

## ***OPTIONAL***

### **PRE AND POST TOUR OPTIONS:**

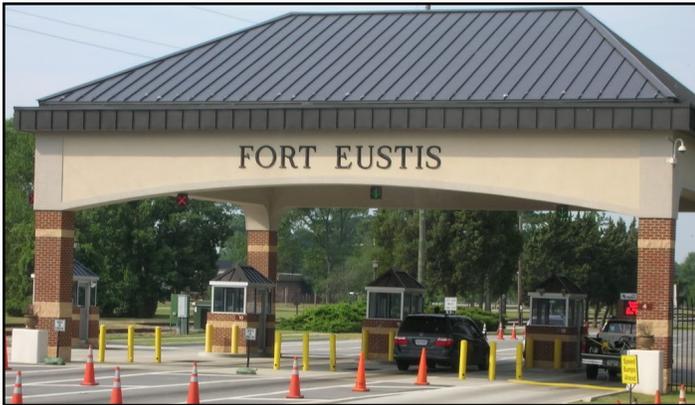
**(Prices listed are based on a minimum number of participants. If number is not reached, tours will be cancelled or prices adjusted.)**

**Tuesday: September 25, 2018**

#### **FORT EUSTIS AND ARMY TRANSPORTATION MUSEUM TOURS**

**PRICE: \$67.00 PER PERSON, LUNCH INCLUDED**

Tuesday's optional pre-tour will take us to Fort Eustis. Fort Eustis is located in Newport News, Virginia and was established in 1918. Fort Eustis has a rich history dating back to colonial times. Beginning in the WWII era, the primary mission of Fort Eustis has been Army transportation.



In 2010 the BRAC (Base Realignment, Allocation and Closure) decided to consolidate adjoining bases of different services resulting in Fort Eustis and Langley Air Force Base being consolidated as Joint Base Langley-Eustis. Lunch will be served at a dining facility on base.

The day will include a tour of the U.S. Army Transportation Museum at Fort Eustis. The mission of the museum is to collect, preserve, educate, and exhibit the history of transportation in the U.S. Army. The museum's collection numbers just under 7000 objects. These objects tell the story of the Army's Transportation Corps, from horse drawn wagons of the Revolutionary War to armored vehicles being used today.

Time permitting, we may stop at "Third Port" or other points of interest at Fort Eustis.

**Wednesday: September 26, 2018**

#### **NAUTICUS AND USS *WISCONSIN* TOURS**

**PRICE: \$17.00 PER PERSON, LUNCH NOT INCLUDED.**

Our Wednesday optional pre-tour is within walking distance of our hotel. Our group will gather in the lobby before walking to the Nauticus Museum. Those needing transportation will be assisted in getting to the Museum.



Nauticus houses the Hampton Roads Naval Museum and the entrance to the Battleship *Wisconsin*. On the third floor of Nauticus, guests can view a variety of science and maritime exhibits, including: aquaria, a horseshoe crab touch tank, shark lab, Science On a Sphere, NOAA exhibits, interactive theaters, and a weather station. The shark lab of Nauticus is home to four sharks of three different species.

The USS *Wisconsin* (BB-64) is one of the largest battleships ever built. The USS *Wisconsin*, one of four Iowa-class battleships constructed by the U.S. Navy, was built from 1941 to 1943 at the Philadelphia Navy Yard and commissioned in 1944. She played a major role in World War II, earning five battle stars for service against Japanese forces. She served during the Korean War, and led the Navy's surface attack on Iraq during the Persian Gulf War in 1991, firing not only her first but also the campaign's first Tomahawk Missile. She was decommissioned at Philadelphia and retired to the Naval Inactive Reserve Fleet in Portsmouth, Virginia, in October 1996.

On April 16, 2010, exactly 66 years from the day she was commissioned at Philadelphia Naval Shipyard, the United States Navy ceremoniously transferred ownership of the vessel to the city of Norfolk, Virginia.

**Monday: October 1, 2018**

**VIRGINIA'S HISTORIC TRIANGLE TOUR**

**PRICE: \$69.00 PER PERSON, LUNCH NOT INCLUDED**

We will depart for Monday's optional post-tour via motor coach for the charming town of **Williamsburg**. A dedicated, licensed tour guide will provide interesting and informative narration during the ride about the historic Virginia Peninsula and the Coastal Virginia area. Upon arrival, step back into the 18th century as a historical interpreter guides guests through the past and the events that helped shape America's history on a one-and-a-half hour leisurely walking tour through the restored district. (Actual distance is approximately 4-5 blocks and is appropriate for those in wheelchairs).



Following the overview tour, enjoy free time for lunch and shopping in Merchants Square or lunch in a colonial tavern.

Next travel to **Jamestown Settlement**. Established in 1607, this was the first permanent settlement in the New World. Guests will enjoy touring the re-created village of Jamestown which chronicles the nation's 17th century beginnings in Virginia in the context of its Powhatan Indian, English, and western central African cultures. Jamestown represents an enduring legacy of language, culture, and government. Through an introductory film, "1607: A Nation Takes Root," and expansive 30,000 square foot indoor exhibition galleries, guests will discover the political, social, and economic factors that led to the colonization of the New World, the culture of the

Powhatan Indians of coastal Virginia at the time of the English arrival, and the first century of the Virginia colony when Jamestown served as its capital. Outside, history comes alive in re-creations of a Powhatan Indian village, a colonial fort, and the three ships—Susan Constant, Godspeed, and Discovery—that transported English colonists to Virginia in 1607. Costumed historical interpreters demonstrate work and everyday life of the era and engage visitors in a variety of activities.

En route back to the hotel, drive along the beautiful Colonial Parkway to the quaint village of **Yorktown**, site of the last major battle of the Revolutionary War.

**Tuesday: October 2, 2018**

**A TASTE OF VIRGINIA BEACH TOUR**

**PRICE: \$112.00 PER PERSON, LUNCH AND BEER TASTING INCLUDED**

For Tuesday's optional post tour we will board the motor coach with our tour guide and visit one of Virginia Beach's most revered attractions, the **Military Aviation Museum**, home to one of the largest private collections of World War II and Korean War era fighters, bombers, trainers, and seaplanes in the world. Many aircraft have been fully restored to their World War II condition and are used for flight demonstrations, movie productions, or commercials. Enjoy a guided tour of the galleries and shopping in the gift shop which is stocked with all things flight related.



Lunch will take place at **Rockefeller's**, a local's favorite restaurant with a casual beach vibe. Here we will enjoy a classic Virginia Beach setting

overlooking the picturesque Rudee's Inlet which sits at the mouth of the Atlantic Ocean on Lake Rudee. A delicious three-course meal will be served and a cash bar will be available.

Then, learn about the history of Virginia's largest city and get the pulse on current day in **Virginia Beach**. See the First Landing Cross at Cape Henry where the English colonists first came ashore in 1607 prior to settling at nearby Jamestown. Walk out on the overlook to see where the bay and the ocean meet, and where the famous Battle of the Capes took place during the Revolutionary War. Enjoy a stop at the Old Cape Henry Lighthouse, built in 1792, this lighthouse was active until the late 1800s and is currently a Virginia Historic Landmark. Guests may



choose to climb to the top of the Lighthouse (small admission fee, pay on own). Ride down the resort strip, see the historic Cavalier Hotel as well as the Tidewater Veterans Memorial, a unique structure which pays homage to veterans everywhere.

End the day with a craft beer and a private, behind the scenes tour at **Young Veterans Brewing Co.**, one of Virginia Beach's craft breweries, owned and operated by veterans of the Iraq War.



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### **Schedule at a Glance OPTIONAL PRE-TOURS**

#### **Tuesday, September 25:**

Meet in lobby to load bus..... 8:45 AM  
 Fort Eustis tour  
 Lunch at one of the dining facilities on base—included  
 Army Transportation Museum tour  
 Return to hotel..... 3:00 PM

#### **Wednesday, September 26:**

Meet in lobby to walk to museum ..... 9:45 AM  
 Drivers will be ready for those needing rides  
 Guided tour of USS *Wisconsin*  
 Lunch on your own  
 Tour the Nauticus Naval Museum  
 Return to hotel..... 3:00 PM

**Reminder:  
Final itinerary will be handed out at the reunion.**

### **Schedule at a Glance OPTIONAL POST-TOURS**

#### **Monday, October 1:**

Meet in lobby to load bus..... 8:15 AM  
 Walking tour of Williamsburg  
 Lunch on your own in Merchants Square  
 Tour Jamestown Settlement  
 Stop at Yorktown, time permitting  
 Return to hotel..... 4:30 PM

#### **Tuesday, October 2:**

Meet in lobby to load bus..... 8:45 AM  
 Tour the Military Aviation Museum  
 Lunch at Rockafellers—included  
 Bus tour of Virginia Beach with stop at the Old Cape Henry Lighthouse  
 Tour Young Veterans Brewing Co. and enjoy a beer  
 Return to hotel..... 5:00 PM

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