

Richmond, VA - The Crossroads of America's 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution



The Richmond Region was at the heart of America's quest for independence in colonial times. Celebrate the **250th Anniversary of the American Revolution** where history abounds. This tour takes you to historic sites and famous homes, and you'll have some fun with vintage entertainment as well. Enjoy the unmatched history of Richmond.

Day 1:

Dinner & Wine Tasting with Thomas Jefferson: Sit down to a lovely dinner in a historic downtown building and share a glass of wine with Thomas Jefferson!

Day 2:

Richmond History Trolley Tour: Hop on for a 2-hour tour of one of America's most historic cities.

St. John's Church – Give Me Liberty Re-Enactment: It was here in this historic church that Patrick Henry fanned the flames of liberty with his stirring Give Me Liberty speech. Local actors give a superb recreation of that event on the site where it happened.

Lunch on their own in Carytown: Locals love to lunch in Carytown, the city's fun and funky shopping and dining district. Choose from more than 30 restaurants with everything from French cuisine to pizza and subs. Save room for dessert because Carytown boasts more than 5 sweet shops.

Virginia Museum of History & Culture: Experience three Virginia 250th exhibitions under one roof; *Give Me Liberty: Virginia and the Forging of a Nation* will be on display March 22, 2025, through January 4, 2026. *Un/Bound: Free Black Virginians, 1619 – 1865* and will be on display from June 14, 2025, through July 5, 2026. Finally, *We The People* will be on display from March 14, 2026 through January 3, 2027.

Virginia State Capitol & Capitol Grounds: Tour America's most historic building. Designed by Thomas Jefferson and opened in 1788, the Capitol is where the Aaron Burr trial was held and where the Bill of Rights was ratified. Explore the twelve acres of pristine gardens on Capitol Square and learn of the events that helped shape America. An iconic display of public monuments depicts early America and our path to civil rights.

Relax and Unwind: With an outrageous number of craft breweries from which to choose, soak in the city views with charcuterie boards and Richmond's craft beers.

Dinner at Hanover Tavern: Patrick Henry favored this historic tavern and so do we! Have a good meal of traditional American fare before going downstairs to the **Virginia Repertory Theater** for a lively and entertaining performance.

Day 3:

Henricus Historical Park: Visit the recreation of the second successful English settlement in the New World, where Pocahontas met and married John Rolfe. Perched high on a bluff overlooking the James River, this living history site is deep in the Virginia wilderness.

Lunch at The Half-Way House: The Half-Way House has been a fixture for the weary traveler on the road between Richmond and Petersburg since before the Revolution.

Wilton House: This 1733 plantation home served as Lafayette's headquarters. George Washington and Thomas Jefferson were among the famous visitors. It holds a fine collection of early American decorative arts.

Dinner at Capital Ale House: Enjoy tavern fare in dark-wood pub surroundings at the original Capitol Ale House.

Day 4:

Patrick Henry's Scotchtown: This was the home of patriot firebrand Patrick Henry. Tour this Colonial-era house and learn about the statesman and revolutionary who lived here.

18th Century Housewifery at Scotchtown: Choose a hands-on workshop in biscuit-making, wool carding, weaving, holiday wreath-making or cooking methods of the 1700s.

Box Lunch: Grab a box lunch from one of the many local eateries before continuing your Virginia journey.



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