

# SOUTHERN SIGHS

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### *Attractions in the Middle Peninsula, the Northern Neck, & Other Regions of Virginia*

We look forward to welcoming you to the cradle of the United States. We are History land, past and present and setting the stage for history to be made for the future. Evidence of our past can be found in fossilized shells in fossil beds in several creeks and along the Rappahannock River. These date back to the Miocene Epoch period (5-20 million years BP). I think we can agree we had an “early start.”

Moving onward to more recent times, our area was documented in early maps by Captain John Smith. Settlements developed and with land grants and immigration; the area began to grow. Pocahontas hails from the Gloucester area and her father, Chief Powhatan, headed the Powhatan Confederacy.

Route 17 was carved into the wilderness along the eastern corridor of the state. The significance of this early commerce route is documented in the 1754 map by Dr. John Mitchell. In 1782 this map was used to settle the Treaty of Paris which established the USA boundaries. Ironically, the map was used as recently as 1980 to settle disputes “re-establishing Canadian-US Fishery boundaries off the coast of Maine. The map can be viewed at the Urbanna Museum and Visitors Center.

Oyster is King in our world here and with great pride the town of Urbanna hosts the Urbanna Oyster Festival, which is now is its 66th year. Visit the Urbanna website for all the exciting details.

Our little “Crustacean Nation” offers miles of shoreline and fishing opportunities. From campsites to elegant inns, beaches to streams, farms to magnificent homes, remnants of battles fought-won and lost, historic churches, General Chesty Puller’s grave at Christ Church, our sail boating paradise in Deltaville, Reedville’s history of the menhaden industry, the Scottish influence in Kilmarnock, Arts flourishing in every little village along the way, the Artisan Trail, tractor and farm museums, sunflower farms, birthplaces of two of the US presidents, outdoor hiking, biking, kayaking on the rivers and the Dragon Run. The Northern Neck and Middle Peninsula can offer good times, good memories, boundless educational opportunities on our history and programs today to protect and preserve our ecosystem.

We hope you find the websites below of interest and spark a desire to learn more about Middlesex County, The Middle Peninsula, The Northern Neck and our neighboring counties.



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## 2023 Calendar

June 3 & 4, 2023 – Arts in the Middle

June 10, 2023 – Farmers Market

July 1, 2023 – Independence Day Festivities

July 8, 2023 – Farmers Market

August 5, 2023 – Founders' Day: A celebration of  
Urbanna's Colonial History

August 12, 2023 – Farmers Market

September 9, 2023 – Farmers Market

October 14, 2023 – Annual Wine and Oyster Stroll

October 28, 2023 – Crawl-O-Ween

November 3 and 4, 2023 – Urbanna Oyster Festival

December 1, 2023 – Annual Lighting of the Trees

December 1, 2023 – Holiday Fashion Show

December 1, 2023 – Urbanna Christmas Parade

December 2, 2023 – Christmas in Urbanna

December 15 & 16, 2023 – Urbanna's Polar Express

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## Virginia Attractions

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

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

[www.historicjamestowne.org](http://www.historicjamestowne.org)

[www.virginia.org](http://www.virginia.org)

## Attractions in Middlesex, Essex and Lancaster Counties

[www.deltavillemuseum.com/events](http://www.deltavillemuseum.com/events)

[www.visitmiddlesexva.org](http://www.visitmiddlesexva.org)

## Urbanna Town Map and Events for 2019

[www.urbanna.com/events](http://www.urbanna.com/events)

## Northern Neck (The Rivah Guide is the definitive source for things to do and places to go in the NN)

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

[www.virginiasriverrealm.va.us](http://www.virginiasriverrealm.va.us)

[www.co.northumberland.va.us](http://www.co.northumberland.va.us)

## Attractions in Williamsburg

[www.thescoutguide.com/city-cheat-sheet-a-travel-guide-for-williamsburg-and-the-chesapeake-bay-virginia/](http://www.thescoutguide.com/city-cheat-sheet-a-travel-guide-for-williamsburg-and-the-chesapeake-bay-virginia/)

## Attractions in Gloucester

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

[www.gloucesterva.info/258/Activities-Events](http://www.gloucesterva.info/258/Activities-Events)

[www.gloucesterarts.org](http://www.gloucesterarts.org)

## Attractions in Westmoreland County (home to two of our nation's presidents)

[www.townofmontross.org/local-attractions](http://www.townofmontross.org/local-attractions)

## Discover the River to Bay Artisans Trail

<https://www.facebook.com/rivertobayartisantrail>

## Attractions in York, Mathews and Williamsburg

[www.colonialwilliamsburg.org](http://www.colonialwilliamsburg.org)

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## Vineyards Near Middlesex County, VA

### Dog & Oyster Vineyards

170 White Fences Drive  
Irvington, VA 22480  
[www.dogandoyster.com](http://www.dogandoyster.com)  
804-438-9463

### Caret Cellars

495 Meadow Landing Lane  
Caret, VA 22436  
[www.caretcellars.com](http://www.caretcellars.com)  
540-413-6454

### Ditchley Cider Works

1571 Ditchley Rd  
Kilmarnock, VA 22482  
[www.ditchleyciderworks.com](http://www.ditchleyciderworks.com)  
804-435-3851

### Good Luck Cellars

1025 Good Luck Rd  
Kilmarnock, Va 22482  
[www.goodluckcellars.com](http://www.goodluckcellars.com)  
804-435-1416

### Ingleside Vineyards

5872 Leeds Town Rd  
Oak Grove, Va 22443  
[www.inglesidevineyards.com](http://www.inglesidevineyards.com)  
804-224-8687

### Jacey Vineyards

619 Train Lane  
Wicomico Church, VA 22579  
[www.jaceyvineyard.com](http://www.jaceyvineyard.com)  
804-580-4053

### Rivah Vineyards at the Grove

671 Kinsale Bridge Rd.  
Kinsale, VA 22488  
[www.rivahvineyards.com](http://www.rivahvineyards.com)  
904-599-8552

### The Hague Winery

8268 Cople Highway  
Hague, Va 22469  
[www.thehagewinery.com](http://www.thehagewinery.com)  
804-472-5283

### Triple V Farms

3138 Jesse DuPont Memorial Highway  
Heathsville, VA 22473  
[www.triplevfarms.com](http://www.triplevfarms.com)  
804-724-5765

### Zoll Vineyards

10309 Vineyard Rd.  
Dutton, VA 23050  
[www.zollvineyards.com](http://www.zollvineyards.com)  
774-275-7581

### Gauthier Vineyards

5000 Farmers Drive  
Barhamsville, VA 23011  
[www.gauthiervineyard.com](http://www.gauthiervineyard.com)  
703-622-1107

### Saude Creek Vineyards

16230 Cooks Mill Rd.  
Lanexa, VA 23089  
[www.saudecreek.com](http://www.saudecreek.com)  
804-966-5896

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## Breweries Near Middlesex County, VA

**That Damn Mary Brewing Company**  
5036 B and 5036 George Washington Memorial Hwy  
Hays, VA 23072  
[www.thatdamnmary.com](http://www.thatdamnmary.com)  
804-210-1383

**Dragon Run Brewing**  
1401 Centerville Rd  
Shacklefords, VA 23156  
[www.dragonrunbrewing.com](http://www.dragonrunbrewing.com)  
804-832-5285

**Gloucester Brewing Company**  
6778 Main Street  
Gloucester, VA 23061  
[www.globrewco.com](http://www.globrewco.com)  
804-210-1407

## Museums Near Middlesex County, VA

**Middlesex County Museum**  
777 General Puller Highway  
Saluda, VA 23149  
804-758-3663  
[www.museumsofmiddlesex.com](http://www.museumsofmiddlesex.com)

**Urbanna Museum**  
130 Virginia Street  
Urbanna, VA 23175  
804-758-8181  
[www.museumsofmiddlesex.com/urbanna-museum](http://www.museumsofmiddlesex.com/urbanna-museum)

**Deltaville Maritime Museum**  
287 Jackson Creek Rd.  
Deltaville, VA 23043  
804-776-7200  
[www.deltavillemuseum.com](http://www.deltavillemuseum.com)