



Coastal Virginia's Oyster Trail

Day 1

Meet your guide for a **Welcome to Norfolk Riding Tour** to learn about this historic seaport's rich 335-year history. Follow with a fun, casual dinner at **Norfolk Seafood Company** which features fresh, local seafood from the Chesapeake Bay.

Day 2

After breakfast at your hotel, depart for a full-day of celebrating Virginia's culinary traditions on the picturesque Eastern Shore. Enjoy a scenic drive across one of the seven engineering wonders of the modern world, the **Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel**. Your guide will provide interesting historical commentary along the 23-mile masterpiece of bridges and tunnels that links Virginia Beach to the Eastern Shore of Virginia. Arrive in the charming town of **Cape Charles** and stroll historic Mason Avenue, sample items from a family-owned specialty market and enjoy ice cream at a locals' favorite. Next, you'll relax over a seafood lunch at the waterfront **Island House** restaurant and enjoy beautiful views of the marsh and barrier islands. After lunch arrive at **Cherrystone Aqua Farms** to explore a piece of Chesapeake Bay heritage and take a hands-on tour. View oysters and clams in their natural water habitat as you learn how they are cultivated, harvested and the steps local farmers are taking to protect Virginia's shellfish population. Continue up the coast to **Chesapeake Bay Blue Crab Co.** for 'Made in Virginia' items and specialty gifts. Next you'll discover the **Barrier Islands Center Museum**, housed in a 19th century schoolhouse that chronicles life on the Shore. This will be followed by a wine tasting experience at **Chatham Vineyards**, a family-owned and operated winery. Conclude your culinary journey with an oyster dinner at **Bubba's Seafood Restaurant**, with gorgeous views of Lynnhaven Inlet.

Explore with a 4-day, 3-night package

Best Timing: September, October or November

- Accommodations for 3 nights, including taxes and fees
- Luggage handling
- Meals include 3 breakfasts at the hotel, 2 lunches, 3 dinners and multiple tastings
- Admissions, taxes and gratuities
- A personal local guide*

Day 3

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel before departing with your guide for a full-day in Virginia Beach. Start your adventure with a hands-on coastal exploration with a **Virginia Aquarium** educator where you can work the trawl net and observe sea life. Next, you'll enjoy a tasting lunch and talk from a local farm-to-table restaurant. Then venture to **Smartmouth Brewery** to quench your thirst with a craft beer tasting. Stop nearby at **The Artists Gallery** to peruse local art and learn the different forms of art managed directly by the artists. That evening, you'll taste oysters at **Chick's Oyster Bar**, a local laid-back hangout with a rustic vibe on the water.

Day 4

Following breakfast and checkout, visit **The Mariners' Museum**, one of the largest and most comprehensive maritime history museums in the world, housing a treasure trove of more than 30,000 items inspired by human's experience with the sea. The Coastal Virginia adventure will conclude at the **Boxwood Inn**, a gracious Southern mansion that serves classic Virginia cuisine.



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