

Enjoy a Long Weekend in Loudoun County, Virginia

The Ultimate Itinerary for DC's Wine Country®

Just 50km west of Washington, D.C. is [Loudoun County](#). If you are into small-town charm, craft culture, local wines and craft beers, and proper farm-to-table fare, this is the place. Throw in an extensive natural playground and seasonal events, and you'll see just how delicious Loudoun life can be. Here's how we suggest you make the most of your time on a short break to DC's Wine Country®.

Say cheers to the area's wine and craft beers

In the heart of DC's Wine Country®, the best place to start is Loudoun County's vineyards. There are more than 50 wineries here, perfect for classes, tastings and even grape stomping sessions. If beer is more your speed, you are in luck. The county is also home to more than 30 breweries, making it one of America's most vibrant craft beer destinations. Hit the [LoCo Ale Trail](#) that connects trendy urban breweries in the east with farm beer gardens in the west – the perfect day-time activity for scoping out the place.

Experience authentic cuisine

Loudoun County also ranks top for foodies. Family farms are bursting with fresh produce used in local grills and seafood restaurants like [Ford's Fish Shack](#) and [King Street Oyster Bar](#). Add in trendy taquerias, down home diners, diverse food trucks, award winning restaurants, and acclaimed cuisine from around the world! For midday breaks and memorable dinners – we guarantee you won't go hungry.

Explore historic areas and “horse” around

Loudoun County's past is just as rich as its present. Spend time getting up to speed with three centuries' worth of heritage. Historic homes and gardens make for gorgeous morning strolls, while museums offer delicious respite from the afternoon sun. Standouts include [Morven Park](#), home to Polo in the Park, and [Oatlands Historic House and Gardens](#).

Horses are a part of the culture here. Tour winding trails and foothills on guided horseback rides, or attend a traditional equestrian event, like the [Upperville Colt & Horse Show](#). As the oldest horse show in the nation, it celebrates riding while promoting equine welfare. Fun

exhibitions, local vendors and child-friendly pony classes keep the whole crew entertained throughout.

Get involved in seasonal activities

It is always a great time to visit Loudoun County, especially if you're into outdoor activities. For more than 50 years, the iconic Loudoun Hunt Point-to-Point has been held in April. Traditionally run at the Oatlands Historic House and Gardens and recently expanding to a revitalized course at Morven Park, this race is a huge pull for tourists and out-of-town visitors. In autumn, the dial turns to harvest. The prevalence of farm-fresh dining in DC's Wine Country® makes the [Waterford Fair](#) a must-visit. From food and libations to artisan crafts, exhibits and more, it's an incredible way to get a feel for the area.

Stay somewhere nice

After a day of experiencing the region's finest offerings, you may want somewhere serene to rest your head, or to keep the adventure going. Loudoun County offers everything from cozy family-run guesthouses and chic spa resorts to historic B&Bs and sleek hotels. With this much choice, you'll want to mix and match depending on your day's diary.

Browse the full selection of accommodation online
at <https://www.visitloudoun.org/places-to-stay/>

Loudoun County is draped in opportunities and pastimes, perfect for those seeking a short break beyond city lines. With added convenience and streamlined access, there is plenty for you to try, see and do.

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