JUST FOR SIPS & GIGGLES
Prince William • Richmond • Norfolk

Prince William, VA

Begin your adventure at Effingham Manor & Winery for a wine blending class and competition. Effingham’s vintners will educate, assist, and judge the contest. This is the perfect group activity for wine lovers; it encompasses fun, competitiveness, education, and uniqueness. Be sure to take advantage of the complimentary history tour of the property.

Continue testing your palate with a visit to Winestyle, offering hundreds of different types of wines and crafts beers, that have been sorted by style and taste. Pair a wine or beer with a selection of artisan cheeses, gourmet food, and handcrafted chocolates.

Eat, drink, and relax at Giorgio’s Family Restaurant, a neighborhood cornerstone for over 19 years. Serving wonderful made from scratch meals with Italian and Greek influences. Some of the most popular dishes include their Greek-style pork chops, jumbo crab cakes, and house special flaming cheese.

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Start your morning with a guide dressed in Civil War era military uniform as he leads you through Manassas National Battlefield Park, “Where the Southern Victories Tested the Northern Resolve”. Two armies clashed for the first time with heavy fighting, sweeping 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, also known as First Battle of Bull Run, to care for their wounds. Several soldiers left their signatures on the walls. Enjoy lunch around a spectacular, two-story, historic dairy barn at Farm Brew Live. Northern Virginia’s first destination brewery that features craft beer, craft food, and live local music.

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 past, present, and future U.S. Marines. Grab lunch and a beer at the museum’s Tun Tavern before heading to Richmond.

Discover the story of Blue Bee Cider on a one-hour tour and tasting. Learn about how Virginia’s first urban cidery made their home in two distinct Richmond neighborhoods and enjoy a behind-the-scenes look at a historic revitalized horse stable complex from the 1940s now home to the cidery. Create fine cider at this unique property and experience guided cider tastings.

The next stop is a gilded Victorian mansion, Maymont. The mansion tour explores the glitz and glamour of the Dooley family in the 1930s. Gorgeous table settings for a garden party or dinner invites visitors to imagine the extravagant life that was once Maymont. Following the mansion tour, explore the elaborate Italian and Japanese gardens. Animals 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.

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Richmond
Virginia Wine Expo
National Beer Expo
RVA Craft Beer
Richmond Jazz Festival
Hops in the Park
Celtic Festival & Highland Games

Norfolk
Spring Town Point
Virginia Wine Festival
Fall Town Point Virginia Wine Festival
Spirit of Norfolk Wine Cruise
Norfolk Waterfront Jazz Festival
Richmond also offers an impressive selection of cozy boutique hotels that include Quirk, Linden Row Inn, or the trendy Delta Hotels by Marriott and Graduate Richmond.

Stop, Shop, Sip, and Savor in the very walkable Carytown, Richmond’s Mile of Style, where you can 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 of Can Can Brasserie. Finish your meal off with a locally hand crafted sweet treat from For the Love of Chocolate.

Richmond to Norfolk, 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 front front buildings, and a decadent selection of restaurants.

Spend the afternoon on a wine tour, sip over 50 wines from around the world at Press 626 Cafe and Wine Bar. Their menu will please all taste buds using only ingredients from local farms for the freshest of tastes! Head to Crystal Palate, a wine boutique and education center located in the beautiful coastal community of East Beach. With a thoughtfully curated selection of over 120 wines from around the world, the Crystal Palate specializes in wine education and also offers several wine classes every month.

For dinner, enjoy an exciting evening with a blending at the Mermaid Winery! Using Award Winning Mermaid Winery wines, your team will create their very own blend of wine and compete against others. After you have made the perfect wine, a team of Sommeliers will examine and provide their results. At the end of the class, you’ll leave with your very own masterpiece and maybe even a painted wine bottle to commemorate your visit.