

# JUST FOR SIPS & GIGGLES

Prince William • Richmond • Norfolk

## EVENTS

### Prince William

Chocolate Walk

Occoquan Arts & Craft Show

Bands, Brews & Food Trucks

Taste of Prince William County

Trucktoberfest

### Richmond

Virginia Wine Expo

National Beer Expo

RVA Craft Beer

Richmond Jazz Festival

Richmond Folk Festival

Hops in the Park

Celtic Festival & Highland Games

### Norfolk

Spring Town Point Park Wine Festival

Fall Wine Festival

Virginia Beer Festival

Spirit of Norfolk Wine Cruise

Summer Brewfest

Brews on the Bay

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## DAY 1 Prince William, VA

Begin your adventure at **The Winery at La Grange**. Nestled at the foothills of the Bull Run Mountains, the winery features stunning views and a manor house that dates back to the 1790s. Enjoy your tasting in the 18th-century home then snuggle into a chair by the fireplace or take a bottle outside for a picnic.

Continue testing your palate with a visit to **Cork & Fork**, a family owned business that features international wine and beer. The store hosts weekly wine and beer tastings and special wine seminars throughout the year.

Eat, drink and relax at **Grafton Street Irish Pub**. Named after the popular street in Dublin, Ireland Grafton Street captures that mix of old and new by offering a stylish neighborhood menu in a vintage Irish setting.

## DAY 2 Prince William, VA

Start the morning with a Civil War guide, dressed in his military uniform as he leads you to **Manassas National Battlefield Park** "Where the Southern Victories Tested the Northern Resolve." Two armies clashed for the first time and the heavy fighting swept away any notion of a quick war. Afterward, visit a Civil War hospital at the **Ben Lomond Historic Site**. Soldiers were taken here after the Battle of First Manassas to care for their wounds and left their signatures on the walls to prove it.

Enjoy lunch at **Farm Brew Live**, Northern Virginia's first destination brewery that features craft beer, craft food and live, local music, all situated around the spectacular, two-story, historic dairy barn with exposed-beam vaulted ceilings.

After, head to **Historic Occoquan** for a late afternoon cruise on the Occoquan River. Board the **Miss Rivershore** and enjoy the scenery and the history

of the community. For dinner, visit **Cock & Bowl**, a husband and wife-owned eatery. Tucked away on one of the alleys in Occoquan, the restaurant mimics a European bistro with Belgian beer, frites and seafood. The restaurant features 60 different Belgian brews that are each served in a specially designed glass.

## DAY 3 Prince William and Richmond, VA

Start your morning by jumping into the boots of a Marine at the **National Museum of the Marine Corps**, a lasting tribute to U.S. Marines—past, present, and future. Grab lunch and a beer at the museum's **Tun Tavern** before heading to Richmond.

Visit the **James River Cellars Winery** as you head into Richmond. This family-owned and operated winery offers award-winning wines from Virginia grown grapes. Experience a blend of urban convenience and quaint rural appeal. Conveniently located just off the interstate and open 7 days a week, James River Cellars is a perfect location to stop and enjoy their beautifully landscaped patio while tasting Virginia's finest wines.

The next stop is **Maymont**, a gilded Victorian Mansion. The mansion tour explores the glitz and glamour displayed by the Dooley family in the 1930s. Gorgeous table settings for a garden party or dinner invite visitors to imagine extravagant life at Maymont. Following the mansion tour, explore the elaborate Japanese and Italian gardens. Animal lovers will delight in the Nature Center and Maymont Farm. Explore this 100-acre estate on foot through stunning winding paths or with a private golf cart tour.

Enjoy a cocktail at **The Jefferson** hotel before heading out to dinner. Listed on the National Register of Historical Places, this five-diamond luxurious hotel provides an unmatched setting for an overnight stay. Richmond also offers an impressive selection of

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Now it is time to head to Norfolk, Virginia. First stop for lunch at Norfolk's entertainment venue, **Waterside District**. Sip wines by the glass or bottle at **Vin Wine Bar**.

Shop from emerging small businesses in Norfolk at the **Selden Market**. The Selden Market offers a rotating lineup for the city's up and coming concepts in retail, food and new ideas.

**Todd Jurich's Bistro** is where you will discover a unique dining experience in upscale dining — casual elegance. Enjoy five-star cuisine and world-class wines in a relaxed atmosphere. Check the calendar of events to sign up for one of the many wine events hosted each month. Then head to **Doumar's**. Doumar's continues to bake cones on the original cone machine. Your group can delight in fresh made waffle cones from the original machine with advanced notice.



cozy boutique hotels that include **Quirk**, **Linden Row Inn**, or the trendy **Delta Hotels Marriott** and **Graduate Richmond**.

Stop, Shop, Sip and Savor in the very walkable **Carytown** – Richmond's Mile of Style, where you will find unique boutique shops and restaurants for dinner from the oyster bar, sushi and hand-cut steaks at **East Coast Provisions** to the Parisian-style eatery, **Can Can Brasserie**. Then top off your meal with a locally made sweet treat from **For the Love of Chocolate**.

## DAY 4 Richmond, VA

Start your day with a hearty breakfast from a local favorite, **Perly's**. Afterward, head down to the banks of the James River to **Historic Tredegar**, home of **Richmond National Battlefield Park Visitor Center**. After exploring the nation's most significant Civil War Sites, take advantage of the photo-op from the **Tyler Potterfield Memorial Bridge** with Richmond's skyline as your backdrop. Continue your journey through history with a visit to the **Virginia State Capitol** and The **White House and Museum of the Confederacy**. Enjoy lunch in Richmond's **Historic Shockoe Slip**. A quaint cobblestone street adorned with Italianate style brick and iron front buildings, and a decadent selection of restaurants.

Spend the remainder of the afternoon amongst a million blooms in the spring at **Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden** or view the largest collection of Faberge eggs at the **Virginia Museum of Fine Arts**. Grab a **Richmond Beer Trail Map** and head over to **Richmond's Historic Scott's Addition**, home of the largest collection of craft breweries.

Enjoy a scrumptious meal at one of the dozen restaurants on **Grace Street** followed by a live performance at **Dominion Arts Center**. Top off your night in style at **Q Rooftop Bar** for a great view of the city lights.

## DAY 5 Richmond to Norfolk, VA

Wrap up your fun in the Richmond region with a **RVA Trolley Landmark Tour** or a guided **City Center Walk**. Tours depart from the **Richmond Region Visitor Center & RVA Gift Shop**.

## DAY 6 Norfolk, VA

Discover one of the largest collections of azaleas, camellias, roses and rhododendrons on the East Coast at the **Norfolk Botanical Garden**. Experience 155 glorious acres of gardens with guided tours on foot, tram or by boat. Then take a wine tasting class among the flowers to learn how to make informed smarter wine purchases!

Start the afternoon on a wine on tour with the **Town and Country Wine Tour**. Go behind-the-scenes at top regional wineries and wine bars, learn about the heritage, styles, and production of wine. The tour will also highlight local lore and history. One of the stops on the wine tour is Norfolk's first urban winery located in the charming Ghent neighborhood. **Mermaid Winery** focuses on producing small lots of well-balanced wines using Virginia grapes.

Next, head to **The Hermitage Museum & Gardens**, formerly home to the Sloane family, an early 20th-century Arts-and-Crafts estate located on the shore of the Lafayette River in Norfolk, Virginia. Featuring a nationally recognized art collection spanning 5,000 years, the Hermitage is home to the arts. For dinner, sip over 50 wines from around the world at **Press 626 Cafe & Wine Bar**. The menu will please all taste buds using only ingredients from local farms for the freshest tastes!

## DAY 7 Norfolk, VA

Before heading back home, head to **Pinot's Palette** for an unforgettable time of fun, friends, and fine art with beer and wine! All you need to do is get ready to be inspired by local artists who will guide you step-by-step through a featured painting. At the end of the class, you'll leave with your very own masterpiece, and maybe even a painted wine bottle to commemorate your delicious visit.

*Depart for home!*