithfield

757-357-5182;
genuinesmithfieldva.com.
Visit genuine Smithfield,
Virginia and savor our smalltown southern charm!

#### Historic Downtown Smithfield Old Town Walking Tour

319 Main St., Smithfield; 757-357-5182; genuinesmithfieldva.com. Over 50 historic buildings, several on national registry. Guides available.

#### Historic Fort Huger

of 15080 Talcott Terrace,
Smithfield; 757-357-5182;
genuinesmithfieldva.com.
Park on site of 1861 Civil War
fort.

#### Isle of Wight County Museum

103 Main St., Smithfield; 757-356-1223; genuinesmithfieldva.com. Home of the world's oldest ham. Interactive exhibits. \$2 admission.

# Isle of Wight Courthouse Randall Booth Records Room

17000 Josiah Parker Cir., Isle of Wight County; 757-357-3191; genuinesmithfieldva.com. Source of genealogy records that were saved during Wars.

# Manor House & Smithfield

220 N. Chruch St., Smithfield; 757-356-9939; smithfieldcenter.com. Waterfront venues for wdding, conferences, events.

#### Old Courthouse of 1750

130 Main St., Smithfield; 757-356-9016; genuinesmithfieldva. com. One of four arcaded Colonial courthouses with semicircular apse. Free.

#### Porcine Parade

319 Main St., Smithfield; 757-357-5182; genuinesmithfieldva. com. Walking tour of life-size hog statues, created by local artists.

#### The Schoolhouse Museum 516 Main St., Smithfield:

757-365-4789; theschoolhousemuseum. com. Restored one-room schoolhouse built to educate county African-American children. Free.

#### Smithfield Station

415 S. Chruch St., Smithfield; 877-703-7701; smithfieldstation.com. Waterfront hotel, restaurant, marina, shopping.

# d St. Luke's Historic Church &

Museum vc 14477 Benn's Church Blvd., Smithfield; 757-357-3367; historicstlukes.org. Tour, shop and experience North America's oldest Anglican church. \$ ♣ ♦

#### Windsor Castle Park

301 Jericho Rd., Smithfield; 757-356-9939; genuinesmithfieldva.com. Downtown Smithfield's riverside park: trails, kayak launch, dog park, fishing pier.

#### **SUFFOLK**

Suffolk Visitor Center vo 524 North Main St., Suffolk; 757-514-4130; visitsuffolkva. com. Inside the historic Nansemond county courthouse

(1837). Open daily 9am-

#### Cedar Hill Cemetery

5pm. 🖚 🛎 🖔

105 Mahan St., Suffolk; 757-514-4130; visitsuffolkva.com. Unique 32-acre cemetery is a Virginia Civil War Trail site. Guided tours. ➡️♣

















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# Decent People Taproom

5140 River Club Dr #120, Suffolk; 757-977-1211; decentpeopletaproom.com. 44 self-serve taps of craft beer, cider and wine. 🖚 🕹

3575 Bridge Rd. # 21, Suffolk; 757-686-2222: greatbottlesva.com. Wines, craft beers, tastings and wine classes.

# Great Dismal Swamp Narrated Bus Tour

524 N. Main St., Suffolk; 757-514-4130; visitsuffolkya.com. Discover the natural beauty and history of the Great Dismal Swamp. \$ == 6.

Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge va 3100 Desert Rd., Suffolk; 757-986-3705; fws.gov/ northeast/greatdismalswamp. 112,000 acres of eco-adventure opportunities including birding, hiking and biking. 🖚 🛎 🕹

# Legends of Main Street: A Suffolk Ghost Walk

524 North Main St., Suffolk: 757-514-4130: visitsuffolkva.com. Stroll historic downtown by lantern light with a costumed guide. \$==

# Nansemond Brewing Station

212 E. Washington St., Suffolk; 757-647-5316 nansemondbrewing.com. 3,000-square-foot tasting room, 10-barrel brew house. Live music and events. 無路

# Phillips-Dawson House c.1881

137 Bank St., Suffolk; 757-539-2781; suffolkhistory. org. Beautiful historic home. Changing exhibit gallery, archival materials and objects.

#### **Planters Peanut Center**

308 West Washington St., Suffolk; 757-539-4411; suffolkpeanuts.com. Peanuts roasted in the shell daily by a 1936 model roaster.

# Riddick's Folly House Museum

510 North Main St., Suffolk; 757-934-0822; riddicksfolly.org. Tour a Greek Revival mansion (1837). Virginia Civil War Trail site. \$ 🖚 🕹

#### **Suffolk Art Gallery**

118 Bosley Ave., Suffolk; 757-514-7284; visitsuffolkva.com. Contemporary art gallery and museum unites whimsy and creativity through ever-changing exhibits and programs.

# **Suffolk Center for Cultural Arts**

110 W. Finney Ave., Suffolk; 757-923-0003; suffolkcenter.org. Art galleries, historical exhibits and theatrical, dance and musical productions. 🖚 🕹

# **Suffolk Farmers Market**

524 North Main St., Suffolk; 757-514-4130; visitsuffolkva.com. Outdoor farmers market offering fresh local produce and goods.

# Suffolk Seaboard Coastal Trail

King's Hwy. (Driver Village), Suffolk; 757-514-7250; suffolkva.us/266/parks-recreation. Former railroad right-of-way now 10-foot wide pedestrian and bicycle trail.

# Suffolk Seaboard Station Railroad Museum

326 North Main St., Suffolk; 757-514-4135; suffolktrainstation.com. Restored 1885 station, HO-scale model, memorabilia, caboose and gift shop. \$ --- &

#### Uncork'd

115 W. Washington St., Suffolk; 757-539-5397; facebook.com/uncorkdsuffolk. Lovely tasting room and shop. Wine, beer and desserts.



# Manor Louse & Smithfield Center Both the Smithfield Center, a multi-purpose space and the newlyrenovated Manor House at Windsor Castle Park offer waterfront venues in a natural setting that will bring an added dimension to weddings, conferences, meetings or other special events. 220 N. Church Street, Smithfield, 757.356.9939

# Smithfield Station

Smithfield Station Waterfront Hotel, Restaurant, Lighthouse, Marina and Boardwalk Shops, on the banks of the Pagan River, offers a one-of-a-kind experience combining fine amenities, conference space, on-site dining, shopping, marina and more.

415 S. Church Street, Smithfield, 877.703.7701 SmithfieldStation.com

# Smithfield OVA Events

Held riverside at Windsor Castle Park, check out the hottest festivals in Coastal Virginia! Enjoy the January BOB Fest, the April Wine & In Coastal Virginia: Enjoy the January Bourbon Music Fest. New Brew Fest and the October Bacon & Bourbon Music Fest. New upscale five-course dining events hosted in the recently restored upscale live-course alimity events hosted in the recently restored 18th Century Manor House featuring bourbons, wines and spirits.

# SmithfieldVAEvents.com

301 Jericho Road, Smithfield, 757.869.0664

# The Christmas Store

"Santa's Smithfield location" has been located on charming Main Street since 1994. This magical shop offers over 5,000 square feet of reasonably priced, top quality, one-of-a-kind and limited edition ornaments, gifts, decorations, figurines and holiday collectibles.

# ChristmasStoreSmithfield.com

108 Main Street, Smithfield, 757.357.7891

How about a WanderLOVE road trip to Hamtown USA? Exuding the charm and graciousness of bygone eras, Smithfield has long been known for its world-famous hams. Today the town is the #1 day-trip destination from Williamsburg, as well as a relaxing setting for a weekend getaway. Savor our small-town charm at our unique special events, vibrant arts scene, and picturesque Main Street lined with historic attractions, fabulous shops and restaurants. GenuineSmithfieldVA.com 800.365.9339



#### **SURRY COUNTY**

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#### Surry County Tourism & **Visitors Center**

267 Church St., Surry; 757-294-5095: surrycountytourism com. Just a short, free ferry ride from Williamsburg; come, visit and Savor the Secrets of Surry! 🕹

#### Bacon's Castle vg

465 Bacon's Castle Trail, Surry; 757-357-5976; baconscastle. org. The nation's oldest brick home, circa 1665. \$===

#### **Chippokes Plantation State** Park vc

695 Chippokes Park Rd., Surry; 757-294-3625; virginiastateparks.gov. \$ \& \cdots

#### Jamestown-Scotland Ferry Rt. 31, Surry; 800-823-3779; virginiadot.org/comtravel/

ferry-jamestown. Operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year between Surry and Jamestown.

#### Smith's Fort

217 Smith Fort Ln., Surry; 757-294-3872; preservationvirginia. org. 1609 site of Captain John Smith's "New Fort."

#### **Surry County Historic** Courthouse Complex

28 Colonial Trail East, Surry; 757-269-3161; surrycountyva. gov/departments/clerk-ofcircuit-court. Original county records dating to incorporation in 1652. National Historic Register. 🕹

#### **Surry County Historical Society** & Museum

281 Bank St., Surry; 757-294-0404; surrycountyvahistory. org. Information available on history, churches, cemeteries and more. &

# **Surry Nuclear Information**

5570 Hog Island Rd., Surry; 757-357-5410; dominionenergy. com. Explore fun hands-on exhibits on energy, electricity and nuclear power. &

#### **VIRGINIA BEACH**

#### Virginia Beach Visitor Information Center vc

2100 Parks Ave., Virginia Beach; 757-385-7873; visitvirginiabeach.com. Visitor information available daily 9am-5pm, during the summer until 6pm. 🖚 🖔 🖔

#### Virginia Beach Convention & Visitors Bureau vo

2101 Parks Ave., Ste. 500, Virginia Beach; 757-385-4700; visitvirginiabeach.com. Vacation in Virginia Beach and learn how to "Live the Life."

#### The Adventure Park at Virginia Aquarium

801 General Booth Blvd., Virginia Beach; 757-385-4947; virginiabeachadventurepark. com. Head for the treetops on 13 different rope courses.

#### Edgar Cayce's A.R.E. **Association for Research and** Enlightenment

215 67th St., Virginia Beach; 757-428-3588; edgarcayce.org. International headquarters of Edgar Cayce. Groups

#### Atlantic Wildfowl Heritage Museum/Dewitt Cottage

1113 Atlantic Ave., Virginia Beach: 757-437-8432: awhm. org. Oldest remaining structure on oceanfront. Home to Atlantic Wildfowl Heritage Museum

#### **Cape Henry Lighthouse-Joint Expeditionary Base Little** Creek-Fort Story

Enter through Gate 8 at 89th St. and Atlantic Ave., Fort Story; 757-422-9421;

preservationvirginia.org. The oldest government-built lighthouse, circa 1792. \$

# Cape Henry Memorial Cross

Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story, Virginia Beach; 757-898-2410; preservationvirginia.org. Memorial marking first landing site of Jamestown's colonists in 1607.

# Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel 32386 Lankford Hwy., Cape

Charles; 757-331-2960; cbbt. com. An engineering marvel and east coast scenic shortcut (toll road). \$===

#### **Chesapeake Bay Center**

2500 Shore Dr., Virginia Beach: visitvirginiaheach com Information on nature-based tourism activities in the area.

# **Christian Broadcasting Network** I-64 & Indian River Rd., Exit

286-B, Virginia Beach; 757-226-2745; cbn.com. View The 700 Club, take a tour at CBN. Reservations required.

False Cape State Park vo 4001 Sandpiper Rd., Virginia Beach; 757-426-7128; virginiastateparks.gov. \$ ===

#### **Ferry Plantation House**

4136 Cheswick Ln., Virginia Beach: 757-473-5182: Ferryplantationva.net. 1830 Federal farm house with docents dressed in Civil War era costumes.

First Landing State Park vg 2500 Shore Dr., Virginia Beach; 757-412-2300; virginiastateparks.gov.

#### Francis Land House

3131 Virginia Beach Blvd., Virginia Beach; 757-385-5100; museumsvb.org. Plantation home built in 1805. Site includes gardens and a nature trail. \$

#### **Hunt Club Farm**

2388 London Bridge Rd., Virginia Beach; 757-427-9520; huntclubfarm.com. Spend time with goats, bunnies, peacocks and ponies. \$ ===

#### Lynnhaven House

4409 Wishart Rd., Virginia Beach; 757-385-5100; museumsvb.org. 18th-century brick house with period furniture and tours by docents in period dress.





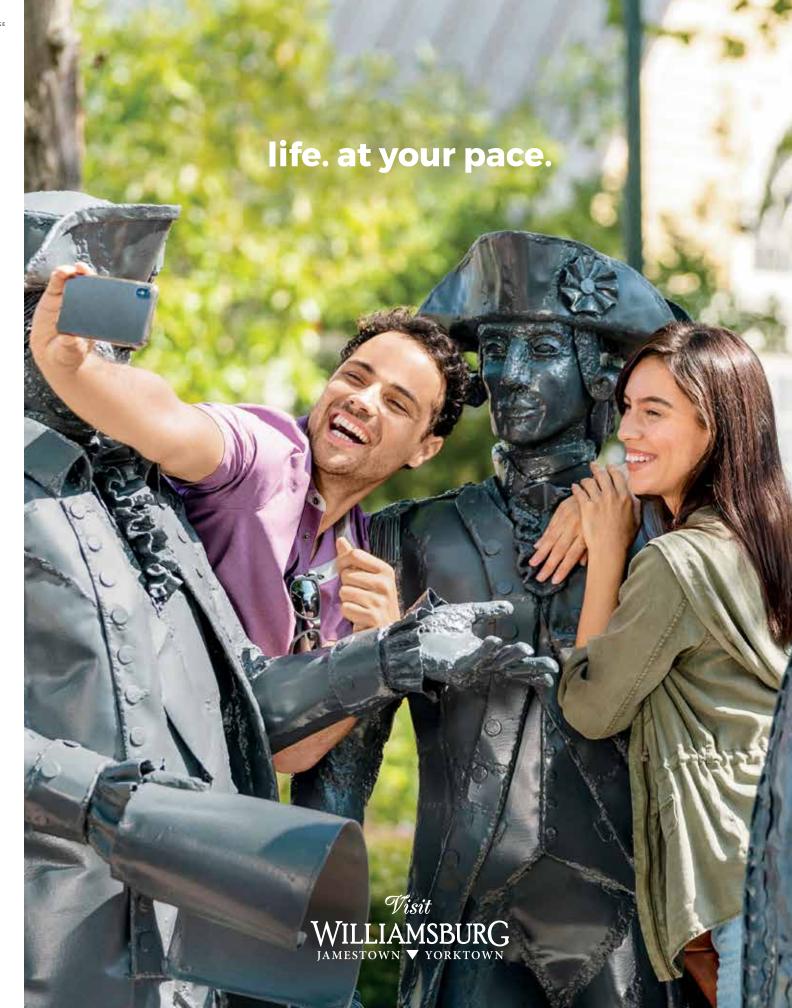




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Military Aviation Museum

1341 Princess Anne Rd., Virginia Beach; 757-721-7767; militaryaviationmuseum.org. Houses one of the largest collections of World War I and II era military aircraft. \$

#### Motor World Family Thrill Park

700 South Birdneck Rd.,
Virginia Beach; 757-422-6419;
vbmotorworld.com. Race cars
for all ages, kiddie rides, thrill
rides, paintball, arcade. \$\infty\$
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#### Ocean Breeze Waterpark

849 General Booth Blvd., Virginia Beach; 757-422-4444; oceanbreezewaterpark.com. This family-friendly destination offers over 30 rides and attractions. \$

#### Sandler Center for the Performing Arts vg

201 Market St., Virginia Beach; 757-385-2787; sandlercenter. org. Virginia Beach's cultural venue for top artists and area performing arts organizations.

#### Thoroughgood House

1636 Parish Rd., Virginia Beach; 757-385-5100; museumsvb. org. A National Historic Landmark likely constructed by Adam Thoroughgood's great-grandson. \$

# Union Kempsville Museum 5100 Claveland St. Virginia Virginia

5100 Cleveland St., Virginia Beach; 757-648-6006; museumsvb.org. The first high school built for African Americans in Princess Anne County (now Virginia Beach).

#### **ViBe Creative District**

Between 16th-22nd Sts. and Pacific-Cypress Aves.; vibecreativedistrict.org. A hub for artists, roasters and restaurants, workouts and wares. museums and more.

#### Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center vg

717 General Booth Blvd., Virginia Beach; 757-385-3474; virginiaaquarium.com. Explore exhibits, see marine animals & take a boat trip. \$

# Virginia Beach Surf & Rescue

2401 Atlantic Ave., Virginia Beach; 757-422-1587; vbsurfrescuemuseum.org. Explore fun history exhibits and a great boardwalk souvenir shop! \$

#### Virginia Museum of Contemporary Art vg

2200 Parks Ave., Virginia Beach; 757-425-0000; virginiamoca.org. Contemporary art exhibitions, events, classes and activities for all ages. S ➡ ♣

# Zeiders American Dream Theater

4509 Commerce St., Virginia Beach; 757-499-0317; thez. org. A non-profit theater company that provides artistic experiences. \$

# WILLIAMSBURG Includes Charles City, Jamestown. Berkeley: Williams Charles City, Jamestown. Historic Plants

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#### Colonial Williamsburg Regional Visitor Center

101 Visitor Center Dr., Williamsburg; 757-220-7645; colonialwilliamsburg.com/plan/visitor-center. The official regional visitor center with information on area tourism.

#### Visit Williamsburg

421 N. Boundary St., Williamsburg; 757-229-6511; visitwilliamsburg.com. Free visitors guide filled with information about Williamsburg, Jamestown, Yorktown.

# The Art Museums of Colonial Williamsburg

326 Francis Št., Williamsburg. 877-686-6121; colonialwilliamsburg.com/ art-museums. Quirky toys, whimsical whirligigs, carousel characters, backwoods banjos, British ceramics, antique instruments, textiles, firearms, clothing and more!

#### Berkeley: Virginia's Most Historic Plantation

Off Scenic Rt. 5, between Richmond and Williamsburg, Charles City; 804-829-6018; berkelevplantation.com. Birthplace of Wm. H. Harrison, ninth U.S. President and Benjamin Harrison, signer of the Declaration of Independence. First Thanksgiving, "Taps" and Civil War headquarters. Original 1726 Georgian mansion. Outstanding gardens overlooking the James River. Guided house tours, exhibits and grounds tours at your own pace. Special events and activities for the entire family. A National Historic Landmark. Open daily year-round.

#### Busch Gardens vg

1 Busch Gardens Blvd., Williamsburg; 757-229-4386; buschgardens.com/va. Busch Gardens Williamsburg has fun for the whole family. The best rides, entertainment and thrilling attractions! Named the World's Most Beautiful Theme Park. \$

#### Church on the Main

4692 Sir Gilbert Loop, Williamsburg; explorejccva. com. Historical site of a brick Anglican Church built in the 1750s.

#### **Colonial Williamsburg**

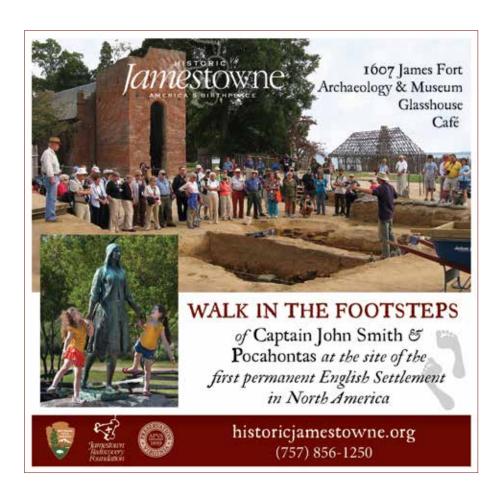
101 Visitor Center Dr., Williamsburg; 800-447-8679; colonialwilliamsburg com. Colonial Williamsburg offers an 18th-century living history experience in the restored and preserved capital of Virginiathe intellectual flash point for the founding fathers of the American Revolution. \$

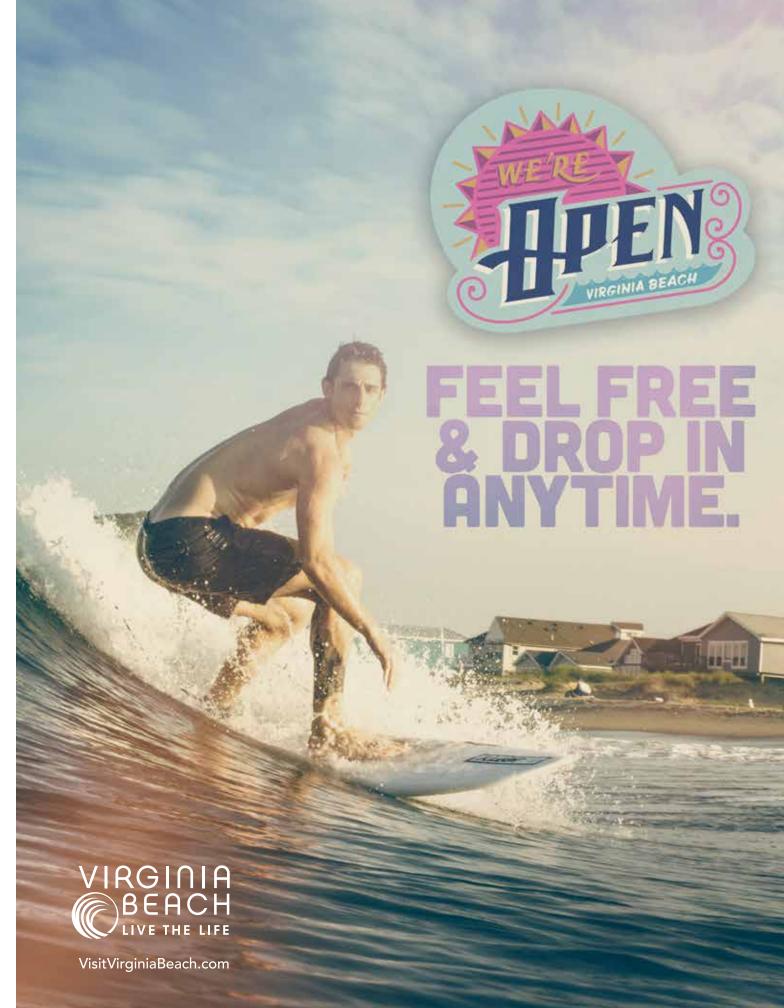
# Fox Wire Alpacas

8105 Richmond Rd., Toano; 757-707-5052; toanoalpacafarm.com. 200-acre farm with nearly 100 alpacas and other farm animals. \$

#### Historic James River Plantations

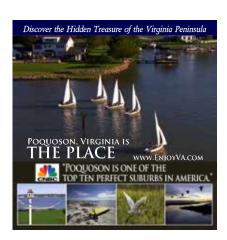
Along scenic VA Rt. 5 in Charles City County, Charles City; jamesriverplantations. org. Visit Historic James River Plantations, for more information see listings under Charles City County.

















#### **Historic Jamestowne**

1368 Colonial Pkwy., Jamestown: 757-856-1250: historicjamestowne.org. Walk in the footsteps of Pocahontas and John Smith at the original site of the first permanent English settlement in North America. Archaeological digs (April-Oct). Artifacts from 1607 James Fort at Archaearium museum. Ranger & archaeology tours offered, visitor center, memorial church, glass house, Island Loop Drive, Riverside Cafe. \$ \( \operatorname{A} \o

#### James River Plantation - Civil **War Trail and Tours**

Virginia Rt. 5 Scenic Byway, Williamsburg; 804-829-2480; pineygrove.com. Self-guided grounds tours of Edgewood, North Bend, Piney Grove, Westover. \$

#### Jamestown Settlement vc

2110 Jamestown Rd. Williamsburg; 757-253-4838; historyisfun.org. Living-history museum explores the world of America's first permanent English colony. Expansive gallery exhibits and film trace history of Jamestown and Powhatan Indian, European and African cultures that converged in 1600s Virginia. Features outdoor re-creations of three ships, fort and a Paspahegh town. Gift shops. Cafe. \$

#### Piney Grove at Southall's Plantation - 1790

Rt. 5 Virginia Scenic Byway Williamsburg; 804-829-2480; pineygrove.com. Rare example of early Virginia log architecture. Gardens and nature. \$ 🖚 🛮

# Shirley Plantation: Virginia's

501 Shirley Plantation Rd., Charles City; 804-829-5121. Tour America's oldest family business (1638) overlooking the James River. Considered an architectural treasure due to its "flying staircase." \$ === \*\*

#### Tomb of the Unknown Patriotic Soldier - The **American Revolution**

#### Virginia Musical Museum

6316 Richmond Rd Williamsburg; 757-303-5907; virginiamusicalmuseum. com. Museum with focus on historical instruments and Virginia music legends. \$==

# Oldest Plantation!

and attractions. \$===

4692 Sir Gilbert Loop, Williamsburg; explorejccva. com. Battle of Green Spring. which took place in the fields near Church on The Main on July 6, 1781.

#### Water Country USA® vg 176 Water Country Pkwy.,

Williamsburg; 757-229-4FUN; watercountryusa.com. Come spend a hot summer day in a fun and refreshing way at Virginia's largest water park. The park offers fun for the entire family in a cool beach vibe, with resort-style amenities and more than 40 state-of-the-art water rides

# York River State Park vg

5526 Riverview Rd., Williamsburg; 757-566-3036; virginiastateparks.gov. \$ == 5.

# **YORKTOWN**

Visit Yorktown 301 Main St., Yorktown;

757-890-5900; visityorktown. org. Experience 18th-century homes, battlefields, museums or the beautiful waterfront. Picturesque streets are lined with art galleries, antique and specialty shops and one-of-akind lodging and restaurants. **\_\_\_** 

#### Alliance Sightseeing Sails and Pirate Adventure Cruises

425 Water St. Yorktown: 888-316-6422; sailyorktown.com. Sail aboard Yorktown's Schooner Alliance! Watch for dolphins

and osprey as you sail past the battlefield where our country won its independence. Or bring the kids on a Pirate Adventure Cruise, a swashbuckling good time! April to November.

#### **American Revolution Museum** at Yorktown v

200 Water St., Rt. 1020, Yorktown; 757-253-4838; historyisfun. org. Living-history museum explores the national story of the American Revolution. Stories of citizens and soldiers unfold through immersive gallery exhibits with period artifacts, dioramas, short films and interactive experiences. Features outdoor re-creations of Continental Army encampment and Revolution-era farm. Gift

# shop. Cafe. \$ **Colonial Parkway**

From Jamestown to Williamsburg and Yorktown; 757-898-2410; nps.gov/colo. This scenic roadway links the primary sites of the "Historic Triangle."

#### Riverwalk Landing

425 Water St., Yorktown; 757-890-5900; riverwalklanding. com. Waterfront development on the beautiful York River. Features shopping, riverfront dining, sunset sails, segway tours, performance venue, a beautiful beach, recreational piers and free parking.

#### Watermen's Museum vg 309 Water St., Yorktown: 757-887-2641: watermens org. Museum tells the story of "lives along the Chesapeake Bay" and the history of the

# **York County Historical**

301 Main St., Yorktown; 757-898-4910; yorkcounty.gov/ ychm. View artifacts telling the rich stories of York County's past. 🖚 🖔

people who work and harvest

the bounty of the bay. \$

#### Yorktown Battlefield

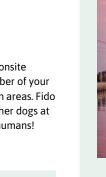
1000 Colonial Pkwy., Yorktown; 757-898-2410; nps.gov/ colo. Site where the British surrendered to General George Washington's allied armies in 1781. \$

#### Yorktown Market Days

331 Water St., Yorktown; 540-890-5900; yorktownmarketdays.com. A cool breeze off the water; friendly faces: a variety of fresh, local food from seasonal produce, fresh flowers and baked goods to gourmet dog treats and handmade soaps and candles. ===



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# **NOTABLE TOWN**

Tidal marshes, waterways and the Chesapeake Bay hug the little town of Saxis. The drive to town passes through Saxis Wildlife Management Area - nearly 6,000 acres of pristine marshland with abundant flora and wildlife galore. After the views of water and nature have soothed and inspired you, drop by Saxis restaurants for fresh seafood prepared with a local touch. Saunter along the public pier. Or visit the Saxis Island Museum to learn more about local watermen and the Chesapeake Bay.

# WHAT'S NEW

Maurice, a "Fine Fun Fusion" restaurant in the tiny tidy town of Onancock, uses local ingredients in a creative menu marrying global flavors. There's the Obscenely Stuffed Lobster Pad Thai, for example, blending oodles of seafood with a sweet soy vinaigrette and adding sides highlighting Virginia Ham and limoncellokissed snap peas. Maurice offers more alliterative fun with palate-pleasing specials: BBB (Burger, Beer and Bourbon) and PPP (Pulled Pork and Pinot). And the garden patio

pairs scrumptious food

with fresh air.

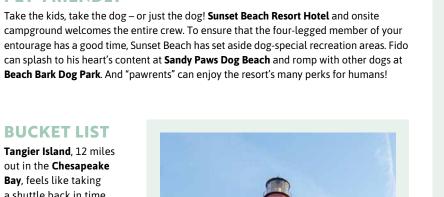
The barrier islands of Virginia stretch along the coastline, sheltering the Eastern Shore from the ocean. These narrow strips of land hosted resorts, hunting lodges, life-saving stations, watermen and the families and communities that supported them.

**HIDDEN GEM** 

The Barrier Islands Center captures the stories of these islands through exhibits that resonate with life. The museum. "Heart of the Community, Soul of a Culture," transports you to the days before hurricanes and the **Great Depression** 

ended the barrier

island way of life.



# **BUCKET LIST**

**PET-FRIENDLY** 

CHINCOTEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGI

Tangier Island, 12 miles out in the Chesapeake **Bay**, feels like taking a shuttle back in time. Residents retain their distinctive traditional accent - Southern meets Irish. Visitors can rent bicycles and golf carts to navigate the historic town; enjoy water and land tours; go kayaking and fishing; observe the natural ecosystem; and feast on fresh seafood. The water that has provided a living for generations of families is gradually taking the island away, so capture its spirit while you still can.

#### ICONIC

#### Discover Chincoteague's wild ponies. The

legendary summertime pony penning has been a part of Eastern Shore life since the 1700s. It grew in popularity after 1947, aided by the book, "Misty of Chincoteague". You can spot these beautiful animals roaming nearby

Assateague Island

vear-round. On a boat or kayak tour, your guide likely a "Teaguer" native - steers you to the best places for spotting the shaggy, sturdy ponies while weaving in the island's colorful tales and bringing the legends to life.



#### **INSTAGRAM-WORTHY**

As if the iconic red-and-white-striped Assateague Lighthouse isn't photogenic enough from the ground, you can climb to the top for 360-degree views and bragging-right pics. Climb 175 steps – the same steps that lighthouse keepers climbed hourly to keep the light burning – for awesome panoramic views of the woodlands, marshlands and waterways of Assateague Island and Chincoteague Wildlife **Refuge**. Be sure to post your gratitude for the lives that this 150-year-old lighthouse has saved!



#### **ASK A LOCAL**

"My ancestors came to the Eastern Shore in 1660; I'm in the ninth generation. The Eastern Shore represents many things to me. Whether I'm boating, hunting or fishing, it represents access to both the Atlantic Ocean and the Chesapeake Bay. On any given day, I can be on the water or just watch the sun setting over the Bay. The Eastern Shore also provides opportunities to participate in the community and make a difference; it truly is the Land of Pleasant Living." — Charlie Russell, WESR Radio, The Shore



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COASTAL VIRGINIA:

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#### Welcome Center at New Church vc

Virginia Tourism Corporation Access U.S. Rt.13 North & Southbound U.S. 13, 3420 Lankford Hwy. New Church, VA 23415 757-824-5000

# Eastern Shore of VA Chamber of Commerce

19056 Parkway, Melfa; 757-331-1660; esvachamber. org. Contact for Eastern Shore information. \$\iffsigma\) &

#### Eastern Shore of VA Welcome Center

32383 Lankford Hwy., Cape Charles; 757-331-1660; esvatourism.org. Open seven days a week, 8:30am-4:30pm.

#### Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel 32386 Lankford Hwy., Cape Charles; 757-331-2960; cbbt. com. An engineering marvel spanning the Chesapeake Bay (toll road). \$──₩₺.

#### Seaside Water Trail

804-698-4323; deq.state.va.us/ coastal/seasidewatertrail. Kayak pristine and hidden waterways. Discover wildlife and the Shore's unique maritime heritage.

#### Virginia Barrier Islands

757-331-1660; esvatourism.org. The East Coast's longest string of wild barrier islands.

#### Virginia Birding & Wildlife Trail 804-367-1000; dgif.virginia. gov/vbwt/coastal-trail. Stop at designated areas along 70-mile-long peninsula. &

#### ACCOMAC

#### **Accomac Walking Tours**

Front St., Accomac; 757-787-2460. 1700s homes, clerk's office with 1663 records, American Revolution cannon.

#### **CAPE CHARLES**

#### Bay Creek Resort & Golf Clu

1 Ćlubhouse Way, Cape Charles; 844-620-2900; baycreekresort.com. 27 magnificent holes of Palmer and Nicklaus golf.

#### **Cape Charles Lighthouse**

West side of southern section of Smith Island; cheslights.org/ cape-charles-lighthouse. Best view is from the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel or by boat.

# Cape Charles Museum & Welcome Center

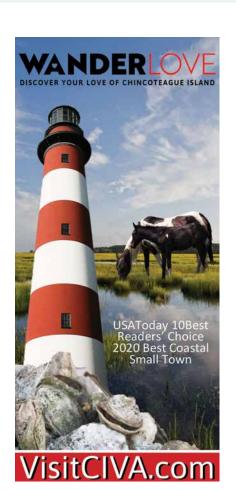
814 Randolph Ave., Cape Charles; 757-331-1008; smallmuseum.org/capechas. History of the town, railroad, ships and operational diesel generator.

#### Custis Tomb

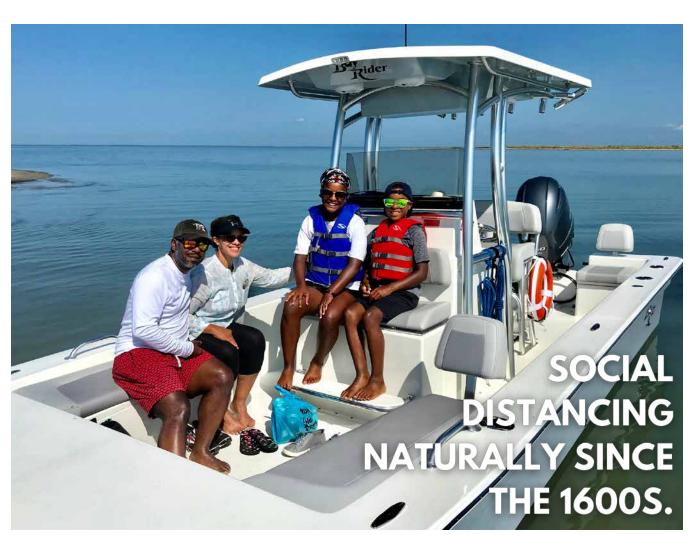
2157 Arlington Chase Rd., 757-787-8268; esvatourism.org. Grave site for Custis family, including Mary Randolph Custis, wife of Robert E. Lee.

#### **Kiptopeke State Park vg** 3540 Kiptopeke Dr., Cape

Charles; 757-331-2267; virginiastateparks.gov. \$









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#### CHINCOTEAGUE

Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce & Certified Visitor Center

6733 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague Island; 757-336-6161; chincoteaguechamber. com. Chincoteague and Assateague Islands offer beaches, wildlife and wild ponies. 🖚

#### Assateague Island National Seashore

8586 Beach Rd., Chincoteague; 757-336-6577; nps.gov/asis. Toms Cove visitor center, nature activities, unspoiled beaches, ocean swimming. \$

#### **Chincoteague National** Wildlife Refuge

8231 Beach Rd., Chincoteague; 757-336-6122; fws.gov/ northeast/chinco. Beaches, walking and bicycling trails. Bateman Educational and Administration Center. \$

#### Herbert H. Bateman **Educational and Administrative Center**

8231 Beach Rd., Chincoteague Island; 757-336-6122; fws.gov/ refuge/chincoteague/visit/ plan\_your\_visit.html. Enjoy our beautiful exhibits, trails, photography, Assateague Lighthouse and more! \$

# Museum of Chincoteague Island

7125 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague; 757-336-6117; chincoteaguemuseum.com. Local history, lighthouse lenses, shipwrecks and home of Misty. \$ --- &.

#### **EASTVILLE**

**Eastville Courthouse** 16404 Courthouse Rd., Eastville; 757-678-0466; co.northampton.va.us/gov/ oldcourthouse.html. Contains the oldest continuous county court records in the U.S., dating from 1632. 🖚 🕹

# **HACKS NECK**

Mason Beach Fruit Farm 29113 Mason Beach Rd Hacks Neck: 757-442-7287: masonbeachfruitfarm.com. Pick your own fruit in a beautiful park-like setting. \$==

#### **KELLER/PAINTER** Blue Crow Antique Mall

32124 Lankford Hwy., Rt. 13, halfway between Painter and Keller, Painter; 757-442-4150; bluecrowantiquemall. com. 35,000 square feet, 200 antique shops under one roof. bluecrowmall@ gmail.com. 11am-6pm every day. 🖚📽 🖔

#### **KIPTOPEKE**

**Eastern Shore of Virginia** National Wildlife Refuge 5003 Hallett Cir., Cape Charles;

757-331-2760; fws.gov/refuge/ eastern\_shore\_of\_virginia. Beautiful visitor center and trails for viewing wildlife and scenery. 🖚 🕹 🗓 🏌 🗖

#### **MACHIPONGO Barrier Islands Center**

7295 Young St, Machipongo; 757-678-5550; barrierislandscenter.com. Preserves history of those who once called deserted islands home. \$ 💳 &.

The Nature Conservancy 11332 Brownsville Rd., Nassawadox; 757-442-3049; nature.org. Works to protect and restore the unique wildlife of the Virginia coast.

#### Village of Oyster

From Rt. 13, East from Cheriton 2 miles on 639. Seaside fishing village specializing in oysters.

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Eastville: 757-678-0010:

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about Cape Charles and

Northampton County

Includes Cheriton, Eastville, Exton,

Northampton County Chamber

northamptoncountychamber.com.

Machipongo; 757-331-4689;

Structure dates to 1740. By

preservationvirginia.org/visit/

historic-properties/pear-valley.

#### Village of Willis Wharf

From Rt. 13, East from Exmore 2 miles on 603. Seaside fishing village formerly known as "Clam Town."

#### **ONANCOCK**

#### **Onancock Main Street** PO Box 4, Onancock; 757-693-

3003: experienceonancock.com. Nonprofit partnering with the community to keep Onancock vibrant.

#### Eastern Shore Waterman's Museum and Research Center

6 College Ave., Onancock; 757-665-5771; esvawatermen.org. Celebrates heritage of watermen.

#### Ker Place

69 Market St., Onancock; 757-787-8012; shorehistory.org. 1799 Federal house. Museum of ESVA history, art & culture. Tours by appointment. \$==

# **North Street Playhouse**

34 Market St., Onancock; 757-787-2050; northstreetplayhouse.com. Producing 12-15 productions each season. There's something for everyone. \$<del>==</del>&

#### **PARKSLEY**

in time. \$ ====

**Eastern Shore Railroad Museum** 18468 Dunne Ave., Parksley; 757-665-7245; parksley.org/ eastern\_shore\_railway\_ museum.htm. Step into the restored station and step back

#### **TANGIER ISLAND**

#### Tangier Island Museum & Interpretive Cultural Center

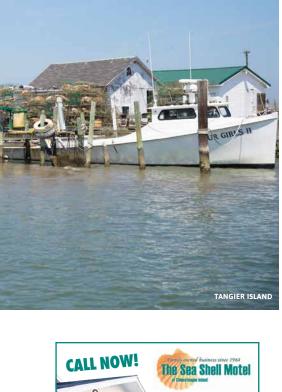
16215 Main Ridge Rd., Tangier Island; 757-891-2374; tangierisland-va.com. Learn the Island's history, explore water trails with kayaks. \$**~~**\*

#### WALLOPS ISLAND

**Chincoteague Bay Field Station** 34001 Mill Dam Rd., Wallops Island; 757-824-5636; cbfieldstation.org. Learning adventures and programs that explore coastal ecosystems! 🖚 🕹

#### **NASA Wallops Flight Facility Visitor Center**

Bldg. J-20, Rt. 175, Wallops Island; 757-824-1344; nasa.gov/ centers/wallops/visitorcenter. Exhibits, programs, special events and rocket launch viewings. 🖚 🕹





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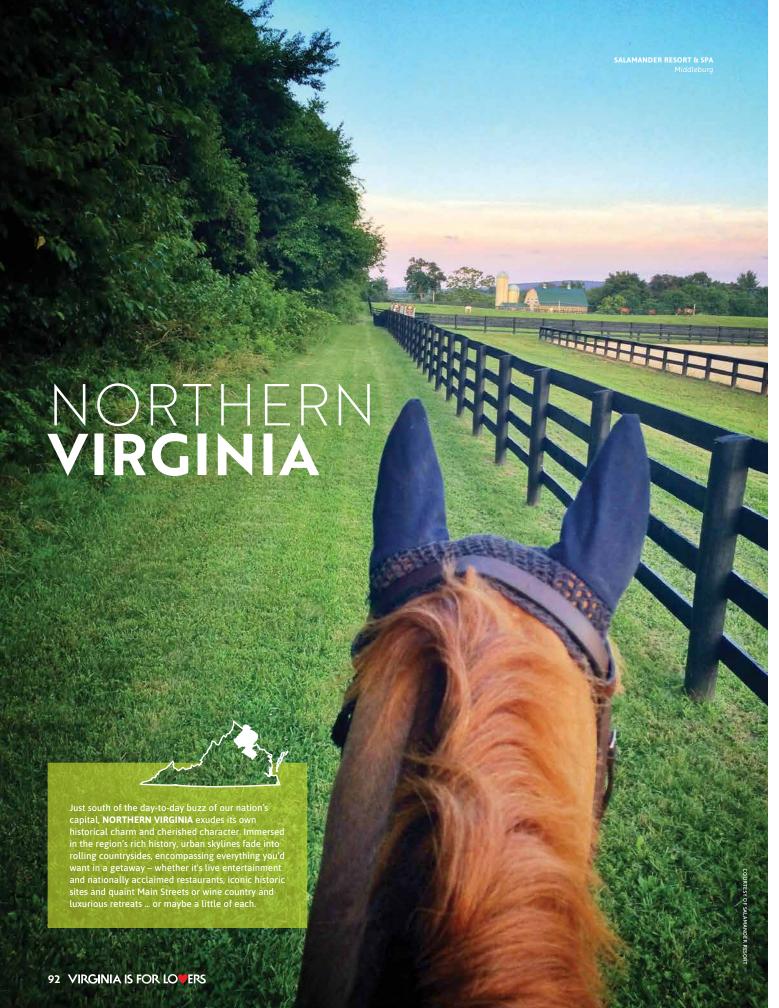
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**757-336-6589** 

SeashellMotel.org

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We've all wanted to do it – something spiteful that didn't make sense but, by golly, it proved a point! In 1830, **Alexandria** row-house owner John Hollensbury built a seven-foot-wide house in an alley next to his home just to spite the horse-drawn wagons and loiterers who kept invading the alley. One brick wall in the living room even has marks from wagon-wheel hubs. The two-story **Spite House** is only 25 feet deep and 325 square feet, but delightfully spiteful!

# **WHAT'S NEW**

American soldiers in the U.S. Army helped create our nation and maintain its freedom, so it's only fitting that a museum near the U.S. capital should showcase their history. The **National Museum of the United States Army**, the only museum to cover the entire history of the Army, opened on Veterans Day 2020. Exhibits include hundreds of artifacts, life-sized scenes recreating historic battles, stories of individual soldiers, a 300-degree theater with sensory elements, and an experiential learning center. Learn and honor.

# DOWNTOWN MANASSAS

# **ASK A LOCAL**

"Small downtown charm with all the activities of a larger city: Manassas is steeped in history and adventure for travelers. With an active railway system, it's easy for

visitors to enjoy the historic area while also traveling to Washington, D.C., or Richmond on an Amtrak train or daily commuter rail."

— Debbie Haight, Historic Manassas, Inc.

# INSTAGRAM-WORTHY

You'll start snapping

pictures the moment you arrive at the classic hunt-country exterior of the Goodstone Inn luxury estate. Which shots will you choose for your feed? The diverse seasonal gardens? Cottage accommodations with continental country décor? The elegant. glass-enclosed dining patio? Or the divinely presented and sensory-pleasing French-inspired fare, made with ingredients sourced from the onsite farm and paired with wine from the renowned wine cellar? On the other hand, you may feel so pampered, you'll forget pictures altogether!



#### ICONIC

The iconic **Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery** represents soldiers who fought and died for freedom but whose identity remains unknown – from World War I, World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. Soldiers from the prestigious Old Guard stand watch over the monument 24 hours a day, passing the baton in the elaborate **Changing of the Guard** ceremony. Witness the event to share the respect and honor for these American heroes.

# HIDDEN GEM

The menu at Sperryville **Trading Company** features favorite breakfast and lunch comfort foods: sausage gravy and biscuits, steak and eggs, Caesar salad, Reuben sandwich and fresh-ground coffee. Even better, many of the quality ingredients are local - like the grass-fed beef, breads and buns from a nearby bakery, Route 11 chips, and Virginia wine, beer and cider. Stop by the shop for this local fare and crafts, too. Whether post-hike, on the road or traveling Skyline Drive you won't want to miss this gem.

# PET-FRIENDLY

With a name like Beer Hound Brewery, you know it must be dog friendly. Settle in with your pooch on the outdoor patio and enjoy a wide variety of beers named for historic and pop culture pups, like the Muttley New England-style IPA, Olde Yella wheat, Skrappy Dew lager Wyte Fan wit, Fang milk stout and more. Then stretch your legs with a stroll around charming downtown Culpeper.

# **BUCKET LIST**

You will imbibe more than just award-winning wines on the bucket-list-worthy **Fauquier Wine Trail**. At more than two dozen wineries, you can bask in astonishing views. As you sip and savor, you can fill your soul with nature therapy and time with friends. But that's not all! At Fauquier County wineries, you'll experience handcrafted art, horse farms, dog-friendly and family-friendly venues, seminars, craft beer and ciders, friendly service, and even history. Drink it all in!



# Welcome Center at Fredericksburg vo

Virginia Tourism Corporation Mile Marker 132, I-95S Fredericksburg 22404 540-786-8344

# Northern Virginia Gateway Welcome Center vo

Virginia Tourism Corporation MileMarker 107, I-95N Ruther Glen, VA 22546 804-448-3980

#### **ALEXANDRIA**

# Alexandria Visitor Center

221 King St., Alexandria; 703-838-5005; visitalexandriava. com. Get attraction and tour tickets, maps, brochures and more!

#### Visit Alexandria

625 N. Washington St., Alexandria; 703-652-5364; visitalexandriava.com. Home to more than 200 restaurants and boutiques alongside intimate historic museums and new happenings at the waterfront. Visitor Center at 221 King Street.

#### Alexandria Archaeology Museum

105 North Union St., #327, Alexandria; 703-746-4399; alexandriaarchaeology.org. Watch city archaeologists reconstruct 13,000 years of local history.

#### Museum

902 Wythe St., Alexandria; 703-746-4356; alexandriava. gov/blackhistory. Museum documents the history, culture and contributions of Black America. S

Alexandria Black History

#### Alexandria National Cemetery

Wilkes & Payne Sts., Alexandria; 703-221-2183; cem.va.gov/ cems/nchp/alexandriava. Military burial grounds with graves of Civil War soldiers.

#### Alexandria Seaport Foundation Center

0 Thompson Alley, Alexandria; 703-778-0977; alexandriaseaport.org. Floating workshop using carpentry and boat building to improve lives.

#### The Athenaeum

201 Prince St., Alexandria; 703-548-0035; nvfaa.org. Once the Bank of Old Dominion, now an art gallery.

#### Carlyle House Historic Park 121 N. Fairfax St., Alexandria;

703-549-2997; novaparks.com/ parks/carlyle-house-historic-park. Beautiful Georgian manor house built in 1753 by city founder. \$\iffsize{\text{S}}\iffsize{\t

#### **Christ Church**

118 N. Washington St., Alexandria; 703-549-1450; historicchristchurch.org. Beautiful church attended by George Washington and Robert E. Lee.

#### Contrabands and Freedmen Cemetery Memorial

S. Washington St., Alexandria; 703-746-4399; alexandriava. gov/freedmenmemorial. Cemetery for African Americans who fled to Alexandria to escape bondage.

#### Fort Ward Museum and Historic Site

4301 W. Braddock Rd., Alexandria; 703-746-4848; fortward.org. Civil War museum and restored Union fort.

#### Freedom House

1315 Duke St., Alexandria; 703-836-2858; alexandriava.gov/historic. Once headquarters for slave traders, now houses fascinating museum. \$

#### Friendship Firehouse

107 S. Alfred St., Alexandria; 703-746-3891; alexandriava. gov/friendshipfirehouse. Established in 1774, houses historic firefighting equipment and exhibits. S—

#### Gadsby's Tavern Museum

134 N. Royal St., Alexandria; 703-746-4242; gadsbystavern. org. Tavern dating back to the time of George Washington.

#### George Washington Masonic Memorial

101 Callahan Dr., Alexandria; 703-683-2007; gwmemorial. org. 17-foot bronze of George Washington, outstanding collection of Washington artifacts. \$

#### **Great Waves**

4001 Eisenhower Ave., Alexandria; 703-960-0767; novaparks.com/waterparks/ great-waves-waterpark. Wave pool, four-story water slides, tad pool, pizza, ice cream. \$

#### Ivy Hill Cemetery

2823 King St., Alexandria; 703-549-7413; ivyhill-historical.org. Cultural programs, lectures and tours available.

#### Lee-Fendall House

614 Oronoco St., Alexandria; 703-548-1789; leefendallhouse org. From 1785, home to generations of the Lees of Virginia. \$

#### The Lyceum - Alexandria's History Museum

201 S. Washington St., Alexandria; 703-746-4994; alexandriava.gov/lyceum. Historical building built in 1839; provides exhibitions, lectures and programs. \$

#### National Inventors Hall of Fame & Museum

600 Dulany St., Alexandria; 571-272-0095; invent.org/honor/hall-of-fame-museum. Fascinating facts about everyday inventions that have improved our lives.

#### Old Presbyterian Meeting House

323 S. Fairfax St., Alexandria; 703-549-6670; opmh.org. Built in 1775, site of Revolutionary War's unknown soldier memorial.

#### St. Paul's Episcopal Church

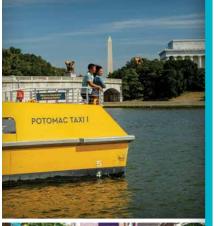
228 S. Pitt St., Alexandria; 703-549-3312; stpaulsalexandria. com. Designed by U.S. Capitol-designer Benjamin Latrobe. Concerts throughout the year.

#### Stabler-Leadbeater Apothecary Museum

105-107 S. Fairfax St., Alexandria; 703-746-3852; apothecarymuseum.org. Explore this family-run business with over 100 years of medical history. \$

#### **Torpedo Factory Art Center**

105 N. Union St., Alexandria; 703-838-4565; torpedofactory.org. More than 160 artists create and sell works of art.



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#### **ARLINGTON**

#### **Arlington Convention and Visitors Service**

1100 N Glebe Rd., Suite 1500, Arlington; 800-296-7996; stayarlington.com. National History. Local Flavor.

#### Air Force Memorial

One Air Force Memorial Dr., Arlington; 703-979-0674: airforcememorial.org. This memorial honors U.S. Air Force men and women.

#### Arlington House, The Robert E. Lee Memorial

Located in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington; 877-907-8585; nps.gov/arho/index. htm. Former home of the Confederate General and Civil War hero. 🖚 🕹

#### **Arlington National Cemetery**

Arlington; 877-907-8585; arlingtoncemetery mil Honoring our nation's war heroes. 🖚 🕹

#### **Drug Enforcement Administration Museum and Visitor Center**

700 Army Navy Dr., Arlington; 202-307-3463; deamuseum. org. Traces the impact of drugs on American and global society.

#### Iwo Jima, The U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial

1400 North Meade St., Arlington; 703-289-2500; nps. gov/gwmp/planyourvisit/ usmc\_memorial.htm. Dedicated to Marines who have given their lives since 1775.

# The National 9/11

**Pentagon Memorial** The Pentagon, Arlington; 301-740-3388; pentagonmemorial.org. Honors those lives lost at the Pentagon on 9/11/01.

#### Women in the Military Service for America Memorial

Entrance of Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington; 703-533-1155: womensmemorial.org. The memorial honors women who have served in the military. 🖚 🖔

#### **CAROLINE COUNTY**

Includes Bowling Green, Milford, **Caroline County Visitor Center** 23724 Rogers Clark Blvd., Ruther Glen: 804-633-3490:

visitcaroline.com. State-of-theart, high-tech visitor center featuring prehistoric whale display. 🖚 🛎 🕭

#### **Bethel Church**

South River Rd. and Paige Rd., Woodford; 804-633-3490; civilwartrails.org. Generals Grant, Meade and later Burnside used building as headquarters.

#### **Carmel Baptist Church**

Rt. 1 and Jericho Rd., Ruther Glen; 804-633-3490: civilwartrails.org. Civil War site where Union troops reunited for battle.

#### Garrett Farm Marker

A P Hill Blvd & Tidewater Trl., Port Royal; 804-633-3490; historicportroyal.com. Site near where John Wilkes Booth was captured and killed.

#### Historic Port Royal

Rt. 301 & Rappahannock River, Port Royal; 804-742-5331; thetownofportroyal.com. Historic Colonial Town tobacco & supply port. Settled 1652

#### Historic Town of Bowling Green 117 Butler St., Bowling Green;

804-633-6212; townofbowlinggreen.com. Town listed on Historic Register. 🖚 📽

#### Jericho Schoolhouse

8008 Jericho Rd., Ruther Glen: 804-633-3490. Built around 1917, served African-American children until 1962. Call ahead.

#### Korean War Memorial Garden 13325 Devils Three Jump Rd.

Milford: 804-633-6561: ccps.us/cms/tag/korean. Korean War Garden honoring Veterans and South Korea 🚐

#### Milford Station

Colonial Rd. & Antioch Rd., Milford; 804-633-3490; civilwartrails.org. RF&P railroad station; site of Civil War skirmish in 1864

#### Peyton-Brockenbrough House

King & Caroline St., Port Royal; 804-370-5285; historicportroval.net. Historic 1765 home where Booth stopped during his escape.

#### Port Royal Historic Portrait Gallery

419 King St., Port Royal; 804-370-5285; historicportroyal net. Portraits of individuals tied to county. Call ahead for reservations.

#### Port Royal Museum of **American History**

506 Main St., Port Royal; 804-370-5285; historicportroyal.net. Open Saturday from 10am-4pm. Call ahead for additional availability. 🖚 🕹

# **Port Royal Museum of Medicine**

419 King St., Port Royal; 804-370-5285; historicportroyal.net. Call ahead for appointment.

#### Port Royal Schoolhouse

Main St., Port Royal; 804-370-5285; historicportroyal.net. Served African-American children from 1924-1959 Call ahead for reservations. 🖚

#### Sidney E. King Arts Center & Historical Society

121 North Main St. Bowling Green; 804-633-3490; sidneyekingartcenter. org. Civil War murals Sidney E. King/ historic displays. Thurs-Sat 11am-4pm. 🖚 🕹

#### Stonewall Jackson **Death Site**

12019 Stonewall Jackson Rd., Woodford: 540-373-6122; nps.gov/frsp. Site where Civil War General "Stonewall" Jackson died.

#### **CULPEPER**

Includes Brandy Station, Jeffersonton, Rixeyville Stevensbura

#### **Culpeper Visitors Center**

111 S. Commerce St., Culpeper; 540-727-0611; visitculpeperva.com. At Depot in historic downtown. Good information and friendly help. 🖚📽

#### Andora Farm

17275 Germanna Hwy., Culpeper; 540-829-9555; thebestamericabyhorseback com. Horses and history. Best of America by Horseback on RFD-TV.

#### Antioch Baptist Church

202 S. West St., Culpeper; 540-825-2768; antiochbaptistculpeper. com. Among the oldest churches organized as The African Church. &

#### Belmont Farm Distillery 13490 Cedar Run Rd.,

Culpeper; 540-825-3207; belmontfarmdistillery.com. Tour the distillery. See corn whiskey made the old-fashioned way.

#### **Brandy Station Battlefield** 19484 Brandy Rd., Brandy

Station; 540-727-7718; brandystationfoundation. com. Largest cavalry battle fought in Civil War, June 1863.

#### **Burgandine House**

803 S. Main St., Culpeper; 540-718-4941; visitculpeperva.com/ listing/burgandine-house aspx. One of Culpeper's oldest homes.

#### **Capital Wing of the**

Commemorative Air Force 12499 Beverly Ford Rd., Brandy Station; 540-727-0018; capitalwing.org. Hangar museum display of WWII antique aircraft and vehicles. 🖚 📽

#### Cedar Mountain Battlefield

9465 General Winder Rd Culpeper; 540-727-8849; friendsofcedarmountain. org. Opening salvo in the Second Manassas Campaign August 9, 1862.

#### **Culpeper National** Cemetery

305 US Ave., Culpeper: 540-825-0027; cem.va.gov/ cems/nchp/culpeper.asp. U.S. National Cemetery, still actively used. Union, present day graves. 🖚 🕹

#### Fairview Cemetery

Rt. 522 North, Culpeper; 540-829-8240; visitculpeperva.com/ listing/fairview-cemetary. asnx Mass grave of Confederate soldiers. Historically African-American Antioch Section.

Graffiti House - The

19484 Brandy Rd., Brandy Station; 540-727-7718; brandystationfoundation. com. One of few dwellings intact from the Civil War.

**Brandy Station Foundation** 

#### Kelly's Ford Battlefield

Rt. 620, Remington; 540-399-1779; battlefields.org/ learn/civil-war/battles/ kellys-ford. Site of historic Confederate Civil War battle of 1863.

#### Library of Congress Packard Campus for **Audio Visual Conservation** Theater

19053 Mount Pony Rd., Culpeper; 202-707-5840; loc.gov/avconservation/ theater/reservations.html Free screenings of classic Hollywood and silent films. 🛦 🖼 🧳

#### Little Fork Episcopal Church

16461 Oak Shade Rd., Rixeyville; 540-937-4306; littleforkchurch.org. Culpeper County's oldest Colonial church.

# Masonic Cemetery c. 1820

Rt. 229 North near intersection of Radio Ln., Culpeper: 540-825-8535. Land donated by Revolutionary War hero General Edward Stevens

# Museum of Culpeper History

113 S. Commerce St., Culpeper; 540-829-1749; culpepermuseum.com. Small town history museum to learn all things Culpeper. \$ == 5. \frac{1}{2}

#### **Platinum Alpacas**

10623 Gravel Rd., Brandy Station; 540-825-2055; platinumalpacas.com. Advocates of the alpaca lifestyle. Gentle alpacas, quality products. Tours.

#### Saddle Ridge Farm

10210 Jamesons Mill Rd., Culpeper; 703-789-0647; saddleridgefarm.net. Sustainable farm located on 115 semi-wooded acres. 🖚 🛦 🋦

#### Salubria

7 miles East of Culpeper, off Rt. 3 at 19000 Salubria Ln., Stevensburg; 540-423-1700; germanna.org/salubria. Colonial home of Rev. John Thompson. Reservations required.

# St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

115 N. East St., Culpeper; 540-825-8786 ststephensculpeper.net Historic church and graveyard in Town of Culpeper, circa 1821. 🖚 🖔

#### Wollam Gardens

5167 Jeffersonton Rd. Jeffersonton; 540-937-3222; wollamgardens.com. Destination flower farm, plants, weddings in unique setting.

#### **FAIRFAX COUNTY**

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#### Fairfax County/Capital Region Visitor Center-Tysons Corner

1961 Chain Bridge Rd., 2nd Level, McLean; 703-752-9500; fxva.com/plan-your-trip/ visitor-center. Regional visitor information center located in Tysons Corner Center Mall.

#### **Visit Fairfax**

3702 Pender Dr., Suite 420, Fairfax; 703-790-0643; fxva.com. The headquarters for all tourism related information in Fairfax County.

# **Workhouse Arts Center**

9517 Workhouse Way, Lorton; 703-584-2900: workhousearts org. Located on thriving art center campus with easy interstate access

Society's River Farm 7931 East Boulevard Dr., Alexandria; 703-768-5700; ahsgardening.org/riverfarm. Situated on 25 acres of gorgeously landscaped lawns and gardens. 🖚 📽

#### Atlantis Waterpark at Bull Run

American Horticultural

7700 Bull Run Dr., Centreville; 703-631-0552: atlantisbullrun. com. Ancient Greece themed seasonal waterpark at Bull Run Regional Park. \$

#### The Barns at Wolf Trap vo

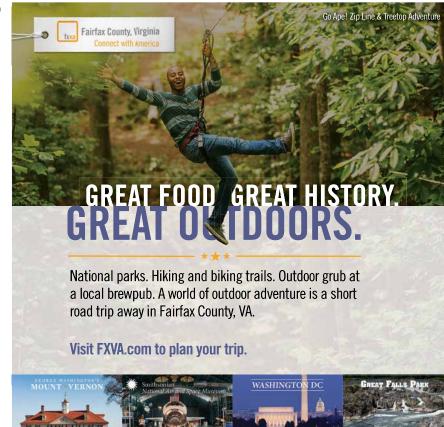
1635 Trap Rd., Vienna; 703-255-1900; wolftrap.org. Wolf Trap's intimate indoor venue hosts performances October through Mav. \$

#### Children's Science Center Lab

11948 Fair Oaks Mall, Fairfax; 703-648-3130; childsci.org. Fun exhibits and programs for children and families to explore. \$

#### Colvin Run Mill Historic Site

10017 Colvin Run Rd., Great Falls; 703-759-2771; fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/ colvinrunmill. Operational 19th century water-powered gristmill. Also features 20th-century dairy barn exhibits. \$





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Neck; 703-550-9220;

more. \$ - 4 h

#### Cox Farms

15621 Braddock Rd., Centreville; 703-830-4121; coxfarms.com. Largest family farm and seasonal event destination in Northern Virginia. S

#### The Fairfax Station Railroad Museum

11200 Fairfax Station Rd., Fairfax Station; 703-425-9225; fairfaxstation.org. Railroad, Civil War and Clara Barton museum. Open Sundays 1-4pm. \$

#### The Filene Center at Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts vc

1551 Trap Rd., Vienna; 703-255-1900; wolftrap.org. Beautiful summer outdoor venue with world-class performances in every genre. \$==

#### Fort Marcy

Parking lot off north-bound George Washington Pkwy. near Rt. 123, McLean; 703-289-2500; nps.gov/gwmp. Excellent example of fortifications protecting Washington during the Civil War. \*\*

#### Frank Lloyd Wright's Pope-Leighey House

9000 Richmond Hwy.,
Alexandria; 703-780-4000;
woodlawnpopeleighey.org.
Frank Lloyd Wright designed
Usonian House. Seasonal
guided tours Friday-Monday.

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2709 W. Ox Rd., Herndon;

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4400 University Dr., Fairfax;

703-993-2787; gmu.edu/cfa.

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Symphony.

703-437-9101; fairfaxcounty.

gov/parks/fryingpanpark. Farm

animals, country store, tours.

# The Freeman Store and Museum 131 Church St. NE, Vienna; 703938-5187; historicviennainc.org. George Washington's Distillery & Gristmill

& Gristmill
5514 Mount Vernon Memorial
Hwy., Alexandria; 703-7802000; mountvernon.org.
Fully functioning distillery &
gristmill, open April through
October. S

# George Washington's

Mount Vernon vc 3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Hwy., Alexandria; 703-780-2000; mountvernon. org. Tour the home of George Washington, his gardens and museum.

#### Great Falls Park

9200 Old Dominion Dr., Great Falls; 703-285-2965; nps.gov/grfa. Spectacular 800-acre park, featuring breathtaking rapids and great recreational opportunities. \$

#### Green Spring Gardens and Horticultural Center

4603 Green Spring Rd.,
Alexandria; 703-642-5173;
fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/
green-spring. 27-acre
year-round attraction with
horticultural information and
inspiration for gardeners.

#### Historic Clifton

Main St., Clifton; 703-830-2727; clifton-va.com. National Historic District with Civil War era origins.

#### **Lake Accotink**

7500 Accotink Park Rd., Springfield; 703-569-3464; fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/dccotink. 493-acre park with lake, boating, fishing, hiking and miniature golf.

#### The Laurel Grove School 6840 Beulah St., Alexandria;

703-313-4690; laurelgroveschool.org. Survives as the only remaining African-American schoolhouse in Northern Virginia.

# Mason Neck State Park & Wildlife Refuge vg

7301 High Point Rd., Lorton; 703-339-2385; dcr.virginia.gov.

#### Meadowlark Botanical Gardens

9750 Meadowlark Gardens Ct, Vienna; 703-255-3631; nvrpa. org/park/meadowlark\_ botanical\_gardens. Stunning 95-acre park featuring native Virginia flora and fauna. S

#### National Firearms Museum

11250 Waples Mill Rd., Fairfax; 703-267-1600; nramuseum.org. Home to the finest firearms collection in the world.

#### National Museum of the United States Army

1775 Liberty Dr., Fort Belvoir 703-806-6032; thenmusa. org. State-of-the-art national museum honoring the history of the U.S. Army.

#### Ox Hill Battlefield Park

4134 West Ox Rd., Fairfax; 703-324-8702; battlefields.org/ visit/battlefields/ chantilly-battlefield. 5-acre park commemorates the Civil War Battle of Ox Hill/Chantilly

#### Pirate's Cove Waterpark at Pohick Bay

6501 Pohick Bay Dr., Lorton; 703-339-6102; piratescovepohick.com. Pirate themed seasonal waterpark at Pohick Bay Regional Park. \$





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St. John's Episcopal Church 5649 Mount Gilead Rd Centreville; 703-803-7500; stjohnscentreville.org. Civil War site located in the heart of

#### **Reston Storefront Museum of Suburban History**

9301 Richmond Hwv., Lorton:

703-339-6572; pohick.org.

Colonial period church

Washington and George

attended by George

Mason, Tours.

1639 Washington Plaza, Reston: 703-709-7700: restonmuseum.org. Celebrates Reston, VA with walking tours, exhibits and children's workshops.

#### Roer's Zoofari

1228 Hunter Mill Rd., Vienna: 703-757-6222: roerszoofari. com. Amazing thirty-acre family-friendly zoo with a host of on-site adventures. \$

#### Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum Steven F. **Udvar-Hazy Center**

14390 Air and Space Museum Pkwv Chantilly: 703-572-4118: airandspace.si.edu/udvar-hazvcenter. Aviation museum with over 250 aircraft/spacecraft, artifacts and IMAX Theater.

historic Centreville.

#### St. Mary of Sorrows Historic Catholic Church

Fairfax Station Rd. & Rt. 123, Fairfax Station; 703-978-4141; stmaryofsorrows.org. Clara Barton cared for troops after Second Manassas/Bull Run.

#### **Sully Historic Site**

3650 Historic Sully Way, Chantilly: 703-437-1794: fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/ sully-historic-site. An oasis of the past highlighting early 19 Century life. \$ === \*\*

#### The Water Mine Family Swimmin' Hole at Lake Fairfax 1400 Lake Fairfax Dr., Reston;

703-471-5414; fairfaxcounty. gov/parks/rec/watermine. Seasonal waternark featuring slides, lazy river, showers and

#### Wolf Trap's Children's Theatrein-the-Woods vo

1551 Trap Rd., Vienna; 703-255-1900; wolftrap.org. A magical children's venue with over 70 performances each summer \$

#### Woodlawn

9000 Richmond Hwy., Alexandria; 703-780-4000; woodlawnpopeleighev.org. National Trust site once part of George Washington's Mount Vernon. \$

# **Workhouse Arts Center**

9601 Ox Rd., Lorton: 703-548-2900: workhousearts. org. Cultural arts center housed on campus of a former prison.

#### **CITY OF FAIRFAX** Fairfax Museum and

Visitor Center

10209 Main St., Fairfax; 703-385-8414: fairfaxya gov/ visitors. The Fairfax Story exhibit, traveling exhibits, adult and youth programs (virtual options), visitor information and souvenirs COVID-19 rules in place Call

703-385-8414 for updates.

#### Historic Blenheim and the Civil War Interpretive Center

3610 Old Lee Hwy., Fairfax; 703-591-0560; fairfaxva. gov/visitors. Center open 11am-3pm, Tuesday-Saturday, call 703-591-0560 for updates Free. Historic house closed. Union soldier graffiti, family and enslaved people exhibits, adult/youth programs (virtual options) and gift shop. COVID-19 rules in place. **~**\*&

# Ratcliffe-Allison-Pozer House

Museum 10386 Main St., Fairfax; 703-385-8414; fairfaxva.gov/ visitors. Fairfax City's oldest house (1807) features guided tours, exhibits and adult and vouth group tours, Call 703-385-8414 for hours. &

#### **FAUOUIER COUNTY /** WARRENTON

VIRGINIA MAIN STREET CO Includes Casanova, Catlett, Delaplane, Goldvein, Marshall, Midland, New Baltimore, Reminaton, The Plains

#### Fauguier County Department of Economic Development

35 Culpeper St., Warrenton; 540-422-8270; visitfauquier. com. Quaint Towns and villages, wineries, breweries, Farm to table restaurants.

#### **Warrenton-Fauquier County Visitor Center**

21 Main St., Warrenton; 540-341-0988: visitfauguier. com. Providing visitor services, brochures and information. 9am-5pm daily. 🖚 🕹

#### Afro-American Historical Association Museum and **Resource Center**

4243 Loudoun Ave., The Plains; 540-253-7488; aahafauguier. org. Museum featuring historical artifacts and resource material of local/ national interest.

#### C. F. Phelps Wildlife Management Area

Rt. 651. Remington: 540-899-4169; dgif.virginia.gov/ wmas. Rappahannock River fishing, canoeing, kayaking, hunting, birding and hiking trails.

#### C M Crockett Park/ Germantown Lake

10066 Rogues Rd., Midland; 540-788-4867; visitfauquier com. A scenic fishing lake, picnic shelters, boat rentals and nature trails. \$ === \*\*

#### The Cold War Museum

7142 Lineweaver Rd., Warrenton; 703-273-2381; coldwar.org. Eras of espionage, rivalries and confrontations between East and West

#### Cows-N-Corn

5225 Catlett Rd., Midland; 540-439-4806: cows-n-corn.com. Family fun, food & education on a real working dairy farm. 

#### Elk Run Mini-Museum

12187 Elk Run Rd., Midland: 540-788-4252: ststephenscatlett.org/elkrun. Learn about this Anglican church from the 1700s. Call to schedule a visit

#### Fauquier Heritage & **Preservation Foundation**

4110 Winchester Rd., Marshall: 540-364-3440; fhpf.org. Archives and research library featuring collections of noted historians. Call for hours.

#### **Fauquier History Museum at** the Old Jail

10 Ashby St., Warrenton: 540-347-5525; fauguierhistory. com. Focusing on the histories Warrenton, Fauquier and Commonwealth of VA.

#### **Great Meadow Field Event** Center

5089 Old Tavern Rd., The Plains; 540-253-5000; greatmeadow.org. Home of Gold Cup races and other field sporting events. \$ = &

#### **Greenfield Farms Alpacas**

11353 Barnes Rd., Catlett; 703-508-7363; openherd.com/ farms/2885/greenfield-farmsalpacas. Offers a delightful agricultural tour experience.

#### Heartline Alpaca Farm

7424 Leeds Manor Rd. Marshall: 540-364-7377: heartlinealpacafarm.com Learn how alpaca fleece is transformed into silky fiber.

# Hollin Farms

11324 Pearlstone Ln., Delaplane; 540-592-3701: hollinfarms.com. A pick-your-own farm in the Blue Ridge foothills. Open seasonally.

# John Marshall Birthplace Park

Germantown Rd., Midland: 540-788-4867; visitfauquier. com. Quaint park with picnic area and trail to John Marshall memorial.

#### Lake Brittle

4354 Lake Brittle Rd New Baltimore; 540-899-4169; visitfauguier.com. This 77-acre lake offers boating, fishing and picnic facilities.

#### Marriott Ranch

5305 Marriott Ln., Hume; 540-364-2627; marriottranch.com Historic setting, beautiful views, horseback riding. fishing, 12-room inn. Wineries, rafting, caverns nearby.

#### Monroe Park & Gold Mining Camp Museum

14421 Gold Dust Pkwv.. Goldvein; 540-422-8170; goldvein.com. Learn about Virginia goldmining history and how pan for gold. 46.

#### Old Town Warrenton

Main St., Warrenton; 540-349-8606; oldtownwarrenton.org. Stroll through history and find unique gifts, food and fun.

#### Rady Park

725 Fauquier Rd., Warrenton; 540-349-2520; visitfauquier.com. One-mile paved hiking/biking trail, playground, volleyball. baseball fields, picnic facilities.

#### **Sky Meadows State Park**

On Rt. 710, from Rt. 17 North, Delaplane; 540-592-3556; virginiastateparks.gov. \$ ----- &

#### Thompson Wildlife Management Area

Rt. 688 North, Delaplane; 540-899-4169; dgif.virginia.gov/ wmas, 4.000 acres with trails: 10-acre lake, fishing, hunting and bird-watching.

#### **Warrenton Branch Greenway**

At the end of s. 4th St. in Old Town Warrenton, Warrenton 540-422-8550: visitfauguier. com. 1.5-mile, paved path with caboose and events.

#### **Weston Farmstead**

4476 Weston Rd.. Casanova: 540-788-9220: historicwestonva.org. Open by appointment. Call or email contact@ historicwestonva.org\$ --- &

#### Whitney State Forest

Rt. 684, Warrenton; 540-347-6358; visitfauquier.com. 147-acre forest offering hiking, horseback riding trail and wildlife sanctuary.

#### FREDERICKSBURG / SPOTSYLVANIA / **STAFFORD**

# Fredericksburg Visitor Center

706 Caroline St., Fredericksburg; 540-373-1776; visitfred.com, Maps, tours, dining and lodging info. Merchandise for sale.

#### Spotsylvania County Department of Economic

Development & Tourism 4704 Southpoint Pkwy., Fredericksburg; 540-507-7090; visitspotsy.com. Travel and tourism information about Spotsylvania, Lake Anna and Fredericksburg. 🖚 🛎 🕹

# **Spotsylvania County Visitors**

Center vo 4704 Southpoint Pkwy., Fredericksburg; 540-507-7090; visitspotsy.com. Maps, Civil War tour information, wineries, recreation and Lake Anna. 🖚 🕹

#### **Stafford County Tourism**

1300 Courthouse Rd., Stafford; 540-658-8681; tourstaffordva. com. George Washington, Civil War, golf, wineries, art, theater on I-95.

#### **Stafford County Visitor Center** at Gari Melchers Home &

Studio at Belmont 224 Washington St. Fredericksburg; 540-654-1015; tourstaffordva. com. Maps. history, arts. wineries, breweries, tour information.

# A. Smith Bowman Distillery

1 Bowman Dr., 540-373-4555 asmithbowman.com; Free, daily, guided tours display the history and process of Virginia's own pioneering spirit. Museum, gift shop.

#### Chancellorsville Battlefield **Visitor Center**

9001 Plank Rd., Fredericksburg; 540-693-3200; nps.gov/frsp. Lee's greatest Civil War victory. Fee for film. 🖚 🕹 🗷

#### Chancellorsville. Wilderness and Spotsylvania Court House Battlefields

Rt. 613, Spotsylvania; 540-693-3200; nps.gov/frsp/wilder. htm. Civil War battlefields of Chancellorsville/Wilderness/ Spotsylvania. 🖚 🛎 🕹

#### Chatham

120 Chatham Ln., Fredericksburg; 540-693-3200; nps.gov/frsp. Civil War headquarters and hospital. Free films and tours.

#### Fredericksburg Area Museum and Cultural Center

907 Princess Anne St. Fredericksburg; 540-371-3037; famva.org. 1816 museum chronicles the story of Fredericksburg's vibrant past 

#### Fredericksburg Battlefield **Visitor Center**

1013 Lafayette Blvd., Fredericksburg: 540-693-3200: nps.gov/frsp. Confederate's most one-sided Civil War victory. Fee for film. 🖚 🕹 🧷 🆍

#### George Washington's Boyhood Home at Ferry Farm

268 Kings Hwy., Fredericksburg; 540-370-0732; ferryfarm.org. George Washington's boyhood home. iPad tour, archaeology, exhibits, Washington house.

#### Historic Kenmore Plantation

1201 Washington Ave., Fredericksburg; 540-373-3381; kenmore.org. 1775 home of George Washington's sister, Betty Washington Lewis. Gardens. \$

#### The Hugh Mercer **Apothecary Shop**

1020 Caroline St., Fredericksburg; 540-373-3362; washingtonheritagemuseums. org. An 18th century doctor's office and pharmacy. \$

#### James Monroe Museum

908 Charles St., Fredericksburg; 540-654-1043; iamesmonroemuseum org Furnishings and personal possessions of James Monroe and his family. \$===

#### John J. Wright Educational & **Cultural Center Museum**

7565 Courthouse Rd., Spotsylvania; 540-582-7583; jjwmuseum.org. The story of African Americans in Spotsylvania County Free. 🖚 🛦

#### **Mary Washington House**

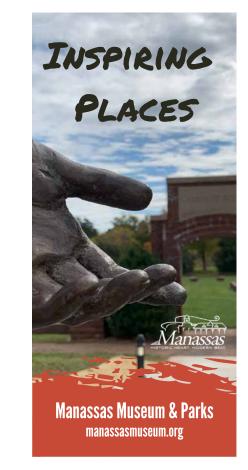
1200 Charles St., Fredericksburg; 540-373-1569; washingtonheritagemuseums. org. Home where George Washington's mother spent her last 17 years. \$ ===

#### Old Salem Church

4054 Plank Rd., Fredericksburg; 540-693-3200; nps.gov/frsp. Soldiers used brick church for protection in Civil War battle. 🖚 🖔

#### Potomac Point Winery

275 Decatur Rd., Stafford; 540-446-2251; potomacpointwinery.com. Tastings Tours Bistro Sunday Brunch, Events, Weddings, Wine Clubs. <del>一</del>学人





1304 Caroline St. Fredericksburg; 540-371-1494; washingtonheritagemuseums. org. A lively and entertaining tour of late 18th-century tavern life. \$

#### **Riverside Center for the Performing Arts**

**Rising Sun Tavern** 

95 Riverside Pkwy., 540-370-4300; riversidedt.com. Quality theatre plus dinner, Wednesday-Sunday. Live music and entertainment. 🖚 🎢

#### Shannon Air Museum

13380 Shannon Airport Cir., Fredericksburg; 540-642-4387; shannonairmuseum.com. One of the rarest collections of antique aircraft. \$ == &

# Shiloh Baptist Church (Old Site)

801 Sophia St., Fredericksburg: 540-373-8701: shiloholdsite. org. Shiloh Baptist Church Old Site has served the Fredericksburg community since the early 1800s.

#### Spotsylvania Battlefield

9550 West Grant Dr., Fredericksburg; 540-693-3200; nps.gov/frsp. Civil War battle with hand-to-hand combat at the Bloody Angle. 🖚 🕹

#### Spotsylvania County Museum 6159 Plank Rd., Fredericksburg;

540-507-7278 spotsylvaniamuseum.org. Native American through Civil War history of Spotsylvania open 9am-5pm. 🖚 🛦

# St. George's Episcopal Church

905 Princess Ave., Fredericksburg; 540-373-4133; stgeorgesepiscopal. net. George Washington attended services here. Tiffany-style stained glass windows

#### St. James' House

1300 Charles St, Fredericksburg; 540-373-1569; washingtonheritagemuseums. org. Circa 1768, home to James Mercer, member of the Virginia House of Burgesses. \$

#### Widewater State Park

101 Widewater State Park Rd., Stafford: 540-288-1400: virginiastateparks.gov.

#### **LAKE ANNA**

Includes Louisa, Minera **Lake Anna Visitor Center** 

208 Lake Front Dr., Mineral; 540-872-0684: lakeannavisitorcenter.com. Your first stop for Lake Anna information about attractions. restaurants, real estate, vacation rentals and more!

6800 Lawyers Rd.. Spotsylvania: 540-854-5503 virginiastateparks.gov. 

Lake Anna State Park

#### Louisa Art Center

212 Fredericksburg Ave. Louisa: 540-967-2200: louisaarts.org. Performance, visual, musical and cultural arts for the community.

#### North Anna Nuclear Information Center

1022 Haley Dr., Mineral; 540-894-2828; dom.com. Displays, interactive exhibits, films and brochures on nuclear power.

#### LEESBURG

#### **Ball's Bluff Battlefield Regional** Park & National Cemetery

Ball's Bluff Rd. NE, Leesburg; 703-737-7800: novaparks.org/ parks/balls-bluff-battlefieldregional-park. Site of Battle of Ball's Bluff, tours and reenactment

#### Ida Lee Park

60 Ida Lee Dr., N.W., Leesburg; 703-777-1368; idalee.org. 138-acre park with full-service fitness/recreation center and more. 🖚📽

#### **Leesburg Executive Airport** 1001 Sycolin Rd. SE, Leesburg;

703-737-7127 leesburgva.gov/airport. Explore history of aviation in Loudoun at Arthur Godfrey Field.

Loudoun Museum 16 Loudoun St. SW Leesburg; 703-777-7427; loudounmuseum.org. Exhibits, special events, interpretation and tours in historic downtown Leesburg. \$

# The Marshall House

217 Edwards Ferry Rd. NE, Leesburg; 703-777-1301; georgecmarshall.org. Home and gardens of General George C. Marshall, \$

#### **Thomas Balch Library** 208 W. Market St., Leesburg:

703-737-7195; leesburgva.gov/ library. Focus on genealogy, Civil War, ethnic history & guest speakers.

#### Very Virginia Shop

16 S. King St., 703-973-6400 veryvirginia.com. Charming shop full of "Virginia's Finest Goodies & Gifts" - peanuts, gourmet foods, souvenirs, t-shirts, chocolates, candles colonial costumes historical memorabilia, local art. wine, corporate gifts, wedding welcome bags and Virginia gift baskets! 🖚 📽

#### **LOUDOUN COUNTY**

Includes Aldie, Leesburg, Lovetts ville, Purcellville, Middleburg, Sterlina, Waterford

#### **Loudoun County Visitors Center**

112-G South St., S.E., Leesburg; 703-771-2170: visitloudoun. org. Loudoun County's official Visitors Center, open 9am-5pm, 362 days a year. 🖚 📽

#### Visit Loudoun

112 South St. SE, Leesburg; 703-771-2170; visitloudoun. org. Official Loudoun visitor information, open 9am-5pm, 362 days a year. 🖚 📽

#### Aldie Mill Historic Park

39401 John Mosby Hwy., Aldie; 703-327-9777; nvrpa org. Virginia's only surviving gristmill powered by twin overshot water wheels.

#### Catoctin Creek Distilling Company

120 West Main St., Purcellville 540-751-8404: catoctincreek.com Taste Virginia's most-awarded whiskey: Catoctin Creek - The Virginia Rye Whisky. 🖚 🛎 🕹

#### Claude Moore Park

21544 Old Vestal's Gap Rd., Sterling; 571-258-3700; loudoun.gov/claudemoorepark. National Register and Civil War trails listed park.

#### Heritage Farm Museum

21668 Heritage Farm Ln., Sterling; 571-258-3800; heritagefarmmuseum.org. Experience Loudoun County's cultural history. Family-friendly 

#### Leesburg Animal Park

19270 James Monroe Hwy., Leesburg; 703-433-0002; leesburganimalpark.com. Petting zoo with exotics, pony and wagon rides, indoor play. \$<del>===</del>6.

#### Lovettsville Historical Society Museum

4 E. Pennsylvania Ave. Lovettsville; 540-822-5499; lovettsvillemuseum.org. Historical exhibits and information about people and places of Lovettsville.

#### **Morven Park**

17263 Southern Planter Ln., Leesburg; 703-777-2414; morvenpark.org. Historic mansion, museums, equestrian center, nature & sports programs. \$ === 📽

#### Mt. Zion Old School **Rantist Church**

40309 John Mosby Hwy., Aldie 703-327-9777; nvrpa.org/park/mt\_zion. 1851 church and rendezvous site for Confederate Colonel John S.

Mosby. 🖚 📽

#### **National Sporting Library** and Museum

102 The Plains Rd., Middleburg; 540-687-6542; nationalsporting.org. Shares the literature and art of equestrian and field sports

#### Oatlands Historic House & Gardens

20850 Oatlands Plantation Ln., Leesburg; 703-777-3174; oatlands.org. Historic mansior museum, spectacular gardens and grounds with gift shop.

#### **Rust Nature Sanctuary**

802 Children's Center Rd., Leesburg; 703-669-0755; novaparks com/rust-sanctuary Trails of trees, formal gardens, wildlife, manor home, special events. 🖚

#### Town of Middleburg

7 S. Madison Str., Middleburg; 540-687-8888 middleburgonline.com Established in 1787 by Revolutionary War Lt. Colonel Levin Powell.

#### Village of Waterford

40183 Main St., Waterford; 540-882-3018; waterfordva.org. National Historic Landmark village founded by Quakers in 1757. 🖚📽

#### White's Ferry

24801 White's Ferry Rd., Leesburg; 301-349-5200. Last operating ferry offering daily service on the Potomac River. \$ 75%

#### **CITY OF MANASSAS** VIRGINIA MAIN STREET CO

#### Historic Downtown Manassas Visitors Center

9431 West St., Manassas; 703-361-6599; visitmanassas. org/visitor Renovated 1914 Historic Manassas Train Depot is now home to the offices of Historic Manassas, Inc., the Main Street organization, the Historic Manassas Visitor Center and the James and Marion Payne Railroad Heritage Gallery. 🖚 🛎 🖔

#### ARTfactory

9419 Rattle St Manassas: 703-330-2787: virginiaartfactory. org. Historic building filled with theatre. art gallery, art classrooms and ballroom dance.

#### Cannon Branch Fort

10611 Gateway Blvd. Manassas; 703-368-1873; manassasmuseum.org. Walk the trail circling the 1864 Civil War earthwork fort.

#### The Freedom Museum Main Terminal, Manassas

Regional Airport, Manassas; 703-393-0660; freedommuseum.org Memorabilia and photographs detailing U.S. military involvement in 20th century wars/conflicts.

#### **Harris Pavilion**

9201 Center St., Manassas: 703-361-9800; harrispavilion. com. Ideal for festivals. concerts, movies, weddings. Outdoor ice skating rink.

#### Liberia House Historic Site 8601 Portner Ave., Manassas;

703-368-1873; manassasmuseum.org. Historic house and grounds served as Confederate and Union Civil War headquarters.

School/Jennie Dean Memorial 9601 Prince William St Manassas; 703-368-1873; manassasmuseum.org. Freed slave Jennie Dean created a school where African-Americans could learn a trade

The Manassas Industrial

#### The Manassas Museum vg

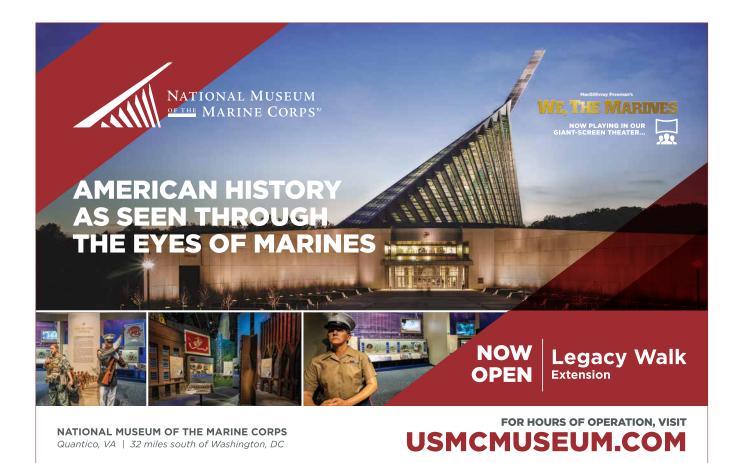
9101 Prince William St., Manassas; 703-368-1873; manassasmuseum.org. Seven historic properties with exhibits on Virginia Piedmont and Civil War. \$ ----- &

# **Mayfield Earthwork Fort**

8401 Quarry Rd., Manassas: 703-368-1873; manassasmuseum.org. Civil War earthwork fort with interpretive walking trail. 🖚 📽

#### **Mayfield Fort**

8401 Quarry Rd., Manassas; 703-368-1873; manassasmuseum.org. A strategic Confederate observation post and earther fort have been reconstructed





#### **PRINCE WILLIAM** COUNTY

Includes Bristow, Broad Run. Dumfries, Haymarket, Manassas, Occoquan, Triangle, Woodbridge **Prince William County Office** of Tourism vc

14420 Bristow Rd., Manassas; 703-792-7060; visitpwc.com. Visit Prince William, VA.

#### **Ben Lomond Historic Site** 10321 Sudley Manor Dr., Manassas; 703-367-7872; pwcgov.org/benlomond. The 1830 house served as a Civil

War hospital. \$ -- & &

Beverley Mill/Chapman's Mill 17504 Beverley Mill Rd., Broad Run; 540-253-5888; chapmansmill.org. Historic

Civil War grist mill, circa 1742.

#### **Brentsville Courthouse Historic Centre**

12229 Bristow Rd., Bristow; 703-365-7895: pwcgov.org/brentsville. Five historic structures that interpret the 1820 town of Brentsville. \$₹\$\$\&

#### Bristoe Station Battlefield Park

Corner of Iron Brigade Unit Ave. and 10th Alabama Way Bristow; 703-366-3049; pwcgov.org/bristoe. Park interprets two Civil War hattlefields with walking trails. 🖚📽

#### **Bull Run Mountains Natural** Area Preserve

17405 Beverly Mill Dr., Broad Run: 703-753-2631: brmconservancy.org. Easternmost front of the Blue Ridge Mountains. Environmental, historical education.

#### Haymarket Museum

15025 Washington St, Haymarket; 703-753-2600; townofhaymarket.org/ museum. Interprets the pre-Civil War town that Federal troops burned in 1862.

#### **Historic Dumfries / Weems Botts Museum**

3944 Cameron St., Dumfries: 703-221-2218: historicdumfriesva.org. The history of Dumfries is illuminated on this familyfriendly and interesting tour. \$

Leesylvania State Park vg 2001 Daniel K. Ludwig Dr., Woodbridge; 703-730-8205; virginiastateparks.gov. \$ ---- &

#### Lucasville School

10516 Godwin Dr., Manassas 703-365-7895; pwcgov.org/ history. Last remaining oneroom African-American school in Prince William.

#### **Manassas National Battlefield Park**

6511 Sudley Rd., Manassas; 800-305-7417; nps.gov/mana. Site of the First and Second Battles of Manassas.

#### Mill House Museum

413 Mill St, Occoquan; 703-491-7525; occoquanhistoricalsociety. org. Occoquan's Colonial and Civil War history, exhibits, presentations and artifacts.

#### The National Museum of the Marine Corps and Marine Corps Heritage Center vg

LOVEwork AT HURKAMP PARK

18900 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Triangle; 877-653-1775; usmcmuseum.com.

#### U.S. and world history as seen through the eyes of Marines. Spanning the country's history

from 1775 through the end of the Vietnam War, the Museum covers a nation in turmoil and growth with a world influence in humanitarian efforts and

#### Occoquan Bay National Wildlife Refuge

democracy. 🖚 🕹

13950 Dawson Beach Rd., Woodbridge; 703-490-4979; fws.gov/refuge/occoquan\_bay. Diverse grasslands and marshes attract songbirds, raptors, butterflies, etc. \$

#### **Potomac River National** Wildlife Refuge Complex Headquarters

12638 Darby Brooke Ct.. Woodbridge; 703-490-4979. Headquarters for three national wildlife refuges in Northern Virginia.

# Prince William Forest Park

18170 Park Entrance Rd Triangle; 703-221-7181; nps.gov/prwi. 15,000 acres includes the largest Piedmont forest in the NPS. \$==

# **Quantico National Cemetery**

18424 Joplin Rd., Triangle; 703-221-2183; cem.va.gov. Visitors can walk 150 wooded acres of burial sites of American war

# Rippon Lodge Historic Site

15520 Blackburn Rd., Woodbridge; 703-499-9812; pwcgov.org/ripponlodge. One of the oldest homes in Prince William County. \$₹\$\$\&\_\&

#### **RAPPAHANNOCK** COUNTY

Includes Castleton, Washington Rappahannock County

# **Visitors Center**

540-675-3153: visitrappahannockva.com. Rappahannock offers scenic byways, outdoor adventures, historic villages, country inns, B&Bs. exceptional "farmto-table" dining, artisanal wineries and access to Shenandoah National Park.

#### **Copper Fox Distillery**

9 River Ln., Sperryville; 540-987-8554; copperfoxdistillery.com. Hand-crafted whisky. Spacious indoor and outdoor seating or curbside pick-up.

310 Gay St., Washington; 800-695-6075; raac.org. Hosts community theater and annual art studio and gallery tour. 3 Library Rd., Washington; 

The Rappahannock

the Community

Scrabble School

Association for the Arts and

Rappahannock County African-

American Heritage Center at

540-987-8103; scrabbleschool.

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A legendary singer with big-time popularity, **Patsy Cline** died in a plane crash in 1963, merely 30 years after her birth in **Winchester**. The first solo female singer to become a member of the Grand Ole Opry and the first woman inducted in the Country Music Hall of Fame, Cline's presence can be found throughout her birthplace, at her home, the "Becoming Patsy Cline" exhibition and her gravesite.



# **PET-FRIENDLY**

Enjoy the lap of luxury and canine companionship, too, at the historic **Blackburn Inn** in Staunton. Special dog-friendly rooms have a first-floor entrance opening directly outside. The Inn offers doggie waste bags, bowls, treats and beds. Roam the walking paths on the property's 80 acres or venture over to Staunton's pet-friendly attractions. When you've worn out the pup, you'll enjoy the room's plush bath towels, luxury bed linens, large-screen TV and rainfall shower.

#### INSTAGRAM WORTHY

What's better than a phenomenal photo with misty mountain ridges, rolling valleys and rows of century-old apple trees? How about that gorgeous landscape pic with a sparkling hard cider, fresh seasonal cider, cider slushy or hot cider donut in the foreground? Perhaps you'd prefer an image of you and your BFFs picking apples, from trees or the orchard market. These are just a few you can capture at Showalter's Orchard and Greenhouse to store in your memory forever.



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When you visit downtown **Waynesboro**, you'll understand the muse that moves the residents. Inspiration begins in the great outdoors – the Blue Ridge Mountains, scenic drives and the gentle South River – and wafts on the wind to the walkable downtown. Stroll the streets to explore arts and culture through galleries, studios, street art and shops; enjoy shows, festivals and special events; and toast to a deliciously diverse array of dining experiences with a local craft beer, wine or hand-crafted kombucha.



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# of the Shenandoah River, including a long, peaceful, winding stretch beside majestic Massanutten Mountain. Spot wildlife such as deer, wild turkey, beaver, muskrats and herons; catch fish; and soak in the scenery. The shallow river flows gently, with mild whitewater and the occasional portage

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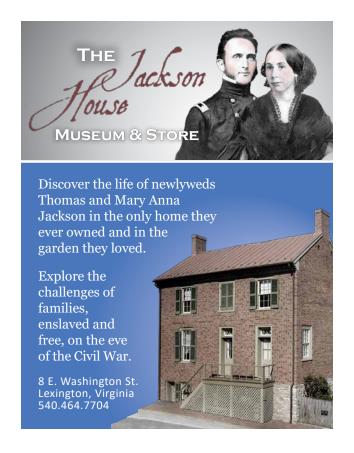
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**"U-Pick" your own adventure** through the Shenandoah Valley, where businesses know that hands-on provides half the fun! Wander through orchards and fields, plucking fruits and vegetables like apples and pumpkins – at the height of freshness. Tour a farm; pet goats, miniature horses and other friendly critters; navigate corn mazes; and celebrate at festivals. Or just drop by one of the many markets, where locally grown produce and homemade goodies have been stocked just for you. Whichever "u-pick," you'll make memories that last.

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# Shenandoah Valley Tourism

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#### **Appalachian Trail**

540-635-5788; discoverfrontroyal.com. A.T. trail head. Trolley shuttles May-July.

#### Shenandoah National Park/ Skyline Drive vg

3655 U.S. Hwy. 211 East, Luray; 540-999-3500; nps.gov/ shen, National Park, wildlife. hiking trails, historic sites, outstanding scenic views. \$

#### **Shenandoah Valley Battlefields** National Historic District

888-689-4545 shenandoahatwar.com. The Battle of Front Royal featured

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#### **CLARKE COUNTY/ BERRYVILLE**

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#### **Clarke County Tourism Office**

101 Chalmers Ct., Berryville: 540-955-5107; clarketourism. com. Clarke County is known for its rural and natural beauty, picturesque small towns, farmers markets and diverse outdoor recreation opportunities.

#### Appalachian Trail, Bears Den

18393 Blue Ridge Mountain Rd., Bluemont; 540-554-8708; appalachiantrail.org; bearsdencenter.org. Hiking, trail running, overnight lodging and facilities, accessible year-round. 📽

#### Barns of Rose Hill

95 Chalmers Court, Berryville; 540-955-2004; barnsofrosehill. org. Visitors Center. Performing arts venue, live music, exhibits, community programs. 🖚 🕹

#### Burwell-Morgan Mill

15 Tannery Ln., Millwood; 540-837-1799; burwellmorganmill. org. Operational historic grist mill, workshops, events, concerts, art shows.

#### Clermont Farm

801 E Main St., Berryville; 540-955-0102; clermontfarm. org. Research training facility, historic preservation, concerts, agricultural events, youth camps. 🖚 📽

#### Dinosaur Land, Inc

3848 Stonewall Jackson Hwy., White Post; 540-869-2222; dinosaurland.com. Over 50 life-size dinosaurs with educational information. Large gift shop. \$

# **Historical Society Museum**

32 E. Main St., Berryville; 540-955-2600; clarkehistory. org. Local history museum, genealogy research library, historical resource center.

Holy Cross Abbey 901 Cool Springs Ln., Berryville; 540-955-4383; virginiatrappists. org. Monastery, Eucharistic services, working farm, retreat center, gift shop.

#### Josephine School Community **Museum and African-American Cultural Center**

303 Josephine St., Berryville; 540-955-5512; jschoolmuseum. org. African-American school house museum. Events, concerts, monthly book clubs.

#### Long Branch

830 Long Branch Ln., Boyce; 540-837-1856; visitlongbranch. org. Historical farm, house tours, concerts, community events, horse retirement facility. \$

#### Old Chapel

809 Bishop Meade Rd., Millwood. The oldest Episcopal church building still in use west of the Blue Ridge

#### River Rafting on the Shenandoah River

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Locke's Mill Rd., Berryville. Kayaking, canoeing, tubing, fishing, camping at the public boat landing. 🖚 📽

#### **Shenandoah University River Campus at Cool Spring** Battlefield

1400 Parker Ln., Bluemont; su.edu/cool-spring. 195 acres of campus with paved and mowed trails. On the Shenandoah River's edge

# State Arboretum of Virginia

400 Blandy Farm Ln., Boyce; 540-837-1758; blandy.virginia. edu. Over 700 acres for tours, hiking/walking trails. Free to public. 🖚 📽

#### Watermelon Park

3322 Locke's Mill Rd., Berryville; 540-955-4803; Watermelonpark.com. Camping, tubing, canoeing and kayaking on the scenic Shenandoah River.



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55 Chester St., Front Royal; 540-636-1446; warrenheritagesociety.org. Built circa 1787 - the oldest house in Front Royal. \$==

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# **Belle Boyd Cottage**

101 Chester St., Front Royal; 540-636-1446; arrenheritagesociety.org. Early Civil War home of Confederate spy Belle Boyd. \$ 🖚 📽

#### Downriver Canoe Company

884 Indian Hollow Rd., Bentonville; 540-635-5526; downriver.com. Fun and adventure in canoes, kayaks. rafts and tube floats.

#### Front Royal Outdoors/ Shenandoah River Trips

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#### Prospect Hill Cemetery

200 West Prospect St., Front Royal; 540-635-5468; shenandoahatwar.org. Contains the graves of at least one soldier from every state in the Confederacy

#### Shenandoah River State Park 350 Daughter of Stars Dr.,

Bentonville; 540-622-6840; virginiastateparks.gov. \$ 🖚 🖔

#### **Skyline Caverns**

10344 Stonewall Jackson Hwy., Front Royal; 540-635-4545; skylinecaverns.com. Cave tours. Skyline Arrow train ride and Dragon Mirror Maze.

#### Virginia Beer Museum

16 Chester St., Front Royal; 540-313-1441. Virginia's only beer museum. Free admission.

#### **Warren Heritage Society** 101 Chester St., Front Royal:

540-636-1446; warrenheritagesociety. org. Colonial frontier, Confederate spy's house. living history programs, free museum. 🖚 📽

#### **Warren Rifles Confederate** Museum

95 Chester St., Front Royal; 540-636-6982: warrenriflescmm@gmail.com. Confederate memorabilia emphasis on Warren County and the region. \$

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#### Harrisonburg Tourism and Visitor Services vo

212 South Main St., Harrisonburg; 540-432-8935; visitharrisonburgva.com. Group tour and itinerary planning. 🖚 🕹

#### **Historic Dayton Tourist** Information Center

382 High St., Dayton; 540-879-2616; heritagecenter.com. The H.R.H.S. preserves the records and artifacts.

#### **Rockingham County Office** of Tourism

20 East Gay St., Harrisonburg: 540-435-7775: visitrockingham com. Rockingham County is known for its scenic landscape and diverse outdoor recreation, charming small towns, orchards and farm markets

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# Blue Ridge Heritage Project

20593 Blue and Gold Dr., Elkton; 540-442-6493; blueridgeheritageproject. com. A memorial dedicated to the residents of Rockingham County displaced by the creation of Shenandoah National Park. \$ 💳 📽

#### Breneman-Turner Mill

5001 Turner Mill In Harrisonburg; 540-438-1275; brethrenmennoniteheritage. org/breneman-turner-mill. One of a few mills that survived "the burning" of the Civil War.

#### Brethren & Mennonite Heritage Center

1921 Heritage Center Way, Harrisonburg; 540-438-1275; brethrenmennoniteheritage. org. Displays, video, historic buildings, artifacts. Special events. Open Wednesday-Saturday, 10am-5pm. \$

#### **BrydgeWorks Glass Studio**

3315 Harpine Hwy., Harrisonburg; 540-833-4448; brydgeworksglass.com. Working studio of glass crafting tools and small kilns. Tours welcome. Open Friday 10am-5pm and Saturday 10am-3pm.

#### Court Square Theater - Arts Council of the Valley

41-F Court Sq., Harrisonburg; 540-433-9189; valleyarts.org/cst. 260-seat theater presents live music and theater as well as films in a beautiful setting. \$ &

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780 University Blvd Harrisonburg; 540-568-3194; jmu.edu/arboretum. Walk winding woodland trails landscaped with native plants & gardens. 🖚📽

# **Explore More Discovery Museum**

150 S. Main St., Harrisonburg; 540-442-8900: jexploremore. com. Discovery tree, art. construction zone, TV studio, medical center, science lab. By appointment only. \$==

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147 Warsaw Ave., Harrisonburg; 540-568-7000; jmuforbescenter.com. Your destination for world-class entertainment in the Shenandoah Valley! \$&

#### Fort Harrison (Daniel Harrison House)

335 Main St., Dayton: 540-879-2280; fortharrisonva.org. Circa 1749, the oldest home in Dayton and one of the oldest in Rockingham County

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401 Oakwood Dr., Harrisonburg; 540-432-0187; fs.usda.gov/gwj. Welcome to vour forests! 📽

#### Harrisonburg Downtown **Historic District**

217 S. Liberty St #204, Harrisonburg; 540-432-8922; downtownharrisonburg.org. Designated Arts and Culinary district, 2014 National Great American Main Street! 🚐 📽

#### Harrisonburg Farmers Market 228 South Libery St.,

Harrisonburg; 540-476-3377; harrisonburgfarmersmarket. com. A producers-only market open year-round.

#### Harrisonburg-Rockingham **Civil War Orientation Center** 212 S. Main St., Harrisonburg;

540-432-8935; visitharrisonburgva.com/ civil-war-orientation-center Learn about the Valley at War through film and interpretation.

#### The Heritage Museum

382 High St., Dayton; 540-879-2681: heritagecenter.com, Area history, folk art, genealogy library, Stonewall Jackson electric map. \$

# **Horizons Edge Sports Campus**

325 Cornerstone Ln., Harrisonburg; 540-340-3343; horizonsedgeva.com. Offers 55 acres of fun for serious sports enthusiasts.

#### Hugo Kohl's Museum of American Jewelry Design and Manufacturing

217 South Liberty St., Ste. 103, Harrisonburg; 540-574-4306; hugokohl.com. Visual, audible and sensory experience of jewelry manufacturing. By ntment only.

#### John C. Wells Planetarium at James Madison University

91 East Grace St., Harrisonburg; 540-568-7827; jmu.edu/planetarium. Free shows for the public on Saturdays fall and spring.

# John Kline Homestead

223 E Springbrook Rd., Broadway; 540-421-5267; iohnklinehomestead.com. History of Elder John Kline and Brethren Church in the Shenandoah Valley. Call for tour.

#### Larry W. Shifflett Fire Museum 101 N. Main St., 3rd Floor.

Harrisonburg; 540-432-7703; harrisonburgva.gov/hfd-museum. Fire memorabilia, old uniforms, medals, fire alarms, photographs and equipment.

#### Miller-Kite House

310 E. Rockingham St., Elkton; 540-578-3046 elktonhistoricalsociety.com. Stonewall Jackson's headquarters. Civil War museum. Open Sundays 1-5pm, June-August. 🖚 📽

#### Mt. Crawford Creamery & Smileys Ice Cream

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#### OASIS Fine Art & Craft

103 South Main St. Harrisonburg; 540-442-8188; oasisfineartandcraft.org. Features original works from artists using various types of media.

#### **Port Republic Museum**

8691 Water St., Port Republic; 540-249-0040; portrepublicmuseum.org. Battle of Port Republic Cross Keys and the last days of Stonewall Jackson's Valley Campaign. 🖚

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Flkton: 877-847-1919: goshenandoah.com. The gateway to adventure. Rt. 33 to Swift Run Gap. \$

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#### Silver Lake Mill

2328 Silver Lake Rd., Dayton; 540-879-3582: silverlakemill com. Historic mill dating back to 1822! Open Thursday-Saturday, 10am-5pm.

#### Soldier's Cemetery at Woodbine 212 Resevior St., Harrisonburg;

540-434-7143; woodbinecemetery.org. Chartered in March 1850 for fallen Civil War soldiers.

#### **Turner Ashby Monument** 1164 Turner Ashby Ln.,

Harrisonburg: 540-432-8935: visitharrisonburgva.com. Memorial site of the Battle of Harrisonburg honoring General Ashby. 🖚 📽

#### Valley Turnpike Museum 212 S. Main St.,

Harrisonburg; 540-432-8935; visitharrisonburgva.com/ the-valley-turnpike-museum. The History of the Great Valley Road present day US11.

#### Virginia Quilt Museum

301 South Main St., Harrisonburg; 540-433-3818; vaguiltmuseum.org. Official Quilt Museum for the state of Virginia. \$ ===

#### White Oak Lavender Farm

2644 Cross Keys Rd., Harrisonburg; 540-421-6345; whiteoaklavender.com. Buy lavender; enjoy lavender wine and lavender products.

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#### **Natural Bridge State Park Information Desk**

6477 South Lee Hwy., I-81 Exit 180A, Natural Bridge; 540-291-1326. Located within the Natural Bridge State Park Visitor Center.

#### **Boxerwood Nature Center and Woodland Garden**

963 Ross Rd., Lexington; 540-463-2697; boxerwood. org. 15 acres of rare trees, shrubs, birding and children's playtrail.

#### **Broadview Ranch**

1397 Zollman's Mill Rd, Lexington; 540-458-1001; broadviewranch.com/farm. Multi-generational, sustainable, healthy-food farm. Call to visit!

#### **Brownsburg Museum**

2716 Brownsburg Tpke., Brownsburg; 540-348-1600; brownsburgva.com/brownsburg-museum. Big things come in small packages at this historic museum, Free.

#### **Cabin Spring Farm**

70 Cabin Spring Ln., Lexington; 540-784-9404; cabinspringfarm.com. Sheep-raising, fiber arts. Classes, camps, special events. Call to visit!

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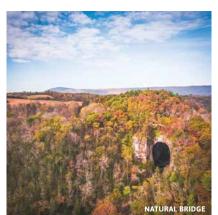
106 E. Washington St., Lexington; 540-463-3777; lexingtonvirginia.com/outdoors/activities/ attractions/chessie-trail. Rail-trail for walking, biking and birding along pastoral Maury River.

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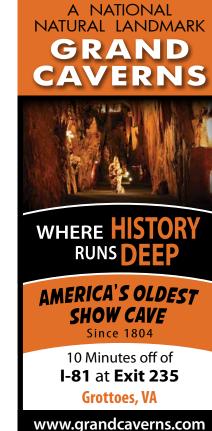
1288 Ridge Rd., Raphine; 540-462-7211; facebook.com/clarks-ole-time-musiccenter-219916721357126. Old-time mountain and bluegrass music, Children under 12 Free! \$

#### Cyrus McCormick Farm

128 McCormick Farm Cir., Raphine; 540-377-2255; arec.vaes.vt.edu/arec/shenandoah-valley/about. html. Museum, grist mill, picnic area and walking trails. Free! 🖚 📽









Dinosaur Kingdom II

5781 S. Lee Hwy., Natural Bridge: 540-464-2253: dinosaurkingdomii.com. Art and absurdity mix with life size dinosaurs. \$ ===

#### Gems of Rockbridge **Geocaching Trail**

106 E. Washington St., Lexington; 540-463-3777; lexingtonvirginia.com/articles/ geocaching, High-tech treasure hunt using GPS coordinates!

#### George C. Marshall Museum

Virginia Military Institute, Parade Ave., Lexington; 540-463-2083: marshallfoundation org/museum. Profiling premier soldier and Nobel Prizewinning statesman George C. Marshall. \$

#### Glen Maury Park

101 Maury Park Dr., Buena Vista; 540-261-7321; glenmaurypark.com. 300 acres featuring music festivals, camping, hiking, fishing and more!

#### **Goshen Pass**

Rt. 39, Lexington; 540-436-3777; lexingtonvirginia. com/outdoors/activities/ attractions/goshen. Scenic drive! Hike, swim or picnic along the Maury River. 🖚 📽

#### Hull's Drive-In Theatre

2367 N. Lee Hwy., Lexington; 540-463-2621; hullsdrivein. com. Movies and memories since 1950! Open April through October. \$ === \*\*

#### Jordan's Point Park

U.S. Rt. 11 North, Lexington; 540-463-3777; lexingtonvirginia.com/ directory/attractions/jordanspoint-park, Hunter's Raid site: timber-framed picnic pavilion: batteau on display. 🖚 🛎 🕹

#### Lavender Fields at Tantivy Farm

1350 Decatur Rd., Fairfield; 540-460-6347: tantivyfarm. com. Lavender farm, flower gardens, mountain views, hiking trails, waterfall, fairy trail. 📽

#### Lee Chapel and Museum

11 University Pl., Lexington; 540-458-8768: leechapel.wlu.edu. Robert E. Lee's family crypt housed in 1867 Victorian chapel. \$

#### Lenfest Center for the Arts

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# Llewellyn Lodge Fly-Fishing Trips

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#### Miller's House Museum

834 Stono Ln., Lexington; 540-460-3111: millershousemuseum.org. Museum interpreting the industrial & transportation history of the Lexington.

#### Napa Thai Cuisine

24 N Main St., Lexington 540-461-8133; napathai.com. Authentic and fresh Thai food, open Tuesday-Sunday.

#### Natural Bridge Speedway

168 N. Dry Well Rd., Natural Bridge; 540-291-2856; nbspeedway.com, Fastest 3/8-mile dirt track in the Shenandoah Valley! \$

# Natural Bridge State Park

6477 South Lee Hwy., Natural Bridge: 540-291-1326: dcr. virginia.gov/state-parks/ natural-bridge. Geological wonder, hiking trails, Children's Discovery Area and Track Trail. \$**==\***&&

#### Natural Bridge Zoo

I-81 Exits 175/180A, 5784 South Lee Hwy., Natural Bridge; 540-291-2420; naturalbridgezoo.com. Largest collection of birds and animals in Virginia, Elephant rides, giraffe, tigers, bears, monkeys, birds and more! Petting zoo, gift shop, picnic area. Open mid-March to November. \$ \_\_\_\_\_ &

#### **Oak Grove Cemetery**

South Main St., Lexington; 540-463-3777; lexingtonvirginia. com. Stonewall Jackson, 144 Confederate veterans, two Virginia governors buried here.

#### The Reeves Center

Washington and Lee University, Lexington; 540-458-8034; reevescenter.wlu.edu. Wide collection of Chinese porcelain, European ceramics, Louise Herreshoff paintings.

#### **Rockbridge Historical Society** Museum

101 E. Washington St., Lexington; 540-464-1058; rockhist.org. Virginia's oldest and largest county historical society. Museum, library, genealogy, gardens. 🖚 📽

#### Stonewall Jackson House

8 E. Washington St., Lexington; 540-464-7704; vmi.edu/museumsand-archives/stonewall-jacksonhouse. Guided tours of the only home Stonewall Jackson ever owned. \$

#### Virginia Horse Center

487 Maury River Rd., Lexington; 540-464-2950; horsecenter.org. A leading equestrian facility hosting over 90 events annually.

#### Virginia Military Institute Museum

Jackson Memorial Hall, 415 Letcher Ave., Lexington; 540-464-7334; vmi.edu/museum. Featuring Stonewall Jackson's military uniform and a rare gun collection.

#### Virginia Safari Park

I-81 exits 180/180-B, Natural Bridge; 540-291-3205; virginiasafaripark.com. Virginia's only drive-thru zoo! 180 acres, thousands of animals, three miles of roads. Feed giraffe, bison, elk, camel, ostrich and more! Petting zoo, gift shop, picnic area, snack bar. Open mid-March-November. \$ 🖚 🕭

#### The Vista Links

100 Vista Links Dr., Buena Vista; 540-261-4653; thevistalinks.com. 18-hole, par-72 championship golf course with panoramic mountain views. \$

#### Wade's Mill

55 Kennedy-Wade's Mill Loop, Raphine; 540-348-1400; wadesmill.com. Historic waterpowered gristmill, gift shop, whole-grain flours. 🖚

#### **LURAY / PAGE COUNTY**

#### Luray-Page County Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center

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#### Car & Carriage Caravan

970 US Hwy 211 W. Luray: 540-743-6551: luraycaverns.com. Trace America's history through 140 transportation items at Luray Caverns. \$===

#### **Caverns Country Club Resort**

296 T.C. Northcott Blvd., Luray; 540-743-7111; luraycaverns.com. Nestled in the shadows of the Blue Ridge Mountains. 18-hole, par 72. \$

#### The Garden Maze

970 US 211 W, Luray; 540-743-6551; luraycaverns. com. Unravel the mystery; a one-acre hedge maze at Luray Caverns. \$

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970 US Hwy 211 W, Luray; 540-743-6551; luraycaverns.com. Eastern America's largest and most popular caverns. A U.S. Natural Landmark noted for unsurpassed natural color. World's only Stalacpipe Organ. Antique car museum, valley history museum, garden maze, ropes park, motels and golf packages. 10 minutes from central entrance to Skyline Drive and Shenandoah National Park. 15 minutes from I-81. \$

#### **Luray Singing Tower**

970 US Hwy 211 W, Luray; 540-743-6551; luraycaverns.com. A carillon of 47 bells. Regularly scheduled free recitals seasonally.

#### Luray Zoo - A Rescue Zoo

1087 U.S. Hwy. 211 W., Luray; 540-743-4113; lurayzoo.com. Providing animals with a loving and caring home, petting zoo and educational shows.

#### Rope Adventure Park

970 US Hwy 211 W, Luray; 540-743-6551; luraycaverns.com. Real and imaginary rope obstacles for excitement and team building. \$===

#### Shenandoah Heritage Village

970 U.S. Hwy. 211 W, Luray; 540-743-6551; luraycaverns.com. Artifacts and history from 1750 with 19th-century farming community. \$==

# Shenandoah River Outfitters

6502 South Page Valley Rd., 540-743-4159; shenandoahriver.com. Canoe! Kayak! Raft! Tube! Fish! Fun! Great for beginners.

#### Shenandoah Speedway

500 Quincy Ave., Shenandoah; 540-652-1108; shenandoahspeedway.com. 3/8th-mile asphalt track; compound banking: 12, 10, 8 and 6 degrees. \$ 5 6 1

#### Warehouse Art Gallery

15 Campbell St., Luray; 540-843-0200; warehouseartcenter.net. Outstanding local, regional world-class art in 7000 square-foot gallery.

#### SHENANDOAH COUNTY

Fort Valley, Edinburg, Mount Jackson, New Market, Shenandoah Caverns, Strasburg, Quicksburg, Woodstock

#### **Edinburg Mill Visitor Center**

214 S. Main St., Edinburg; 540-984-8400; edinburgmill.com. Circa 1848 building featuring visitor information. &

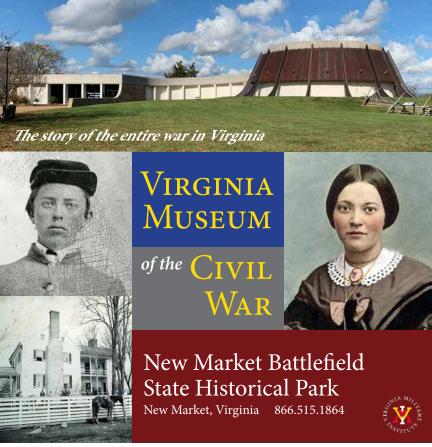
# **Gateway to Shenandoah Visitors Center**

33299 Old Valley Pike, Strasburg; 540-465-5884; visitstrasburg.com. The crossroad of history & nature - I-81 Exit 298. 🖚 🖔

#### **Shenandoah County Chamber of Commerce**

103 S. Main St., Woodstock; 540-459-2542; shenandoahcountychamber.com. Historic town featuring the oldest court house still in use.

















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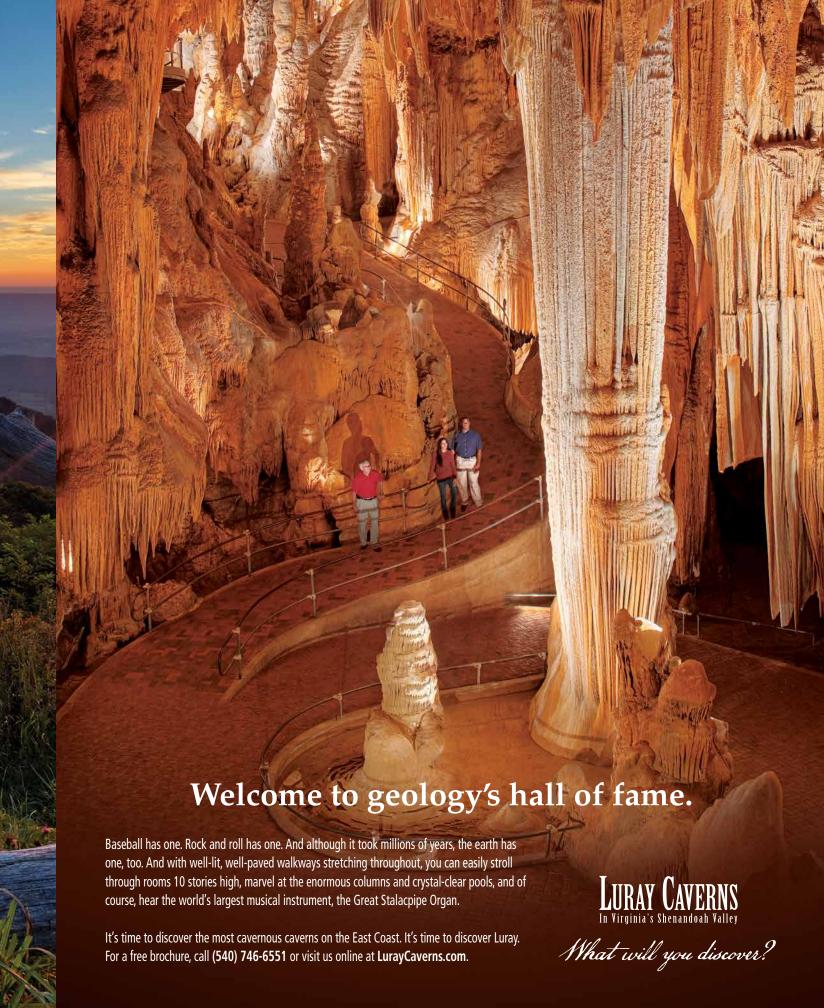
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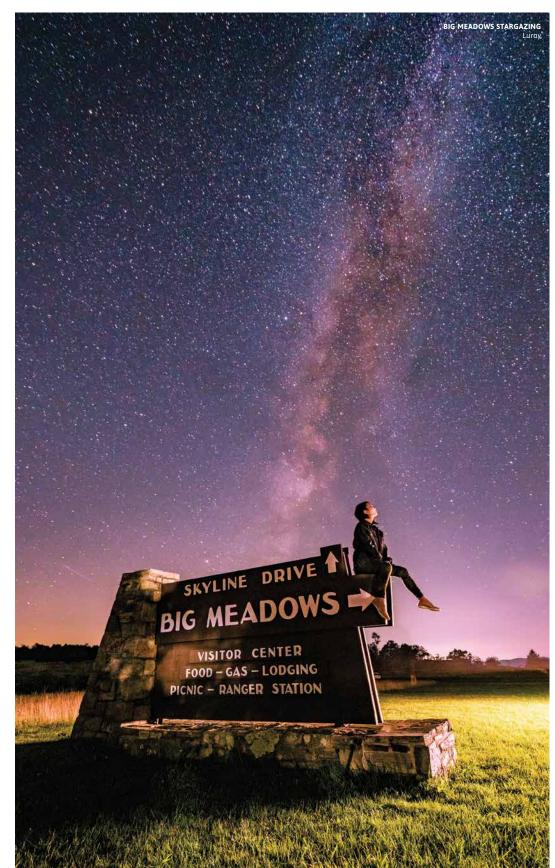
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Shenandoah County Tourism vo 600 N Main St Ste 101 Woodstock; 540-459-6227; visitshenandoahcounty.com. Outdoor lovers paradise! Hiking, biking, skiing, horseback riding and year-round

#### **Shenandoah Valley Battlefields** Foundation at the Historic Strayer House

9386 Congress St., New Market; 540-740-4545 shenandoahatwar.org. Visitor Information, History and cafe with locally roasted coffee.

#### Town of Mount Jackson **Visitor Center**

5901 Main St. Mount Jackson: 540-477-2121; mountjacksonva. org. Small-town America at its best. History, natural beauty, quaint shops, unique attractions, resorts and wineries. We have it all within your reach. 🖚 🛎 🛦 📾 🧳

#### Town of New Market

9418 John Sevier Rd New Market: 540-740-3432: newmarketvirginia.com. Historic town featuring battlefields, golfing, wine, shopping and excellent dining.

#### Corhaven Graveyard

2883 Quicksburg Rd Ouicksburg: 434-922-2029: corhavengravevard.org. Final resting place for formerly enslaved African Americans associated with Edge Hill Plantation.

#### **Endless Caverns**

1800 Endless Caverns Rd., New Market; 540-896-2283; endlesscaverns.com. Discovered in 1879. Endless Caverns is as beautiful above ground as it is below! \$ ===

#### Fort Valley Museum

8631 Dry Run Rd., Fort Valley; 540-933-6036; fortvalleymuseum.org. Free museum open weekends. May October.

#### Hupp's Hill Civil War Park

33229 Old Valley Pike, Strasburg; 540-465-5884; cedarcreekbattlefield.org, 1862 and 1864 Valley Campaigns, life in Valley, original trenches. \$**~~**\*\*

#### Main Street of Yesteryear at Shenandoah Caverns

261 Caverns Rd., Shenandoah Caverns; 540-477-3115; shenandoahcaverns.com. Antique animated window displays that appeared in prominent department stores. Part of Shenandoah Caverns Family of Attractions. \$



#### Meems Bottom Covered Bridge

I-81. Exit 269. 1 mi. north on U.S. 11 off Wissler Rd. Woodstock; 540-459-6227; visitshenandoahcounty. com/attractions. One of the best-known covered bridges. Longest in Virginia. 📽

#### **Mount Jackson Museum**

5901 Main St., Mount Jackson; 540-477-3951: mountiackson. com. Featuring the past to the present of Mt. Jackson. 🖚 🕹

#### **Our Soldiers Cemetery**

US Rt. 11. Mount Jackson: 540-459-6227 visitshenandoahcounty.com. Circa 1861, final resting place of over 400 soldiers from 11 states.

#### Rt. 11 Potato Chips

11 Edwards Way, Mount Jackson; 540-477-9664; rt11.com. Great fry-viewing stop. Kettle-cooked potato and sweet potato chips.

#### Seven Bends State Park

2111 South Hollingsworth Rd., Woodstock; 540-622-6840; virginiastateparks.gov

#### Shenandoah Caverns

261 Caverns Rd., Quicksburg; 540-477-3115; shenandoahcaverns.com. Virginia's most beautiful caverns and historical landmark! 🖚 🍇 🏚

**Shenandoah County Artisan Trail** 600 North Main St. Suite 101, Woodstock; 540-459-6227; artisanscenterofvirginia. org/artisan\_trail\_network/ artisan\_trail. Over 70 artists, studios, galleries, agri-artisans, shops, restaurants and more.

#### Shenandoah County Historic Courthouse Museum & Visitor Center

540-459-1795; visitshenandoahcounty com/historiccourthouse. Visitor center and museum highlighting the history of Shenandoah County.

#### Shenandoah Valley **Battlefields National Historic** District

888-689-4545; shenandoahatwar.org. From twin battlefields to Stonewall Jackson's 1862 Valley Campaign, visit The Valley.

# Heritage Museum

214 S. Main St., Edinburg: 540 984-8400; edinburgmill.com. 1848 mill including a museum and visitor center. \$

465-3175: strasburgmuseum. org. Unique display of local culture, railroad & Civil War items. \$===

Market; 540-740-3101; vmi. edu/newmarket. 300-acre Civil War battlefield, historic Bushong Farm and museum. \$**=**\*&

104 S. Muhlenberg St., Woodstock: 540-459-5518 woodstockmuseumva.org. Exhibits and artifacts in two 18th century houses. Free admission. Open May-October

# Wilderness Parks

525 Betsy Bell Rd Staunton: 540-332-3945; ci.staunton. va.us/departments/parksrecreation-/parks-/montgome. Hiking, mountain biking and magnificent views.

#### Camera Heritage Museum

1 West Beverly St., Staunton; 540-886-8535; cameraheritagemuseum.com. Only camera museum open to the public in U.S.. \$

#### Frontier Culture Museum

1290 Richmond Rd., Staunton; 540-332-7850; frontiermuseum. org. Historic farmsteads illustrate lifestyles of cultures that settled Shenandoah Valley. \$ 💳 📽

#### Grand Caverns Park

5 Grand Caverns Dr., Grottoes: 540-249-5705; grandcaverns. com. A national natural landmark. Caverns contain hundreds of rare shield formations. \$ 🖚 📽

# Jumbo Fire Engine Museum

470 Caverns Rd., Shenandoah Caverns; 540-477-3115; 500 N. Augusta St., Staunton; shenandoahcaverns.com. 540-332-3885. Jumbo is a 1911 Robinson chemical fire engine Antique carriages farm equipment and a rustic completely restored. themed event venue.

#### Museum of Bank History

2-14 W. Beverley St., Staunton; 540-887-0174; visitstaunton. com Display of objects once used by the Valley National Bank.

#### Natural Chimneys Park & Campground

94 Natural Chimneys Ln., Mt. Solon; 540-245-5727; naturalchimneys.net. Camping, hiking and more offered in front of the natural wonder of limestone formations.

#### R.R. Smith Center for History and Art

20 S. New St., Staunton; 540-885-2028; rrsmithcenter.org. Art gallery, exhibits, lectures, research rooms, special event rental venues. 🖚

#### Staunton Augusta Art Center 20 South New St., Staunton:

540-885-2028: saartcenter.org. Providing diverse experiences and appreciation in the visual

#### Staunton Military Academy Museum

227 Kable St. Staunton: 540-885-1309. Museum and memorial to Staunton Military Academy and its cadets.

#### Stonewall Brigade Museum

566 Lee Hwy., Verona; 540-248-0116; 116th foundation.org. Oldest continuous in-service regiment in the VA National Guard and seventh oldest in the U.S.

#### Betsy Bell & Mary Gray Sunspots Studios & Glass Blowing

202 S Lewis St. Staunton: 540-885-0678; sunspots. com. See Glassblowing! Open Daily. I-81, exit 222 to Historic Downtown. &

#### Thornrose Cemetery

1041 W. Beverley St., Staunton; 540-886-8241; thornrose.org. Historic and visually stunning cemetery. ===

#### **Woodrow Wilson Presidential** Library and Museum

20 North Coalter St., Staunton; 540-885-0897; woodrowwilson. org. Engaging house tours. presidential exhibits, dynamic WWI experience, "Kids' Scavenger Hunt." \$===

#### **WAYNESBORO**

#### **Rockfish Gap Visitors Center**

130 Afton Cir., Afton; 540-943-5187; visitwaynesboro.net. At the junction of the Blue Ridge Parkway, Shenandoah National Park and the Appalachian Trail. Hours: 9am-5pm.

#### Waynesboro Office of Tourism

301 West Main St., Waynesboro: 540-942-6512; visitwaynesboro.net. Downtown visitor center open Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm.

#### **Black History Museum**

413 Port Republic Rd., Wayneshoro: 540-836-0024 A museum of historical information and artifacts. By appointment.

#### Constitution Park & South River **Greenway Trail**

101 Short St., Waynesboro; 540-942-6735; Waynesboro.va.us/215/ Constitution-Park, Riverfront park with farmers market, the 1.2-mile greenway and more.

#### Coyner Springs Dog Park & Fox Disc Golf Course

2091 Lyndhurst Rd., Waynesboro; 540-942-6735; Waynesboro.va.us/218/Covner-Springs-Park, A rustic, 145-acre park with nature trails, dog park and disc golf.

#### The Fishin' Pig Waynesboro

117 Apple Tree Ln., Waynesboro: 540-943-3474: fishingig.com. Award-winning BBQ, seafood and southern cuisine. Outdoor seating available. 🖚📽 🖔

#### P. Buckley Moss Gallery

329 West Main St., Waynesboro: 540-949-6473; pbuckleymoss. com. Offers artwork and gifts from P. Buckley Moss. 🖚

#### The Plumb House Museum

1012 West Main St. Waynesboro; 540-943-3943; waynesboroheritagefoundation. com. Near the site of the Battle of Waynesboro.

# 103 North Main St., Woodstock;

# Shenandoah Valley Cultural

#### Strasburg Museum

440 E. King St., Strasburg; 540-

#### Virginia Museum of The Civil War

8895 George Collins Pky., New

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35 S. New St., Staunton; 540-

332-3971: visitstaunton.com.

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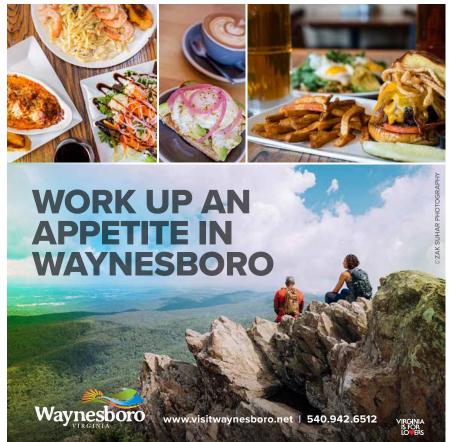
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**Shenandoah Caverns** 

10 South Market St., Staunton; 540-851-1733; americanshakespearecenter. com. Home to the world's only re-creation of Shakespeare's indoor theatre. \$ ===





#### The Russell Museum

518 W. Main St., Waynesboro; 1-800-882-5683; philosophy.org/museum.html. View over 40 tons of sculpture and artwork of the late Walter Russell.

#### The Shenandoah Valley Art Center

126 S. Wayne Ave., Waynesboro; 540-949-7662; svacart.com. Bringing arts awareness to the community through exhibits and events.

#### Wavne Theatre

521 West Main St., Waynesboro; 540-943-9999; waynetheatre.org. Historic vaudeville theatre turned performance center and art gallery.

#### Waynesboro Heritage Museum

420 West Main St., Waynesboro; 540-943-3943; waynesborohertagefoundation.com. Permanent and special exhibits illustrate the rich history of the city. Tuesday-Saturday, 9am-5pm.

#### Waynesboro Street Arts Trail

301 W. Main St., Waynesboro; 540-942-6512; traipse.co/waynesboro. Interactive trail with a scavenger hunt discovering 15 astonishing murals peppering Waynesboro's cityscape.

#### Waynesboro Water Trail

700 S. Magnolia Ave., Waynesboro; 540-942-6735; Waynesboro.va.us/889/Waynesboro-Water-Trail. Put in at Ridgeview Park and paddle 4 scenic miles to take out at Basic Park.

# WINCHESTER / FREDERICK COUNTY

VIRGINIA MAIN STREET COMMUNITY

Includes Middletown, Stephens City

Winchester-Frederick County Visitors Center vo 1400 S. Pleasant Valley Rd., Winchester; 540-542-1326; visitwinchesterva.com. 9am-5pm daily, Maps, gifts, Civil War and Patsy Cline exhibits A.

#### **Old Town Winchester Welcome Center**

33 East Boscawen St., Suite 100, Winchester; 540-535-3660; VisitOTW.com.
Self-guided walking tours, shopping, dining and historic information available.

#### Abram's Delight Museum

1340 S. Pleasant Valley Rd., Winchester; 540-662-6519; winchesterhistory.org. Oldest home in Winchester c.1754, furnished to the period. \$

#### **Belle Grove Plantation**

336 Belle Grove Rd., Middletown; 540-869-2028; bellegrove.org. Tour the 1797 manor house or stroll the historic grounds. \$==

#### Cedar Creek & Belle Grove National Historical Park

7712 Main St., Middletown; 540-869-3051; nps. gov/cebe. Visitor Contact Station -Exhibits and fiber optic map. Ranger programs.

#### Cedar Creek Battlefield Foundation Visitor Center

8437 Old Valley Pike, Middletown; 540-869-2064; ccbf.us. Civil War museum and visitor center with artifacts, theater, walking trails.

#### **Civil War Orientation Center**

1400 S. Pleasant Valley Rd, Winchester; 540-542-1326; visitwinchesterva.com/ civil-war-orientation-center. Regional Civil War orientation center located in Visitor Center.

#### George Washington's Office Museum

32 West Cork St., Winchester; 540-662-4412; winchesterhistory.org. Washington's military office from 1755-1756 while he built Fort Loudoun. \$

#### Kernstown Battlefield Park

610 Battle Park Dr., Winchester; 540-869-2896; kernstownbattle.org. Visitor center, historical markers, walking trails, historic house, 388 acres.

#### Museum of the Shenandoah Valley

901 Amherst St., Winchester; 540-662-1473; themsv.org. A must see! Seven acres of formal gardens, galleries & changing exhibitions, Glen Burnie House, and The Trails at the MSV, a 90-acre art park with miles of trails. Free garden/gallery admission for kids. Trails free to all. \$\$\infty\$ &

#### The Newtown History Center

5408 Main St., Stephens City; 540-869-1700; newtownhistorycenter.org. Learn the story of a 260-year-old wagon road settlement. \$

#### Old Town Winchester: Historic District

Loudoun St., between Cork and Piccadilly Sts., Winchester; VisitOTW.com. Enjoy 275 years of architecture, historic sites, museums, boutique shops, al fresco dining, all-American and international cuisine, art galleries, live entertainment and Virginia's original walking mall.

#### Patsy Cline Historic House

608 South Kent St., Winchester; 540-662-5555; patsyclinehistorichouse.org. Preserving the legacy of Patsy Cline and her music. \$

#### Rinker Orchards, Inc.

1156 Marlboro Rd., Stephens City; 540-869-1499; rinkerorchards.com. Pick your own apple orchard, cider mill. Call for hours.

#### Rose Hill - First Battle of Winchester Park

1871 Jones Rd, Winchester; 540-665-5678; themsv.org/visit/rose-hill. 1.25 mile walking trail, Civil War interpretation, restrooms and shelters.

#### Shenandoah Valley Discovery Museum

19 W. Cork St., Winchester; 540-722-2020; discoverymuseum.net. Come explore! Interactive hands-on learning for the entire family. \$

#### Stewart Bell, Jr., Archives of the Handley Regional Library

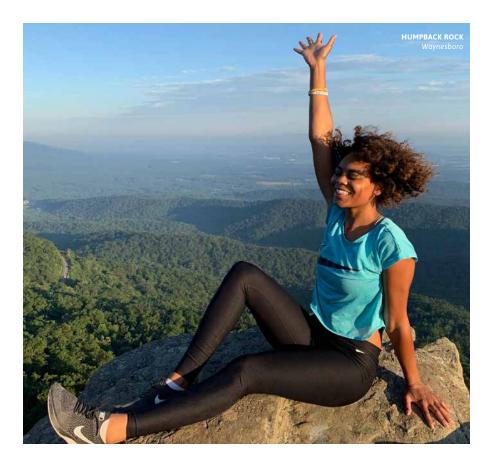
100 W. Piccadilly St, Winchester; 540-662-9041; handleyregional.org. Genealogical and historical research 1730's to present Northern Shenandoah Valley.

#### Stonewall Jackson's Headquarters Museum

415 N. Braddock St., Winchester; 540-667-3242; winchesterhistory.org. Used as a headquarters by General "Stonewall" Jackson from 1861-1862.

#### Third Winchester Battlefield Park

541 Red Bud Rd., Winchester; 540-667-2754; shenandoahatwar.org. Over 600 protected acres with interpretation and 5-mile walking/biking path.





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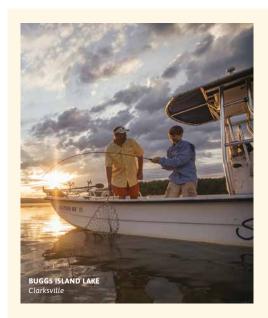
The MacCallum More gardens began germinating in 1929 on the property of Virginia chief justice Edward Hudgins and his wife, Lucy. Succeeding generations nurtured Lucy's plants and added fountains, sculptures and other artwork. The idyllic six-acre gardens now host visitors as well as a multitude of flora. including azaleas, dogwoods, herbs, wildflowers and roses. In 1996, museum displays were added to the Hudgins house, including Native American artifacts, local history, art and exhibits on the Thyne Institute, a school established in 1876 to teach African American children.

#### **LOVEWORK**

"Virginia is for Lovers and Emporia is for Nuts" is the city's saying that's brought to life by their peanutthemed LOVE. Plan your visit around the annual, multiday Virginia Peanut Festival, a familyfriendly tradition that for nearly 60 years has celebrated the Virginia peanut and the farmers who cultivate it.

#### **PET-FRIENDLY**

You've heard of dog parks – how about dog paths? The **Paw Path** at **Smith River Sports Complex** in **Martinsville** was created just for canines and their companions. The half-mile Paw Path runs alongside the sedate Smith River and features Fido-focused amenities like a fire hydrant, balance beam and litter bags. The path also benefits plants and pollinators, with more than 300 pollinator-sustaining wildflowers, trees and shrubs representing 50 native and non-invasive plants. Your buddy romps, while you soak in nature.



#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

On June 18, 2011, Nick Anderson was on a fatherand-son fishing trip at **Buggs Island Lake** (aka John H. Kerr Reservoir). After a 45-minute battle, Anderson landed a 143-pound blue catfish, the largest ever caught! His whopper of a fishing tale was certified by the International Game Fish Association. With 50,000 acres of fresh water and 800 miles of shoreline, this lake (also the nation's number one crappie fishing lake) is ready for your record-setting catch.



# **BUCKET LIST**

You know that rush you feel when the lights go green and a swarm of high-speed cars reach speeds of some 200 m.p.h.? Now imagine being inside one of those cars! Step out of imagination and into reality at **VIRginia International Raceway**. VIR offers many adrenaline-inducing experiences. The ultimate **Formula Experience** includes instruction, simulators, ride-alongs ... plus six driving sessions and an intense night ride. Learn what adrenaline really feels like!

# **WHAT'S NEW**

The 53 sites in 14

counties on the Civil **Rights in Education** Heritage Trail®, such as Saint Paul's College, **Greensville County** Training School and the Thyne Institute, tell of the struggles that African Americans. Native Americans and women faced in pursuit of an equal education. Learn about the life of James Solomon Russell on his journey from slavery to Episcopal Priest to educator; of Pattie Buford, who built a hospital and school to help African Americans after the Civil War; and much more.

# HIDDEN GEM "Nothing is worth

much if you can't share it," according to Robert F. Cage. The artist shared his art in gallery showings and on a 10acre sculpture garden in his front yard. The **Cage Sculpture Farm** is home to dozens of large-scale sculptures - some realistic and recognizable, others abstract and fair game for the imagination. Though Cage passed away in 2014 at the age of 91, his sculptures remain for passersby to admire, iust off Route 360 near South Boston on Cage Trail.



#### **ASK A LOCAL**

"Our region is special because of the people and the variety of things to do – from mountain hikes and fishing the streams to floating on the river and enjoying our local food and beverages! Have a burger at Me's Burgers and Brews, mountain bike at Anglers Park, throw axes at Grizzly's Hatchet House, relax by the fire pits at Ballad Brewing – you can do all of this and more!" — Austin Bunn, Ballad Brewing



#### **Civil Rights in Education** Heritage Trail **Boydton**

1021 Tidewater Ave., Victoria; 434-696-2456: varetreat com/ civilrights.asp. Second location at Matthew's Lutheran Church Christian Day School.

#### Civil War Wilson-Kautz Raid Tour

St. John's Church, corner of Broad & Shade Sts., Kenbridge: 434-696-2546; civilwartraveler. com. Part of a self-guided driving tour following the Raid's locations.

#### **BOYDTON**

#### **Boydton Plank Road Historic Site** 290 Hull St., Boydton;

434-738-6344; boydton.org. Site of failed plank road that would have connected Southern Virginia tobacco fields to Richmond

#### Historic Boyd Tayern

449 Washington St., Boydton: 434-738-9800; boydtavern.net. Historic stagecoach stopover owned by Alexander Boyd. Tavern open for tours 11am-4pm, Monday-Friday.

#### **Historic Boydton Walking Tour** Downtown Boydton;

boydton.org. An array of different architectural styles and vintage buildings.

# John H. Kerr Lake and

Reservoir/Buggs Island Lake 1930 Mays Chapel Rd., Boydton; 434-738-6143; clarksvilleva.com/recreation/ on-the-lake, 50,000 acres of fresh water & 800 miles of shoreline. 🖚 📽

#### Tanner Enviromental **Education Center**

5164 Buggs Island Rd. Boydton; 434-738-6143; tinyurl.com/jhkerr. Kerr Lake wildlife and ecology exhibits, including some live.

# Tobacco Heritage Trail -

564 Washington St., Boydton; 434-447-7101: tobaccoheritagetrail.org. New 1.1-mile scenic trail through Boydton and surrounding countryside.

#### **BRUNSWICK** LAKE GASTON

Includes Lawrenceville, Rawlings

#### **Brunswick Byways Visitor Center**

13516 Christanna Hwy Lawrenceville: 434-848-2728: brunswickco.com. Offering information and directions to area attractions and events.

#### Brunswick Chamber of Commerce

400 North Main St., Lawrenceville; 434-848-3154; thebrunswickchamber.com. Eniov natural surroundings, historical sites, antique shopping and of course, Brunswick stew!

#### **Brunswick County Museum** 228 Main St., Lawrenceville:

434-848-2728: brunswickco com. Indian relics. Fort Christianna items, open for private tours.

#### **Brunswick Lake**

County Pond Rd., Lawrenceville; 434-848-2728; dgif.virginia.gov; brunswickco.com. Call for more information, 150-acre lake. boat ramp, fishing.

# Fort Christanna

Rt. 46/Christanna Hwy. on Fort Hill Rd., Lawrenceville; 434-848-2728: fortchristanna.com Archeological site, first Indian school founded by Governor Spotswood.

#### James Solomon Russell/Saint Paul's College Museum and

**Archives** 100 Athletic Field Dr., Lawrenceville; 434-848-2173: jsrussell.org. Artifacts, photographs and records pertaining to Saint Paul's College and its founder James Solomon Russell.

#### **Lake Gaston**

I-85 and U.S. 1, Lawrenceville; 434-848-2728; brunswickco. com. A 20,000-acre lake,350 miles of shoreline. Fishing, boating, swimming. 📽

#### **Lake Pheonix**

One Quarry Ln., Rawlings; 804-716-2199: lake-phoenix.com. "The clearest lake from Maine to Florida for scuba diving!" Featuring diving & camping. ₩₩

#### **Valentines Post Office**

23 Manning Dr., Valentines; 434-848-2728; brunswickco. com. Established 1887. Famous for annual "Valentines" post mark. Closed Sunday.

#### CHARLOTTE COUNTY Includes Brookneal, Charlotte Court

House, Drakes Branch, Randolph **Charlotte County Visitors Center** 

125 David Bruce Ave., Charlotte Court House: 434-542-4546; charlotteva. com. Visit beautiful Charlotte

#### Central High Museum

County!

515 Thomas Jefferson Hwy., Charlotte Court House; 434-542-4699; charlotteva. com. Museum highlighting African-American education and achievement in Charlotte

#### **Welcome Center** at Bracev vo

Virginia Tourism Corporation Mile Marker 1, I-85 Northbound Bracev 23919 434-689-2295

# **Welcome Center**

Virginia Tourism Corporation Mile Marker 0, I-95 Northbound Skippers 23879 434-634-4113

#### **CLARKSVILLE**

Includes Buffalo Junction Clarksville Lake Country Chamber of Commerce com. 1823 Thomas Jefferson

**Charlotte County Courthouse** 

145 David Bruce Ave.,

Charlotte Court House;

courthouse located in a

**Drakes Branch Museum** 

Branch: 434-568-3091:

charlotteva.com. Museum

and tobacco markets of

129 David Bruce Hwy.,

centuries past.

beautiful historic district.

4849 Drakes Main St. Drakes

showcasing railroad, industry

**Museum of Charlotte County** 

Charlotte Court House; 434-

542-5117; charlotteva.com.

Randolph and David Bruce.

1250 Red Hill Rd., Brookneal

Patrick Henry's home, grave,

museum. Monday-Saturday

9am-5pm, Sunday 1-5pm,

Staunton River Battlefield

1035 Fort Hill Trl., Randolph;

virginiastateparks.gov. 🖚 📽

Native American artifacts,

Thyne Institute Memorial

30935 Hwy. 49, Chase City.

boarding school.

Civil Rights site memorializing

influential African-American

art, cultural events, historical,

November-March 4pm.

434-454-4312;

& Gardens

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434-376-2044: redhill.org.

**Red Hill-Patrick Henry** 

National Memorial

Permanent exhibit highlights

statesmen Patrick Henry, John

434-542-5117: charlotteva

105 Second St., Clarksville 434-374-2436: clarksvilleva. com. Offering information and directions to area attractions and events.

#### **Buffalo Lithia Springs**

311 Buffalo Springs Rd., Buffalo Junction. Active, drinkable lithia mineral springs memorializing the popular 1800's resort.

#### Clarksville Regional Museum 801 West St., Clarksville;

434-374-4434; clarksvilleregionalmuseum. org. Tobacco room, a Buffalo Lithia Springs room, arrow heads and antique agricultural implements. 🚎

#### Occoneechee State Park

1192 Occoneechee Park Rd., Clarksville; 434-374-2210; virginiastateparks.gov.

#### Prestwould Plantation

429 Prestwould Dr. Clarksville: 434-374-8672; virginia.org/ listings/culturalheritage/ prestwouldplantation. Built 1794-1795 by Sir Peyton Skipwith. Original furniture and wallpaper. \$ ===

#### **CHASE CITY DANVILLE/** MacCallum More Museum PITTSYLVÁNIA

COUNTY 603 Hudgins St., Chase City; 434-372-0502; mmmg.org. VIDCINIA MAIN STREET COMMINIT Botanical, imported statues, Includes Blairs, Chatham, Gretna

#### Rinaaold **Danville Pittsylvania County** Chamber of Commerce

8653 U.S. Hwy. 29, Blairs; 434-836-6990: experiencedpc.com. Offering tourism information for Danville and Pittsylvania County.

#### Danville Welcome Center

645 River Park Dr., Danville: 434-793-4636 playdanvilleva.com. Tourist information, tickets, restrooms, food/drink vending machines. Open 8:30am-5:30pm Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm Saturday-Sunday.

#### **AAF Tank Museum**

3401 U.S. Hwy. 29B, Danville; 434-836-5323: aaftankmuseum com. World's largest international collection of tank and cavalry artifacts.

#### **Ascension Lutheran Church Chrismons Tree**

314 W. Main St., Danville; 434-792-5795; chrismon.org. Plan your visit via the web or email. chrismon@gamewood.net.

#### **Danville Museum of Fine Arts** and History

975 Main St., Danville; 434-793-5644; danvillemuseum.org. Tour 1859 Sutherlin Mansion Civil War exhibits and art galleries. \$ === &

#### **Danville Science Center**

677 Craghead St., Danville: 434-791-5160: dsc.smv.org. Hands-on exhibits, digital dome shows, butterfly garden and special programs. \$ == 6.

#### **Danvillian Gallery**

210 North Union St., Danville 434-792-1860 Monthly showing of local, regional and international visual artists' work. 🖚 🕹

#### Green Hill Civil War Cemetary

761 Lee St., Danville; 434-793-5644; danville-va.gov/ documentcenter/home/ view/2287. 1,158 Union and 400 Confederate soldiers buried, Prominent Danville citizens. ==

#### 940 Grove St., Danville: 434-793-5644: danville-va.

gov/documentcenter/home/ view/2286. Established in 1827. Early Danville families and slaves, Reid Street Gallery some Confederates.

#### Historic North Theatre

**Grove Street Cemetary** 

629 North Main St., Danville: 434-793-7469; thenorththeatre. com. Main theatre, balcony min theatre, restaurant/bar, gallery and gift shop. \$ 🖚 🛦

#### Holbrook-Ross Historic District 975 Main St., Danville; 434-793-5644; danvillemuseum.org.

African-American professionals' homes date back to 1880. Walking tour. <del>₹</del>\$

#### Langhorne House

117 Broad St., Danville; 434-791-2256. Home of the Langhornes. Astors and Gibsons. "Gibson Girl."

#### Millionaire's Row

975 Main St., Danville; 434-793-5644; danvillemuseum.org. Enjoy viewing Victorian homes as you walk down Main Street. 🖚 🛎 🕭

#### Olde Dominion Agricultural Complex

19783 U.S. Hwy. 29 South, Chatham; 434-432-8026; oldedominionagriculturecomplex.com. Home to the Tobacco Museum. Farmers' Market and agricultural offices. 🖚 🕹

24 Reid St., Chatham; 434-433-2264: reidstreetgallerv.com. Art gallery, representing local and regional southern artists. Gift shop. 🖚📽 🕹

#### Ringgold Rail Trail & Depot 155 Ringgold Depot Rd. Ringgold; 434-432-7736; pittsylvaniacountyva.gov/479/ ringgold-rail-trail. Scenic rail-trail following the historic Richmond

and Danville railroad.

#### **River District of Danville**

111 Main St Danville: 434-791-0210: danvilleriverdistrict com. Historic downtown includes riverwalk, shopping. restaurants, breweries and murals. 🖚 🛎 🖧

#### Simpson Funeral Museum 16 South Main St., Chatham;

434-432-1085: simpsonfuneralmuseum.com. Antique hearse, coffin and casket displays, murals and regalia galore. 🖚 🖔

#### White Fall Farm

6135 Riceville Rd., Gretna; 434-221-4993: whitefallfarm com. Farm tours, pick-yourown, pumpkin patch, hay bale castle, farm animals.

#### Yates Tavern

U.S. Hwy 29 S, Gretna; 434-432-2790: pittsylvaniahistoricalsociety. org/sites\_yates. Built around 1750, only dwelling in Virginia with Elizabethan/Tudor overhangs.

#### **EMPORIA**

#### Emporia-Greensville Chamber of Commerce

400 Halifax St., Emporia; 434-634-9441; emporiagreensvillechamber. com. Offering tourism information for the Emporia and Greenville County area

#### **Village View Mansion**

221 Briggs St., Emporia; 434-594-6810; discoverourtown. com. Historic furnishings reflect the rural family life of Southside Virginia in the 1830s. 🖚

#### **LUNENBURG COUNTY** Includes Kenbridge, Lunenburg

# Fifth Avenue Historic District

100-500 Blocks East Fifth Ave... Kenbridge; 434-696-2546; lunenburgva.org. Historic 1875-1975 buildings - visit town hall, park and farmers market.

#### **Lunenburg County Courthouse**

11435 Courthouse Rd., Lunenburg; 434-696-2546; lunenburgva.org. One of only four Jeffersonian courthouses in Virginia. 🖚 🕹



Victoria Railroad Park and Trail 6th St. and Firehouse Rd.

Victoria: 434-696-2343: victoriava.net. Walking, biking and equestrian trail, restored Virginian caboose/equipment, geocaching. 🖚 🕹

#### **MARTINSVILLE / HENRY COUNTY**

VIRGINIA MAIN STREET COM Includes Axton, Bassett, Fieldale, Ridgeway, Spencer

#### **Martinsville-Henry County** Visitor Center vg

191 Fayette St., Martinsville; 276-632-8006: visitmartinsville. com. Area & regional information, maps, menus, gift shop & more.

#### Bassett Historical Center

3964 Fairystone Park Hwy. Bassett; 276-629-9191; bassetthistoricalcenter.com Genealogical facility with collection of area artifacts family, local, regional and Virginia history. 🖚 🖔

#### Dick & Willie Passage Rail Trail 220 Dovle St. Martinsville:

276-634-4640: visitmartinsville com/trails. Almost 7 miles of paved trail with 6 access points.

#### **Fayette Area Historical Initiative** African-American Museum

211 West Fayette St., Martinsville; 276-732-3496; fahimuseumva.org, Local African American history celebrated through exhibits, lectures and performances. By appointment.

#### **Hamlet Vinevards**

405 Riverside Dr., Bassett; 276-629-2121; hamletvineyards. com. Open Sundays from 1-5 for wine tastings featuring award-winning wines.

# Infinity Acres Alpaca Farm &

**Petting Ranch** 136 Joppa Rd, Ridgeway; 276-358-2378; infinityacres. org. Alpaca farm, petting ranch, pony rides, gift shop, tours, camps. By appointment. **S** 

#### Lake Sugar Tree Motor Sports Park

400 Movie Movers East, Axton; 276-650-1158; lakesugartree. com. Oldest professional motorcross track in Virginia. Open to public. \$ ----

#### Lee Ford Camp

42748 Lee Ford Rd., Martinsville; 276-634-2910. A 17-acre camp with a 1.5-acre lake, several picnic areas, lodging and a climbing/ rappelling tower.

#### The Little Post Office

207 Starling Ave., Martinsville; 276-632-3221; piedmontarts. org. Historic 1893 postal distribution center now houses exhibits and events.

#### Martinsville Speedway

340 Speedway Rd., Martinsville; 877-722-3849; martinsvillespeedway.com. Historic half-mile track is a NASCAR classic Gifts selfguided tours.

#### Martinsville-Henry County Heritage Center and Museum

1 East Main St., Martinsville; 276-403-5361; mhchistoricalsociety.org. This 1824 courthouse houses a museum and hosts special events. <del>年</del>人

**Mountain Laurel Trails** 361 Mountain Laurel Trl., Ridgeway; 276-340-9144; visitmartinsville com/trails Facility offers 10 miles of scenic mountain biking trails.

# Mountain Valley Artisan Barn

1215 Collins Rd., Axton; 276-220-6591; mtnvalleyartisanbarn.com A venue for Artist & Community Offering a 7,500 sq. ft. event venue and monthly crafts/ musicians. \$

# **Mountain Valley Brewing**

4220 Mountain Valley Rd, Axton; 276-833-2171; mountainvalleybrewing.com. Craft heers made with hons grown on-site. Open Thursday Sunday. 🖚 📽

#### Philnott Lake and Dam

1058 Philpott Dr., Bassett: 276-629-2703: visitmartinsville com/lakes. Scenic overlook. campgrounds and historic exhibits of pristine 3,000-acre lake. 🖚 🛎 占

#### Philpott Marina

300 Boat Dock Rd, Bassett; 276-340-0485; philpottmarina. com. Fueling station, marina store, boat launch, restroom, picnic area. 🖚📽 🕹

#### Piedmont Arts

215 Starling Ave., Martinsville; 276-632-3221; piedmontarts. org. Galleries exhibiting acclaimed regional and national artists and performing arts. 🖚 🖔

#### Richard P. Gravely, Jr. Nature Preserve

2525 Eggleston Falls Rd., Ridgeway; 276-634-4640; visitmartinsville.com/trails Interpretive trail historic buildings and cemetery dating back to 1800s. 🖚📽

#### Smith River

740 Dam Spillway Rd., Bassett; 276-634-4640 smithriverblueway.com. Eleven Access points for kayaking, canoeing, tubing and fishing.

#### **Smith River Sports Complex** 1000 Irisburg Rd., Axton;

276-638-5200; smithriversportscomplex.com. Tournaments, walking trails, LOVEworks, river access & more! 🖚📽

#### Spencer-Penn Centre vg

475 Spencer-Penn Rd., Spencer; 276-957-5757; thecentreatspencerpenn. com. Fun seasonal events. monthly bluegrass music, meeting space, historic building. 🖚 🕹

#### Stonehaus Farms

59 Forsythia Dr., Martinsville: 276-957-4656: stonehausfarms. net. Farm tours, cheesemaking and fiber arts classes. Event venue available. By appointment. \$==

#### The Sustainable Homestead Institute

190 Eastridge Rd., Ridgeway; 276-226-9104; sustainablehomestead.com. Learn how to create self-enriching, abundant agricultural systems through environmental connection.

#### **Textile Heritage Trail**

3251 South River Rd., Fieldale: 276-632-8006; visitmartinsville com/trails. Interpretive walking trail and boardwalk highlights areas history in textiles. 🖚 📽

#### Untown Pinhall

35 East Church St., Martinsville; 276-224-7139; facebook.com/ uptownpinball. Arcade, Laser tag, video game lounge & more! 🖚 🛦

#### Virginia Museum of Natural History vg

21 Starling Ave., Martinsville; 276-634-4141; vmnh.net. Exhibits, children's "Discovery Reef", research laboratories, educational programs and festivals. \$ 🕳 🕹

#### **MECKLENBURG** COUNTY

#### **Mecklenburg County Tourism Office**

Includes Boydton

350 Washington St. Boydton: 434-738-6191: visitmeckva. com. More of What Matters - More Mecklenburg. #moremeck 🖚 📽

#### Lake Gordon Boat Dock Rd., South Hill

434-447-4547 dwr.virginia.gov/waterbody/ lake-gordon. 157-acre public fishing lake with shore and unnowered hoat access

#### SOUTH BOSTON HALIFAX COUNTY

VIRGINIA MAIN STREET COMMUNITY Includes Alton, Halifax, Scottsburg

#### South Boston-Halifax County **Visitor Center**

1180 Bill Tuck Hwy., South Boston: 434-572-2543: gohalifaxva.com. Local insight, directions, maps, expert recommendations and a gift shop with locally-crafted goods and local wine. #LoveHalifaxVA. 🖚 🛎 🕹

#### Cage Sculpture Farm

Hwy. 854, Cage Trl., South Boston: 434-572-2543: gohalifaxva.com. An outdoor museum of Bob Cage's internationally recognized modern sculpture.

Crossing of the Dan 700 Bruce St., South Boston; 434-572-2543; gohalifaxva. com. Historical marker denoting where masterful military maneuver hastened the defeat of the British.

#### L.E. Coleman African-American Museum

3011 Mountain Rd., Halifax; 434-476-5000; gohalifaxva. com. Preserving African-American history in Halifax County. Open Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9am-2pm; Saturday 10am-2pm.

#### The Prizery

700 Bruce St., South Boston; 434-572-8339; prizery. com. Community fine and performing arts center. 🖚 🖔

#### **South Boston Speedway** 1188 James D. Hagood Hwy.

South Boston; 434-572-4947; southbostonspeedway.com. NASCAR short track action, with modern facilities and family fun. \$ 🖚 🛎 🕭

#### **South Boston-Halifax County** Museum of Fine Arts and History

1540 Wilborn Ave., South Boston: 434-572-9200: sbhcmuseum.org. Exhibits of antiques, works of art and history significant to the region. 🖚 🖔

#### Southern Virginia Wild Blueway

South Boston; 434-572-2543; sovawildblueway.com. Amazing scenery, world-class fishing and miles of pure paddling adventure.

#### Staunton River State Park vg 1170 Staunton Trl., Scottsburg;

434-572-3694: virginiastateparks.gov. \$ == 5.

197 Railroad Ave South Boston; 434-572-2543; tobaccoheritagetrail.org. 160 miles of recreation corridors for hiking, biking and horseback riding. The local portion consists of 3.93 miles of trail.

Tobacco Heritage Trail

#### VIRginia International Raceway

1245 Pine Tree Rd., Alton; 434-822-7700; virnow.com. America's first true motorsport resort. 3.27-mile road course. Lodging, restaurants and karting. \$ === \*\*

#### **SOUTH HILL** South Hill Tourist

**Information Center** 201 S. Mecklenburg Ave., South Hill: 434-447-4547: southillchamber.com, Open daily 9am-4pm. 🖚 🛎 🕹

#### The Colonial Center

220 South Mecklenburg Ave., South Hill: 434-262-4170. One of the few remaining vaudeville theatres of its era in Virginia. Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm.

# South Hill Model Railroad

201 S. Mecklenburg Ave., South Hill; 434-447-4547; southhillchamber.com. Daily 9am-4pm. Replica Atlantic and Danville Railroad circa 1955.

#### **Tobacco Farm Life Museum** of Virginia

306 W. Main St., South Hill: 434-447-2551: southhillchamber.com. Offers displays on the production of tobacco from seed to market.

#### Tobacco Heritage Trail

200 S. Mecklenburg Ave., South Hill; 434-447-7101; tobaccoheritagetrail.org. This Southern Virginia rail-trail can be traveled on horse, bicycle or foot. 📽

#### **Tobacco Warehouse and** Farm Tours

201 S. Mecklenburg Ave., South Hill: 434-447-4547: southhillchamber. com. Tobacco farm and warehouse during season. By appointment.



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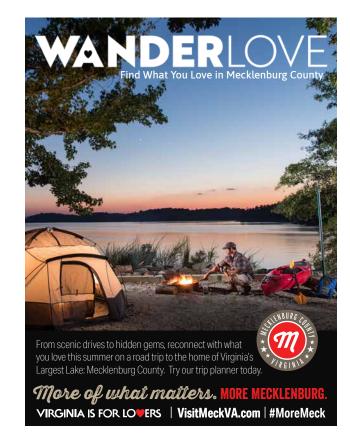
May-October-Lake Life Live and Cruise-ins

July-Virginia Lake Festival-"LAKEFEST" \*excludes the Clarksville Lake Country Wine Festival (21 & older only)

You will LOVE it here!

Visit our website for dates and more information Clarksvilleva.com / ClarksvillontheLake.com Facebook.com/CLCCOC

WANDER





This Riverwalk Yarn Bombing Installation created as a Community Knit during the Pandemic Winter of 2020-2021 can be viewed on the Riverwalk Trail in Danville, VA in July-September 2021.

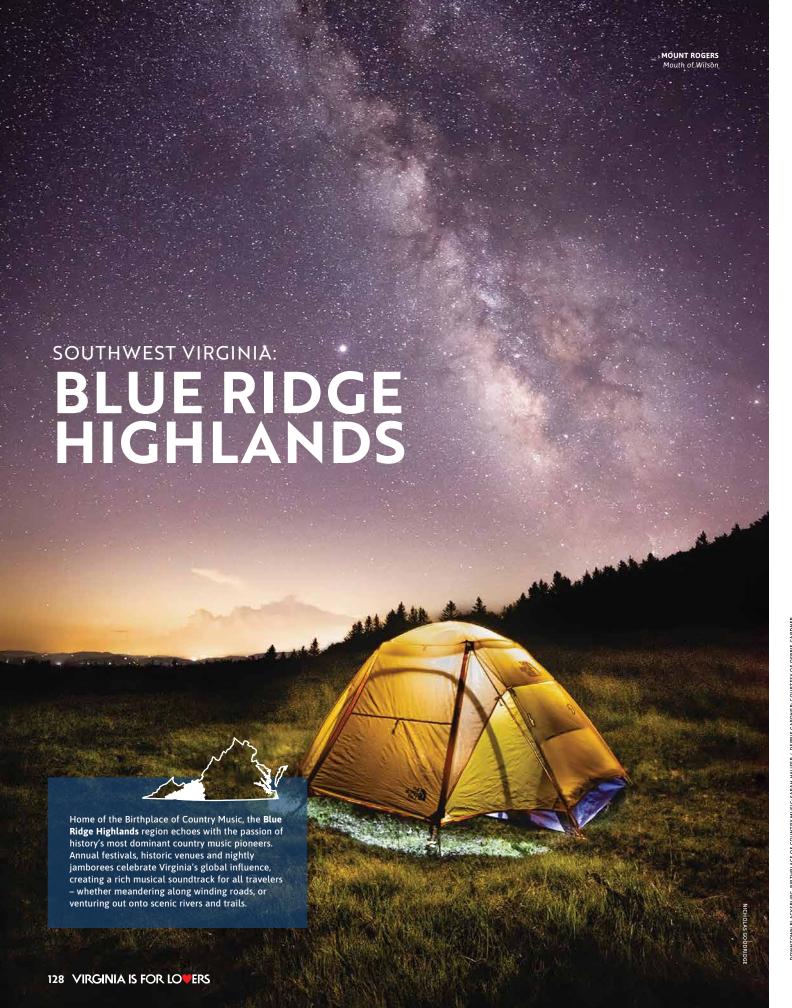
Sponsored by the DMFAH, Danville-Pittsylvania Chamber, Danville Parks and Rec. the Dan River Basin Association, the Danville River District Association, and the Danville-Pittsylvania County Libraries.

This project is supported in part by the Virginia Commission for the Arts.

July 4-September 26, 2021 (Knitting will take place between January and May, 2021)

> Please contact the Danville Museum at: info@danvillemuseum.org 434.793.5644 | danvillemuseum.org





#### PET-FRIENDLY

A winery that includes dog names and images on wine labels - and names its website The Dogs.com - certainly loves dogs as much as you do. Chateau Morrisette Winery even dubs itself "the winery dogs built" and welcomes canines to accompany their people on the tasting patio, restaurant patio, gazebos and indoor tasting room, as well as to special events. Toast the dog-friendly spirit with a glass of The Black Dog red blend or Our Dog Blue Riesling.

# **LOVEWORK**

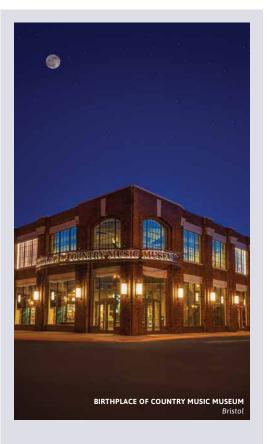
Before Europeans arrived in Virginia, the First People made this land their home. The traces of their lives are mostly gone, buried beneath homes and businesses. But one old Indian village, inhabited sometime between 1480-1520, was unearthed during construction of I-77.

The Wolf Creek Indian Village & Museum tells the story of that village and the natives' way of life. And the Wolf Creek LOVEwork reflects Native American symbols, with a peace pipe, dream catcher and other relevant iconography. #LOVEVA

#### WHAT'S NEW

Like a bodacious

bluegrass band, diverse components play harmoniously at The Sessions Hotel. The name pays homage to the 1927 Bristol Sessions recordings, the springboard of commercial country music. The boutique feel comprises historic elements, like original brick walls and wood beams, complemented by contemporary furnishings with musical retro touches, like microphone light fixtures and stereo console cabinets. You'll also enjoy the onsite smokehouse restaurant and rooftop bar.



#### ICONIC

Music, people and history form the foundation of the Birthplace of Country Music Museum. And the quality of the exhibits appeals to visitors of all backgrounds. The depth of content guarantees a richer knowledge of the mountain music scene and its impact on music worldwide. Permanent exhibits examine the influential 1927 Bristol Sessions recordings, and rotating exhibits bring to life topics such as folklife, festivals and Black musical heritage.



#### **NOTABLE TOWN**

If the muses drew a blueprint for an ideal downtown, they would envision Blacksburg. Snuggled in the Blue Ridge Mountains, its scene is nurtured by the intellectual stimulation of a major university, Virginia Tech. The arts and cultural district features historic properties, unique shops, locally made crafts, diverse restaurants, regional heritage, sports gear and more. As you wander the walkable downtown, look for the 16 scattered bronze frogs, representing historic people and the town's commitment to water quality.

#### HIDDEN **GEM**

The 7,850-acre **South Holston Lake** natural backdrop of a diversity of native wildlife. Recreational anglers dip their lines beneath the water's

# **INSTAGRAM-WORTHY** A romantic story lies

beneath the Lover's

The tale involves a

young white settler

maiden who fell in

love and spent secret

time together. But the

newcomers and natives

prohibited this youthful

1600s feud between

love. So they jumped

- together - from the

is true or not, visitors

truly fall in love with

the view: valleys and

hilltops undulating

for miles, framed by

two gently sloping

mountainsides.

cliff. Whether the story

and a Native American

Leap Scenic Overlook

isn't hidden, but it's often overlooked. Most of the lake is surrounded by Cherokee National Forest, creating a trees and secluded coves and hosting boaters, kayakers, canoeists and paddleboarders skim through the calm waters, while surface, pulling up coveted sport fish.



#### **ASK A LOCAL**

"People who visit us here say they've discovered a jewel. We're surrounded by treasures like New River Retreat's vacation homes in gorgeous locations, and like the renovated historic Thee Draper Village, which houses the Draper Mercantile, The Village Coffee Shoppe and Café, Draper Blooms Tea Garden, the Blue Ridge Fudge Lady and other unique shops." — Debbie Gardner, Thee Draper Village



#### Blue Ridge Parkway vg

Mileposts 162.9 to 192.5. 828-298-0398; nps.gov/blri. "America's Favorite Scenic Drive." 💳 📽

#### The Creeper Trail

vacreenertrail com Onen year-round to hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding.

#### **ABINGDON**

RGINIA MAIN STREET CO

Abingdon Visitor Center 300 Green Spring Rd., Abingdon; 276-676-2282; visitabingdonvirginia.com Open seven days a week, public restrooms and free Wi-Fi. ₩&

#### Virginia Creeper Trail Welcome Center

300 Green Spring Rd., Abingdon: 276-676-2282: visitabingdonvirginia. com. Visitor information, merchandise and maps, open Friday-Monday, 9am-5pm. 📽 🖔

#### Abingdon Arts Depot

314 Depot Sq., Abingdon; 276-628-9091; abingdonartsdepot. org. Working artisan studios and gallery spaces for juried art A

#### **Abingdon Muster Grounds** 1780 Muster Pl., Abingdon;

276-525-1050; abingdonmustergrounds.com. Revolutionary War historic site and Overmountain Victory Trail visitor center. 🖚 📽

#### Barter Theatre

127 W. Main St., Abingdon; 276-628-3991: bartertheatre com. Experience the Historic State Theatre of Virginia! \$ = 6.1

# Historic Abingdon Walking Tour

335 Cummings St., Abingdon; 276-676-2282; visitabingdonvirginia.com. Self-guided walking tour of downtown Abingdon, founded

#### **Historical Society of Washington County**

314 W. Main St., Abingdon; 276-623-8337; hswcv.org. Archives open to the public, genealogy research assistance.

#### **Holston Mountain Artisans**

214 Park St., Abingdon; 276-628-7721: holstonmtnarts.com. One of the oldest traditional craft cooperatives in the nation.

#### **Overmountain Victory** National Historic Trail's **Commemorative Motor Route**

1780 Muster Pl., Abingdon; 276-525-1050: nps.gov/ovvi. Start of driving trail following patriots' march to Kings Mountain.

#### 'Round the Mountain: Southwest Virginia's Artisan Network

One Heartwood Cir., Abingdon; 276-492-2400; roundthemountain.org. Unique crafts, handmade and homegrown in the Southwest Virginia. 🖚 📽

#### **Sinking Spring Cemetery**

Russell Rd., between Main & Valley Sts., Abingdon; 276-676-2282; visitabingdonvirginia com. Graves dating to 1776. self-guided tours available.

#### **Southwest Virginia Cultural** Center & Marketplace

Located off I-81 Exit 14. One Heartwood Cir., Abingdon; 276-492-2400; swvaculturalcenter.com. Your gateway to Southwest Virginia craft, music, food and local culture. 🖚 📽 🖔

White's Mill 12291 Whites Mill Rd.. Abingdon; 276-628-2960; whitesmill.org. 1797 waterpowered grist and flour mill. Call for tour information.

#### William King Museum of Art 415 Academy Dr., Abingdon;

276-628-5005; williamkingmuseum.org. Three exhibition galleries featuring art of the region and the world A

# **BLAND COUNTY**

Includes Rastian Wolf Creek Indian Village

& Museum 6394 N Scenic Hwy., Bastian; 276-688-3438; indianvillage.

org. Re-created prehistoric

village, museum, gift shop,

picnic area. \$ ===

# **BRISTOL**

#### Discover Bristol (Bristol Convention & Visitors Bureau) vo

20 Volunteer Pkwv.. Bristol: 423-989-4850: discoverbristol. org. Advancing the economic vitality of Bristol as a yearround destination.

#### **Birthplace of Country Music** Museum

101 Country Music Way, Bristol; 423-573-1927; birthplaceofcountrymusic org. Celebrating Bristol's music history; a Smithsonian Institution affiliate. \$==

#### Bristol Motor Speedway

151 Speedway Boulevard, Bristol: 423-989-6900: bristolmotorspeedway.com NASCAR Races in April & August! Track tours available. \$<del>~~</del> &

# **Bristol Sculpture Walking Tour**

Downtown Bristol Bristol: 423-963-9667; aippbristol.org. Downtown Bristol self-guided walking tour of sculpture and art. 🖚📽 🗞

#### **Bristol Sign**

State St., Historic Downtown Bristol; 423-989-4850; discoverbristol.org. National Register of Historic Places landmark spanning downtown Bristol, TN/VA. 🚎📽 🕹

#### Caterpillar Crawl

Historic Downtown Bristol, Bristol; 423-989-4850; jlbristol.org. Family-friendly scavenger hunt inspired by Eric Carle's The Very Hungry Caterpillar. &

#### **Country Music Mural and Marker**

810 State St., Bristol: 423-764-4171; bristoltn.org. 1927 "Bristol Sessions" noting Bristol as the Birthplace of Country Music. <del>←</del> \* &

#### Historic Downtown Bristol **Walking Tour**

Downtown Bristol / State St., Bristol; 423-989-4850; discoverbristol.org. Self-guided walking tour of the Birthplace of Country Music. = &

#### **Paramount Center for the Arts** 518 State St., Bristol; 423-274-

8920; paramountbristol.org. 1931 art-deco movie palace hosting a wide variety of entertainment. \$==

# **South Holston Lake**

Off Hwy 421, South Holston Lake, Bristol; 423-878-6931; tva.org. Known for smallmouth bass fishing and many fishing tournaments every year

at Bristol va Virginia Tourism Corporation Mile Marker 0, I-81 Northbound Bristol 24201 276-466-2932

#### **Welcome Center** at Rocky Gap vo

**Welcome Center** 

Virginia Tourism Corporation Mile Marker 61, I-77 Southbound Rocky Gap 24366 276-928-1873

#### Welcome Center

at Lambsburg vo Virginia Tourism Corporation Mile Marker 0, I-77 Northbound Lambsburg 24351 276-755-3931

#### Sugar Hollow Park

23261 Sugar Hollow Dr Bristol; 276-645-7275: bristolva.org. Park featuring softball and soccer fields, picnic areas, campsites and

#### Veterans War Memorial at **Cumberland Square Park**

Cumberland Sq., Bristol; 276-645-7300; bristolva.org. Five life-sized bronze sculptures pay tribute to our servicemen and women. &

#### CARROLL COUNTY

Includes Austinsville, Cana, Fancy Gap. Hillsville, Woodlawn

# Blue Ridge Plateau Regional Visitor Center

I-77 Exit 14, 239 Farmers Market Dr., Hillsville; 276-730-3100; visittheblueridge. com. Traveler and visitor information regarding Plateau Region.

#### **Town of Hillsville Visitors** Center

410 N Main St Hillsville: 276-728-2128: townofhillsville.com Small visitor center open 24/7 in downtown Hillsville

# Beaver Dam Creek Walking

Off Beaver Dam Rd., Hillsville; 276-730-3100; itsourstyle.com. Approximate 2.5-mile walking trail along wooded scenic stream. 🖚📽

#### **Carroll County Historical** Museum

515 N. Main St., Hillsville; 276-728-4938: visittheblueridge. com. History exhibits and information. Tuesday-Friday, 10:30am-4pm; Saturday, 10am-2pm. 🖚

#### Crooked Creek Wildlife Management Area

Access Rt. 620 south from Rt 58 at Woodlawn, Hillsville; 276-783-4860; pickplaystay. com. 1,600 acres, six miles of stocked trout streams, hiking, birding trails. 🖚 📽

# **Devil's Den Nature Preserve**

Cemetery Rd., Fancy Gap; 276-730-3100; pickplaystay. com. 280 acres, cave, forest, open meadow, trails and picnic facilities.

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276-475-3745 | www.DamascusInn.con

#### Harmon's Museum

5122 Carrollton Pke Woodlawn: 276-236-4884: harmonstore.com. Home of Stoneman historical marker. Artifacts. Open Monday-Saturday, 9am-6pm. 🖚 🕹

# Historic Hale-Wilkinson-Carter

405 N. Main St., Hillsville; 276-728-2494; townofhillsville.com. 4.5-story home of industrialist George L. Carter refurbished in 1920s. 🖚

Historic Sidna Allen Home 5935 Fancy Gap Hwy., Fancy Gan: 276-728-2594 visittheblueridge.com. Historic Queen Anne-style home, tours, listed in National Register.

#### Lovill's Creek Lake Recreation Area 979 Epworth Rd., Cana; 276-

730-3100; pickplaystay.com. 55-acre lake, fishing, hiking, picnic facilities and boat ramp. 📽

#### **Stewarts Creek Wildlife** Management Area

State Rt. 795, Hillsville; 276-728-4938: itsourstyle. com. 1,087-acre preserve below crest of the Blue Ridge Mountains. 📽

#### Virginia Highlands Horse Trail Buck Dam Rd. (State Rte. 737),

Austinsville: 276-783-5196: fs.fed.us/r8/gwj/mr. Eastern terminus of 67.2-mile horse trail system with camps. 📽

#### **DAMASCUS**

#### **Town of Damascus**

P.O. Drawer 576, Damascus; 276-475-3831; visitdamascus. org Reautiful small town destination for those seeking outdoor recreation! 🖚 📽

#### Adventure Damascus Bicycles

128 West Laurel Ave., Exit 19 & 29 off I-81 Damascus: 276-475-6262; adventuredamascus.com. Bike rentals, trail shuttles and outfitter for the Virginia Creeper Trail, Appalachian

# Trail and Mt. Rogers area. 8am-6pm daily. Visit Downtown Damascus. Family fun "where the trails cross!" 🚗 🕊 👃

#### SunDog Outfitter

331 Douglas Dr., US Rt. 58, Damascus; 276-475-6252; sundogoutfitter.com Your one-stop source for gear and trail information for all trails in the Damascus area Bike rentals, trail shuttles. 8am-6pm daily. Year-round.

#### **FLOYD COUNTY**

Includes Meadows of Dan, Willis Floyd Chamber of Commerce

# 109 East Main St., Floyd;

540-745-4407: flovdchamber. org. Providing information and support to the Floyd area business community.

#### Floyd County Visitor Center & Tourism Office

109 Fast Main St. Floyd: 540-745-4407; visitfloydva. com. Providing information to visitors, vacationers and Floyd residents. 📽

#### **Bell Gallery and Garden**

112 N. Locust St., Floyd; 540-745-4494; bellgalleryandgarden.com Features the work of 100+ local and regional artists/ craftspeople.

#### **Buffalo Mountain Natural** Area Preserve

Moles Rd. SW, Willis 276-676-5673: dcr.virginia.gov/dnh/buffalo htm. At nearly 4,000 feet, this rounded summit features beautiful hiking.

#### **Chateau Morrisette Winery** and Restaurant

MP 171.5, Blue Ridge Parkway 540-593-2865: thedogs.com Tastings, tours offered daily. Fine dining, scenic views, special events. 🖚 📽 🖧

#### Floyd Artisan Trail

540-745-2784: floydartisantrail. org. Annual June Tour featuring local art, craft and agricultural products.





#### The Floyd Center for the Arts

220 Parkway Ln. S., Floyd; 540-745-2784; jacksonvillecenter. org. Art galleries, gift shop, artist studios, art and craft workshops.

#### Floyd Community Market

205 South Locust St., Floyd; 540-745-7333; sustainfloyd.org. Artisan Market, Fridays 5-9pm; Farmers Market, Saturdays 9am-1pm, May-October.

#### Floyd County Historical Society Museum

217 North Locust St., Floyd; 540-745-3247; floydhistoricalsociety.org. Preserving and sharing a unique history in Southwest Virginia.

#### June Bug Center

251 Parkway Ln., Floyd; 540-745-6550; junebugcenter.org. A community space for theatre and life-enhancing events. **S** 

#### Mabry Mill

Milepost 176.1, Blue Ridge Parkway, Meadows of Dan; 540-952-2947; brntrails.com/brn1762 htm. One of the Blue Ridge Parkway's most visited sites. 🖚📽

#### **Rock Castle Gorge National** Recreation Trail

Milepost 167, Blue Ridge Parkway, Floyd; 540-593-3503; blueridgeparkway.org/vatrails. htm. Moderate 10.8-mile loop trail through diverse terrain.

#### Rocky Knob Visitor Center vg

Milepost 169, Blue Ridge Parkway, Floyd; 276-952-2947; nps.gov/blri/rockknob. htm. Blue Ridge Parkway information, picnic area and Blackridge trailhead parking.📽

#### The Sun Music Hall

302 S. Locust St, Floyd; 540-745-6836: sunmusichall.com. Diverse national and regional music! Concerts, dances and workshops. 🖚

#### GALAX

#### **Galax Visitors Center**

110 E. Grayson St., Galax; 276-238-8130; visitgalax. com. Capital of old-time music, antiques, artisans, quaint shops, outdoor recreation. 🖚📽

#### The Blue Ridge Music Center vo

Milepost 213, Blue Ridge Parkway, Galax; 276-236-5309; blueridgemusiccenter.org. Spring-Summer Traditional Concert Series. Free museum. \$**~~**\*&

#### Chestnut Creek School of the Arts and Museum

100 N. Main St., Galax; 276-236-3500; chestnutcreekarts. org. Preserves cultural heritage through classes in traditional crafts and music. 🖚 📽

#### Jeff Matthews Memorial Museum

606 W. Stuart Dr., Galax; 276-236-7874; jeffmatthewsmuseum.org Displays Indian artifacts, Civil War memorabilia and more. 🖚 📽 🕹 🖍

#### Judge Matthews State Forest

106 Matthews Ln., Galax; 276-236-2322; dof.virginia. gov. Hiking, biking, natural resource education programs, wildlife watching.

#### New River Trail State Park vg West Stuart Dr., Galax; 276-699-6778;

virginiastateparks.gov. 🖚 📽

#### Old Cranks Motorcar Museum

407 Railroad Ave., Galax; 276-236-5114; oldcranks. com. Collection of vintage automobiles and farm equipment. Open weekends. 🖚 📽 🕹 🏌

#### The Rey Theater

113 East Grayson St., Galax; 276-236-5309; rextheatergalax. com. Venue for music, theater and weekly live bluegrass 

#### **GILES COUNTY**

Includes Narrows, Pearisburg, Pembroke

#### Giles County

203 N Main St., Pearisburg; 540-921-2079; gilescounty. org. Giles County tourism information. = 5.

#### **Cascades Falls**

Rt. 460 to Pembroke, right onto Rt. 623 for 4 miles, Pembroke; 540-552-4641; virginiasmtnplayground.com/ cascades. Enjoy a 4-mile round-trip hike to a majestic 69-foot vertical waterfall. \$----

#### Dismal Falls

Take Exit 98 from I-81 going north on VA-100, then Rt. 42 toward Bland, Pearisburg; 540-552-4641; virginiasmtnplayground. com. 15-foot Dismal Falls is peaceful, pretty and easily accessed.

#### Giles County Historical Society

site. 🖚

Glen Alton

Bridge

From Rt. 460, 2 miles west of

Pembroke to Rt. 635 for 13

miles, Ripplemead: 540-552-

4641; virginiasmtnplayground.

com/outdoors. Restored early

ecological habitats.

20th century farm. Rolling

terrain through a variety of

**Historic Newport Covered** 

Mill Creek Nature Park

Northview St., Narrows;

virginiasmtnplayground.com/

waterfalls, hiking trails, biking

trails & easy parking. 🖚 📽

parks-and-recreation. Offers

540-726-2423;

Museum and 1829 Andrev **Johnston House** 208 North Main St., Pearisburg; 540-921-1050; paddle sports. 🖚 📽 gilescountyhistory.org. Historic house, museum and Civil War

historic cemetery.

201 Cascade Dr., Pembroke; com. Canoeing, kayaking, rafting and guided fishing. Outfitters store and cafe. tangentoutfitters@gmail.

Rt. 601, Pearisburg; 540-921-2079; virginiasmtnplayground. 999 Ripplemead Rd.. com/history. Historic covered bridge with public access & picnic area. 📽

Includes Elk Creek, Fries, Indepen-

Main St., Fries: 276-233-1104: friesva.com. Visitor center, local arts and crafts, regional merchandise.

#### **New River Water Trail**

New River, Pearisburg: 540-921-2079; newriverwatertrail. com. Water activities for all experience levels. Fishing,

#### **Pearis Cemetery**

Old Rt. 100, Pearisburg; 540-921-2079. Trailhead to A.T. &

#### **Tangent Outfitters**

540-626-4567; newrivertrail. com. 🖚📽

#### Whitt-Riverbend Park

Pearisburg; 540-921-0340: pearisburg.org. On the banks of the New River, walking trails. 🖚📽

#### **GRAYSON COUNTY**

dence, Mouth of Wilson, Troutdale,

#### **Fries Visitor Center**

107 E. Main St. Independence; 276-773-8002; graysoncountyva.com. Information on lodging, camping, outdoor recreation. attractions, events, dining and

#### **Grayson County Welcome Center**

**Grayson County Tourism Office** 

107 E. Main St., Independence; 276-773-8002; graysoncountyva.com. Visitor Center, Museum, auditorium rental, gift shop and weekly jam. 🖚 🖔

#### Town of Fries

shopping. 🖚

Fries; 276-233-1104; friesva. com. Visit Fries on the banks of the New River where adventure, music and trails await! 🖚📽

#### Appalachian Trail - Elk Garden Trailhead/Whitetop Trailhead

State Rt. 600, Whitetop. Access the Appalachian Trail at several locations in Grayson County. 🖚 📽

#### **Blue Ridge Discovery Center** 6402 Whitetop Rd.,

Troutdale: 276-293-1232: blueridgediscoverycenter.org. Dedicated to exploring and sharing the natural history of the Blue Ridge Mountains.



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#### The Crossroads Museum

107 F Main St Independence; 276-773-3711; historic1908courthouse.org. Old photos of the county, old maps and cultural antiques. 🖚 🖔

#### Elk Creek Dragway

711 Victory Ln., Elk Creek; 276-655-4551; elkcreekdragway. com. Drag racing every Saturday night May-September.

#### **Grayson County Historical** Society

107 East Main St., Independence; 276-773-3320. Dedicated to uncovering and preserving the rich history of . Grayson County.

#### Grayson County Virginia Heritage Foundation

578 East Main St., Independence. Promotes preserves and educates the cultural heritages of Grayson

# Grayson Highlands State Park vg

829 Grayson Highland Ln., Mouth of Wilson; 276-579-7092; virginiastateparks.gov.

#### Historic 1908 Courthouse and **Grayson County Visitor Center** 107 E. Main St., Independence; 276-773-8002;

graysoncountyva.com. History museum; gift shop; auditorium rental; tourism information.

#### **Historic Fries Theater**

Main St., Fries; 276-744-2531. Weekly jam every Thursday at 6:30pm, a Crooked Road venue

#### Matthews Living History Farm Museum

476 White Pine Rd., Galax; 276-773-3080: matthewsfarmmuseum.org. Preserving cultural heritage of upper New River Valley since

#### Matthews State Forest **Mountain Bike Trails**

655 White Pine Rd., Galax; mtbproject.com/trail/7016941/ matthews-state-forest-mtbtrail. 8.2 miles of single-track adventure.

#### **MONTGOMERY** COUNTY

Includes Blacksburg, Christiansburg, Elliston, Shawsville

#### Montgomery Co. Blacksburg Christiansburg Regional Tourism va

755 Roanoke St., Christiansburg; 540-394-4470: gotomontva.com. Easy access to outdoors and amenities you'd expect from two of the largest towns in Virginia! Blacksburg location is at 318 N. Main Street, Christiansburg location is at 100 West Main Street. 🖚 🛎 🕹

#### Alexander Black House & **Cultural Center**

204 Draper Rd. SW, Blacksburg; 540-558-0746; blacksburghistory.org. Historic home of Alexander Black.

#### **Cambria Historic District**

500 Depot St., Christiansburg. Historic railroad depot, antique shop and specialty

#### **Christiansburg Aquatic Center** and Skatepark

595 N. Franklin St., Christiansburg; 540-381-7665; cacpool.com. Competitive & leisure pools & a popular street-style skate park. 🖚 🖔

**Christiansburg Institute** 

# 140 Scattergood Dr.,

Christiansburg; 540-394-5001; christiansburginstitute.com. African-American school once supervised by Booker T. Washington.

#### **Coal Mining Heritage Park**

Mile 4 of The Huckleberry Trail, Christiansburg; 540-382-6975; huckleberrytrail.org. The former Merrimac Mine is a passive park and trail. 📽

#### **Fotheringay House**

Rt 11/460 Elliston: 202-354-2211; waymarking. com/waymarks/wm1k4q\_ fotheringay\_elliston\_virginia. Legend of American Revolution Colonel said to be buried standing.

# **Historic Smithfield Plantation**

1000 Smithfield Plantation Rd., Blacksburg; 540-231-3947; smithfieldplantation.org. Historic home of Colonel William Preston. Interpreters and demonstrations. \$

#### The Huckleberry Trail

755 Roanoke St. Christiansburg; 540-382-6975; huckleberrytrail.org. Maintained rail to trail winds between Blacksburg and Christiansburg.

#### **Kentland Farm**

5250 Whitethorne Rd., Blacksburg; 540-731-9353; vaes.vt.edu/college-farm. College farm includes a manor house, meat house and dairy. 🖚

#### LOVEwork Mural in Blacksburg

211 Draper Rd. NW, Blacksburg; 540-394-2120; virginia.org/listings/thearts/ loveworkinblacksburg. The artist Denisse Bento, incorporates natural elements found in Montgomery.

#### LOVEworks Sculpture in Christiansburg

595 North Franklin St., Christiansburg; 540-394-2120; virginia.org/listings/thearts/ loveworkinchristiansburg. The LOVEwork is located at the The Christiansburg Aquatic Center.

The Lyric Theatre 135 College Ave., Blacksburg; 540-951-0604; thelyric.com. This still-operating historic theatre was built in the 1929. 🖚 🖔

# Meadowbrook Museum

**Branch of Montgomery** Museum

267 Alleghany Springs Rd., Shawsville; 540-268-5047;

montgomerymuseum.org. Collecting, preserving and interpreting the history of Montgomery County.

#### **Montgomery Museum of Art** and History

300 South Pepper St., Christiansburg; 540-382-5644; montgomerymuseum.org. Artifacts from the New River Valley and local art exhibits.

#### Moss Arts Center

190 Alumni Mall, Blacksburg; 540-231-5300; artscenter. vt.edu. The Moss Arts Center in Blacksburg serves southwest Virginia with performing and visual arts experiences from much-loved classics and traditional forms, to fresh, unexpected expressions. \$ 🖚 🕭 🇷

#### Nature Conservancy's Falls Ridge Preserve

Falls Ridge Rd., Elliston: 434-295-6106; hikingupward. com/ovh/fallsridgepreserve. A breathtaking travertine waterfall, old limekiln and caves.📽

#### Odd Fellows Hall

203 Gilbert St., Blacksburg; 540-558-0746; blacksburghistory.org. A museum of African American Culture and former social spot.

#### SEEDS - Blacksburg

107 Warren St., Blacksburg: 540-961-1133; seedskids.org. Rain or shine, fun discovery learning for children and the young at heart.

#### Solitude

Virginia Tech Campus, Blacksburg; 540-231-9593; spec.lib.vt.edu/archives/ solitude. Historic home circa 1801; home to two Virginia governors.

#### Starlite Drive-In Theater

275 Starlight Dr. SE, Christiansburg; 540-382-2202; starlitedrivein.info. One of the few original drive-in theaters in the country! \$

#### Virginia Tech

314 Burruss Hall, Blacksburg: 540-231-3548; vt.edu. One of Virginia's largest universities. Museums, galleries open to public.

#### Virginia Tech Museum of **Geological Sciences**

2062 Derring Hall, VT Campus, Blacksburg; 540-231-3001; geol.vt.edu/outreach/ museum.html. Largest display of minerals in Virginia plus seismograph, gemstones, fossils. 🖚 📽



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Fort Chiswell Mansion

Great Lakes to Florida

Haller-Gibboney Rock House

Austinville; 276-699-1791;

Thomas J. Boyd Museum

276-223-3330; museums.

295 Tazewell St., Wytheville:

wytheville.org. Exhibit on early

Wytheville history and polio

virginiastateparks.gov.

Museum

Graze On Main

# PATRICK COUNTY

Includes Ararat, Critz, Meadows of Dan, Stuart, Woolwine

# **Blue Ridge Visitor Center**

2609 Jeb Stuart Hwy., Meadows of Dan; 276-694-6012: visitpatrickcounty.org. Less than one minute from the Blue Ridge Parkway, this center has many brochures and maps available to assist visitors.

#### **Patrick County Chamber of** Commerce

334 Patrick Ave., Stuart; 276-694-6012; patrickchamber org. Open 9am-2pm. Monday-Friday Regional visitor information provided. 🖚 📽

# **Patrick County Tourism Office** 126 N. Main St., Stuart; 276-

694-6094; visitpatrickcounty. org. Open Monday-Friday. 8am-5pm. Marketing beautiful Patrick County.

#### Blue Ridge Parkway vo

Mileposts 162.9 to 192.5, Blue Ridge Parkway, Meadows of Dan; 828-298-0398; nps.gov/blri. "America's Most Scenic Drive." Food, gas and views are offered. 🛋📽

#### Cockram's Mill

US 58, Jeb Stuart Hwy., Stuart; 276-952-2618: visitpatrickcounty.org. Built in 1884. Take pictures and enjoy fresh seafood! 🖚 📽

#### Fairy Stone State Park 967 Fairvstone Lake Dr., Stuart:

276-930-2424; virginiastateparks.gov. \$ === \*\* The Hollow History Center

#### 36 Marigold Ln., Ararat:

276-251-5853; patrickchamber. com/profile.cfm?id=385. Local history, genealogy and cabins with covered picnic area.

#### **IC DeHart Memorial Park** 2631 Charity Hwy, Woolwine;

276-694-3917; dgif.virginia. gov/vbwt/sites/i-c-dehartmemorial-park. Home to the Virginia State Championship Mountain bike trails. 🖚 📽

#### Jack's Creek Covered Bridge

1274 Jacks Creek Rd, Woolwine: 276-694-6094: visitpatrickcounty.org. Built in 1914, one of eight VA remaining covered bridges. ===

#### Laurel Hill: Birthplace of Gen. J.E.B. Stuart

1091 Ararat Hwy., Ararat: 276-251-1833; jebstuart.org. Birthplace and Home place of Civil War Major General J.E.B. Stuart. 🖚 📽

# Lover's Leap Scenic Overlook

8550 Jeb Stuart Hwy., Meadows of Dan; 276-694-6094; visitpatrickcounty.org. An impressive mountainside cliff with an Appalachian love story. 🖚📽

#### **Mayberry Presbyterian Church** Milepost 180.1, Blue Ridge

Parkway, Meadows of Dan: 276-952-8422: mayberrychurch. org. Built in 1925, one of five Historic rock churches.

#### **Mayberry Trading Post**

883 Mayberry Church Rd., Meadows of Dan; 276-952-2155. Offering local artisan crafts, antiques, gems refreshments and more. &

#### Nancy's Candy

2684 Jeb Stuart Hwy., Meadows of Dan; 276-222-3800: nancvshomemadefudge com. Free self-guided window tours. Over 45 flavors of fudge and aroma! -

#### **Patrick County Historical** Museum

116 West Blue Ridge St., Stuart; 276-694-2840; patcovahistory. org. A repository for hundreds of artifacts that represent Patrick County.

# **Philpott Lake Recreation Area**

1058 Philpott Dam Rd. Bassett: 276-629-2703. Offering boating, swimming, picnicking, hiking, biking, hunting, fishing and camping.

#### **Primland Resort**

2000 Busted Rock Rd, Meadows of Dan; 276-222-3800: primland.com, A 12,000acre luxury retreat world-class golf, outdoor sports and views!

#### Primland's Highland Golf Course 2000 Busted Rock Rd

Meadows of Dan: 276-222 3800; primland.com. The Highland Course is like no other and winds its way through Primland's mountain landscape, playing across ridge tops and over valleys, combining challenging golf with the breathtaking scenery at every turn.

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#### **Primland's Sporting Clays**

2000 Busted Rock Rd Meadows of Dan; 276-222-3800; primland.com. Esquire Magazine rated Primland as one of the top 25 courses for shooting sporting clays in the nation. &

# **Reynolds Homestead**

463 Homestead Ln., Critz; 276-694-7181: revnoldshomestead vt.edu. National historic plantation/birthplace of R.J. Reynolds \$ 🖚 🛣

# Willis Gap Community Center

144 The Hollow Rd., Ararat: 276-251-9906. Open jam every Friday 7pm-10pm. Music, food, dancing, Family Fun. 🖚 🛎 🗟

#### **Wood Brothers Racing Museum**

21 Performance Dr., Stuart: 276-694-2121; woodbrothersracing.com. 50+ years of NASCAR racing memorabilia featuring NASCAR's greatest drivers A

# **PULASKI COUNTY**

Includes Draper, Dublin, Fairlawn, Newbern, Pulaski

Pulaski County Visitor Center 4440 Cleburne Blvd., Dublin: 540-674-4161; pulaskichamber. info. Exit 98, I-81, Dublin. 9am-5pm, seven days a week. 🖚📽

#### Calfee Park

700 S. Washington Ave. Pulaski; 540-994-8624; pulaskitown.org. Home to the Appalachian league Pulaski Yankees. \$

#### Claytor Lake State Park vg 6620 Ben H. Bolen Dr., Dublin;

540-643-2500: virginiastateparks.gov. \$

#### D. C. Wysor Observatory and Museum

600 Dunlap Rd., Dublin; 540-643-0755. Meade 16" LX200 telescope, vast collection of fossils and more.

#### Draper Mercantile & Trading Company

3054 Greenbriar Rd Draner 540-994-5659: drapermerc. com. Restored 1800's mercantile with restaurant. crafts, live music and more.

#### Fine Arts Center for the New **River Valley**

21 W. Main St., Pulaski; 540-980-7363; facnrv.org. Art exhibits by local and regional artists.

# Gatewood Park & Reservoir Gatewood Park Rd., Pulaski:

540-980-2561; pulaskitown. org. Camping, boating, fishing, hiking, picnicking, wildlife. Tennis, golf, shopping nearby.

#### Motor Mile Speedway/Motor Mile Dragway

6749 Lee Hwy., Fairlawn; 540-639-1700; motormilespeedway. com, motormiledragway.com. Nothing beats the roar of the drag way at 180 mph...in four seconds or less! \$

# **New River Trail**

New River Trail State Park. 800-933-7275: virginiastateparks.gov.

#### **Pulaski Railway Station**

20 South Washington Ave., Pulaski; 540-994-8696; pulaskitown.org. Restored 1880's depot, farmers market and Dora Connector to the New River Trail.

#### Pulaski Theatre

14 West Main St., Pulaski: 540-994-9555; pulaskitheatre.org. Restored 1911 vaudeville house Movies, live performances, \$

#### Randolph Park

5100 Alexander Rd Dublin 540-674-1513; pulaskicounty. org. State-of-the-art water park and playground. 🖚 📽

#### Raymond F. Ratcliffe Memorial Transportation Museum

51 Commerce St., Pulaski; 540-980-2307; theratcliffemuseum. com. Milton Brockmeyer O-Gauge Diorama, a scale replica of Pulaski's downtown

#### Wilderness Road Regional Museum

5240 Wilderness Rd., Newbern; 540-674-4835: newriverhistoricalsociety.com. Located in 1800s house. Local area books, records. \$

#### **RADFORD**

#### Radford Info & Welcome Center 701A W. Main St., Radford;

540-267-3153: visitradford.com Stop by for info about Radford University, the New River & Mary Draper Ingles, Also. parks and trails, festivals and things to do in the New River Valley. 🖚📽

#### Bisset Park/Riverway Trail

23 Berklev Williams Dr., Radford: 540-731-3633: visitradford.com. Riverfront park, multiuse trails, shelters, Riverway connects to Radford University. 🖚 📽

# **Dudley's Landing**

1675 New River Dr., Radford; 540-731-3633; radfordva.gov. Public boat launch on the New River.

#### Glencoe Mansion, Museum & Gallery

600 Unruh Dr., Radford; 540-731-5031; glencoemuseum. org. Museum & art gallery, Tuesday-Saturday 10am-4pm & Sunday 1-4pm.

#### Ingles Farm

9 Wilderness Rd Radford: 540 267-3153; visitradford.com. Re-built Mary Draper Ingles cabin. Open dates available at visitradford.com. 🖚 📽

#### Little River Bluegrass Barn

7800 Little River Dam Rd., Radford: 540-320-6145: facebook.com/ littleriverbluegrassbarnweddings. Bluegrass music shows. \$

#### **Mary Draper Ingles Statue**

601 Unruh Dr., Radford; 540-267-3153; marydraperinglestrail. com. Frontier heroine Mary Draper Ingles, adjacent to Radford Info & Welcome Center. 🖚📽

#### Museum of the Earth Sciences

Center for the Sciences. Radford; 540-831-1171; radford.edu. An educational resource for earth sciencerelated themes at Radford University.

# **New River Train Viewing**

601 Unruh Dr., Radford; 540-267-3153: visitradford com Sustainable train observation tower, adjacent to Info & Welcome Center. 📽

#### Radford Fiddle & Banjo Jam, at Radford Coffee Company, a Crooked Road Affiliated Venue

333 W. Main St., Radford; 540-838-2399. Monday evening bluegrass jam, all musicians welcome, full menu available. 🖚

#### **Radford Theatre**

1065 E. Main St., Radford; 540-639-0722; radfordtheatre. com. Landmark 1935 theatre with first run movies, special oldie screenings. \$

#### **Radford University Art** Museum on Tyler

214 Tyler Ave., Radford: 540-831-5754: radford edu Exhibitions open to the public throughout the year.

#### Radford University College of Visual & Performing Arts

801 E. Main St., Radford: 540-831-5265; radford.edu/ cvpa. Variety of performances offered, open to the public. 🖚 🛦

#### **Radford University Planetarium** 801 E. Main St., Radford;

540-831-5441: radford.edu/ planetarium. See website or call for showtimes, special children's shows.

2501 River St., Radford; 540-731-3633; radfordva. gov. Boat access, picnic shelters, playground, soccer field.

**Riverview Park** 

#### St Albans

6248 University Park Dr Radford; 540-260-3111; stalbans-virginia.com. Paranormal investigation site tours. \$

#### Wildwood Park

Wildwood Park Dr., Radford; 540-731-3633; radfordva. gov. Bird watching platform, outdoor classroom, walking & hiking trails. 🖚📽

#### Winterfrost Farm

100 High Meadows Pkwy., Radford; 540-320-1697; winterfrostfarm.org. Ride-A-Rescue trail riding, horse adoptions.

#### **SMYTH COUNTY /** MARION

Visitor Center

VIRGINIA MAIN STREET COMMUNIT Includes Atkins, Chilhowie. Marion, Saltville

# **Smyth County Regional**

408 Whitetop Rd., Chilhowie 877-255-9928: visitvirginiamountains.com. Your gateway to the mountains and attractions of Smyth County. \$ 🖚 📽 🕹

# **Appalachian Spirit Gallery** 144 W. Main St., Marion; 276-

709-2909: appalachianspiritgallery.org. Celebrate the arts, traditions, lore and spirit of our mountains.

#### **Back of the Dragon**

Rt. 16, Marion; 276-988-5726; backofthedragon.com. Scenic 32-mile driving trail between Marion and Tazewell Virginia.

#### **Chilhowie Farmers Market**

East Lee Hwy., Chilhowie; 276-646-3232: chilhowie.org/farmers-market. Local goods. Open Thursdays 4-7pm, June-October.

#### Hungry Mother State Park vo 2854 Park Blvd Marion: 276 781-7400; virginiaparks.gov. \$**==**\*&

#### The Lincoln Theatre

117 F Main St Marion: 276-783-6092: thelincoln.org. Historic landmark featuring live performances including Song of the Mountains. \$ -- &

#### Marion Downtown

Main St., Marion: 276-378-5038: marionva.org/play-here. A little cool around every corner! Dining, shopping, lodging and events.

#### **Marion Farmers Market** Corner of Cherry & Chestnut

Sts., Marion; 276-378-5029; marionva.org. Open year-round. Regular Season - Saturdays. 8am-noon, May-October.

#### Mount Rogers National Recreation Area

3714 Hwy. 16, Marion; 276-783-5196; smythcounty. org. Explore nature and the Appalachian Trail on Virginia's highest mountain.

#### Museum of the Middle **Appalachians**

123 Palmer Ave., Saltville; 267-496-3633: museumofthemiddleappalachians.org Explore the Geology, ice-age, Woodland Indians, salt and gypsum industry, company town life and video tour of "The Salt Works and the Civil War." \$ € .

#### The Riverwalk

Trail Head in Riverbend Park. Marion: 276-378-5029: marionva.org. Follow the trail to heritage fishing right through town.

#### The Salt Trail

Trail Head to Saltville, VA, Glade Spring: alltrails.com/trail/us/ virginia/salt-trail. Mixed-use 6-mile rail-to-trail connecting Glade Spring to Saltville.

#### Settlers Museum of Southwest Virginia

1322 Rocky Hollow Rd., Atkins 276-686-4401; settlersmuseum. com. Experience the story of those who settled in Southwest Virginia. 🖚📽 🕹

#### Smyth County Museum & Historical Society

123 East Main St., Marion; 276-783-7286: smythcountymuseum.org. Experience the history of Smyth Co. with free museum tours. &

#### Wayne C. Henderson School of Appalachian Arts

203 North Church St., Marion: 276-706-4010; thehenderson. org. Preserving, promoting and providing learning experiences rooted in Appalachian Culture. 年本本人

#### WYTHEVILLE / WYTHE COUNTY

VIRGINIA MAIN STREET COMMUNITY Includes Austinsville, Max Meadows Rural Retreat

#### Wytheville Convention & Visitors Bureau and Regional **Visitors Center**

975 Tazewell St., Wytheville: 877-347-8307: visitwytheville. com. Local, regional and state visitor information. Daily 9am-5pm. 🖚 🛎 🕹

# African-American Heritage

410 E. Franklin St., Wytheville; 276-625-0042; wythevilletrainingschool.org. Photos, stories and memorabilia tell history of African-American education in Wythe County

#### Beagle Ridge Herb Farm

1934 Matney Flats Rd.. I-77/81 Exit 80 Max Meadows: Wytheville; 276-621-4511; 276-637-1832: beagleridge.org. Guided tours, fortchiswellmansion.com classes, weddings, luncheons Historic mansion dates to available. Soaps, lotions. 1840. Tours.

#### **Big Walker Lookout**

8711 Stoney Fork Rd., 170 East Main St., Wytheville; 276-663-4016; Wytheville; 276-223-2334; bigwalkerlookout.com. bollingwilsonhotel.com/dining. Panoramic views, craft shop Voted best in Virginia! with demos, hiking trails, open Restaurant, bar, steaks, all year. 🖚 📽 seafood, outdoor dining. 🛎 🕹

#### Claw of the Dragon

Off I-77 and I-81 in Southwest Highway Museum 975 Tazewell St., Wytheville; Virginia, Wytheville; 877-347-276-223-3330; 8307; clawofthedragon.com. Motorcycle trail showcasing museums.wytheville.org. the beautiful back roads of Recreated 1926-1950's era gas Southwest Virginia! station. \$

#### Crystal Springs Recreation Area

723 Pump Hollow Rd., 205 Tazewell St., Wytheville; Wytheville; 877-347-8307; 276-223-3330; wytheville.org/recreation/ museums.wytheville.org. Home crystalsprings.php. Hiking, of Wytheville's first resident Dr. John Haller \$ biking, picnicking, primitive camping, backpacking, guided hikes, nature workshops, **Shot Tower Historical State Park** geo-caching. I-77, exit 24, north on Rt. 52.

#### **Edith Bolling Wilson Birthplace** Museum

145 East Main St., Wytheville; 276-223-3484; edithbollingwilson.org. Discover the first lady who was acting president. \$ == &

Flying Flowers Butterfly House

1934 Matney Flats Rd.

lunches. \$ === 🐇

Fort Chiswell Animal Park

569 Red Hollow Rd., Max

Meadows: 276-637-6754:

45 acres of animals. \$ ===

fortchiswellanimalpark.com.

Guided safari bus ride through

# epidemic. \$ = &

**Wythe Raceway** 164 Racetrack Rd., Rural Wytheville; 276-621-4511; Retreat: 276-620-2015: flyingflowersva.com, Walk through butterfly house, all wytheraceway.com. Stock car native species flying, tours, racing on historic 1/2-mile clay oval. April-September. \$

# Wytheville Heritage

events.

Preservation Center 115 W. Spiller St., Wytheville; 276-223-3330; museums.wytheville.org. Education and orientation center, exhibits, special



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# **INSTAGRAM-WORTHY**

Views from **Birch Knob Observation Tower** stretch endlessly over so much unspoiled wilderness, you can almost convince your followers you've stepped back in time. Trees, boulders, ridges; undulating hills, mountains and valleys; the shadows of clouds punctuating the landscape that spreads out all around you. After climbing 183 stairs to this sturdy deck – at an elevation of 3,144 feet above sea level – you'll see Kentucky, West Virginia, Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee – even Ohio! – on a clear day.



#### **NOTABLE TOWN**

Have you seen **Woodbooger** – aka Big Foot or Sasquatch? Well you might in **Norton**, where the legend is embraced, especially after the 2011 filming of Animal Planet's "Finding Bigfoot." Even bigger than Woodbooger, though, is Norton's prime location for outdoor recreation – mountain biking, hiking, fishing, kayaking, trail running, rock climbing – and for cultural and historic landmarks.



#### ICONIC

Miles from the nearest big city, the **Carter Family Fold** celebrates music heritage and family, including the first family of country music: A.P., Sara and Maybelle Carter's 1927 recordings gave birth to the commercial country music industry. The venue provides a glimpse into old-time country music, traditional mountain, bluegrass and folk music. Weekly family-friendly performances feature talented musicians. The stage-front dance floor unites people across the generations: toddlers, teens, parents and grandparents all dance together in traditional styles.

#### **HIDDEN GEM**

Waterfalls hold universal appeal: the natural setting creates a primal allure; the soothing sounds of water cascading over rocks drown out everyday concerns. Some waterfalls seem inaccessible – a difficult hike over too many miles – but **Tank Hollow Falls** welcomes everyone. Park at the ADA-accessible lot, then traverse the half-mile walking path to the 60-foot-high falls, clear water plunging over moss-covered rocks. If you're in the mood, continue the three-mile trail to the **Cleveland Barrens Natural Area Preserve**. The water calls!

# PET-FRIENDLY

For tail-wagging, leaping-and-bounding fun, invite your pooch to join you at Southern Gap Outdoor Adventure. Together you can wander the trails around the campground and beyond, catching signs of the plentiful wildlife and basking in nature. You'll both crash in a contented heap at the end of the day, in on-site campgrounds or cabins. Or let Fido sleep it off while you enjoy everything else Southern Gap has to

#### **WHAT'S NEW**

The Back of the Dragon is a winding road that roars 32 miles through the mountains, changes 3,500 feet in elevation, takes 438 kneedragging curves, and offers breath-takingly picturesque views. Then it spits you out at the new Back of the Dragon Welcome Center. The 5,000-square-foot building features a store, brewery, specialty coffee, yogurt, food and a photogenic 12-foot dragon. Visitors can enjoy live events, or they can just sit a spell, swapping tales with other motor enthusiasts who dared to ride this stretch of road.

#### **ASK A LOCAL**

"The Appalachian African-American Cultural Center is unique in terms of documenting and preserving history; very little is written, so we primarily talk to people to preserve their stories. I call the region our country's hidden secret, for the beauty of the mountains and the history, which is really what has grabbed me: not just the African-American experiences but the history of the Melungeons and the Scots-Irish, as well as the plight of the area's coal miners."

— Jill Carson, Appalachian African American Cultural Center



#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

**The Clinch River**, meandering through the Heart of Appalachia, is one of the world's most aquatically diverse rivers. It shelters the nation's highest number of rare aquatic species, including 40 species of freshwater mussels, half of which are threatened or endangered. Approximately 130 species of fish swim here. Caves around the river also harbor globally diverse species, some that only live in that cave. Whether you're a paddler, angler or nature watcher, the Clinch River can float your boat.

#### Heart of Appalachia Visitor Information Center

3028 4th Avenue Market Sq. St. Paul; 276-762-0011; heartofappalachia.com **VA Visitors Information** Center offering brochures, attractions and event information.  $\Longrightarrow$  & &

#### **Spearhead Trails**

502 Front St. E., Coeburn; 276-807-7581; spearheardtrails com Worldclass outdoor adventure destination experiences; ATV. mountain-biking. hiking, equestrian, paddling. \$==

#### **Appalachian Backroads**

3028 4th Avenue Market Sq., St. Paul; 276-762-0011; appalachianbackroads.com. Motorcycle and auto routes covering hundreds of miles of curvy, scenic roads.

#### **Clinch River State Park** 276-254-5487;

virginiastateparks.gov

#### Heart of Appalachia Bike **Route and Scenic Drive** 3028 4th Avenue Market Sq.,

St. Paul; 276-762-0011; heartofappalachia.com. 128 miles with 40 miles of side trails.

#### Virginia's Coal Heritage Trail

Stretches through 7 counties. St. Paul: 276-762-0011: virginia.org/coalheritagetrail. 325-mile driving trail through the Heart of Appalachia region.

#### **BIG STONE GAP** Carmine's - Big Stone Gap

Visitor Center 300 Wood Ave. E., Big Stone Gap; 276-523-2303; bigstonegap.org. Visitor information inside, filming location for Big Stone Gap Movie. 🖚

#### Big Stone Gap Walking/ **Driving Tour**

306 Wood Ave F Big Stone Gap; 276-523-2303; bigstonegap.org. Walking/ driving tour of attractions, buildings, historical landmarks and Victorian-era homes

#### **Bullitt Park**

217 E. 1st St. N., Big Stone Gap; 276-523-4950; bigstonegap.org. Historic park built by WPA program in 1930s. 🖚📽

#### Harry W. Meador Coal Museum

E. 3rd St. & Shawnee Ave., Big Stone Gap; 276-523-9209; bigstonegap.org. Exhibits depicting history of coal mining lifestyles and regional culture.

#### Interstate 101 Car

10 W. 1st St. N., Big Stone Gap; 276-523-1322; visitwisecounty.com/list/ interstate-101-car. An 1870 passenger car with original features.

#### John Fox JR Museum

117 Shawnee Ave. E, Big Stone Gap; 276-523-2303; bigstonegap.org. Historic landmark home of "Trail of the Lonesome Pine" author.

#### June Tolliver House & Folk Art Center

522 Clinton Ave. E., Big Stone Gap; 276-523-4707; bigstonegap.org. Historic Victorian townhouse serves as a museum and craft shop.

#### Lonesome Pine School & Heritage Center

511 Clinton Ave. E, Big Stone Gap; 276-523-1111; lpshc.net. School memorabilia, photos and genealogical materials displayed in historic house.

#### Miner's Park

5th St. & Wood Ave., Big Stone Gap: 276-523-2303 bigstonegap.org. Historic park honors the coal mining history of the area.

#### Southwest Virginia Museum Historical State Park vg

10 W. First St. N., Big Stone Gap; 276-523-1322; swvamuseum.org. \$

#### "Trail of the Lonesome Pine Outdoor Drama"

518 Clinton Ave. East, June Tolliver Playhouse, Big Stone Gap; 276-523-1235; trailofthelonesomepine.com. Virginia's official outdoor drama featuring folk music, feuding and romance. \$==

#### **BUCHANAN COUNTY**

#### Includes Grundy **Buchanan County Tourism** Office

3019 Slate Creek Rd., Grundy; 276-244-1542; buchanancountytourism.com Provides visitor information on area attractions, guides and brochures.

# Southern Gap Outdoor

Adventure Visitor Center 1124 Chipping Sparrow Rd., Grundy; 276-244-1111; sgadventures.com. Offering attraction/lodging information, ATV rentals, elk tours, archery tag, vending. 🖚 📽 🕹

#### **Bull Creek Hiking/Biking Trail**

Rt. 601, Harman Community, Grundy: 276-762-0011: heartofappalachia.com/ attraction/bull-creektrail-grundy. Hiking/biking rail-trail following Bull Creek tributary of Levisa Fork River 📽

#### Coal Canyon Multi-use Trail System

1810 Fairgrounds Cir., Grundy; 276-807-7581: spearheadtrails.com, Multiuse 60-mile ATV-Mountain Biking-Hiking trails with breathtaking overlooks, elk viewing. \$

#### Jewell Valley Multi-Use **Family Trail**

Whitewood Community, 276-244-1542; buchanancountyatvtrails. com. 30-miles ATV and mountain bike trail with breathtaking scenery and trailhead parking.

#### Michael D. Young Hiking/ **Biking Trail**

1350 Slate Creek Rd., Grundy; 276-935-5436; heartofappalachia.com/ trail/michael-d-younghiking-biking-trail. Beautiful 3.3-mile rugged mountain biking and hiking trail; beautiful views.

#### Poplar Gap Park & **Fairgrounds**

Rt 604/Poplar Creek Rd Grundy; 276-762-0011; heartofappalachia.com/ attraction/poplar-gap-park. Fairgrounds, horse-ring. baseball & football field. picnic shelters, playground, walking path. 🖚 🛎 🕭

#### **Southern Gap Raceway**

6391 Poplar Creek Rd. Grundy; 276-935-5725; southerngapraceway.com. Family racing entertainment with seasonal events.

#### **CITY OF NORTON**

#### **Wise County and City** of Norton Chamber of Commerce

765 Park Ave. SW. Norton: 276-679-0961; wisecountychamber org. Offers support and promotion for commercial, industrial, agricultural, civic, tourism and general business interests of Wise County and the City of Norton.

#### Central Drive-In

5113 Kent Junction Rd., Norton: 276-679-3761: centraldrivein.com. Historic drive-in theater founded in

#### Flag Rock Area Trails System

State Rt 619 Norton: 276-679-1160: frat.bike: 10-plus mile trail system open to mountain biking and foot travel.

#### Flag Rock Recreation Area

1348 Flag Rock Road, Norton 276-679-0754; flagrock.com; Thousand-acre park with trails, fishing, paddling, rock climbing, camping, scenic views, Woodbooger sanctuary.

#### Norton Reservoir

State Rt. 619, Norton; 276-679-0754; nortonva. gov/gofish. 9.8-acre upper reservoir is a state-stocked trout water.

#### **Park Avenue Theater**

722 Park Ave., Norton; 276-328-4917: parkayenuetheater com. Historic early 1900s 200-seat theater. Vintage movies and performing arts center. \$ ----- &.

## **DICKENSON COUNTY**

Includes Breaks, Clinchco, Clintwood, **Dickenson County Visitor's** 

#### Center, Tourism & Chamber of Commerce

194 Clintwood Main St., Clintwood; 276-926-6074; dickensonchamber.net. Tourism information, brochures, maps, Also visit dickensonva.org. ==

#### **Birch Knob Observation Tower** 10 miles north of Clintwood Fork River

Rt 611 to Birch Knob Rd Clintwood; 276-926-6074; dickensonva.org. 3,144 feet above sea level with a view of five states, clear day, six states.\*\*

**Breaks Interstate Park** State Rt. 80. 7 miles from Haysi, Breaks; 276-865-4413; breakspark.com. \$ 🖚 📽 🕹

#### Clinchco Coal Miners' Memorial

Rt. 83, Town of Clinchco on Virginia's Coal Heritage Trail, Clinchco; 276-926-6074; clinchcova.net. Remembering miners lost in Dickenson County coal mines.

#### **Cumberland Mountain View Driving Tour**

Virginia's Scenic Rt. 611, Breaks; 276-865-4413; breakspark.com. 19 miles of scenic views through the mountains Clintwood to Bartlick. 🖚📽

#### Dr. Phipps Family Museum

194 Clintwood Main St., Clintwood; 276-926-6074; dickensonva.org. Displaying medical memorabilia from the Old Dickenson County Hospital. 🖚

#### Dr. Ralph Stanley Museum and Traditional Mountain **Music Center**

249 Main St., Clintwood; 276-926-8550; ralphstanleymuseum.com. Features the life and music of the legendary Bluegrass performer. \$

#### Haysi's Ridgeview Multi-use Trail System

Rt. 732, Haysi; 276-807-7581; spearheadtrails.com Connecting with Coal Canyon ATV Trail offering 200 miles of trails for ATV, Mountain biking and hiking. \$

#### John W. Flannagan Dam & Reservoir

192 White Water Rd., Haysi 276-926-6074; dickensonva. org. Whitewater releases in October. Fishing, boating, picnics, hiking, handicapped equipped fishing pier.

#### Pine Mountain Trail

Rt. 611, Breaks; 276-926-4605: pinemountaintrail.com. Scenic hiking/horseback riding trail following crest of Cumberland Mountains.

#### Virginia Scenic Cranesnest River & Multi-use Trail

Rt. 83, 2 miles from Clintwood, Clintwood; 276-926-6074; heartofappalachia. com/trail, Bird watching. hiking, biking, equestrian trails.

#### Virginia Scenic Russell

Rt. 83, Haysi; 276-853-9544; breakspark.com. Rapids and pools offering class five/six whitewater. Releases 1st four weekends in October.

#### LEE COUNTY

Includes Dryden Fwing Ionesville Keokee, Pennington Gap, St. Charles

#### Lee County Tourism Office 33640 Main St., Jonesville: 276-346-7766; ilovelee.org. Lee County, where Virginia begins - the first great gateway to the west.

#### **Pennington Gap Welcome** Center

335 Fairground Rd., Pennington Gap; 276-298-5177; townofpenningtonva.gov. Regional attraction/lodging, event information near Stone Mountain Multi-use trails trailhead. 🖚📽 🕹

#### Annalachian African-American **Cultural & Community Development Center**

265 N. Leona St., Pennington Gap; 276-546-5144; ilovelee. org/attractions Books/ Photos depicting African-American life in Appalachia. Tours by appointment.

#### Bates Family Farm LLC

319 Vanderveter Rd Jonesville: 276-346-3203; facebook.com/ batesfamilyfamllc. Handmade goat milk soaps/ lotion, produce, eggs, milk, Nubian goats, tours.

#### **Cave Springs Recreational Area**

Cave Springs Rd, Dryden; 276-346-4629; ilovelee.org. Camping, picnic area, natural swimming area, hiking.

#### Coal Miners Memorial Wall St. Charles Rd., St. Charles;

276-546-1177; ilovelee.org. Remembering those who were lost providing for their families.

#### Cowan Mill

Located off of Hwy 58, Rt. 698, Ewing; 276-346-4629; ilovelee.org. Historic gristmill built in 1890. Must see photo

#### Cumberland Rowl Park

842 Park St., Jonesville: 276-346-1151. Visit the beautiful Veteran Memorial Wall located inside the park.

#### **Cumberland Gap National** Historical Park

US Hwy. 58, Ewing; 606-248-2817; nps.gov/cuga. Nation's largest national park preserves famous Daniel Boone Wilderness Road. 🖚 📽

# Gap Cave (aka Cudjo Cave)

Cumberland Gap National Historical Park, Ewing; 606-248-2817; nps. gov/cuga. A majestic underground cathedral with glistening stalagmites and stalactites. 🖚📽

#### Iron Furnace

Cumberland Gap National Historic Park, Ewing; 606-248-2817; nps.gov/cuga. Used to make iron before and during the Civil War.

#### Lake Keokee

Rt. 606 Keokee Rd., Keokee: 276-679-8370; fs.usda.gov/ activity/gwj/recreation. A 92acre lake for fishing, boating, picnic facilities.

#### Lee Theatre

41676 W. Morgan Ave., Pennington Gap; 276-546-4000; leetheatre.org. Historic venue for arts entertainment, local events education and movies.

#### Stone Face Rock

LIS 421 North Pennington Gap: 276-546-1177: ilovelee. org. Folklore says that the face was carved by Cherokee Indians. 🖚 📽

#### Stone Mountain Multi-Use Trail System

100 Fairground Rd. Pennington Gap; 276-807-7581; spearheadtrails.com. 30-mile challenging trails for ATVs, mountain biking, hiking; stunning overlooks. \$

#### White Rocks

US Hwy 58, Ewing; 276-346-4629: ilovelee.org, Hike to massive rocks-landmark for early pioneers. Impressive

#### Wilderness Road State Park vg US Hwy 58, 8051 Wilderness Rd., Ewing; 276-445-3065; virginiastateparks.gov.

#### Wilderness Road Trail

US Hwv. 58, 8051 Wilderness Rd., Ewing; 276-445-3065; dcr.virginia.gov. Follow the path of Daniel Boone's legendary Wilderness Road.

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#### Russell County Tourism 137 Highland Dr., Lebanon; 276-889-8000; experiencerussell.com. Promoting tourism, attractions, economic development and quality of life. 🖚 🖔

#### **Channels Natural Area** Preserve

State Rt. 80 at Raven Ridge Rd., Lebanon; 276-676-5673; dcr.virginia.gov. Great Channels of Virginia, 721 acres atop Clinch Mountain.

#### **Cleveland Barrens Natural** Area Preserve

State Rt. 82. Cleveland: 276-676-5673: dcr.virginia gov. One of the top six biodiversity hot spots in the United States.

#### Dante Coal & Railroad Museum

30 Straight Hollow Rd Dante; 276-495-1903; heartofappalachia.com/listing/ dante-coal-mining-and-railroadmuseum. Exhibits of coal and railroad memorabilia related to the history of the coal mining community. 🖚 🖔

#### **Dickenson Bundy Log House** & Old Courthouse

US Hwv 58A, St. Paul: 276-889-8000; heartofappalachia com/listing/dickenson-bundylog-house. Restored 1769 log house, craft shop and old courthouse tours.

Honaker Heritage Museum 386 Railroad Ave., Honaker; 276-991-9165; facebook.com/ honakerheritagemuseum. Showcasing photos and memorabilia linked to town's heritage and history. By

#### Jessee's Mill

State Rt. 645, Jessee's Mill Rd., Lebanon; 276-889-8041; heartofappalachia. com/listing/jessees-mill. US Historic Landmark. Roller-process gristmill built between 1889-90.

#### Laurel Bed Lake/Clinch **Mountain Wildlife** Management Area

Rt. 747. Honaker: 276-676-5673; experiencerussell.com Elevations from 1,600-4,700 feet, 330-acre man-made lake; fishing, boating. \$

#### Pinnacle Natural Area Preserve State Rt 721 Lebanon 276-676-5673: dcr.virginia

gov. Spectacular cliffs and breathtaking waterfalls on the scenic Clinch River.

#### Trans-America Bike Route

State Rt. 80/76 Bicentennial bike route, Lebanon; 276-619-1817; expperiencerussell.com. Route 80 from I-81 Exit 24 to Breaks Interstate Park - The Great "80 Curves of Challenge.

#### **SCOTT COUNTY**

Includes Fort Blackmore, Duffield. Dungannon, Gate City, Hiltons, Nicklesville

# **Scott County Tourism**

190 Beech St., Suite 201 Gate City; 276-386-6521; explorescottcountyva.com. Carter Fold, Natural Tunnel State Park, Crooked Road, festivals, re-enactments.

#### A.P. Carter Museum

3449 A.P. Carter Hwy., Hiltons; 276-594-0676; carterfamilyfold. org. Recordings, photographs, books, instruments and memorabilia of the Carter family. \$ ===

#### Bark Camp Lake & Recreation

FS Rt. 551. Dugannon: 276-386 6521; explorescottcounty.com. Camping, fishing, picnicking and hiking. \$ ==== \*\*

#### **Rush Mill**

1154 Twin Springs Rd., Nickelsville; 423-863-7311; explorescottcountyva.org. A restored operational mill built between 1896 and 1897.

#### Carter Family Fold

3449 A.P. Carter Hwy., Hiltons; 276-386-6054; carterfamilyfold. org. Traditional music performed at Carter family home place on Saturday evenings. \$

#### Creation Kingdom Zoo

1692 Snowflake Rd., Gate City; 276-479-1910: creationkingdomzoo.com. Breeding zoo for endangered species. Open mid-March to November 30th. \$

#### **Dungannon Depot**

344 Phoenix St., Dungannon; 276-467-2306; ddcinc.org/depot.htm. Early 1900s depot used today as a community center. &

#### **Mann Farms**

11005 Veterans Memorial Pkwv.. Ft. Blackmore: 276-995-1000; facebook. com/pages/mannfarms/136530583102252. A Certified Virginia Century Farm known for their strawberries.\*\*

#### Natural Tunnel State Park vg 1420 Natural Tunnel Pkwy., Duffield: 276-940-2674:

virginiastateparks.gov. \$

#### **Punkin Patch Farm**

984 Cowans Creek Rd., Nickelsville; 276-479-3228: facebook.com/ pages/01punkinman. Growing fall decor & pumpkins for 20 years; petting zoo. 🖚 📽

#### Wilderness Road Blockhouse

1420 Natural Tunnel Pkwy., Duffield: 276-940-2674: danielboonetrail.com. Gathering place for hundreds of pioneers and the last safe haven for those migrating toward Kentucky.

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#### ST. PAUL

Heart of Appalachia Visitor's Center & Tourism Authority 3028 4th Avenue Market Sq., St. Paul; 276-762-0011;

heartofappalachia.com, Regional travel information on attractions, accommodations and special events. 🖚 🖔 📽

#### A.R. Matthews Park

16620 Riverside Dr., St. Paul: 276-762-5297; stpaulva. org. Clinch river access/ launch, tennis, basketball, baseball, Blue Bell Island hiking. 🖚 🛎 🕹

#### Mountain Heritage Museum

16542 Russell St., St. Paul; 276-762-7500; heartofappalachia. com/attraction/mountainheritage-museum-st-pau. Coal mining, logging, railroading, farming, Civil War, Native American artifacts.

#### Mountain View Trails ATV Rentals

3025 Fourth Ave., St. Paul; 276-738-3040; mountainviewtrailsatvrentals.com Polaris ATV rentals, two and four seaters, Spearhead Trails. \$

#### Oxbow Lake

16345 Bush Dr., St. Paul; 276-762-5297; stpaulva.org. Fishing lake for non-motorized boats. boat ramp. Bike/hike trails. picnicking. 🖚 📽

#### Spearhead Trails/Mountain View OHV Trails

3028 4th Avenue Market Sq., St. Paul: 276-220-9875: spearheadtrails.com. Trailhead in St. Paul. Over 100 miles maintained scenic OHV/ATV

#### St. Paul Railroad Museum

16646 Russell St., St. Paul: 276-762-5297; facebook.com/ stpaulvirginiarailroadmuseum. Built in the 1890s, features St. Paul art and artifacts. Saturdays 10am-noon and by appointment

#### Sugar Hill & Clinch River Trails

16345 Bush Dr., St. Paul; 276-762-5297; stpaulva.org. Hiking trails along Clinch River, birdwatching, canoeing, kayaking. 📽

#### Wetlands Estonoa **Learning Center**

3126 Deacon Dr., St. Paul; 276-762-5151; wetlandsestonoa.com 1/4 mile walking/birding trail, wetlands habitat and environmental education center.

#### **TAZEWELL COUNTY**

Includes Bluefield, Burke's Garden Cedar Bluff, Pocahontas, Richlands, Tazewell

#### Visit Tazewell County

163 Walnut St., Bluefield; 276-322-1345; visittazewellcounty. org. Promotes tourism and community development. Provides information on local attractions. 🕹

Appalachian Arts Center 2157 Steelsburg Hwy., Cedar Bluff; 276-596-9188; appalachianartscenter.org. Exhibitions featuring works of over 180 local crafters & artisans.

#### Back of the Dragon Welcome Center

524 West Main St.. Tazewell: 276-979-4288: backofthedragon.com. Travel Information. Group planning for Route 16.

#### Back of the Dragon

Rt. 16, Tazewell; 276-988-5726: backofthedragon.com. Scenic 32-mile driving trail between Tazewell and Marion Virginia.

#### Burke's Garden Artisan Guild 7154 Burkes Garden Rd..

Burke's Garden; bgarts.net. Traditional and contemporary Appalachian handmade arts. Located in iconic Burke's Garden Post Office

#### **Cavitts Creek Park and** Lake Witten

750 Recreation Dr., Tazewell; 276-988-7250: visittazewellcounty.org. 300-acre recreation area Hiking, fishing, picnic shelter, camping and cabins.

#### **Coal Miners Memorial**

200 Washington Sq. Richlands; 276-964-2566; visittazewellcountv.org. Tribute to men and women in the mining industry

#### Critterville Park

660 Virginia Ave., Richlands; 276-964-2599;town.richlands.va.us. Clinch River access point, walking/biking trial, playground, picnic area.

## **Graham Recreation Park**

Gov. GC Peery Hwy., Bluefield; 276-322-4626; bluefieldva.org. Baseball/softball complex. Amphitheatre, picnic shelters, playground.

#### **Historic Crab Orchard Museum** & Pioneer Park

3663 Crab Orchard Rd.. Tazewell; 276-988-6755; craborchardmuseum.com. Region's comprehensive cultural heritage museum. Year-round pioneering experience. \$ --- &

#### Lincolnshire AquaPark

3119 Riverside Dr. North Tazewell: 276-988-5404: townoftazewell.org. Exciting water playground at

#### Original Pocahontas Multi-Use Trail System

Lincolnshire Park. \$ == &

385 Railroad Aly., Pocahontas; 276-807-7581; spearheadtrails.com. Trail system for ATVs, mountain bikes & dirt bikes. \$

#### Pocahontas Cemetery

Rt. 102, Pocahontas; 276-945-9522. Features graves of over 114 coal miners killed in an explosion in 1884

#### Pocahontas Exhibition Coal Mine & Museum

Rt. 659, 215 Shop Hollow Rd., Pocahontas: 276-945-2134: pocahontasva.org. First exhibition coal mine in the U.S. and the only one designated as a National Historic Landmark \$ -- &

#### **POW MIA Memorial at** Overlook Park

U.S. Rt. 460. Cedar Bluff; 276-964-4889; visittazewellcountv.org. Hiking trail, picnic area. Shelter rentals for parties are available

#### **Railroad Section** Foreman's House

1542 Front St., Richlands: 276-964-2566; facebook. com/Downtown-Richlands Inc-52986608586/. Railroad history. State and National Landmark

#### Sanders House 200 Sanders Ln.,

Bluefield; 276-322-4626; visittazewellcounty.org. Historic house preserving aspects of the past. Tours and events.

#### **Tazewell Train Station**

135 Railroad Ave., North Tazewell: 276-988-2061; facebook.com/ tazewelltrainstation/. One of two remaining depots along the Clinch Valley Line. Educational exhibits.

#### WISE COUNTY Includes Appalachia, Coeburn

Norton, Pound, Wise Wise County & City of Norton Chamber of Commerce

765 Park Ave., Norton; 276-679-0961: wisecountychamber.org. Promoting tourism, economic development and the quality of life. 🕹

#### **Wise County Tourism**

206 E. Main St., Wise: 276 328-2321: visitwisecounty com. Regional business, activities, attractions, lodging, events information in historic location.

#### **Appalachia Cultural Arts** Center

402 W. Main St., Appalachia; 276-565-3900: facebook.com/ appalachiaculturalartscenter. Community arts activity center in restored early 1900s building.

#### Camp Bethel

9050 Camp Bethel Rd., Wise; 800-359-4049; campbethel. com. 165 wooded acres, lake, climbing wall, camping, authentic log building.

#### Civil War Monument & Red Fox Trail to Killing Rock

Top of Jenkins Mountain. take old Rt. 23 and follow trail signs Pound: 276-328-2321; visitwisecouty.com. Red Fox was legendary bad-man immortalized in plays, storytelling.

# Coeburn Train Depot

502 Front St. E, Coeburn; 276 395-3323; townofcoeburn. com, Restored train depot over 100 years old; VA LOVEwork photo op.

#### Derby Coal Camp

Derby Rd., Appalachia; 276-523-1322. 1920s coal camp built by mining company.

#### Falls of Little Stony

Rt 72, From Coeburn toward Dungannon about 10 miles, Coeburn; 276-679-8370; fs.usda.gov/activity/gwj/ recreation, 2.8-mile trail, 400 foot-deep, 1700 foot-wide gorge, two waterfalls, fishing.

#### George Washington and Jefferson National Forest Trails

Ranger Station, 1700 Park Ave. SW, Norton; 276-679-8370; fs.usda.gov/ activity/gwj/recreation/ hiking. Multiple trail systems with varying lengths and intensities. 🖚 👺

#### **Guest River Gorge**

State Rt. 72 from Coeburn to entrance of trail Swede Tunnel, Coeburn; 276-679-8370; fs.usda.gov/activity/ gwj/recreation. 5.8-mile "rails-to-trail" recreation area that was formerly a railroad line.

#### **High Knob Observation Tower** Rt. 619. Norton: 276-328-2321: visitwisecounty.com At elevation of 4,162 feet, panoramic views of 5 states.

#### Lay's Hardware Center for the Arts

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409 East Front St., Coeburn; 276-395-5160; layshardware. com. Jam sessions. Friday night bluegrass and dancing. Art/craft classes/ exhibitions.

#### **Lonesome Pine Raceway**

10802 Norton-Coeburn Rd., Coeburn; 276-395-5123; lonesomepineraceway.info 3/8 mile high-bank oval stockcar track; NASCAR racing series. \$

#### Louis E. Henegar Miners Memorial Park Callahan Ave.,

Appalachia: 276-565-3900: townofappalachiava.us. Public park dedicated to local mining in the community

#### Mountain View Multi-use Trail System

3rd Ave, St. Paul; 276-807-7581: spearheadtrails com 118-mile scenic trail system for ATVs, mountain bikes and hiking. \$

#### North Fork of Pound Lake & Reservoir

Rt. 630/Old North Fork Rd. Pound; 276-796-5775; heartofappalachia.com/ attraction/north-fork-ofpound-reservoir. Camping, picnic facilities, fishing, boat launch ramp. ===

#### **Phillips Creek Recreational** Area

State Rt. 671, Pound; 276-328-2321: visitwisecounty. com. Beach area, hiking trail and picnic shelters on Pound Reservoir. 🖚 📽

#### **Powell Valley Overlook**

Lt. Hobbs Way, Big Stone Gap; 276-328-2321; visitwisecounty.com. Scenic overlook offering sweeping vistas of Powell Valley and High Knob.

#### Wise Lake Reservoir

5545 Browning Ln./Rt. 646 off Coeburn Mountain Rd., Wise; 276-679-0961; visitwisecounty. com. Stocked fishing, boat ramp, hiking and picnic facilities available.\*\*

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#### **PET-FRIENDLY**

It's your turn to sniff out treasures, while your dog tags along! Wander the 40,000-square-foot warehouse and two outside acres at Black Dog Salvage, packed with amazing creative architectural and repurposed products. Shop for furniture and home décor, outdoor gems, Black Dog furniture paint and oh-so-much-more. And vou and your companion just might meet resident black dogs Molly May and Stella - or the treasure hunters of the DIY Network show "Salvage Dawgs."



#### **ASK A LOCAL**

"Everyone who knows me knows the first place I will take them is the Booker T. **Washington National** Monument. The park is a perfect combination of history, culture and nature, and I count it a privilege to learn about the enslaved childhood of Booker T. Washington and the obstacles he overcame to achieve success. I also enjoy taking friends and family to Smith Mountain **Lake Community Park** and Smith Mountain Lake State Park. The trails are great,

breathtaking!"

— Brittany Webb Lane,
Booker T. Washington
National Monument

and the views are



#### **BUCKET LIST**

Undoubtedly, the **Blue Ridge Parkway** serves up gorgeous views along hundreds of miles of mountain driving. Scenic overlooks make it easy to pull over, absorb the beauty and refresh your soul. But there's more! This ribbon of road passes by iconic stops that showcase rich regional traditions and also grants glimpses of abundant biodiversity and geological wonders. Take a hike, snap a pic or just soak in the wonders of nature.

#### **LOVEWORK**

You'll have no trouble entertaining yourself at **Smith** Mountain Lake, and the new LOVEwork provides even more inspiration. The L-O-V-E letters paint a picture of the 20,600-acre lake, 500 miles of shoreline and iconic highpoints. The sign, by local artist Lisa Floyd, captures the beauty of the lake and surrounding mountains, farmland, homes, shops, restaurants and more - and all the different ways to enjoy its beauty. You'll #LOVEVASML!

#### ICONIC

The natural beauty of the **Peaks of Otter** has attracted visitors for centuries, from Native Americans to European settlers and Blue Ridge Parkway travelers. Hike to the tops of the three peaks and you'll be rewarded with scenic 360-degree views, thickets of mountain laurel and the serenity of Mother Nature. Even the base of the mountains offers walking paths, a scenic lake, a 1930s farmstead and a historic lodge with comfy rooms and regional dining.

#### **NOTABLE TOWN**

When this thriving railroad boomtown saw its livelihood go bust, **Clifton Forge** remade itself, with art at the center of the renewal. The Alleghany Highlands Arts and Crafts Center opened in 1984, and other artistic endeavors followed, including the historic Clifton Forge School of the Arts and the restored Masonic Theatre and Amphitheatre. Now the town boasts creative shops and restaurants, the C&O Heritage Center railroad museum, and trainloads of nearby recreation. Schedule a visit and renew yourself!



#### **HIDDEN GEM**

Who'd guess that the nation's second-largest municipal park could be so easily overlooked? The size of **Carvins Cove Natural Reserve** can't be overlooked: 12,700 acres, including 11,363 acres of protected forestland creating diverse wildlife habitats and natural eye candy. The recreational opportunities are remarkable: 60 miles of trails for hiking, biking and horseback riding, plus an over 600-acre reservoir for fishing and boating. The convenience is noteworthy, too: near downtown Roanoke, Interstate 81 and the Appalachian Trail.

#### **INSTAGRAM-WORTHY**

History, architecture, nature – three popular reasons to snap a photo at **Humpback Bridge**. Built in 1857, the National Historic Landmark is an arched multiple Kingpost truss bridge, possibly the oldest of its design in the nation. Covered-bridge enthusiasts from across the country come to visit this icon. The surrounding park, unique LOVEwork sign and peaceful Dunlap Creek add to the photogenic qualities. Nineteenth-century travelers called covered bridges "kissing bridges," giving cover for stolen kisses – now there's a photo op!

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# Franklin County

Day trip, road trip or extended stay – make Franklin County your future destination. Our rural community has plenty of open spaces, great views, small towns and welcoming people. As a land of two lakes, four rivers and 10,000 springs, with a landscape spanning from the crest of the Blue Ridge down to the Piedmont with the foothills in between, we offer a little something for everyone.

Heritage and community are important to us, from our history as the "Moonshine Capital of the World," going back to the Great Moonshine Conspiracy Trial of 1935, to the Blue Ridge Institute & Museum at Ferrum College, to the Booker T. Washington National Monument's showcase of social justice principles. Cruise along the Blue Ridge Parkway for an incredible vista at the Smartview Recreation Center and relaxing travel. Sample homegrown harvests at the Rocky Mount Farmers Market, the Foothills Produce Auction near Boones Mill and various farmstands, peruse local shops for antiques or handcrafted finds and enjoy a rewarding trip to Homestead Creamery for a tasty ice cream cone or milkshake, courtesy of happy dairy cows just down the road. While you're here, take in Americana music thanks to our presence being the starting point of the Crooked Road: Virginia's Heritage Music Trail.

Families will love the close proximity to two premier outdoor jewels – the vibrant Smith Mountain Lake and





serene Philpott Lake – where summer fun makes for an unforgettable vacation. Coast with our mountain and trail biking, navigate five blueways or experience miles of designated scenic byways. Fishing reigns here, and we are the only East Coast location offering two forms of wakeboarding: boatpulled and cable-pulled.

Everyone loves a good story. Our world-class outdoor recreation and incredible touchstones of Appalachian music and history, combined with the beauty of Virginia's mountains make for the perfect road trip or weekend getaway for your family. Past, present and future Franklin County brings it all together for you to enjoy. We're here when you're ready!



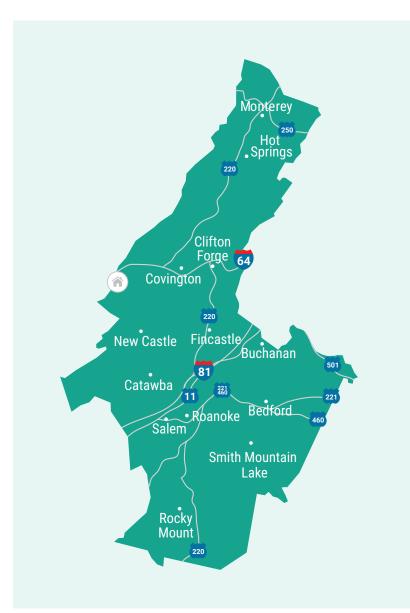
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#### Blue Ridge Parkway vc

Mileposts 162.9 to 192.5, 828-298-0398; nps.gov/blri. "America's Favorite Scenic Drive."

# **ALLEGHANY HIGHLANDS**

Includes Covington, Clifton Forge, Low Moor

#### Alleghany Highlands Chamber of Commerce & Tourism

110 Mall Rd., Covington; 540-962-2178; visitalleghanyhighlands.com. Beautiful mountain views, endless outdoor recreation and two walkable downtowns with locally owned shops and restaurants. Historic treasures and a thriving arts community. Get away, enjoy - it's uniquely Alleghany!

#### Alleghany Highlands Arts & Crafts Center

439 E Ridgeway St., Clifton Forge; 540-862-4447. Facility where regional juried artists and craftspeople display and sell high quality fine art and crafts.

#### Alleghany Highlands Blueway 110 Mall Rd., Covington;

540-962-2178; alleghanyhighlandsblueway. com. Miles of scenic rivers and shoreline on two pristine lakes.

#### Alleghany Highlands Genealogical Society

515 E. Pine St., Covington; 540-962-1501; ahgscov.org. Library and archives with hundreds of old photos and records.

#### Welcome Center at Covington vo Virginia Tourism Corpo

Virginia Tourism Corporation Mile Marker 2, I-64 Eastbound Covington 24426 540-559-3010

#### Blue Spring Run Farm

3901 Blue Spring Run Rd., Covington; 540-747-2055; bluespringrunfarm.com. Tours, seasonal produce, baked goods and sweet treats available year-round.

#### C&O Railway Heritage Center

705 Main St., Clifton Forge; 540-862-8653; cohs.org. Railway heritage museum that tells the story of C&O Railway.

#### Eastern National Children's Forest

State Rt. 18, James River Ranger District, Covington; 540-962-2214; visitalleghanyhighlands.com. Planted by children, a unique site offering an easy hike.

# Clifton Forge School of the Arts 518 Church St., Clifton Forge:

518 Church St., Clifton Forge; 540-862-7275; cfsota.org. Offers a large array of classes specializing in the arts.

#### **Douthat State Park**

14239 Douthat State Park Rd., Millboro; 540-862-8100; virginiastateparks.gov.

#### **Falling Spring Falls**

Scenic overlook on Rt. 220 north of Covington; 540-962-2178; visitalleghanyhighlands. com. Remarkable cascade falling about 80 feet to the valley below.

#### Historic Humpback Bridge

Alleghany Highlands Industrial

149 S. Maple Ave., Covington;

540-965-0149. Coming Soon!

materials-oriented industries

Alleghany Highlands Trails

110 Mall Rd., Covington;

alleghanyhighlandstrails.

com. Hundreds of miles

of challenging trails with

peaceful mountain views.

**Alleghany Historical Society** 

149 Maple Ave., Covington;

Restored 1908 C&O passenger

alleghanyhistorical.org.

depot and 1890 freight

Heritage and Discovery

Builds on the history of

**Technology Center** 

in the region.

540-962-2178;

**Covington Depot** 

540-965-0149;

depot. 🖚 🕹

1-64 Exit 10 to Rt. 60, Covington; 540-962-2178; visitalleghanyhighlands.com. The oldest bridge of this style in existence.

#### Historic Masonic Theatre 510 Main St., Clifton Forge;

540-862-5655; historicmasonictheatre.com. Constructed in 1905, now used as a performing arts center. \$==\$\&\text{\chi}\$

#### Jack Mason's Tavern & Brewery

400 E. Ridgeway St., Clifton Forge; 540-862-5624 jackmasonstavern.com Open at 11am, 7 days a week for lunch, dinner, craft beer and lots of fun!

#### Jackson River Scenic Trail

Jackson River Scenic Trail Covington; 540-863-6622; alleghanyhighlandstrails. com. 14.4-mile trail for biking, hiking and horseback riding.

#### Jackson River Sports Complex

Rot W. Edgemont Dr., Covington; 540-965-6360; covington.va.us. State-of-the-art sports facility. Athletic fields, tennis courts, driving range, amphitheater.

#### Lake Moomaw, Gathright Dam and Morris Hill Campground

South end of Lake Moomaw, Morris Hill Rd., Covington; 540-962-2178; visitalleghanyhighlands. com. Nestled in the scenic Allegheny Mountains; camping, boating, fishing, swimming.

#### Main Street Park/Engine 701

Main St., Covington; 540-962-6360; covington.va.us. Six-acre community park with the refurbished 701 Steam Engine.

#### **Masonic Amphitheatre**

513 Church St., Clifton Forge; 540-862-5655; historicmasonictheatre.com. A unique venue that offers entertainment in music and theater performances. &

#### Oakland Church & Cemetery

Low Moor/Selma Rd., Low Moor; 540-962-2178; visitalleghanyhighlands.com. Served as hospital during Civil War; Confederate soldiers buried here.

#### River Rock Amphitheatre

870 W. Edgemont Dr., Covington; 540-965-6360; covington.va.us. Seasonal entertainment in a unique venue.

#### Wrightsville Heritage Museum

702 Wrightstown Rd., Covington; 540-962-6787; tmfndt.wix.com/ themcclintonfoundation. Historical artifacts, paintings, furniture, machinery, clothing. Some dating back to slavery.

#### **BEDFORD AREA**

VIRGINIA MAIN STREET COMMUNITY
Includes Big Island

#### Bedford Area Welcome Center vg U.S. 460 & 122. Bedford:

U.S. 460 & 122, Bedford;
540-587-5681;
destinationbedfordva.com.
Bedford offers outdoor
recreation, wineries, breweries,
shopping and unique dining
and lodging. RV hook-ups,
Wi-Fi and meeting space
available.

#### The Bedford Wine Trail

816 Burks Hill Rd., Bedford; 540-587-5681; destinationbedfordva.com/experiences/beer-wine. Savor the flavor of exquisite wine varieties and enjoy wonderful views.

#### Big Otter Mill

Rt. 122 North, Bedford; 434-455-2308; bigottermill. com. Historic mill that hosts events and group tours by appointment.

#### **Bower Center for the Arts**

305 North Bridge St., Bedford; 540-586-4235; bowercenter.org. Cultural center with art exhibits, concerts, workshops throughout the year.

#### The Charles & Louise Wharton House

315 North Bridge St., Bedford; 540-587-5681; bedfordhistory.org. 1883 Italianate house and gardens. Gardens open to public.

#### Hunter's Raid Civil War Trail

816 Burks Hill Rd., Bedford; 540-587-5681; civilwartrails.org. Bedford hosts four sites. Information at Bedford Area Welcome Center.

#### National D-Day Memorial

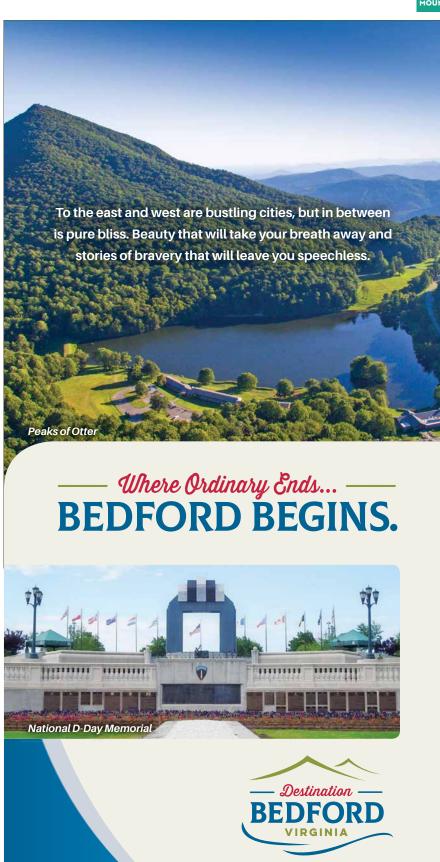
3 Overlord Cir., Bedford; 540-586-3329; dday.org. This national monument honors the Allied forces on D-Day. \$ ====

#### Peaks of Otter

Milepost 86, Blue Ridge Pkwy., Bedford; 540-586-4496; peaksofotter.com. Hiking, fishing, wildflower trails, picnic areas, campgrounds, spectacular mountain views.



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**Botetourt County Historical** 

Courthouse Sq., Fincastle;

bothistsoc.wordpress.com

Houses hundreds of artifacts

**Buchanan Historic Theatre** 

19778 Main St., Buchanan; 540-

254-1155; buchanantheatre.

com. Big Screen in small town.

National Register of Historic

**Fincastle Historic District** 

20 West Main St., Fincastle;

540-473-3077; hisfin.org, A

virtual museum of American

Fincastle Library Genealogy

11 Academy St. Fincastle:

540-928-2700; botetourtva.

Botetourt once extended

through seven present-day

states. Genealogical resources

19753 Main St, Buchanan; 540-

more than 200 years of history.

254-1212: townofbuchanan.

James Matten Early Cabin

historic cabin, circa 1796.

Scheduled tours available

121 Murray St., Fincastle: 540-

473-3077; hisfin.org. Furnished

gov/libraries/genealogy.php.

architecture from 1770's-20th

Museum

540-473-8394:

Places. \$

century. 🖚 📽

available

Historic Buchanan

#### Sedalia Center

1108 Sedalia School Rd., Big Island; 434-299-5080; sedaliacenter.org. Venue hosting concerts, festivals, workshops and more. Camping available. \$ -----

#### **BOTETOURT COUNTY**

Includes Buchanan, Eagle Rock

#### **Botetourt County Chamber of** Commerce

13 West Main St, Fincastle; 540-473-8280; botetourtchamber.com. Visit Botetourt located in the heart of Virginia's Blue Ridge

#### **Botetourt County Recreation** and Facilities

16 East Main St., Fincastle: 540-928-2130: visitybr.com/ botetourt, Historic Botetourt, Appalachian Trail, James River Parkway and more!

#### Blacksmith Shop/Wysong Park

West Main St., Fincastle: 540-473-3077; hisfin.org. Circa 1840, it contains blacksmith tools and history of the family who owned it.

#### **Botetourt County Historic Circuit Courthouse**

1 West Main St., Fincastle; 540-473-8274; hisfin.org. Original, primary source genealogy documents dating to the early 1700's. 🖚

#### **Roaring Run Recreation Area** 450 Roaring Run Rd., Eagle Rock; 540-928-2130; visitvbr com/botetourt. Early 1800s iron furnace; leisurely hike to exquisite water fall.

Upper James River Water Trail L6 East Main St., Fincastle; 540-928-2130: upperjamesriverwatertrail. com. Blueway with nine public access points, kayaking, tubing, canoeing, fishing. =

#### **COUNTY OF BATH**

Includes Hot Springs, Millboro, Warm Springs

#### County of Bath Chamber of Commerce

2814 Main St., Hot Springs: 540-839-5409: discoverbath com. Information about local attractions includes golf, campgrounds, resorts, spas, bed & breakfasts, state parks, hiking, hunting, fishing.

#### Visitor Information Gazebo

Junction of Rt. 39 & 220, Warm Springs; 540-839-7202: discoverbath.com. Find information on local attractions, outdoor recreation. lodging, dining and shopping.

#### and historic interpretations of **Bath County Historical Society** Botetourt County.

99 Courthouse Hill, Warm Springs; 540-839-2543; bathcountyhistory.org. Historical museum and research library. Call for seasonal hours.

#### **Blowing Springs**

7608 Mountain Valley Rd., Warm Springs; 540-839-2521. Hiking, wildlife, birding, fishing.

## **Bolar Mountain Recreational**

756 Twin Ridge Dr., Warm Springs; 540-839-2521; discoverbath.com. Swimming. camping, fishing, hunting, boating, hiking, wildlife, birding, picnic area.

#### **Coursey Springs Fish Hatchery** 300 Hatchery Ln., Millboro; 540-925-2343; dgif.state.va.us. Free guided tours, 365 days a

#### year. 🖚 com. Small town charm with Dan Ingalls Overlook

Rt. 39, Warm Springs; 540-839-7202; discoverbath.com Scenic roadside overlook on Warm Springs Mountain; hiking trail and interpretive signage.

#### **Dominion Back Creek** Recreation Area

316 Power Station Dr., Warm Springs; discoverbath.com. Swimming, hiking, non-power boating, picnic areas.

#### Douthat State Park vo 14239 Douthat State Park Rd., Millboro; 540-862-8100; virginiastateparks.gov. \$ 🖚 📽

**Garth Newel Music Center** 403 Garth Newel Ln., Hot Springs; 540-839-5018; garthnewel.org. World-class music, gourmet food, friendly people and breathtaking

#### scenery. \$ **Gathright Dam**

Warm Springs; 540-962-1138; discoverbath.com. Scenic overlooks, camping, boating, fishing, swimming, hiking.

## **Hidden Valley Recreational**

1531 Hidden Valley Rd., Warm Springs: 540-839-2521: discoverbath.com. Camping. fishing, hiking and biking trails, birding, wildlife. 🖚 📽

#### Lake Moomaw at Bolar Mountain Recreational Area

756 Twin Ridge Dr., Warm Springs; 877-444-6777; discoverbath.com. A renowned fishing spot. Activities include boating, fishing, hiking, biking, camping.

#### The Omni Homestead's Cascades Course

7696 Sam Snead Hwy., Hot Springs; 540-839-1766; theomnihomestead com The award-winning Cascades is one of two 18-hole courses at The Omni Homestead. This William Flynn designed course was recently ranked No. 27 on Golf Digest's list of America's 100 Greatest Public Courses.

#### The Omni Homestead Resort

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#### ice skating and much more. Warm Springs & West Warm Springs Historic District

Junction Rt. 39 & 220, Warm Springs; 540-839-7202; discoverbath.com Self-guided tour of the village's historic buildings and sites.

#### **Warm Springs Mountain** Preserve

Springs; 540-839-3599; nature.org. Trails known for amazing diversity of natural communities, plants, animals

#### **CRAIG COUNTY**

Includes New Castle, Paint Bank

#### **Craig County Tourism**

108 Court St., New Castle; 540-864-5010; visitcraigcountyva.com. Enormous outdoor playground 300 square miles and no traffic lights! ----

#### **Craig County Visitor**

303 Main St., New Castle: 540-864-8978: craigcountypubliclibrary.org. Information on Craig County and historic New Castle. Start of The Craig County Barn Quilt Trail

#### Fenwick Mines Day Use Area

128 Old Jeep Rd., New Castle: 540-552-4641: fs usda gov Hiking and horse trails. accessible. 🖚📽

#### **New Castle Town Park**

210 Salem Ave New Castle 540-864-2200: visitcraigcountyva.com. Play equipment, picnic area, LOVEworks; restaurants and shopping nearby. 🖚📽

# Old Brick Hotel &

141 Court St., New Castle; 540-864-7023; visitcraigcountyva. com. Three floors of local history and artifacts. 3 log cabins

#### **Paint Bank Fish Hatchery**

Bank; 540-897-5401; dgif.virginia.org. Open friendly trout viewing experience. 🖚 📽

# **ROCKY MOUNT**

Includes Axton, Bassett, Boones Mill. Callaway, Ferrum, Hardy, Henry Moneta, Penhook

#### Franklin Office of Economic **Development - Tourism**

Rocky Mount; 540-483-3030; visitfranklincountyva.com. The Gateway to the Virginia more. &

#### **Town of Boones Mill**

359 Boones Mill Rd., Boones Mill; 540-334-5404; townofboonesmill.org. Rail heritage, craft beer & spirits

Rt. 39 and Rt. 703, Warm

#### Commission

#### Information

pond, picnic areas, handicap

## **Genealogy Library**

#### 14505 Paint Bank Rd., Paint

7am-3:30pm daily. Family-

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1255 Franklin St., Suite 112, Mountains Region and much

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· A grand resort that has been welcoming guests

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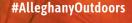
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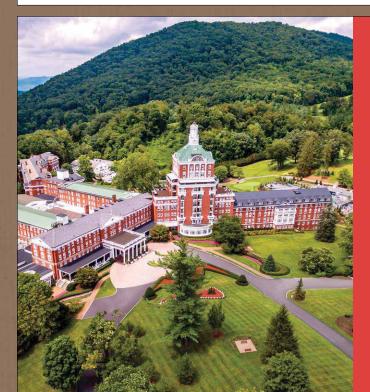




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#### The 1769 Old Chapel Church

436 Old Chapel Rd., Penhook; 540-483-0687; isitfranklincountyva.com. Restored historic church, oldest timber-frame structure in Southwest Virginia. &

#### Blue Ridge Institute and Farm Museum

Ferrum College, Ferrum; 540-365-4416; blueridgeinstitute. org. State center for Blue Ridge folklore. Folk life exhibits.

#### Boones Mill Historic District Main/Easy Sts., Boones Mill; 540-334-5404; nps.gov/nr/ feature/places/14000526.htm. Discover a vibrant community

rich with local history.

#### Franklin County Artisan Studio and Harvest Tour

52 Franklin St, Rocky Mount; 540-483-2850; artandharvest. com. Annual October Self Guided Tour featuring local art, craft and agricultural products.

#### Franklin County Barn Quilt Trail Rocky Mount; 540-483-5161;

Rocky Mount; 540-483-516.; **Depot**playfranklincounty.com/199/
Barn-Quilt-Trail. Largest barn
quilt trail in Virginia. View
quilts by land or water. built in 18

#### Franklin County Historical Society Museum and Research Library

460 S. Main St., Rocky Mount; 540-483-1890; franklincountyvirginiahistoricalsocorg Explore local history and research family roots. Annual special events.

#### Franklin County Speedway

385 Speedway Ln., Callaway; 540-238-9955; facebook.com/ franklincospeedway. Regional stock car racing on 3/8-mile payed oval track.

#### Grassy Hill Natural Area Preserve

150 Technology Dr., Rocky Mount; 540-265-5234; dcr. virginia.gov/natural-heritage/ natural-area-preserves/ grassyh. 6.6-mile trail within 1,440 acres hosting unique woodland settings.

#### Harvester Performance Center

450 Franklin St., Rocky Mount; 540-484-8277; harvester-music. com. Amazing sounds in a historic hardware store! 175 shows yearly!

#### Historic Boones Mill N&W Depot

24 Depot Dr., Boones Mill; 540-334-5404; townofboonesmill. org. National Register listed, built in 1892 and public restoration project.

#### Jamison Mill Recreation Park 2000 Jamison Mill Rd., Henry; 540-483-9293;

playfranklincounty.com. Scenic 300-acres along Philpott Lake, hiking/biking trails, camping and paddling.

#### Jubal A. Early Homeplace

455 Old Hollow Ln., Hardy; 540 719-0511; jubalearly.org. 1814 home of General Jubal Early. Listed in National Register, no admission fee.

#### **Philpott Lake**

1058 Philpott Dam Rd., Bassett; 276-629-2703; visitfranklincountyva.com/157/ Philpott-Lake. Swimming, boating, fishing, campgrounds, six beaches, nine boat launches.

#### Providence Raceway

3399 Providence Church Rd., Henry; 540-420-6833; providenceraceway.com. Competitive kart racing on dirt bullring. Season runs April-November.

## Rocky Mount Center for the Arts

220 Franklin St., Rocky Mount; 540-483-1317; rockymountarts. org. Galleries, gift shop, regional art, artisan studios and demonstrations.

#### **Rocky Mount Historic District** Downtown Rocky Mount

Franklin St., Rocky Mount; 540-263-8319; historicrockymount. com. Discover hidden gems throughout downtown. National Register of Historic Places.

#### Smith Mountain Lake

Moneta; 540-721-1203; visitsmithmountainlake.com. 500 shoreline miles.

#### Smith Mountain Lake Community Park

1480 Parkway Ave., Moneta; 540-483-9293; playfranklincounty.com. Public beach access, fishing pier, walking trails, playground and more.

#### Smith Mountain Lake Farm Alpacas

Morewood Rd., Hardy; 540-719-0281; smithmountainlakefarm.com. Offers guided educational, hands-on, interactive tours daily by reservation.

#### Turkeycock Wildlife Management Area

State Rt. 619, Axton; 804-367-1000; dgif.virginia.gov/wmas. 2,679 acres, hiking and wildlife opportunities, dense hardwood covered mountain.

#### t Twin Ridge Recreation Park

1052 Twin Ridge Marina Rd., Henry; 276-629-2703; visitfranklincountyva.com. Hosts such events as the National Guard FLW College Fishing Northern Conference Championship. ❖

#### Waid Recreational Area

701 Waid Park Rd., Rocky Mount; 540-483-9293; playfranklincounty.com. Bike/ hiking trails, playground, sports fields, river access and more.

#### HIGHLAND COUNTY

Includes McDowell, Monterey

#### **Highland County Visitor Center**

61 Highland Center Dr.,
Monterey; 540-468-2550;
highlandcounty.org. Virginia's
Sweet Spot. Hiking, birding,
barn quilt tours, Maple
Festival.

#### Fair Lawn Farm

3118 Mill Gap Rd., Monterey; 540-468-3094; comehometofairlawnfarm. com. Vintage farm tour, sugar camp, heirloom orchard. Call for appointment.

#### Highland County Barn Quilt Trail

Highland County; 540-468-2550; highlandcounty.org/barn-quilttrail. Self-guided tour to view over 50 colorful barn quilts.

## Highland County Maple Sugar

540-468-2550; highlandcounty. org. Visit a camp to learn about Maple Syrup! Call for appointments.

#### Highland County Museum

161 Mansion House Rd., McDowell; 540-396-4478; highlandcountyhistory.com. Explore Highland County's rich heritage and Civil War history!

#### Highland County Walk of

165 W. Main St., Monterey; 540-368-2550. Highland County's tribute to our area veterans.

#### Laurel Fork, George Washington and Jefferson

National Forests
Monterey; 540-468-2550;
highlandcounty.org.
Experience scenic beauty,
untouched land, fishing,
camping and native

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McDowell; 540-396-4478; highlandcountyhistory. com. Experience unspoiled, mountain, Civil War battlefield.

#### Mill Gap Farms

2760 Mill Gap Road, Monterey; 540-468-2882; millgapfarms. com. Tour Virginia's First & Only Organic Maple Syrup producer. By appointment.

#### **Sounding Knob Fire Tower**

Sounding Knob Rd., Monterey; 540-468-2550; highlandcounty.org/things-todo/. Restored 1934 fire tower with amazing views, open sunrise to sunset daily.

#### The Virginia Maple Syrup Trail

PO Box223, Monterey; 540-468-2550; virginiamaplesyrup. com. Visit eight sugar camps in Highland County.

#### ROANOKE

Includes Vinton
Virginia's Blue Ridge Visitor
Information Center

101 Shenandoah Ave. NE, Roanoke; 540-342-6025; visitvbr.com. Off I-81, Exit 143 and Parkway Milepost 120. Open daily. ニーンと

#### Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge

101 Shenandoah Ave. NE, Roanoke; 540-342-6025; visitvbr.com. Virginia's Blue Ridge, a metro-mountain visitor destination.

#### Center in the Square

1 Market Sqare, SE, Roanoke; 540-342-5700; centerinthesquare.org. Cultural complex housing history and science museums and a theatre

#### Eleanor D. Wilson Museum at Hollins University

8009 Fishburn Dr., Roanoke; 540-362-6532; hollins.edu/ museum. Features the work of renowned, emerging and regional artists.

Milepost 115, Blue Ridge Parkway, Roanoke; 540-427-1800; explorepark.org. Hiking trails, adventure course disc golf, camping, Treetop Quest zipline and visitor center.

#### **Grandin Theatre**

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1310 Grandin Rd., SW, Roanoke; 540-345-6377; grandintheatre.com. Historic nonprofit theater showing first run & vintage films ぬかか

#### Harrison Museum of African-American Culture

1 Market Sq. SE, Roanoke; 540-857-4395; harrisonmuseum.com. Showcasing the art and history of local/regional/ national African Americans.

Monument

#### High Ground Veterans

814 Washington Ave., Vinton; 540-983-0645; vintonva.gov. Honoring veterans who serve and who have served.

#### Historic Roanoke City Market

213 Market St., Roanoke; 540-342-2028; roanokemarket. com. Shop, eat, create, explore. There's always something happening in Downtown.

#### History Museum of Western Virginia

101 Shenandoah Ave. NE, Roanoke; 540-982-5465; roanokehistory.org. Exhibits and programs on the history of Western Virginia. \$\$\iflus 6

#### Jefferson Center

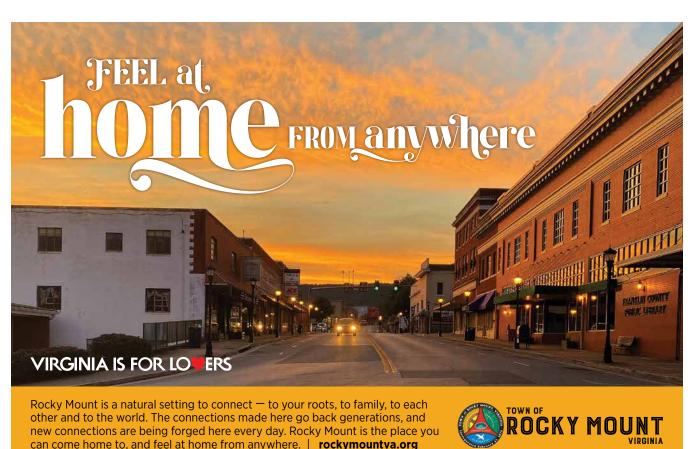
541 Luck Ave., Suite. 221, Roanoke; 540-345-2550; jeffcenter.org. Historic performing arts theater, art gallery and conference facilities. ♠ ♠ ♪

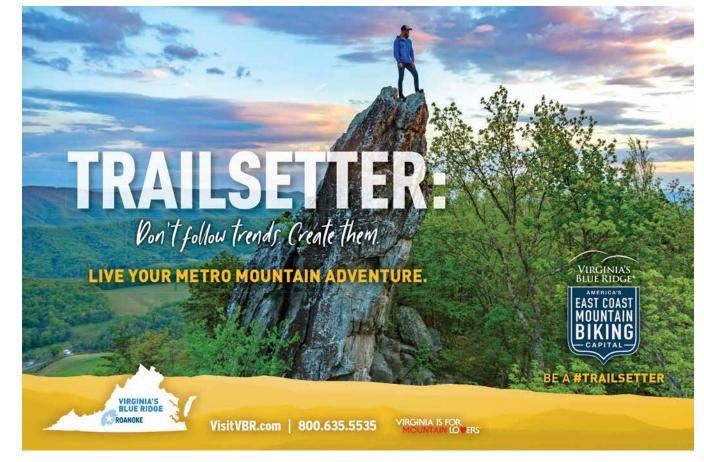
#### **Kids Square**

1 Market Sq. SE, 3rd floor, Roanoke; 540-342-5777; kidssquare.org. Exhibits encourage play, education and development of gross motor skills. S

#### Mill Mountain Theatre

1 Market Sq. SE, Roanoke; 540-342-5740; millmountain.org. A year-round live professional theatre since 1964. \$







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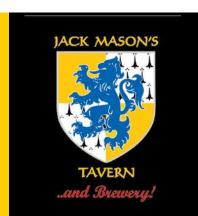


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400 E. Ridgeway St. Clifton Forge, VA 24422 (Across from AmTrak Station)

540-862-5624 JackMasonsTavern.com



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#### Mill Mountain Zoo

Mill Mountain Park, Roanoke; 540-343-3241; mmzoo.org. 183 animals, representing 70 species, miniature train, picnic area, views. \$===

#### O. Winston Link Museum

101 Shenandoah Ave. NE, Roanoke; 540-982-5465; roanokehistory.org. Highlighting the photography of O. Winston Link. \$ = 5.

#### Roanoke Pinball Museum

One Market Sq., SE, Roanoke; 540-342-5746; roanokepinball.org. An interactive museum dedicated to the science and history of pinball. \$ --- &

#### Roanoke Rail Yard Dawgs

710 Williamson Rd. NE, Roanoke; 540-266-7343; railyarddawgs.com. Minor League Hockey Team; October-April season. \$ -- &

#### Roanoke Star & Overlook

Milepost 120, Blue Ridge Parkway, Roanoke; 540-853-1236; playroanoke.com/the-roanoke-star. 100-foot historic man-made star on Mill Mountain. Beautiful scenic overlook.

#### Science Museum of Western Virginia

1 Market Sq. SE, Ste. 4, Roanoke; 540-342-5710; smwv.org. A variety of exhibits that span the spectrum of science. \$

#### Splash Valley Water Park

7415 Wood Haven Rd., Roanoke; 540-777-6300; splashvalleywaterpark.com. Outdoor water park featuring slides, a current river, children's sprayground and more!

#### **Taubman Museum of Art**

110 Salem Ave. SE, Roanoke; 540-342-5760; taubmanmuseum.org. Original art exhibitions, special programs, fun events - family friendly!

#### **Vinton History Museum**

210 E. Jackson St., Vinton; 540-342-8634; vintonhistorymuseum.org. An educational, fun and free experience for everyone!

#### Virginia Museum of Transportation

303 Norfolk Ave. SW, Roanoke; 540-342-5670; vmt. org. Virginia's official transportation museum. Locomotives, antique automobiles, aviation. \$ --- &

#### **SALEM**

#### Salem Visitor's Center

1001 Roanoke Blvd., Salem; 540-375-4044; visitsalemva.com. Visitors center with information on Salem & Virginia's Blue Ridge.

I-81 at Exit 132, Salem; 540-380-2085; dixiecaverns. com. Cavern tours, gift and rock shop and antiques mall, campground. Open all year. \$

#### Downtown Salem Historic District

Main St. from Academy St. to College Ave., Salem; 540-375-4044; visitsalemva.com. National Historic District encompassing 34 buildings dating from late 19th and early 20th centuries. Features eateries, brewery, gift 

#### Outdoors In Salem

1001 Roanoke Blvd., Salem; 540-375-4044; visitsalemva.com. Near Salem you find the Appalachian Trail and McAfee Knob, mountain biking at Carvin's Cove plus in-town Roanoke River Blueway for kayak and canoe and miles of greenway. &

#### Salem Museum

801 E. Main St., Salem; 540-389-6760; salemmuseum. org. Celebrating 250+ years of regional history: historic house, art, gardens.

#### Salem Red Sox Baseball

com, Class A Minor League Baseball Club, April-September season. \$ == &

#### Salem's 9-11 Memorial

com. Lasting tribute to 9/11 located one block from Main Street. 🖚 🛎 🛦

Includes Hardy, Huddelston, Moneta, Sandy Leve

### Smith Mountain Lake Regional Chamber of

12130 Booker T. Washington Hwy., Hardy; 540-721-2094; nps.gov/bowa. Birthplace of Booker T. Washington. Open daily, 9am-5pm.

#### **Bridgewater Marina and Boat Rentals**

16410 Booker T. Washington Hwy. 540-721-1639; bwmarina.com. #1 SML boat rentals and sales.

16441 Booker T. Washington Hwy., 800-488-4516: parrotcove.com. Houseboats, pontoons and more!

#### **Smith Mountain Lake Dam Visitors Center**

the dam

virginiastateparks.gov.

1004 Texas St., Salem; 540-389-3333; salemsox.

216 S. Broad St., Salem; 540-375-3081; visitsalemva.

#### **SMITH MOUNTAIN LAKE**

## Commerce and Visitors Center

16430 Booker T. Washington Hwy., Moneta; 540-721-1203; visitsmithmountainlake.com. "Jewel of the Blue

#### **Booker T. Washington National Monument**

#### Parrot Cove Boat Rentals

2072 Ford Rd., Sandy Level; 540-985-2587; smithmtn. com. learn how electricity is generated overlooking

#### **Smith Mountain Lake State Park**

1235 State Park Rd., Huddleston; 540-297-6066;







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# LODGING GUIDE

#### CENTRAL VIRGINIA

Appomattox Inn and Suites 434-664-2018 • appomattoxinnandsuites.com Appomatton's newest hotel! Near historic attractions. Midway between Farmville and Lynchburg. 상 주	447 Old Courthouse Rd., Appomattox 24522			<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Babcock House 434-352-7532 • babcockhouse.com Six room inn, private baths, televisions, relaxing porches, good food.	250 Oakleigh Ave., Appomattox 24522	59			✓	✓		✓			✓
Montfair Resort Farm vc 434-823-5202 • montfairresortfarm.com Mountain vacation cottages with modern amenities. On-site lake, hiking trails, birdwatching, bikes, canoes, fishing and events. Minutes from the Shenandoah National Park.	2500 Bezaleel Dr., Crozet 22932	59		✓		✓		✓		✓	
Stay-over Suites 804-452-1377 • stay-oversuites.com Executive suites & extended stay, full kitchens, gas grills and patio area, close to Petersburg National Battlefield Park.	4115 Old Woodlawn St., Hopewell 23860			<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
Holiday Inn Express & Suites Charlottesville/Ruckersville 434-985-1855 • hiecharlottesville.com Centrally located to historic presidential homes and award-winning vineyards. & 🖚	5920 Seminole Trl., Ruckersville 22968		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Blue Ridge Lodging - Greene County 434-985-6663 • BlueRidgeLodging.com Inns, cabins, cottages, lodge with mountain views near Shenandoah National Park.	9157 Seminole Trl., Ruckersville 22968				✓	✓					
Craddock Terry Hotel & Event Center 434-455-1500 • craddockterryhotel.com Conde Nast award-winning boutique hotel, luxury rooms, two restaurants and biergarten.	1312 Commerce St., Lynchburg 24504		✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	✓
The Virginian Lynchburg, Curio Collection by Hilton 434-329-3200 • thevirginianhotel.com Restored to its historic grandeur with modern amenities. 3 on-site restaurants including Lynchburg's only rooftop restaurant and bar.	712 Church St., Lynchburg 24504			✓			✓	✓			✓
Linden Row Inn vc 804-783-7000 • lindenrowinn.com Award-winning downtown Richmond boutique historic hotel. Near VCU and museums.	100 E. Franklin St., Richmond 23219	59		✓			✓	✓			✓
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COASTAL VIRGINIA										
Meadowbrook Farm Bed & Breakfast 757-371-5896 • meadowbrookfarmbedandbreakfast.com Lovely bed & breakfast nestled on a scenic 30-acre farm.	700 King's Hwy., Suffolk 23432			/	✓		✓			
The Pinner House (circa 1895) 757-539-8969 • thepinnerhouse.com Breathtaking property offering elegance and a touch of whimsy.	231 Pinner St., Suffolk 23434		v	/	✓		✓			✓
The Truitt House (circa 1909)  863-370-7454 • thetruitthouse.com  Lovely restored historic mansion - now a bed and breakfast.	204 Bank St., Suffolk 23434		٧	/	✓		✓			✓
Atkinson Realty vc 757-428-4441 • atkinsonrealty.com Furnished beach cottages & condos-North End, Croatan, Resort Area, Chesapeake Bay Area. Book online.	932 Laskin Rd. #300, Virginia Beach 23451	84			✓		✓			✓
Coastal Hotel & Suites Virginia Beach - Oceanfront vo 757-425-8200 • coastalhotelvb.com Oceanfront balcony, suites, hot breakfast, laundry, indoor heated pool. & ==	2015 Atlantic Ave., Virginia Beach 23451	84	٧	/	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Sanctuary Realty at Sandbridge vc 757-457-0050; 866-933-4801 • sanctuaryrealtyva.com Luxury oceanfront vacation condos with three pools and state-of-the-art amenities. Linens provided. &	3700 Sandpiper Rd., Virginia Beach 23456	84	/		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓

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Sandbridge Beach - Sandbridge Realty vo 757-426-6262; 800-933-4800 • sandbridge.com Hundreds of homes and condos to choose frompools, theater rooms, hot tubs, pet friendly, ocean and bay views. &	581 Sandbridge Rd., Virginia Beach 23456	84				<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓
<b>Colonial Houses</b> 844-474-2968 • colonialwilliamsburgresorts.com Authentic 18th century homes in the heart of Colonial Williamsburg Historic Area.	302 Francis St. E, Williamsburg 23185	2, 3		✓		✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓		✓
<b>Griffin Hotel</b> 844-474-2968 • colonialwilliamsburgresorts.com Serene retreat walking distance from Colonial Williamsburg Historic Area.	302 Francis St. E, Williamsburg 23185	2, 3		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Kingsmill Resort & Golf vg 800-832-5665 • kingsmill.com Golf, marina, hiking trails, bike rental, tennis, spa. & ===	1010 Kingsmill Rd., Williamsburg 23185	2, 3	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Williamsburg Inn vc 844-474-2968 • colonialwilliamsburgresorts.com Iconic Five-Star, Five Diamond luxury, 20 culinary outlets, spa and fitness center, 45 holes of golf. & ←	136 East Francis St., Williamsburg 23185	2, 3		✓		✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Williamsburg Lodge, Autograph Collection vg 844-474-2968 - colonialwilliamsburgresorts.com A relaxing retreat, in our newly renovated rooms just steps away from the heart of the historic area. &	310 South England St., Williamsburg 23185	2, 3		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Williamsburg Woodlands vc 844-474-2968 • colonialwilliamsburgresorts.com Spacious rooms, on-site dining, fitness, and complimentary continental breakfast.	105 Visitor Center Dr., Williamsburg 23185	2, 3		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
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Fairfield by Marriott Chincoteague Island Waterfront 757-336-0043 • fairfieldchincoteague.com 2020 Traveler's Choice by TripAdvisor. Waterfront views, complimentary breakfast buffet.	3913 Main St., Chincoteauge 23336			1	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	1		✓		✓
Refuge Inn 757-336-5511・refugeinn.com Charming rooms, friendly staff, excellent location at the entrance to Assateague. も ===================================	7058 Maddox Blvd., Chincoteague 23336			✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓		✓
Sea Shell Motel vo 757-336-6589 • seashellmotel.org Family friendly, moderately priced, quiet location, central to all attractions.	3720 Willow St., Chincoteague 23336	91				✓		✓		✓		✓
Waterside Inn vc 757-336-3434 • watersideinn.biz Private waterfront balconies with view of rocket launches, fishing pier/marina, seasonal heated waterfront pool.	3761 Main St., Chincoteague 23336	91		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓
NORTHERN VIRGINIA												
Clarion Hotel & Suites by Choice Hotels 540-786-8321 • choicehotels.com/va828 All rooms have balconies, large convention center, full-service banquet facility.	2801 Plank Rd., Fredericksburg 22401	105		✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓

Clarion Hotel & Suites by Choice Hotels 540-786-8321 • choicehotels.com/va828 All rooms have balconies, large convention center, full-service banquet facility.	2801 Plank Rd., Fredericksburg 22401	105	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	
Inn at Evergreen 703-743-4711 • innatevergreen.com Historic charm meets modern amenities. Golf course, tennis, private bathrooms, fireplaces, and more.	15890 Berkeley Dr., Haymarket 20169	105	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	

#### SHENANDOAH VALLEY

Massanuti	ten Resort vo										
540-289-94	141 • massresort.com Is, indoor waterpark, golf courses, spa, zip lines, shopping, kids	1822 Resort Dr., Massanutten 22840	111	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
programs.		riassanatten 22040									

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The Village Inn vc 540-434-7355 • thevillageinn.travel Enjoy Shenandoah Valley hospitality! Family-owned for three generations. AAA 3-Diamond rating. &	4979 South Valley Pike, Harrisonburg 22801	111		✓		✓	✓	<b>√</b>	Ì	✓	✓	✓	
Brierley Hill Bed & Breakfast 540-464-8421 • brierleyhill.com Romantic hillside retreat with spectacular views. Where memories are made. Voted one of the Top 10 Most Romantic Inns in the USA. &	985 Bordon Rd., Lexington 24450				✓	✓		<b>√</b>			✓	<b>✓</b>	
Sugar Tree Inn 540-377-2197 • sugartreeinn.com In-room coffee and fireplaces, entertainment library.	145 Lodge Trl., Vesuvius 24483	121			✓	✓					✓		
Allstar Lodging Vacation Cabin Rentals vc 540-843-0606 • allstarlodging.com Mountainside, riverfront, pool, hot tubs, kitchen, BBQ, kayaks, pets welcome!	803 E. Main St., Luray 22835	116				✓	✓	✓		<b>√</b>	✓	<b>✓</b>	
<b>Luray Caverns Motels</b> 888-941-4531 • luraycaverns.com Opposite Luray Caverns with views of Shenandoah National Park.	970 US Highway 211 West, Luray 22835	117				✓		✓		✓		✓	
Shenandoah River Outfitters Log Cabins 540-743-4159 • shenandoahriver.com 10 log cabins, riverfront, hot tubs, BBQ, bonfire, canoe rentals, campground.	6502 S. Page Rd., Luray 22835	115				✓					✓		
Natural Bridge Historic Hotel and Conference Center vc 540-291-2121 • naturalbridgeva.com Colonial style historic hotel offers impressive Blue Ridge Mountain views. & ===	15 Appledore Ln., Natural Bridge 24578	109		✓		✓		✓			✓	✓	
Big Meadows Lodge vc 877-247-9261 • goshenandoah.com In-park historic lodge with 97 rooms & restaurant located off Skyline Drive. ፟c. ←	Mile 51 on Skyline Dr., Shenandoah National Park 22835	115				<b>√</b>					✓	✓	
Lewis Mountain Cabins vc 877-247-9261 * goshenandoah.com Ten in-park housekeeping type cabins with adjacent shelter located off Skyline Drive. & ⇔	Mile 57.5 on Skyline Dr., Shenandoah National Park 22835	115				✓					✓		
Skyland vo 877-247-9261 • goshenandoah.com In-park lodging with 178 rooms & restaurant located off Skyline Drive. & 🖚	Mile 41.7 on Skyline Dr., Shenandoah National Park 22835	115				✓					✓	✓	
Best Western PLUS Waynesboro Inn & Suites Conference Center 540-942-1100 • bwwaynesboro.com 100% non-smoking, 5 minutes from The Blue Ridge Parkway and Skyline Drive, mountain views. &	109 Apple Tree Ln., Waynesboro 22980	121		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
The George Washington Hotel 540-678-4700 • wyndhamgeorgewashington.com Charm and luxurious amenities, 70 miles from Washington, D.C. and just steps from shops and restaurants. & 🖚	103 East Piccadilly St., Winchester 22601			✓			✓	<b>√</b>	✓			✓	
SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA: BLUE RIDGE HIGHLANDS													
Country Inn & Suites Abingdon 276-676-2829 • countryinn.com/abingdon-va Spacious rooms, close to the Barter Theatre and Virginia Creeper Trail.	940 East Main St., Abingdon 24210	137		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
The Sessions Hotel 276-285-5040 • sessionshotel.com Boutique hotel, spa, music venue, restaurant and roof-top bar. The place to play.	833 State St., Bristol 24201					✓		✓			✓	✓	
Inn at Virginia Tech and Skelton Conference Center 540-231-8000 • innatvirginiatech.com Full service hotel on VA Tech campus. 24,000 sq. ft. conference center. & 👄	901 Prices Fork Rd., Blacksburg 24061			✓		✓	✓	✓				✓	

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