



FULL S.T.E.A.M. AHEAD

ITINERARY

Ready to explore the world of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics in the heart of Newport News? This 2-day itinerary is packed with hands-on exhibits, fascinating museums, and interactive experiences that'll inspire creativity and curiosity. From diving into the wonders of the universe at the Virginia Living Museum to exploring the engineering marvels of maritime history, you'll discover how science and art come together in innovative ways. Whether you're a budding scientist, tech enthusiast, or art lover, this trip will ignite your passion for S.T.E.A.M. like never before.

Day 1: Science & Technology Exploration

MORNING

Virginia Living Museum

Start your day at this one-of-a-kind museum that blends a zoo, aquarium, and science center into an interactive experience. Encounter native Virginia wildlife, explore the planetarium's celestial wonders, and dive into hands-on discovery areas that showcase the connections between nature, technology, and conservation. Don't miss the Dinosaur Discovery Trail, where life-sized dinosaur replicas bring the prehistoric past to life!

AFTERNOON

The Mariners' Museum and Park

Dive into the fascinating world of maritime history and engineering. This world-class museum houses artifacts from legendary ships, including the iconic USS Monitor ironclad. Engage with interactive shipbuilding exhibits, admire stunning maritime art, and explore how advancements in naval technology have shaped history.

LUNCH

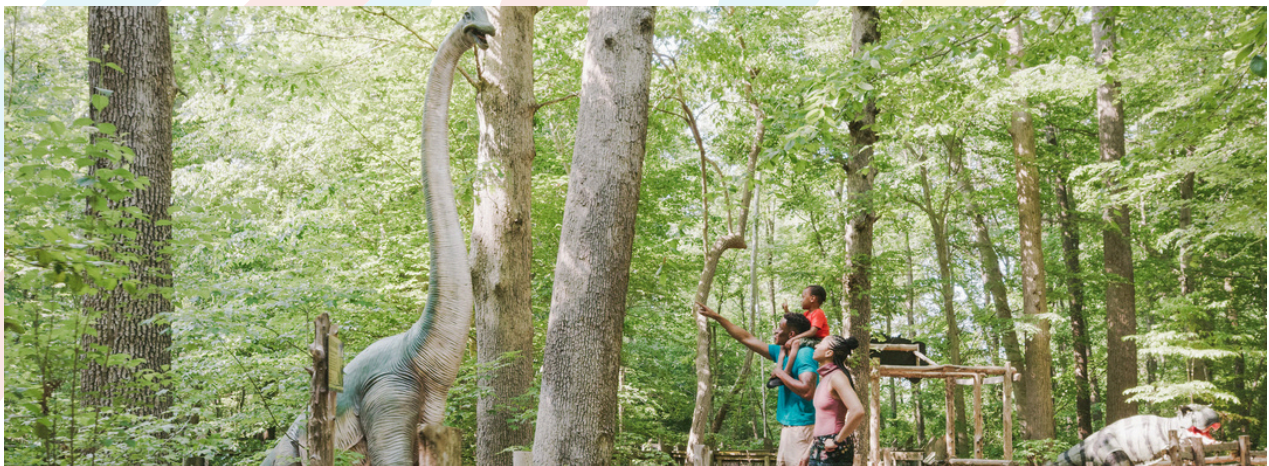
Harpoon Larry's Fish House & Oyster Bar

After a morning of exploration, indulge in some of the freshest seafood in town. This casual, nautical-themed eatery is known for its raw bar, signature crab cakes, and steamed shrimp. Enjoy the laid-back maritime ambiance while savoring the catch of the day!

EVENING

Dinner at Cove Tavern

End the evening with a delicious meal in a laid-back, marina-inspired setting. Enjoy coastal cuisine, from grilled seafood to juicy steaks, all while taking in the warm, nautical-themed ambiance. Unwind with a signature cocktail and reflect on the day's immersive science and technology adventures.



Day 2: Arts & Engineering Adventure

MORNING

Breakfast at Byrd's Restaurant

Kick off your morning with a hearty Southern breakfast at this family-friendly gem. Famous for its fluffy pancakes, classic omelets, and homemade biscuits, Byrd's offers a warm and inviting atmosphere—perfect for starting your day of artistic exploration.

Mary M. Torggler Fine Arts Center at CNU

Discover rotating exhibitions, interactive displays, and contemporary installations at this modern art hub, where creativity and technology come together to showcase innovative designs and digital media.

LUNCH

Smoke BBQ Restaurant & Bar

Enjoy a flavorful, slow-cooked barbecue experience at this beloved local spot. Known for its tender brisket, smoky pulled pork, and classic Southern sides, Smoke BBQ delivers an authentic taste of Newport News' culinary scene in a laid-back, rustic setting.

AFTERNOON

U.S. Army Transportation Museum

Explore military engineering and transportation innovations at this unique museum, featuring historic tanks, helicopters, experimental vehicles, and even jetpacks. The exhibits highlight the evolution of military transport and Newport News' maritime and shipbuilding legacy, making it a must-visit for history and engineering enthusiasts.

EVENING

Catch a Play or Live Performance at Peninsula Community Theatre

Immerse yourself in local arts and culture with an engaging live performance at the Peninsula Community Theatre. Whether it's a Broadway-style musical, a thought-provoking drama, or a lighthearted comedy, this intimate venue offers a fantastic night of entertainment.

Dinner at Second Street American Bistro

End your two-day adventure with a delicious meal at Second Street American Bistro. This upscale yet inviting spot offers fresh seafood, gourmet burgers, and creative cocktails in a cozy, modern setting—perfect for unwinding and reflecting on your journey through art and technology.

