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Visit the epicenter of the American Civil War.



Historic Blenheim — Hidden in the attic of this brick farmhouse, historians found a “diary on walls.” Over 100 haunting signatures, works of art, and poems created by Union soldiers provide insight into their lives during the Civil War.

Sully Historic Site — The home of Richard Bland Lee, Northern Virginia’s first congressman, tells the story of divided loyalties during the Civil War. Educational programs, craft demonstrations, and living history events are offered throughout the year, highlighting the early 19th century life of the Lee Family, tenant farmers, and enslaved African Americans.

Arlington National Cemetery — The resting place of so many of our service men and women is inextricably linked to the most famous Civil War General, Robert E. Lee, and his family’s ancestral home, Arlington House. During the Civil War, the plantation was transformed into an army encampment by Union soldiers and ultimately into the cemetery that it is today.

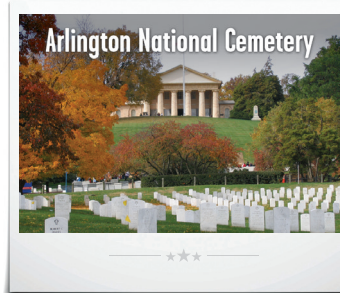
Manassas National Battlefield Park — The site of two major Civil War battles, Manassas National Battlefield Park comprises more than 5,000 acres of terrain where visitors can walk in the footsteps of the Union and Confederate soldiers who fought and died there.

Ox Hill Battlefield Park — Site of the historic Civil War battle in which two Union generals perished and thousands of casualties were suffered by both sides, Ox Hill is part of the Virginia Civil War Trails program.

Historic Fairfax Courthouse — The building you see today was fully restored in 1967 and serves as the Fairfax Circuit Court Historic Records Center. During the Civil War, this building was occupied by both Union and Confederate troops.

National Firearms Museum — Home to one of the most extensive firearms collections in the country, this spacious museum includes Civil War-era firearms manufactured on both sides of the Mason-Dixon Line.

The Winery at Bull Run — Voted one of Virginia’s Top 10 Favorite Tasting Rooms, the land that this winery currently occupies not only offers great Virginia wine, but also served as a hospital site during both battles of Manassas. Today, visitors to the winery can see historic buildings and artifacts while enjoying samples from Virginia’s wine country.



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STAND WHERE BROTHER FOUGHT BROTHER.



With the Union capital of Washington to the east and the Confederate capital of Richmond to the south, Fairfax County was firmly in the center of the Civil War conflict and was the site of several important battles. Today, Northern Virginia is home to multiple museums, Civil War battle sites, and poignant historic venues telling the story of the most turbulent time in American history.

POINTS OF INTEREST

1. African American Civil War Memorial & Museum
2. Arlington National Cemetery
3. Civil War Interpretive Center at Historic Blenheim
4. Fairfax Station Railroad Museum
5. Flint Hill Cemetery
6. Ford's Theater
7. Fort C.F. Smith
8. Fort Marcy
9. Fort Ward
10. Freeman House Museum
11. Historic Fairfax Courthouse
12. Manassas National Battlefield Park
13. National Firearms Museum
14. Ox Hill Battlefield Park
15. Pohick Church
16. St. John's Episcopal Church and Cemetery
17. Stone Bridge
18. Stuart-Mosby Civil War Cavalry Museum
19. Sully Historic Site
20. The Winery at Bull Run

Nearby

- Antietam National Battlefield Park (70 miles NW of Fairfax County)
- Gettysburg National Battlefield Park (80 miles N of Fairfax County)
- National Museum of Civil War Medicine (44 miles NW of Fairfax County)



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AND IF YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THIS THING CALLED THE UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA YOU HAVE TO KNOW ABOUT THE CIVIL WAR."**

— KEN BURNS

