Just south of the day-to-day buzz of our nation’s capital, **Northern Virginia** exudes its own historical charm and cherished character. Immersed in the region’s rich history, travelers can uncover a string of nationally recognized restaurants, unique historic sites, vibrant cities and scenic countryside dotted with wineries and craft breweries.

From the bustling streets of Old Town Alexandria to the rolling hills and vineyards found throughout Loudoun County and the plethora of historic marvels in Arlington, Fairfax County, Prince William County and Manassas, travel in this region encompasses everything travelers would want in a Virginia vacation.

**NORTHERN VIRGINIA**

- **Hike-In Camping, Nature Programs** and bride trails are just of few of the attractions of Sky Meadows State Park, located in Delaplane on a historic farm that encompasses life from the colonial era through the Civil War era.
- **Spend Time at the Torpedo Factory Art Center** in Alexandria and receive a discount at the Torpedo Museum, where Washington, Lafayette and Jefferson once socialized. Venture through the 18th-century tavern and hotel where famous historical figures spent their time, and learn more about the architecture, social customs, food and clothing during this important time in American history.
- **Visit the Pope-Leighy House**, an architectural gem designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. You’ll learn about its design innovations and the architect’s interest in small, affordable homes.
- **Witness the Changing of the Guard** at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery. Visit the grave of John F. Kennedy and learn about other notable people buried there.
- **Visit the Udvar-Hazy Center** in Chantilly, a companion facility to the Museum on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., featuring hangars displaying thousands of aviation and space artifacts, the Airbus IMAX Theater, the Donald D. Engen Observation Tower, the Mary Baker Engen Restoration Hangar and the reading room’s archive collections, too.
- **Steep Yourself in Colonial History** and walk to these historic sites in Fredericksburg: Kenmore Plantation, Mary Washington House, Rising Sun Tavern and Mercer’s Apothecary. Most are associated with George Washington and his family, including Ferry Farm, located across the Rappahannock. For Civil War buffs, visit Fredericksburg & Spotsylvania National Battlefield Park, which encompasses four battlefields from the peak of the war.
- **Get Your Camera Ready** and head to Great Falls National Park in McLean, just 15 miles from D.C., where the Potomac River spectacularly rushes through narrow Mather Gorge. See the falls from three overlooks, hike the trails, watch for a variety of birds and waterfowl or get your climbing gear and hit some challenging rock faces.
- **Get Horsey in Middleburg**, the Horse & Hunt Capital of Virginia. Plan a Christmas visit and see the Hunt & Hounds Review. Shop downtown Middleburg and enjoy 18th-century architecture.
- **Book a Wine Tour** in Loudoun County or download the LoCo Wine Pass app for free tastings and discounts at 22 vineyards and wineries. Your completed passport could win free prizes, too! If you like brews more than vino, the LoCo Ale Trail encompasses more than 30 craft breweries to quench your thirst.
- **Train for a Race** on the paved Washington & Old Dominion Trail, named for the old railbed it follows. The 45-mile trail passes through charming villages and city centers. Finish up in trendy Shirlington for a choice of eateries and shopping.
- **Increase Your Craft Beer IQ** on the Historic Hops Beer Trail and the Beltway Beer Trail. With new and established breweries on their respective itineraries, you’ve guaranteed the full spectrum of craft beer experiences.
- **Pan for Gold** at Lake Anna State Park or Spotsylvania. Tour the Goldem Gold Mine, where gold was discovered in 1829 and rent a cabin. Don’t forget your walking shoes and fishing gear!
- **Book a Cruise** with the Potomac Riverboat Company to see the sights and monuments from the water with a narrated tour, or use the water taxi for shopping or dining.

**Regions of Virginia**
**Northern Virginia**

**Welcome Center at Fredericksburg**
Virginia Tourist Commission
113 Main Street 132-133 Frankland Fredericksburg 22404
703-789-5504

**Welcome Center at Manassas**
Virginia Tourism Corporation
111 Van Dyke Ln Manassas 20110
703-541-2341

**Northern Virginia Gateway Welcome Center**
Virginia Tourism Corporation
5125 Main Street 127-128 Manassas 20110
301-540-3500

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**Alexandria**

**Alexandria Visitor Center**
201 King St, Alexandria 22314
703-652-5364; visitalexandriava.com

**Visit Alexandria**
601 N. Washington St., Suite 400
Alexandria 22314
703-548-3980

**Virginia Tourism Corporation**
Welcome Center at Manassas
49190 Virginia T
Ruther Glen, VA 22546
703-361-2134

**Virginia Tourism Corporation**
Welcome Center at Manassas
9915 Vandor Lane, Manassas 20109
703-361-2134

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**THINGS TO DO**

**Alexandria Archaeological Museum**
107 South Union St., Alexandria 22314
703-780-4000; woodlawnpopeleighey.org

**Alexandria Black History Museum**
901 King St., Alexandria 22314
703-789-4564; alexandria-blackhistory.org

**Ark Park**
1550 Eisenhower Ave., Alexandria 22304
703-361-2134

**National Inventors Hall of Fame**
600 Dulany St., Alexandria 22314
703-789-0674; nationalinventors.org

**National Air and Space Museum**
2001 Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20560
703-646-4100; smithsonian.org

**Powhatan Indian Legend**
703-549-3312; smithsonian.org

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**Arlington**

**Arlington Convention and Visitors Bureau**
703-289-2500

**Arlington House, The Robert E. Lee Memorial**
1400 North Meade St., Arlington 22211
703-289-2500; arlingtoncemetery.mil

**Fort Ward Museum and Historic Site**
4301 W. Braddock Rd., Alexandria 22304
703-746-3891

**The Athenaeum**
1700 King St., Alexandria 22314
703-549-3312; stpaulsalexandria.com

**Woodlawm & Pope-Leighey House**
2360 Eisenhower Ave., Alexandria 22304
703-549-2600; smithsonian.org

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**Alexandria**

A nationally designated historic district founded in 1749, Old Town Alexandria, Virginia hums with more than 200 independent restaurants and boutiques alongside intimate historic sites and museums. At the heart of it all is renowned King Street, a walkable mile that leads to the Potomac riverfront. And with Old Town just minutes away from both the National Mall and George Washington's Mount Vernon, it’s the perfect base for a legendary DC vacation.

**Old Town**

**Alex** likes a quick ride to D.C.

**Andrew** likes a slower pace.
Steel and wood combine to bring a one-of-a-kind hybrid coaster experience with a twist. Plus, visit Soak City Water Park and Planet Snoopy, the world’s largest Peanuts-themed children’s area. Only at King’s Dominion. Learn more at KingsDominion.com
THOMPSON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
Route 58 North, Lovettsville 20186  
703-890-6180; visitva.com  
Take 77-1 out of Purcellville, following signs to Leesburg and then to Lovettsville.

SPOTSYLVANIA COUNTY VISITORS CENTER  
9019 Old Battlefield Blvd, Suite 310, Spotsylvania 22553  
540-585-7350; visitspotsy.com  
Spotsylvania County visitors center at Exit 124 I-95, Spotsylvania, Virginia.  
Visit Spotsylvania County's tourist information office at Exit 124 I-95 in Spotsylvania County.

SPOTSYLVANIA COUNTY TOURS  
1830 Courthouse Rd., Spotsylvania 22553  
540-807-4530; visitspotsy.com  
Spotsylvania Civil War, golf, wineries, art, dining, shopping experiences.

STAFFORD COUNTY TOURS  
540-654-1015; TourStaffordVA.com  
Visit Stafford County Tourism office at 224 W ashington St., Fredericksburg 22405  
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540-585-7350; visitspotsy.com  
Tourism office at Exit 124 I-95 in Spotsylvania County.

STAFFORD COUNTY VISITORS CENTER  
4708 Old Silk Stocking Hwy, Stafford 22554  
540-587-7899; visitva.com  
Open daily, located at Lee’s Ferry, entrance to George Washington National Park.

STAFFORD COUNTY Visitor Center at Staunton River & Belle Isle  
540-901-3131, Town of Staunton  
Send requests to Town of Staunton, Virginia 22801  
Visit Stafford County Tourism office at 224 W ashington St., Fredericksburg 22405  
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STAFFORD COUNTY Visitor Center at Chatham Mills Rd, Falmouth  
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