

# COASTAL VIRGINIA

The **COASTAL VIRGINIA** region begins just east of Richmond, meanders along Chesapeake Bay tributaries and ends along the beautiful coast of the Atlantic Ocean. Featuring historic icons, classic theme parks and beautiful shorelines, it's the ideal destination for a classic family getaway, satisfying history buffs, thrill seekers and beach loungers alike!

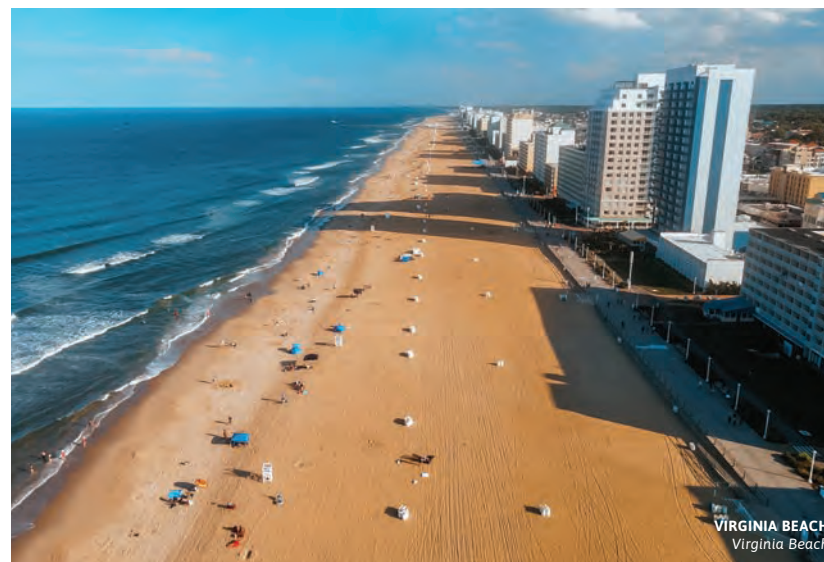


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VIRGINIA BEACH  
Virginia Beach

**Add these experiences to your travel bucket list for the region!**

## Newport News Park, Newport News

Enjoy nature on the 5.3-mile bike loop that crosses with Colonial National Historical Park, the site of George Washington's American Revolutionary War headquarters. Kayak, canoe or paddle for as long as you please, try your hand at freshwater fishing, or enjoy a peaceful stroll in the floral landscapes of the Japanese Peace Garden.

## Pirate Cruises & Sightseeing Sails, Yorktown

For those who love history, yearn for romance or have dreamed of a true sailing adventure, this outing is for you! Many may not know that here in Yorktown you can lend a hand at setting sail, take the helm and steer the ship or look for dolphins and osprey as you glide along the shores of the York River.

## Williamsburg Food Scene, Williamsburg

Culinary enthusiasts can find everything from eclectic street food and modern fine dining to carefully crafted beers and spirits. Whether you're dreaming of street tacos, Asian-influenced flavors, wine or spirits, you'll find the flavors to satisfy your cravings.

## Glass Art Collections, Norfolk

Did you know Norfolk is home to the largest collection of free, public glass art in the world? Explore the Glass Light Hotel, Chrysler Museum of Art, Barry Art Museum, Perry Glass Studio and several small, free galleries throughout the city.

## Outlook Beach, Hampton

Surrounded by water on all sides, the Fort Monroe beaches extend for miles and offer some of the best views of the Chesapeake Bay. This lesser-known public beach is open from sunrise to sunset and is perfect for swimming, sunning and relaxing.

## False Cape State Park, Virginia Beach

With six miles of unspoiled beaches, 12 primitive campsites and nine miles of hiking and biking trails, this mile-wide barrier spit is home to over 300 species of birds, otters, American bald eagles and other wildlife living in the dunes, woodland, farm fields, salt marsh and wooded swamps.

## The Salty Southern Route

Expect the unexpected on this fun road trip to discover the state's most beloved food products: pork and peanuts. From the town of Smithfield and the city of Suffolk, to the farms, peanut processors and charming country stores of Surry, Sussex, Franklin and Southampton County, you'll experience the culture and people behind the delicious foods the area produces.





# MEMORIES INSPIRED.

Whatever the season, whatever the reason, visit the place where memories are made everyday — Hampton, Virginia. Watch the sunrise on the Atlantic Ocean from the world's greatest natural harbor. Take a sunset stroll and watch the wind-swept waves beside beautiful Buckroe Beach. Experience history, art and culture everywhere you look. Take a walking tour through 400 years of history at Fort Monroe. Gaze up into the stars for a fun-filled family adventure at the Virginia Air & Space Science Center. Enjoy a day of discovery at Hampton History Museum and Hampton University Museum. And more! Discover something fun for everyone, anytime of year.

Make memories, get inspired, and plan your trip to [VisitHampton.com](http://VisitHampton.com)



## Your local guide to HAMPTON



Fort Monroe

**Hampton's most popular attractions have been inspiring visitors for decades: Fort Monroe, the Virginia Air & Space Science Center, Buckroe Beach, the Hampton History Museum, Hampton University Museum, the world's greatest natural harbor, and more!**

**However, there's more to Hampton than meets the eye. Discover Hampton's best-kept secrets, as chosen by the experts — Hampton's locals!**

### VISIT MORE AT FORT MONROE

Fort Monroe offers 400 years of history in one breathtaking and thought-provoking location. Be sure you also check out the exhibits and galleries at our new Visitor & Education Center, which tells the profound story of "Freedom's Fortress" from 1619 to today.

### HAMPTON'S HIDDEN BEACH

Buckroe Beach is a big hit, but for the great views of Chesapeake Bay, locals also love Fort Monroe's public beach, Outlook Beach. This hidden beach is worth a visit, surrounded by water on all sides, and features Old Point Comfort Lighthouse, dating back to 1803.

### HISTORIC PHOEBUS

Phoebus is one of our most charming communities and is like a mini-vacation of its own. Feast on fresh seafood at Fullers Raw Bar. Listen to smooth jazz at The Baker's Wife Bistro & Bar. Stroll downtown and explore the charming shops and cafes. Whatever you do, don't miss Phoebus.

### EMANCIPATION OAK

Tucked away on Hamptons University's campus, you might not know that there is a living symbol of freedom — The Emancipation Oak. The first Southern reading of the Emancipation Proclamation occurred under its branches in 1863.

### BLUEBIRD GAP FARM

Do your kiddos have a bunch of energy? Take the family to Bluebird Gap Farm and let them run around the 60-acres of adventure. Besides the playground and pavilion, there are 150 domestic and wild animals and a nature trail.

**Check out these unexpected destinations (and many more) that our locals love — and you will too! Plan your trip at [VisitHampton.com](http://VisitHampton.com).**



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VIRGINIA

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**Plan an outdoor adventure in**  
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County, Virginia

“Hike into History” at Chippokes State Park, paddle historic Gray’s Creek, discover a second fort attempted by Capt. John Smith, dine on delicious seafood at Surry Seafood Company, and visit the World’s Tallest Goat Tower.



[www.surrycountytourism.com](http://www.surrycountytourism.com)



**Riddick’s Folly House Museum**  
510 North Main St., Suffolk; 757-934-0822;  
riddicksfolly.org. Tour a Greek Revival mansion  
(1837). Virginia Civil Trail site. \$🚗

**Skydive Suffolk**  
1200 Gene Bolton Dr., Suffolk; 757-539-3531;  
skydivesuffolk.com. Premier skydiving center offering  
tandem, sport jumps and accelerated freefall. 🚗

**Suffolk Art Gallery**  
118 Bosley Ave., Suffolk; 757-514-7284; visitsuffolkva.  
com. Contemporary art gallery and museum unites  
whimsy and creativity through ever-changing exhibits  
and programs. 🚗

**Suffolk Center for Cultural Arts**  
110 W. Finney Ave., Suffolk; 757-923-0003;  
suffolkcenter.org. Art galleries, historical exhibits and  
theatrical, dance and musical productions. 🚗

**Suffolk Seaboard Coastal Trail**  
King’s Hwy. (Driver Village), Suffolk; 757-514-7250;  
suffolkva.us/266/parks-recreation. Former railroad  
right-of-way now 10-foot-wide pedestrian and bicycle  
trail. 🚗🐾🚲

**Suffolk Seaboard Station Railroad Museum**  
326 North Main St., Suffolk; 757-514-4135;  
suffolktrainstation.com. Restored 1885 station,  
HO-scale model, memorabilia, caboose and gift shop.  
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**SURRY COUNTY**

**Surry County Visitors Center**  
267 Church St., Surry; 757-758-0146;  
surrycountytourism.com. Just a short, free ferry ride  
from Williamsburg; come, visit and savor the secrets  
of Surry! 🚗

**THINGS TO DO**

**Bacon’s Castle** VG  
465 Bacon’s Castle Trail, Surry; 757-357-5976;  
baconscastle.org. The nation’s oldest brick home,  
circa 1665. \$🚗🚲

**Chippokes Plantation State Park** VG  
695 Chippokes Park Rd., Surry; 757-294-3728;  
virginiastateparks.gov/chippokes-plantation. \$🐾🚲

**Gray’s Creek Marina**  
633 Marina Dr., Surry; 757-294-3700;  
surrycountytourism.com/grays\_creek.htm. Free boat,  
kayak and canoe launch; fishing pier; bathhouse;  
marina. 🚲

**Jamestown-Scotland Ferry**  
Rt. 31, Surry; 800-823-3779; virginiaadot.org/  
comtravel/ferry-jamestown. Operates 24 hours a day,  
365 days a year between Surry and Jamestown.

**Smith’s Fort**  
217 Smith Fort Ln., Surry; 757-294-3872;  
preservationvirginia.org. 1609 site of Captain John  
Smith’s “New Fort.”

**Surry County Historic Courthouse Complex**  
28 Colonial Trail East, Surry; 757-269-3161;  
surrycountyva.gov/departments/clerk-of-circuit-court.  
Original county records dating to incorporation in  
1652, National Historic Register. 🚲

**Surry County Historical Society & Museum**  
281 Bank St., Surry; 757-294-0404;  
surrycountyvahistory.org. Information available on  
history, churches, cemeteries, genealogy research. 🚲

**VIRGINIA BEACH**

Includes Fort Story

**Virginia Beach Visitor Information Center**  
2100 Parks Ave., Virginia Beach; 757-385-7873;  
visitvirginiabeach.com. Visitor information available  
daily 9am-5pm, during the summer until 6pm.  
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**Virginia Beach Convention & Visitors Bureau**  
2101 Parks Ave., Ste. 500, Virginia Beach; 757-385-  
4700; visitvirginiabeach.com. Vacation in Virginia  
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**GenuineSmithfieldVA.com** 800.365.9339



**Manor House & Smithfield Center**

Both the Smithfield Center, a multi-purpose space and the newly-renovated Manor House at Windsor Castle Park offer waterfront venues in a natural setting that will bring an added dimension to weddings, conferences, meetings and other special events.

**SmithfieldCenter.com**  
220 N. Church Street,  
Smithfield, 757.356.9939



**Smithfield Station**

Smithfield Station Waterfront Hotel, Restaurant and Marina, sits proudly on the banks of the Pagan River, offering a one-of-a-kind experience combining overnight accommodations, on-site dining, conference space, shopping, a marina and more.

**SmithfieldStation.com**  
415 S. Church Street  
Smithfield, 877.703.7700



**Smithfield VA Events**

Held riverside at Windsor Castle Park, check out the hottest festivals in Coastal Virginia! Enjoy the January BOB Fest, the April Wine & Brew Fest and the October Bacon & Bourbon Music Fest. New! Upscale five-course dining events are hosted in the recently restored 18th Century Manor House featuring bourbons, wines and spirits.

**SmithfieldVAEvents.com**  
302 Jericho Road,  
Smithfield, 757.357.5182

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**St. Luke's Historic Church & Museum**

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**StLukesMuseum.org**  
14477 Benns Church Blvd.,  
Smithfield, 757.357.3367



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**ChristmasStoreSmithfield.com**  
108 Main Street  
Smithfield, 757.357.7891



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