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It's DELMARVALOUS

6 Days – 5 Nights

**DELaware, MARYland, & Virginia
A MARVELOUS Combination!**

From the scenery of Delaware; to Maryland's Oceanic Peninsula; and Virginia's Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel.



Nestled between the Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic Ocean, Maryland's, Virginia's and Delaware's DELMARVA Peninsula has quaint waterfront villages, fertile farmland, historic sites and inns, lively resorts, pristine waterways, and remote islands where natives still speak with an Elizabethan accent. DELMARVA's culture has evolved while maintaining many of its traditions and values. Take A Fun Trip and meet the friendly people of "the" Eastern Shore.



Day One

- Enjoy **lunch on your own** today in the **café** while at **Winterthur, DE**.
- Tour **Winterthur**, Brandywine Valley's breathtaking notable museum stands out for its internationally acclaimed collection of American decorative arts. A museum like no other, there are over 89,000 pieces of American Decorative Arts here, collected by Henry Francis du Pont, and it is considered to be one of the foremost collections of American antiques. Save time for a visit to see the Campbell Soup Tureen Collection, the newest installation at the museum, and to shop in the wonderful gift store.
- Free time to wander through and explore the splendor of Winterthur's world famous **Gardens**.
- **Check in** to our local **hotel**. **Baggage** handling included.
- Enjoy **dinner** this evening at the **Brandywine Prime Seafood & Chops**.
Meals: D

Day Two

- Enjoy **breakfast or a continental breakfast** at the hotel this morning prior to **checking out**. **Baggage** handling included.
- Tour **Longwood Gardens**, one of the world's premier horticultural display gardens. Longwood Gardens was created by industrialist Pierre S. du Pont and offers 1,050 acres of gardens, woodlands, and meadows, 20 outdoor gardens, 20 indoor gardens within 4 acres of heated greenhouses, 11,000 different types of plants, and spectacular fountains.

- Enjoy **lunch on your own** today in the cafeteria at **Longwood Gardens**.
- Visit the **Brandywine River Museum**. A unique showcase of American art housed in an historic 19th-century gristmill, this museum is famous for its unparalleled collection of works by three generations of the Wyeth family. Here we'll find the largest collection of works by Andrew Wyeth, as well as N.C. Wyeth's renowned illustrations for Treasure Island and Kidnapped.
- Visit **Nemours Mansion and Gardens**, the former 300 acre estate of Alfred I. du Pont, is named after the du Pont ancestral home in north central France. The Mansion is an excellent example of modified Louis XVI French château. The mansion has 102 rooms and is furnished with fine period antiques, rare oriental rugs, tapestries and paintings dating back as far as the 15th century. The gardens, their design influenced by Mr. du Pont's many trips to Europe, are beautifully landscaped and include a working carillon tower, natural woodlands and extensive formal French gardens.
- Depart.
- Stop and enjoy dinner included enroute to Baltimore.
- **Check in** to our local Baltimore area **hotel**. **Baggage** handling included.
Meals: B or CB, D

Day Three

- Enjoy **breakfast or a continental breakfast** at the hotel this morning prior to **checking out**. **Baggage** handling included.
- Meet our **GUIDE** at **Aquarium Drive** and begin our tour of **Baltimore and its neighborhoods**. One of America's oldest cities, Baltimore grew up around its seaport. Its rich diversity of culture can be seen from the decks of historic ships, or on the streets surrounding the waterfront. Attractions ring the Waterfront promenade and are accessible either by foot, or by water taxi.
 - Tour **Ft. McHenry**, the star-shaped fort was the site of the British naval bombardment during the War of 1812 that inspired Francis Scott Key to write The Star Spangled Banner.
 - Established during the colonial era, Fell's Point is a neighborhood rich in history, attractions and colorful people. Known to many visitors as a lively entertainment district, it is enjoyed by its diverse residents as a very livable community where individuality is welcome.
 - **Little Italy** is one of Baltimore's most famous ethnic communities. In addition to the wonderful aromas that permeating the neighborhood you'll find that locals and visitors alike truly enjoy chatting with the residents of this friendly Italian community as they sit on their steps welcoming you to Little Italy.
 - **Mount Vernon Place Historic District** is comprised of four rectangular parks-- East and West Mount Vernon Place and North and South Washington Place. These garden parks, and the houses that line them, form the setting for the Washington Monument, the first major monument in the country to honor the first President, designed by Robert Mills in 1829.
 - Across the Inner Harbor is the historic hill called **Federal Hill**, a neighborhood on the historic register, adding warmth and charm to the downtown scene.
 - **Baltimore City Hall**, built in 1875, City Hall houses government offices and galleries.
- Tour **Evergreen House**, an impressive Italianate mansion built in the 1850's with classical revival additions. See the theater and billiard rooms, as well as the outstanding collection of Chinese Blue-and-White Porcelain, Tiffany Chandeliers, Japanese Netsuke and Inro and Lacquer Boxes, an extensive collection of post-impressionist paintings, and the 35,000-volume rare book library.
 - Enjoy **High Tea** at Evergreen House offering a wide array of finger sandwiches, scones, dessert, and much more.
- Meet our **GUIDE** at **College and St John Avenue** and begin our tour of **Annapolis**.
DISCLAIMER: All persons 16 years and older going on the tour must bring picture identification to enter the Naval Academy and all Maryland Government Buildings. There are no exceptions!
Annapolis is **Maryland's Capital** city and home to more surviving Colonial buildings than any other place in the country. You can still walk the streets the colonists did and be sure to take in the view from the foot of City Dock! *Comfortable shoes are a must – this is a six block walking tour.*
 - Visit the **outside** of the **Maryland State House**. The Maryland State House is the oldest U.S. State House in continuous legislative use. In the restored Old Senate Chamber, George Washington resigned his commission as Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army, and the Treaty of Paris was

- ratified ending the Revolutionary War. Exhibits depict life in Annapolis in colonial times. **Photo ID is needed for entrance into the building.**
- Visit the **U.S. Naval Academy**. While walking the scenic grounds of the United States Naval Academy, known as the Yard, the contrasts in architecture reflect the long and colorful history of the academy. On this National Historic Site, the academy's tree-shaded monuments commemorate the courageous graduates and their contributions to naval history. Echoes of marching midshipmen from the 1800's still resound through the steps of new students. Located beneath the chapel is the crypt of John Paul Jones, naval hero of the American Revolution, whose battle cry "I have not yet begun to fight" has become a part of U.S. Naval tradition.
 - Cruise on the **Harbor Queen**. The *Harbor Queen* is truly an Annapolis landmark. She has been giving tours of Annapolis Harbor since 1972. With ample room for dancing and a bandstand on the first deck, she has hosted every type of event from line dancing to high school dances, and limbo contests to Caribbean style parties. The *Harbor Queen* is an open and airy boat and not climate-controlled. The first Deck is covered and the top deck is totally open.
 - Enjoy a **Crab Feast** with all the trimmings at the **Fisherman's Inn, Kent Narrows**. Fried chicken is included in the feast.
 - **Check in** to our local Kent Narrows area **hotel**. **Baggage** handling included.
Meals: B or DB, L, D

Day Four

- Enjoy **breakfast or a continental breakfast** at the hotel this morning prior to **checking out**. **Baggage** handling included.
- Arrive in **Saint Michael's**. Visit the **Chesapeake Maritime Museum**, which traces the history of the bay and its traditions in boat building, commercial fishing, yachting, waterfowling and navigation. See a 100-year old "Screwpile" Lighthouse, a restored long-bottom bugeye, a skipjack, a racing log canoe and more!
- Board the **Patriot Cruise Boat** for a tour of the *Miles River*, a beautiful arm of the *Chesapeake Bay*. Learn about the history of Talbot County with our historical narration, view of historic homes, waterfowl and the fishermen who harvest blue crab, clams and oysters.
- Enjoy **lunch on your own** today in **Saint Michael's**, "The Town That Fooled the British." Three centuries of colonial heritage abound! You'll find charming antique shops, galleries and superb restaurants. The quaint streets are lined with Federal, Colonial and Victorian era homes. Enjoy lunch on your own at one of several restaurants that dot the beautiful harbor area. Don't miss the famous Maryland Steamed Crabs or Crab Cakes!
- Visit the **Ward Museum of Wildfowl Art**. The most comprehensive collection of wildfowl carving in the world invites you to explore this unique, indigenous North American art form from antique working decoys to internationally acclaimed contemporary sculpture and painting. Named for brothers Lem and Steve Ward of Crisfield, MD, whose skill and vision elevated decoy carving to fine art, the museum works to promote, preserve and perpetuate wildfowl art.
- **Check in** to our local Ocean City **hotel**. **Baggage** handling included.
- Enjoy **dinner** at **Phillip's Seafood, Ocean City**.
Meals: B or CB, D

Day Five

- Enjoy **breakfast or a continental breakfast** at the hotel this morning prior to **checking out**. **Baggage** handling included.
- Cross **The Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel** designated "One of Seven Engineering Wonders of the Modern World" in 1965. The Chesapeake Bay Bridge-Tunnel is a four-lane 20-mile-long vehicular toll crossing of the lower *Chesapeake Bay*. There are manmade islands, each approximately 10 acres in size, located at each end of the two tunnels. There are also high-level bridges over two other navigation channels: North Channel Bridge and Fisherman Inlet Bridge.
 - From Maryland to Virginia – to your left is the *Atlantic Ocean*, and to your right is the *Chesapeake Bay*.
 - Stop at **Seagull Island Visitor's Center** (on the Bridge) for **dinner on your own** and a chance to observe the ships, fishing boats, and pleasure boats.

- Visit the **Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center** (formerly the Virginia Marine Science Museum). One of the top marine science museums in the country, Virginia's largest aquarium recently tripled in size. Become immersed in Virginia's marine environment through live animal habitats, interactive exhibits and The Fox Family Channel IMAX 3D Theater (**IMAX not included/on own**). Exhibits include a 300,000-gallon ocean aquarium housing sharks and other large fish, a 70,000-gallon sea turtle aquarium, outdoor harbor seal and river otter habitats, a salt marsh preserve and trail system, a decoy carver, sting ray touch tank, the *Chesapeake Bay* touch tank and aquarium, and "*Reptiles: The Beautiful and the Deadly*".
 - Enjoy **lunch on your own** today at the **Osprey Café** located in the Virginia Marine Science Museum.
 - While you are at the museum, enjoy a tour of *Owl's Creek* aboard our 50-passenger **pontoon boat**, the *Coastal Explorer*. This ½ hour tour will give you a glimpse of the last underdeveloped salt marsh in Virginia Beach. During the trip, museum educators will narrate the natural dramas of the creek as they unfold. From osprey diving to catch fish to herons stalking their prey in the cord grass, passengers will be able to see marsh life up close and personal.
- OR**
- Sail on a **Dolphin Watching Boat Trip**. Observe bottlenose dolphins in their natural habitat aboard the catamaran, *The Atlantic Princess*. Learn about dolphin social behaviors and the latest research studies.
 - **Check in** to our Virginia Beach ocean front hotel. **Baggage** handling included.
 - Enjoy **dinner on your own** this evening at any of the many restaurants along the ocean front.
Meals: B or CB, D

Day Six

- Enjoy **breakfast or a continental breakfast** at the hotel this morning prior to **checking out**. **Baggage storage** included. **Do NOT load the baggage on the motor coach**. We will return to pick them up.
- Tour the **Norfolk Naval Station**. This is homeport to more than 80 ships of the Atlantic Fleet, and the world's largest naval installation. Narrated guided bus tours pass by Atlantic Fleet training centers, aircraft carriers, cruisers and destroyers, amphibious assault vessels and sleek submarines. A strip of preserved historic homes from the 1907 Jamestown Exposition is included on the 45-minute tour. Tours are year round, and leave from the Naval Station Tour Office and The Waterside.
The Naval Stations Security Policy is: Motor coaches carrying/storing luggage on the coach will be denied access to the Naval Station. Do not carry sharp objects onto the Naval Station. All bags, purses, etc. are subject to search.
- Visit **The Casemate Museum at Fort Monroe**, the nation's oldest stone fort. In the 1860's slaves seeking their freedom knew Fort Monroe as Freedom's Fortress. Here Harriet Tubman was commissioned as the directress of Dixie Hospital because of her achievement as a Union scout and spy. The museum contains Civil War memorabilia and an exhibit about the historic Battle of the Ironclads. **Fort Monroe is a U.S. Army base. Have valid identification ready if asked for by the guards.**
- Depart for home.
Meals: B or CB

Double: From \$679.00 per person

Minimum 35. Numbers below subject to price increase. 35 paid + 1 comp in double occupancy or higher.

Prices listed are for off season tours during Spring & Fall.

Full Season rates are higher due to beach locations included in the package.

Prices are Net, Non-Commissionable.

Based on availability and pricing at time of reservations.

All proposals are subject to change.

Motor Coach transportation is included in the price.

Tour includes: 5 night's accommodations, baggage handling, 5 breakfasts or continental breakfasts, 1 lunch, 5 dinners, admissions and guide service as stated in the itinerary, taxes and gratuity **Except Guide Service and Driver is NOT included**