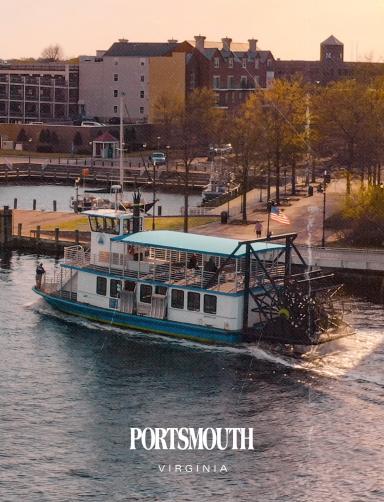
GO DIFFERENT

Portsmouth Virginia

WELCOME TO VIRGINIA'S
HISTORIC SEAPORT®



Time For Fun? Go Different.

Things have always been a little different on our side of the water, and that's just the way we like it. We think you'll love it. Our charming seaport city has been welcoming visitors since 1752, so we're pretty good at it by now. History, food, nature, art, culture and entertainment—it's all here! You should be, too. Plan your visit today.

PORTSMOUTH WELCOME CENTER

There's something for everyone to see and do in Portsmouth. Stop by our friendly High Street Welcome Center for brochures, directions, ideas, dining reservations, souvenirs and more.

OPEN DAILY 757-393-5111 VISITPORTSVA.COM



Museums

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF VIRGINIA

Let your child's imagination run wild at Virginia's largest hands-on museum built just for kids. Two floors of interactive exhibits, a state-of-the-art planetarium, an antique toy and train exhibit, and dozens of special places to play, dream and discover.

221 HIGH STREET
CHILDRENSMUSEUMVA.COM

PORTSMOUTH NAVAL SHIPYARD MUSEUM

Explore over 250 years of seafaring history at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Museum. Discover Portsmouth's important role in our nation's military and maritime history from the earliest days of shipbuilding in the United States through present day.

2 HIGH STREET PORTSMOUTHNAVALSHIPYARDMUSEUM.COM

LIGHTSHIP PORTSMOUTH

Climb aboard a National Historic
Landmark filled with authentic artifacts,
uniforms, and seafaring relics from
a bygone era. Located right on the
Olde Towne waterfront, Lightship
Portsmouth is one of just a few surviving
lightships of its kind.

LONDON & WATER STREET PORTSMOUTHLIGHTSHIP.COM

THE HILL HOUSE MUSEUM

Furnished with original family heirlooms and belongings from the 19th and 20th centuries, the historic Hill House offers a fascinating look into Portsmouth's rich social history through the family who lived here for over 150 years.

221 NORTH STREET
THEHILLHOUSEMUSEUM.ORG

PORTSMOUTH COLORED COMMUNITY LIBRARY MUSEUM

A nationally registered historic site, the Portsmouth Colored Community Library Museum celebrates the city's African American history inside a former library that served the city's African American community from 1945 until 1963. Exhibits include photographs and memorabilia, as well as books and journals from the original library.

904 ELM AVENUE PORTSMOUTHCCLM.COM

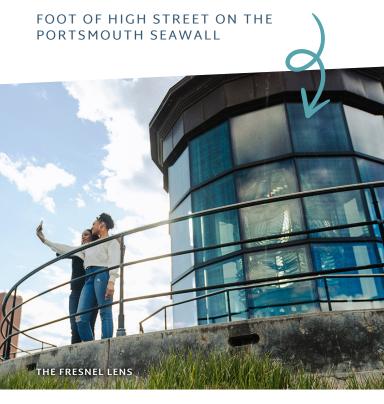
THE JEWISH MUSEUM & CULTURAL CENTER

The Jewish Museum & Cultural Center is the oldest synagogue in Portsmouth and serves as home to unique artifacts and exhibits from the history of the region's Jewish community, offering visitors a rare look at a surviving example of Eastern European Jewish Orthodoxy.

607 EFFINGHAM STREET JEWISHMUSEUMPORTSMOUTH.ORG

THE FRESNEL LENS

Once shining from atop the Hog Island Lighthouse on Virginia's Eastern Shore, this brilliantly restored 19th century Fresnel lens includes more than 250 dazzling prisms of optical glass. Sitting right on the Seawall, it's the only lens of its kind not housed inside a museum.



Tours

GUIDED TOURS OF OLDE TOWNE

From walks to excursions to bus tours, History Alive offers a variety of guided tours that explore the rich history and hidden treasures of Olde Towne Portsmouth.

HISTORYALIVE.INFO

SELF-GUIDED WALKING TOURS

- · Stroll the Seawall
- · Path of History
- Architecture Walk
- Underground Railroad Audio Tour
- Walk Your Art Out
- · Toads on High Street
- · Winging It Through Portsmouth
- Olde Towne Public Art

MOBILE GUIDES AVAILABLE FOR SELECT TOURS

VIEW ALL OF OUR WALKING TOURS AT PORTSVACATION.COM/WALKING-TOURS

Arts & Entertainment

PORTSMOUTH ART & CULTURAL CENTER

Enjoy two spacious galleries of everchanging exhibits, artist workshops, and demonstrations inside this historic 1846 Courthouse. Outside, enjoy live music and other programming in the tree-lined courtyard March - October.

420 HIGH STREET PORTSMOUTHARTCENTER.COM

THE COMMODORE THEATRE

Go old-school with dinner and a movie at The Commodore, a beautifully restored 1945 Art Deco theater featuring first-run films on a 42 ft. screen. Don't forget to snap some pics under the classic marquee! Tesla charging station is available outside.

421 HIGH STREET COMMODORETHEATRE.COM

BLACK SHEEP AIRSOFT

For folks who love the experience and thrill of an indoor urban airsoft course. This 25,000 sq. ft facility delivers fun and excitement on both a large CQB and Speed Soft Field. It also hosts a full airsoft pro shop.

2850 AIRLINE BOULEVARD BLACKSHEEPSOFT.COM

ATLANTIC UNION BANK PAVILION

Catch the biggest names in music and entertainment at Portsmouth's shimmering outdoor waterfront concert venue. Covered and lawn seating, easy parking, and a short walk to High Street make every night at the Pavilion special.

16 CRAWFORD CIRCLE PAVILIONCONCERTS.COM

PORTSMOUTH CULTURAL ARTS DISTRICT

From colorful wall murals and sculptures to painted electrical boxes and beyond, Portsmouth features more than 20 pieces of public art on display throughout Olde Towne and the High Street Entertainment District.

PORTSMOUTHARTSDISTRICT.COM

LEMANS KARTING & LASER TAG

Test your skill on one of the largest & fastest hi-speed LeMans karting tracks in the country – real gas-powered racing on adult and junior tracks designed by racers for racers. It also offers a hi-tech laser tag arena. Great for parties &

unique business meetings, too!

2882 AIRLINE BOULEVARD LEMANSKARTING.COM/PORTSMOUTH-VA

RIVERS CASINO PORTSMOUTH

The Rivers Casino is open 24/7 – 365 days a year and features over 1,400 slot machines, 50+ table games, poker room with 24 tables, and a sports book. With five restaurants, a bar that never closes, and a variety of entertainment venues there's something for everyone. Ages 21+

3630 VICTORY BLVD RIVERSCASINO.COM/PORTSMOUTH

FESTIVALS & SPECIAL EVENTS

Portsmouth comes alive with fun festivals and special events throughout the year. We'll see you out there!

UMOJA FESTIVAL | MAY
SEAWALL MUSIC FESTIVAL | JUNE
SUNSET THURSDAYS | JUNE-SEPTEMBER
OKTOBERFEST | SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER
SEAWALL ART SHOW | AUGUST
HOLIDAY MUSIC FESTIVAL | DECEMBER
WINTER WONDERLAND | DECEMBER

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Outdoors

GOLFING

Portsmouth features two great ways to hit the links. Bide-A-Wee Golf Course is an 18-hole, par-72 Curtis Strange signature course featuring bent grass greens and challenging fairways lined with majestic pines, ponds and lakes. The Links at City Park offers a 9-hole course and a driving range. The Links also features an AFGL Certified "FootGolf" Course.

BIDE-A-WEE GOLF COURSE 1 BIDE-A-WEE LANE

THE LINKS AT CITY PARK
7 CPL J M WILLIAMS AVENUE

PORTSMOUTH CITY PARK

Situated on the banks of the Elizabeth River, Portsmouth City Park features a 9-hole golf course, tennis courts, covered picnic areas, walking trails, fishing piers, a boat launch and a funfilled playground. In the warmer months, take a ride around the park on the steam train, Pokey Smokey.

CPL J M WILLIAMS AVENUE PORTSMOUTHPARKS.COM

PARADISE CREEK NATURE PARK

Hike, jog or kayak through the restored wetlands in this 40-acre urban nature

park. An initiative of the Elizabeth River Project, Paradise Creek has over 2 miles of trails and a public, handicapaccessible kayak launch, along with endless opportunities to learn about the importance of a healthy river ecosystem.

1141 VICTORY BOULEVARD ELIZABETHRIVER.ORG/PARADISECREEK

PORTSMOUTH SPLASH PARK

Portsmouth's Splash Park is the coolest way to beat a hot summer day. It offers fun for kids of all ages, especially younger kids looking to play with all kinds of gadgets that spray, spill, splash and squirt.

900 ELM AVENUE

HOFFLER CREEK WILDLIFE PRESERVE

The 142-acre preserve features 3 miles of nature trails, four separate habitats, a 32-acre lake, tidal creek kayaking and over 200 species of birds, including the American Bald Eagle. Decks and bird blinds overlook the lake, creek, and salt marsh. Kayak rentals, too!



on The Water

Portsmouth welcomes boaters with several full-service marinas - most within easy walking distance of restaurants, shops and attractions. Full-service commercial marinas offer transient boat slips with shore power and water. dry storage, fuel, and ship stores for supplies. For members of the Freedom Boat Club worldwide, Portsmouth has its own chapter located at Tidewater Yacht Marina. If you're here for a short stay and don't require any services, free docking for boats up to 40 feet is permitted at High Street Landing. It's designed for day visitors but boaters are welcome overnight not to exceed 36 hours.

COMPLETE REGISTRATION FORM ONLINE: PORTSVACATION.COM/VISITING-BY-BOAT

THE ELIZABETH RIVER FERRY

Ferries have been serving visitors to Portsmouth since 1636. Today's Elizabeth River Ferry transports people and bicyclists between here and Norfolk 7 days-a-week. Ferries board at both High Street Landing and North Landing in Olde Towne.

GOHRT.COM/ROUTES/FERRY

THE BALLPARK FERRY

Heading to a Norfolk Tides game? Avoid the hassle of traffic and parking by taking the ferry. During all home games the ferry runs between North Landing and Harbor Park every 30 minutes starting one hour before until just after the game ends!

KAYAK RENTALS

HOFFLER CREEK WILDLIFE PRESERVE

JOHNBOAT RENTALS

CULPEPPER'S BOAT HOUSE

JET SKI & BOAT LAUNCH | CITY PARK

FREEDOM BOAT CLUB & TIDEWATER YACT CLUB



Dining, Nightlife & Shops

Portsmouth is filled with so many great places to eat, drink, shop, and go different, we can't fit them all here!



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CHECK OUT OUR EVENTS CALENDAR AT PORTSVACATION.COM/UPCOMING-EVENTS

Accomodations

RENAISSANCE PORTSMOUTH-NORFOLK WATERFRONT HOTEL

425 WATER ST, PORTSMOUTH, VA 23704 (757) 673-3000 RENAISSANCEPORTSMOUTH.COM

QUALITY INN & SUITES OLDE TOWNE

347 EFFINGHAM ST, PORTSMOUTH, VA 23704 (757) 397-7788 CHOICEHOTELS.COM

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