

Williamsburg

<p>Colonial Williamsburg</p>	<p>Visit Colonial Williamsburg's Historic Area and step back more than 220 years to the eve of the American Revolution. From 1699 to 1780, Williamsburg was the political and cultural center of Britain's largest colony in the New World. Colonial Williamsburg is the nation's largest living history museum encompassing 301 acres including some 500 buildings, homes, stores and taverns reconstructed and restored to their 18th-century appearances; tradesmen practicing 30 historic trades and domestic crafts; historical interpreters and character actors.</p>	
<p>Historic Jamestown & Yorktown</p>	<p>Experience the story of America's beginnings at Jamestown Settlement and the Yorktown Victory Center. Through film, artifact-filled galleries and outdoor living history, these museums engage visitors in nearly two centuries of our nation's history - from the founding of America's first permanent English settlement in 1607 to the Revolutionary War victory in 1781 and implementation of the Constitution and Bill of Rights.</p>	
<p>Berkley Plantation</p>	<p>Berkeley is the most historic plantation on the James River. Visit the site of the first official Thanksgiving (1619), as well as the birthplace of Benjamin Harrison and President William Henry Harrison, our 9th president. Taps was composed here (1862) at the Civil War headquarters of General McClellan. Enjoy the 1726 mansion, an architectural gem with exceptional antiques. Five terraces of restored boxwood and flowered gardens offer breathtaking vistas of the James River.</p>	
<p>The Mariners' Museum</p>	<p>The Mariners' Museum is one of the largest and most comprehensive maritime history museums in the world and houses a treasure trove of more than 35,000 items inspired by human experiences. Explore the Mariners' Museum's internationally renowned collection of maritime artifacts, a treasure-trove of figureheads, hand-crafted ship models, over 150 small crafts from around the world and hundreds of artifacts recovered from the sunken Civil War ironclad USS Monitor on exhibit.</p>	
<p>Virginia Living Museum</p>	<p>This museum is a spectacular combination of native wildlife park, natural science museum, aquarium, botanical preserve, planetarium theater and observatory - all in one wood lakeside setting. Learn the secrets of how plants and animals survive in the wild. The outdoor nature trail winds through the woods, bringing you up close to Virginia's wildlife in natural settings. Living exhibits depict Virginia's natural heritage from the mountains to the sea.</p>	
<p>The Original "Ghosts of Williamsburg" Candlelight Tours</p>	<p>An entertaining blend of local folklore, ghost stories, historical information and trivia, this candlelit walking tour of Williamsburg's Historic Area will entertain and intrigue young and old. Your guide will lead you through the streets of Williamsburg by candlelit lantern. Hear interesting trivia about this beautiful capitol city. Creaking carts along a moonless night; hollow footsteps and unexplained voices, a friendly specter taps on a guests shoulder.</p>	
<p>President's Park</p>	<p>Presidents Park is an educational and artistic outdoor museum dedicated to preserving our American heritage. The park features 18-20 foot tall busts of all 43 of our United States Presidents in a relaxed garden setting along a beautifully landscaped pathway. The time window of history is from George Washington's inauguration in 1789 to the present.</p>	
<p>Ripley's Believe it or Not</p>	<p>Unbelievable, Beautiful & Bizarre! Step into the strange world of Ripley's Believe It or Not! Robert Ripley was called "the modern Marco Polo" because of his lifelong obsession with travel. During his career, Ripley visited 198 countries, traveling a distance of 19 complete trips around the world. An artist, reporter, explorer and collector, Ripley was as unusual as the artifacts he gathered.</p>	