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PRINCE WILLIAM
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Brothers and Sisters in Arms – A Military Tour of Northern Virginia

Your group will experience the immense pride Northern Virginia has in the United States armed forces. Home to Marine Corps Base Quantico and Fort Belvoir, your group will be immersed in the history of the Marine Corps and Army at their respective museums, as well as hear the incredible stories of other service members. Your group will return home with a greater sense of patriotism after their moving experience here in Northern Virginia.

Day 1

Start your tour over a **delicious lunch** on Marine Corps Base Quantico at **The Clubs at Quantico**. Marine Corps Base Quantico is the home of the FBI Training Academy and Marine Helicopter Squadron One, the unit tasked with transporting important personnel including the President and Vice President of the United States.

After lunch, pay your respects at Quantico National Cemetery with a **private flag placing experience** at the graves of veterans whose remains were previously forgotten. Hosted by the Missing in America Project, their mission is to find, identify and provide full military burial for these now remembered heroes.



Quantico National Cemetery



National Museum of the Marine Corps

Your next stop is an experience at the **National Museum of the Marine Corps**. Uncover the history of the Corps, test your skills as a Marine, and get insight into the lives of those who fight for our freedom. During your visit, see the incredible Gene Hackman-narrated film "We, The Marines" to get an unparalleled view into the experiences of Marines from boot camp through modern warfare training.

The day will continue with dinner at **The Harbour Grille**. While enjoying the view of the marina, sample from menu items such as lump crab cakes with sweet potato fries, grilled salmon with crispy parmesan polenta, or a certified Angus ribeye. There is nothing like enjoying surf and turf along the water!



Harbour Grille

After dinner, check in to one of the many group-friendly hotels in Prince William, VA.

Day 2

Begin your day with a presentation at your hotel from a member of the Marine Corps History Division. The **"History of Marine Corps Base Quantico" program** gives an overview of the history of the base located 35 miles south of Washington DC; the presentation includes the creation of the base during World War I, its expansion during World War II, historical information on activities on base, including information on some of the historical buildings and the Town of Quantico.



Rippon Lodge

Next, you will travel to **Rippon Lodge** to learn about the former home of Admiral Richard Blackburn Black and his family's history. Built in 1747, Rippon Lodge is the oldest known home in Prince William County. The Blackburn's have a unique story to tell as it relates to our nation's independence, which you will learn about during your visit.

The **National Museum of the United States Army** shines a unique light on the symbiotic relationship between Army and society, highlighting the Army's direct influence on our nation socially, technologically, scientifically, financially, and culturally. The Museum immerses visitors in 245 years of American Soldiers' experiences. With its various galleries, 300+ degree multi-sensory theater, fully interactive Experiential Learning Center, cutting edge simulation and virtual reality experiences, shopping, and gourmet café, this incredible destination is exciting for guests of all interests and ages.

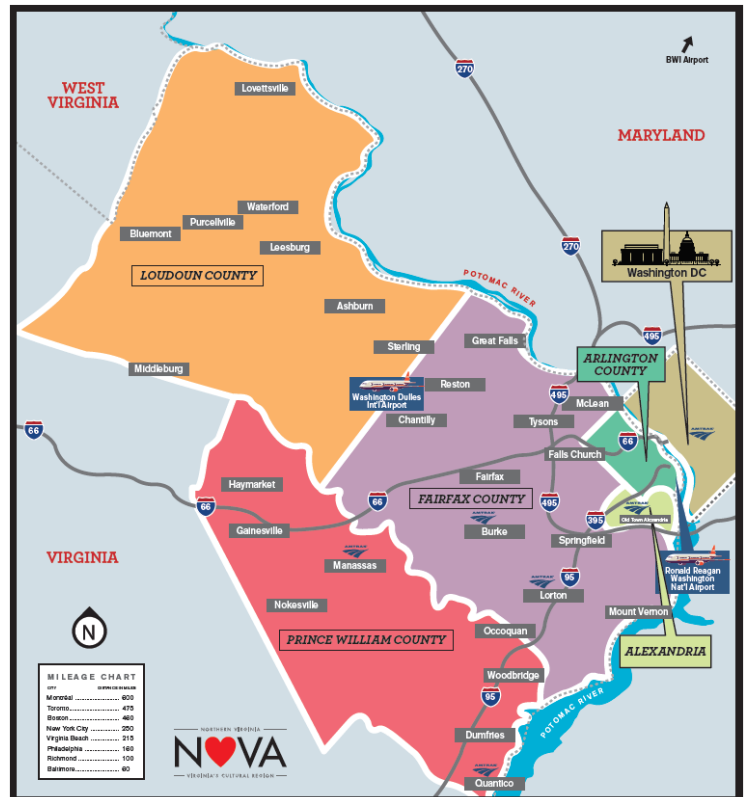


National Museum of the United States Army

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- [An Art-Fully Crafted Tour](#) – an art tour of Prince William and Loudoun, VA
- [Patsy Cline and the Bottling Line](#) – the music of Patsy Cline, live entertainment and shows, and a dose of history and spirits
- [Plaids and Stripes](#) – a military appreciation tour featuring the Virginia International Tattoo
- [History Meets Mystery](#) – boat rides, horses, history, and an array of food experiences in Prince William and Loudoun, VA
- [Marine Corps Birthday](#) – pay homage and thank our military members for their service on this tour honoring U.S. Veterans and the birthday of the Marine Corps!
- [Boats, Bottles, and Bites](#) – taste your way through the historic waterfront town of Occoquan during this culinary adventure



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