



# Wahunsenakah Lodge #333

## Where to Go Camping Guide



## **PREFACE**

This guide is separated into sections for your convenience. Within the sections, the facilities have been alphabetized to help in finding information.

We would appreciate any comments and/or additions to this camping guide. Submissions can be made to Wahunsenakah Lodge # 333. Please use the form provided for additions. We need everyone's input to help make this a better tool for troops to plan their outdoor program.

## **TOUR PERMITS**

Tour Permits must be filed with your local Council Service Center at least two weeks prior to any scheduled trip and/or hike. The local tour permit is necessary for all activities less than 500 miles from your Council. Many of the camping and hiking locals require that tour permits be presented before your unit will be allowed to use the facilities.

## **UNIT PERMISSION SLIPS**

It is recommended that individual permission slips be filled out by all parents and turned in to the Scoutmaster/Outing Leader prior to departing for the activity. The permission slip should be detailed enough to show the parents what is to happen, where, and when, with departure and return times noted. Also, the slip should give the location where parents/guardian may be reached at any time, as emergencies may require immediate notification and attention.

## **BACKPACKERS SCOUT LAW**

### **A SCOUT IS TRUSTWORTHY**

The experienced Scout respects the restrictive policies on wilderness usage as necessary for the preservation of a vital natural resource and observes them with care.

### **A SCOUT IS LOYAL**

The experienced Scout, proud of his troop, conducts himself on a wilderness trek in such a way that will bring credit to himself, his troop and the Scout movement.

### **A SCOUT IS HELPFUL**

The experienced Scout looks for opportunities to coach the novice hiker, explain wilderness rules of behavior to those who show little understanding, and assist the hike leader to the best of his ability.

### **A SCOUT IS FRIENDLY**

The experienced Scout appreciates the wilderness as a pleasant gift to all who experience it, and tries to enhance this experience through the exchange of greetings, amenities, and information with others on the trail.

### **A SCOUT IS COURTEOUS**

The experienced Scout recognizes the value of harmony and solitude in wilderness camping and employs the consideration for others that ensures a memorable experience for all.

### **A SCOUT IS KIND**

The experienced Scout understands the delicate balance among all the life support forms that comprise the wilderness and does his best to preserve them.

### **A SCOUT IS OBEDIENT**

The experienced Scout, aware of the detailed pre-trip planning, training, and preparation, follows his hike leader with assurance and knows better than to hinder and embarrass others with rag-chewing.

### **A SCOUT IS CHEERFUL**

The experienced Scout recognizes that from trail head to trip's end there are certain tasks that must be done, and he accepts them willingly as part of the total experience.

### **A SCOUT IS THRIFTY**

The experienced Scout understands that his food and equipment are limited and costly but replaceable, while the wilderness, at once rugged yet delicate, is irreplaceable, so he takes great care to avoid the waste or destruction of either.

### **A SCOUT IS BRAVE**

The experienced Scout appreciates the fact that a wilderness trip will test his stamina and ability, but he is also keenly aware that wilderness use policies will continually test his courage to make correct decisions rather than taking the easy way out.

### **A SCOUT IS CLEAN**

The experienced Scout realizes the importance of personal cleanliness, but more significantly he also realizes the importance of clean trail habits and continually endeavors to pack out more than he packed in.

### **A SCOUT IS REVERENT**

The experienced Scout, with each of his senses, recognizes the majesty of the wilderness, and through this magnificence the presence of God's infinite wisdom. He is attuned to the splendor and strives for total harmony with easy environment.

Dear Scouter,

There was a statement in an older edition of the Boy Scout Handbook that said: "Have you ever dreamed of hiking the wilderness trails that were worn down under the moccasins hundreds of years ago? Do you hear in your imagination the almost soundless dip, dip of Indian canoe paddles, or the ring of the axe of an early pioneer hewing a home out of the American wilderness? Have you followed with your mind's eye the covered wagon on the trek across our continent? Yes, it's fun to be a Boy Scout! It's fun to go hiking and camping with your best friends to swim, to dive, to paddle a canoe, to wield an axe to follow in the footsteps of pioneers who led the way through the wilderness to stare into the glowing embers of a campfire and dream of the wonders of life that is in store for you."

This is the heart of scouting, but we don't always know the best place to go on our outings.

Here is your updated Where To Go Camping Guide, provided by Wahunsenakah Lodge # 333. Use it in your PLC meetings to plan a varied outdoor program. Make it a goal of your troop to go on at least one outing a month. There are so many varied outdoor activities available in Virginia and the surrounding states. I hope that this guide will help you and your troop in planning an exciting schedule of activities in the coming year.

Should your unit have a favorite camping site or hiking trail not listed, please complete and return the enclosed form. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me.

Yours in Brotherhood,

Brian Burnham  
Camping Promotions Chairman  
Wahunsenakah Lodge # 333  
Order of the Arrow

**WHERE IS YOUR FAVORITE PLACE TO CAMP?**

The goal of this camping guide is to make scout units in the Colonial Virginia Council aware of the camping and hiking opportunities both inside and outside of Virginia. This guide has been issued in order to promote more camping, which is the first and foremost goal of the Order of the Arrow.

WAHUNSENAKAH LODGE would like to know about favorite camping sites of our local units. Additions submitted will be included in any updates.

Please mail the completed form to:

Wahunsenakah Lodge  
Camping Promotions Chairman  
Colonial Virginia Council, BSA  
11721 Jefferson Avenue  
Newport News, VA 23606

**ADDITIONS TO WAHUNSENAKAH LODGE'S WHERE TO GO CAMPING GUIDE**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION: \_\_\_\_\_

RATES/FEEES: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

SEASON OPEN: \_\_\_\_\_

FACILITIES: \_\_\_\_\_

ACTIVITIES: \_\_\_\_\_

RESTRICTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

SUBMITTED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_

TROOP: \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL AREAS WILL BE CONTACTED FOR APPROVAL BEFORE BEING INCLUDED**

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# **BOY SCOUT CAMPS**

## **CAMP CHICKAHOMINY**

Camp Chickahominy is owned and operated by the Colonial Virginia Council and is located on the Virginia Peninsula, near Williamsburg, Virginia. The normal summer camp schedule extends from June into early August. With coordination, the camp is available for short-term camping the year round. Camp Chickahominy covers 737 acres of forest woodland.

The Summer Camp Program- Camp Chickahominy offers a complete Scout program that provides total fun and opportunities for advancement. Full details are available upon request. The program includes:

-First-Year Camper Program- This program is designed for boys who are new to the Scouting program or who have never attended summer camp. It focuses on the fundamental skills of Scouting and many of the requirements for Tenderfoot, Second and First Class ranks.

-Merit Badge Program- Camp Chickahominy offers instruction in 29 different merit badges. These are spread across aquatics, first aid, field sports, nature, scout craft, and handicraft program areas. Actual offerings each week are determined by registrations.

- Cope Course
- Bay Base

Information on date and fees are contained in the Camp Chickahominy Leader's Guide, which is available from the Council Service Center.

Contact: Colonial Virginia Council Boy Scouts of America  
11721 Jefferson Avenue  
Newport News, VA 23606  
(757) 595-3356

**DIRECTIONS TO CAMP CHICKAHOMINY-** Take Interstate 64 to the Lightfoot exit. Then follow State Highway 199 to U.S. Highway 60, West. Proceed West on US 60 to the first stop light, the turn West (left) onto state Highway 614. After approximately 2 miles, turn right onto State Highway 611 for approximately 1 mile to the entrance to Camp Chickahominy (on your right). Watch for camp signs beginning at U. S. Highway 60/State Highway 614 intersection.

## Other Council Camps

### Virginia

**Camp Brady Sanders:** Robert E. Lee Council (Richmond Area) 900 Westover Road Richmond, VA 23220 (757) 355-4306

**Camp Ottari/Powhatan:** Blue Ridge Mountains Council (Roanoke Area) 2131 Valley View Blvd. Roanoke, VA 24019 (540) 265-0656

**Camp Rock Enon:** Shenandoah Area Council (Winchester Area) 107 Youth Development Ct Winchester, VA 22602 (540) 662-2551

**Camp Shenandoah:** Stonewall Jackson Area Council (Staunton/Waynesboro Area) 801 Hopeman Parkway Waynesboro, VA 22980 (540) 943-6675

**Camp Pipsico:** Tidewater Area Council (Norfolk Area) 1032 Heatherwood Dr. Virginia Beach, VA 23455 (757) 497-2688

### West Virginia

Buckskin Scout Reservation: Charleston Area Council (Charleston Area)  
2829 Kanawa Blvd. Charleston, WV 25311 (304) 925-0319

Roland Reservation: Appalachian Council Rt. 2 Box 180 Bluefield, WV 24605 (304) 326-3303

Chief Logan Campground: Chief Cornstalk Council Box 1710 Logan, WV 25601 (304) 752-4428

### North Carolina

Camp John J. Barnhardt: Central North Carolina Council 32252 Highway 24-27 Albemarle, NC 28002-0250 (704) 982-0141

Cherokee Camp: Cherokee Council (Burlington Area) P.O. Box 620 Burlington, NC 27216-0620 (919) 693-6440

Camp Daniel Boone: Daniel Boone Council P.O. Box 8010 Asheville, NC 28814 (828) 254-6189

General-Greene Scout Reservation: Old North State Council 1405 Westover Terrace Greensboro, NC 27429 (336) 378-9166

Mecklenburg Scout Reservation: Mecklenburg County Council (Charlotte Area) 1410 East 7th Charlotte, NC 28204 (704) 333-5471

Camp Raven Knob: Old Hickory Council 836 Oak St. Winston-Salem, NC 27101 (336) 760-2900

### District of Columbia

Camp Goshen: National Capital Area Council 9190 Rockville Pike Bethesda, MD 20814 (301) 530-9360

## **MILITARY INSTALLATIONS**

Most military installations offer camping facilities for Boy Scouts. However, the majority of these provide primitive camp sites only. Many restrict the use of open fires. Some have toilets, tables and water close-by. Since the facilities vary, it is recommended that reservations be requested, in writing, at least 30 days prior to the camping outing. In your reservation request, ask for the latest information concerning rules of the camping area, directions to the site, and procedures which must be followed for entering the installation. Give the dates of use, duration of use, number of Scouts and adults, and facilities at the installation that you may want to use. Tour permits are required by all military facilities.

### **FORT EUSTIS ARMY TRANSPORTATION CENTER**

Commanding General, U.S. Army Transportation Center  
Attn: ATZF-CSV  
Fort Eustis, VA 23604  
(757) 878-6010/6030  
Museum, Camping Sites, toilets, water nearby

### **FORT MONROE DOG BEACH**

DPCA  
Bldg. T- 183  
Fort Monroe, VA 23651  
(757) 727-3302  
Primitive beach site

### **FORT STORY SCOUT HILL**

Commander, HO Fort Story  
Attn: Ops/Intel Office  
Fort Story, VA 23450  
(757) 422-7924  
Primitive sand area, water

### **LANGLEY AIR FORCE BASE**

Scout Liaison Langley  
Captain Karmelin  
19 12th CSGP-DOIX  
Langley Air Force Base, VA 23665-6345  
(757) 764-5553  
Camping sites

### **LITTLE CREEK SCOUT ISLAND**

Special Service Dept.  
Naval Amphibious Base  
Norfolk, VA 23521  
(757) 464-7950  
Primitive campsite, boat rentals

## **VIRGINIA STATE PARKS**

Information on any state administered park or campground may be obtained by contacting Division of Parks, 1201 Washington Building, Capitol Square, Richmond, VA 23219, telephone number - (757) 786-2132 or 785-2134. Reservations for any state campground can be obtained by calling 1-800-933-PARK or via the internet at [www.dcr.state.va/parks](http://www.dcr.state.va/parks). Most state campgrounds and facilities are seasonal. Call or write for current camp site and group fee information. Most facilities allow all types of fires (wood, charcoal, or gas).

### **BEAR CREEK LAKE STATE PARK**

Location: Bear Creek Lake Park is in Cumberland State Forest in Cumberland County. The park is 4.5 miles northwest of Cumberland. From Route 60 go west on Route 622 and south on Route 629.

Description: Bear Creek has a swimming beach , a picnic area, and a refreshment concession. There are 42 campsites and some hiking trails.

Phone: (804) 492-4410

### **CLAYTOR LAKE STATE PARK**

Location: The park is just off 1-81 near Dublin (take exit 101 to st. rt. 660 which ends at the park entrance), VA on 472 acres in Pulaski County.

Description: Clayton Lake offers 132 camp sites, 12 cabins, a swimming area, boating. The park is open April 1 until December 1.

Phone: (540) 674-5492

### **CHIPPOKES PLANTATION STATE PARK**

Location: Surry County. Access is via State Route 10.

Description: A preserved plantation, tour an antebellum mansion, stroll through gardens, or view a collection of antique farm and forestry equipment in the farm and forestry museum. Camp sites and cabins available.

Phone: (757) 294-3625

### **DOUTHAT STATE PARK**

Location: Near Clifton Forge in Allegheny and Bath Counties on Route 629, 4.0 miles north of 1-64.

Description: Douthat State Park features outstanding scenery, a 50 acre lake stocked with trout, a swimming beach, boat rentals, 79 camp sites, picnic areas, and many hiking trails. The park opens Mar 1 and closes Dec 1.

Phone: (540) 862-8100

### **FIRST LANDING**

Location: This park is located at 2500 Shore Drive, in Virginia Beach, adjacent to Fort Story.

Description: It has 20 camp sites, picnic areas, toilets, and water. The major attraction is the beach front. There are over 20 miles of hiking trails in this 2,770 acre park. The park is open April 1 to December 1.

Phone: (757) 412-2300

### **GRAYSON HIGHLANDS STATE PARK**

Location: Interstate 81 to exit 45 in Marion, then Route 16 to Volney and west on U.S. 58.

Description: Located near Virginia's highest point, this park offers views of alpine-like peaks more than 5,000 feet high. Facilities include picnic areas, a visitor center, campgrounds and hiking trails leading to waterfalls and overlooks.

Phone: (540) 579-7092

### **FALSE CAPE STATE PARK**

Location: Southeast of Virginia Beach, 5 miles south of Sandbridge. No vehicular access.

Description: Hiking, biking, and primitive camping are available. The park is accessible only by foot, bicycle, tram (no tram camping), or boat. Fires are not permitted. For tram reservations call 1-757-498-2473.

Phone: (757) 426-7128

### **HOLIDAY LAKE STATE PARK**

Location: Holiday Lake State Park is in Buckingham , approximately 15 miles west of Farmville and can be reached via Routes 24, 626, and 692.

Description: This park has water activities such as boating fishing, and a swimming beach. There is also a visitor's center, 30 wooded camp sites, and picnic areas.

Phone: (804) 248-6308

### **KIPTOPEKE STATE PARK**

Location: Eastern Shore. Three miles north of the Chesapeake Bay Bridge Tunnel on U.S. Route 13, then west on State Route 704 to park entrance.

Description: Full-service and tent campsites, a boat ramp, a seasonal 24-hour accessible fishing pier, picnic areas, hiking trails, and a guarded swimming area and playground are offered at the park.

Phone: (757) 331-2267

### **LAKE ANNA STATE PARK**

Location: This park is in Spotsylvania County, approximately 22 miles southwest of Fredericksburg. From 1-95, take Route 606 west to Route 208 to Route 601 north 3.2 miles to park entrance.

Description: The main feature of this 2,058 acre park is Lake Anna and its nearly 8.5 miles of shoreline.

There is a boat ramp with parking for vehicles and trailers and excellent fishing. A picnic area, hiking trails, and a visitor center complement this park. The Park has no overnight facilities.

Phone: (540) 854-5503

### **NATURAL TUNNEL STATE PARK**

Location: Located in southwest Virginia, to reach the park go north from Weber City via Route 23, then 1.5 miles east on Route 871.

Description: This natural phenomenon in Scott county was carved through a limestone ridge over thousands of centuries. It is 850 feet long, and ten stories high and is wide enough for a railroad and a stream to pass through. The park offers camping, picnicking, and fishing along with a visitors center and a swimming pool.

A group site is available with cots and tents for \$48; along with the group site is free swimming. Campers must hike to the camp sites.

Phone: (540) 940-2674

## **NEW RIVER TRAIL STATE PARK**

Location: There are access points to the trail at Ivanhoe, Fries, Galax, Draper, Pulaski, and Foster Falls campgrounds.

Description: Trail that follows an abandoned railroad track with beautiful scenery. Great for hiking, biking, and horse rides. Portions of the park include horse, boat and bike rentals, a boat launch, camping, and a concession stand.

Phone: (540) 699-6778

## **OCCONEECHEE STATE PARK**

Location: Near Clarkesville, 1-1/2 miles east on U.S. 58 east near the U.S. 15 intersection.

Description: Facilities include campsites, picnic areas with shelters, an amphitheater, boat launching ramps, and boat and bike rentals.

Phone: (804) 374-2210

## **POCAHONTAS STATE PARK**

Location: 4.0 miles west of Chesterfield County Courthouse, Pocahontas can be reached from 1-95 west on Route 10 to Route 655.

Description: Boating and fishing are available on Swift Creek Lake, along with 65 camp sites, and picnic areas. There is a swimming pool, bridle, hiking, and bike trails, as well as wildlife exhibits, an amphitheater and a museum.

Phone: (804) 796-4255

## **SKY MEADOWS STATE PARK**

Location: 2.0 miles south of Paris, VA via Route 17 south, then to the park entrance at Route 710

Description: Consisting of 1,862 acres in the Blue Ridge Mountains, Sky Meadows has been preserved for its significant natural and cultural features. The park offers day-use facilities such as picnicking, hiking trails, and a visitors center. There is a primitive campground available for Appalachian Trail hikers. Scouts must backpack to site.

Phone: (540) 592-3556

## **SMITH MOUNTAIN LAKE STATE PARK**

Location: In Bedford county near Lynchburg and Roanoke, the park is on Smith Mountain Lake's North shore and is entered via Route 626 south from Route 43 which runs between Route 24 and Route 29.

Description: This park lies along some 16 miles of lake frontage of the second largest body of fresh water in Virginia. Complete with a boat launching and parking area, fishing, picnicking facilities, a visitor information center, a self-guiding nature trail, and hiking trails, Smith Mountain Lake's 1,506 acres also offer excellent camping with 20 cabins; 8 waterfront. 1 cabin has 3 bedrooms and the rest have 2 bedrooms.

Phone: (540)297-6066

## **TWIN LAKES STATE PARK**

Location: 5 mile southwest of Burkesville. Take U.S. 360 west to State Route 613.

Description: Overnight accommodations include a full-service campground, group camping facilities and climate-controlled cabins. Enjoy swimming, fishing, and lakefront picnicking at Goodwin Lake. Hiking is also available.

Phone: (804) 392-3435

## **WESTMORELAND STATE PARK**

Location: 5 miles northwest of Montross, just off State Route 3.

Description: Olympic-sized swimming pool and adjacent bathhouse, launching ramp for power boats, visitor center, campgrounds, climate-controlled cabins, a fishing pier and more.

Phone: (804) 493-8821

## **NATIONAL FORESTS AND PARKS**

Information on National Park campgrounds may be obtained by writing the park superintendent at the addresses listed. Most reservations are on a "first-come, first-served" basis except when listed otherwise. Some reservations for campgrounds can be obtained through Ticketron. Back country camping in some areas is allowed by permit only, however there is no fee for the permits which can be obtained from any park entrance station. Use of campsites is limited to six persons and two tents per site. Open fires are only permitted in designated areas. Some parks require entrance fee, and campsite fees vary and should be confirmed prior to your trip.

### **ANTIETAM NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD**

P.P. Box 158  
Sharpsburg, MD 21782

Open year round, four group campsites, no water, reservations required

### **BOOKER T WASHINGTON NATIONAL MONUMENT**

Route 1, Box 195  
Hardy, VA 24101

Phone: (703) 721-2094

Open Apr 1 - Oct 15 four sites w/ tables, limit 20 people, reservations required

### **BLUE RIDGE PARKWAY**

P.O. Box 7606  
Asheville, NC 28807

Campgrounds:

Otter Creek, VA - Open year round, 67 sites, tables, toilets water , hiking

Roanoke Mountain, VA - Open year round, 105 sites, tables, toilets water, hiking

Rocky Knob, VA - Open May 1 - Nov 1, 109 sites, tables, toilets, water , hiking

Doughton Park, NC - Open May 1 - Nov 1 136 sites, tables, toilets water, hiking

Julian Prince Park, NC - Open year round, 197 sites tables, toilets water hiking, boating fishing

### **CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO CANAL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK**

P.O. Box 158  
Sharpsburg, MD 21782

Campgrounds: All campgrounds are open year round, have no fee, are semiprimitive, allow hike-in only access, have toilets, water, allow boating and fishing.

Mountain Lock - (milepost 67.2) 10 sites

Antietam Creek - (milepost 69.3) 34 sites

McCoy's Ferry - (milepost 110.4) 23 sites

Fifteen Mile Creek - (milepost 140.9) 20 sites

Spring Gap - (milepost 173.3) 20 sites

## **CUMBERLAND GAP NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK**

P.O. Box 840  
Middlesboro, KY 40965

Campgrounds: Campgrounds listed below, except as noted, are open year round, require no fee, are semi-primitive / hike-in only, and allow a limited number of people

Chadwell Gap 4 sites, 20 people

Gibson Gap - 2 sites, 20 people

Henslel Camp - 1 site, 20 people

Martin's Fork - 8 sites, 50 people

White Rocks - 4 sites, 40 people

Wilderness Road - Open Mar 1 - Nov 1, 13 group sites, \$4/site/night tables, toilets, water.

## **GREENBELT PARK**

6501 Greenbelt Road  
Greenbelt, MD 20770

Open year round, fee Jun 1 - Labor Day \$4.50/site/night, tables, toilets, water

## **JEFFERSON NATIONAL FOREST**

210 Franklin Road  
Roanoke, VA 24001  
Phone: (703) 982-6270

Campgrounds:

Walnut Flats - Open year round, 8 primitive sites.

White Rocks - Open year round , 49 semi-primitive sites.

Bark Camp - Open year round, open primitive camping.

Cave Springs - Open year round, open primitive camping, swimming.

High Knob - Open year round, open primitive camping, swimming, fishing

## **HOPPER CREEK GROUP CAMPGROUND**

U.S. Forest Service  
P.O. Box 10  
Natural Bridge Station, VA 24579  
Phone: (703) 291-2188  
Open year round, 3 group sites tables, toilets, water

### **GEORGE WASHINGTON NATIONAL FOREST**

U.S. Forest Service  
210 Federal Building  
Harrisonburg, VA 22810

Phone: (703) 433-2491

Open year round, 17 campgrounds w/ hiking swimming, boating, fishing. Call / write for fees and information.

### **MONONGAHELA NATIONAL FOREST**

Department of Commerce  
Monongahela National Forest  
State Capitol Complex, Bldg. 6  
Charleston, WV 25305

Phone: (800) CALL-WVA

### **PRINCE WILLIAM FOREST PARK**

Triangle, VA 92172

Campgrounds: Fees vary from \$4 to \$10 /site/night

Chopawamsic - Open Mar 1 - Nov 17, 17 group sites, primitive camping fishing, reservations required.

Oak Ridge - (located 6 miles east of entrance) open year round, 120 group sites, water, toilets, fishing, reservations required.

### **SHENANDOAH NATIONAL PARK**

Route 4, Box 348  
Luray, VA 22835

Phone: (703) 999-2266

Campgrounds:

Matthews Arm - (milepost 22.2) open May 1 - Oct 31, 178 sites w/ tables water, toilets, fishing, hiking, programs

Big Meadows - (milepost 51.2) open Mar 1 - Dec 31, 230 sites w/ tables, water, toilets, showers, Visitor Center, programs, fishing, hiking, horseback riding, reservations, required

Lewis Mountain - (milepost 57.5) open May 15 - Oct 31, 31 sites w/ water tables, toilets, showers, programs, fishing, hiking

2Loft Mountain - (milepost 79.5) open May 1 - Oct 31 , 221 sites w tables water, showers, programs, fishing, hiking

Dundo Youth Group Camp - (milepost 83.7) open May 1 - Oct 31 , 8 sites tables, water, toilets, hiking, reservations required

Notes: Back country camping is also available in most of the park. Permits (no fee) are required , and May be obtained at the Park office. Campsite fees vary from \$7 -10 /site/night. There is a \$5 vehicle entrance fee, good for 7 days, imposed.

## **COMMERCIAL CAMPGROUNDS**

The following list of campgrounds is organized to provide access to much of the state of Virginia. Some of these campgrounds have special group rates and camping areas. It is recommended that you contact these campgrounds well in advance to make reservations and get complete details of directions, activities, and group fees.

### **CRABTREE FALLS CAMPGROUND**

11039 Crabtree Falls Highway  
Tyro, VA 22976

Phone: (540) 377-2066

Open Year Round, 40 sites w/ tables and hiking trails, flush toilets, showers; open cooking fires permitted.

### **ED ALLENS CHICKAHOMINY RECREATIONAL PARK**

Lanexa, VA 23089

Phone: (804) 966-2582

Opens March and closes in November, tent sites w/ tables, toilets, water and showers, swimming, boating and fishing.

### **ENDLESS CAVERNS CAMPGROUNDS**

Box 859

New Market, VA 22844

Phone: (540) 740-3993

Open Spring through Summer, 100 sites w/ tables, toilets, water, showers, fires in grills only.

### **THE CAMPGROUND AT NATURAL BRIDGE**

P.O. Box 266

Natural Bridge Station, VA 24579

Phone: (540) 291-2727

Closed , 150 sites w/ water, toilets open cooking fires permitted, swimming, hiking, fishing, camp store, laundry recreation building.

### **MONTEBELLO CAMPING AND FISHING RESORT**

Route 1, Box 3

MONTEBELLO, VA 24464

Phone: (540) 377-2650

Open Apr 1 - Nov 1, 47 sites w/ tables, open cooking fires permitted, swimming, boating, fishing, and hiking trails.

### **MISTY MOUNTAIN CAMP RESORT**

Misty Mountain road

Greenwood, VA 22943

Phone: (540) 456-6409

Open year round, 90 sites w/ tables, toilets water, showers; open cooking fires permitted. Swimming, sport areas, fishing, horseback riding (nearby), nature trail, laundry, camp store.

### **NEWPORT NEWS PARK**

13564 Jefferson Avenue

Newport News, VA 23602

Phone: (804)888-3333

**STONEY CREEK RESORT**

Route 1, Box 752

Greenville, VA 24440

Phone: (540) 337-1510

160 sites w/ toilets and water, open cooking fires permitted, swimming, boating, fishing, nature trails, recreational building, store.

**SMALL COUNTRY**

Box 343

Louisa, VA 23093

Phone: (540) 967-2431

Open Year Round, open cooking fires permitted, nature trails, swimming, boating, fishing, store, and recreational building.

## HISTORICAL TRAILS

### COLONIAL VIRGINIA COUNCIL

Trail Name: Yorktown Battlefield Trail Yorktown, VA

Contact: Colonial Virginia Council, BSA  
11721 Jefferson Avenue  
Newport News, VA 23606

Description: See National Park Visitor Center film, hike or bike trail, answer question sheet  
Length: 9.0 or 12.5 miles (two trails with loop)  
Award: Patch

Trail Name: Jamestown Colony Trail  
Jamestown National Park

Contact: Colonial Virginia Council, BSA  
11721 Jefferson Avenue  
Newport News, VA 23606

Description: Retrace the steps of settlers who established the first successful English colony in America  
Length: 5.5 miles  
Award: Patch

Trail Name: Williamsburg Trail  
Williamsburg, VA

Contact: Colonial Virginia Council, BSA  
11721 Jefferson Avenue  
Newport News, VA 23606

Description: A walking tour of Williamsburg, VA, designed for Scouts, because the TOUR requires NO MONEY, designed for young boys, goes by vending areas, water fountains, and restrooms. Your Tour Group can park in FREE areas, such as Merchants Square, the College of William and Mary, and other areas.

Length: 5.0 miles  
Award: Patch

Trail Name: Waller Mill Park  
Williamsburg, VA

Contact: Department of Parks and Recreation  
412 N. Boundary Street  
Williamsburg, VA 23185

Description: 200 acres with pond. Physical Fitness Trail

Trails: Lookout Tower Trail 3.5 miles  
Dogwood Trail 3.0 miles  
Bayberry Nature Trail 1.6 miles

Length: 8.1 miles total  
Award: None

### TIDEWATER COUNCIL

Trail Name: The Outer Banks Historic Trail Outer Banks, North Carolina

Contact: Tidewater Council, BSA  
1032 Heatherwood Drive  
Virginia Beach, VA 23455  
Description: Visit the Wright Brothers Memorial, Fort Raleigh, Cape Hatteras Lighthouse, and other sites  
Length: 8.0 miles  
Award: Medal

### **BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAINS COUNCIL**

Trail Name: Appomattox Courthouse Historic Trail Appomattox Courthouse, VA  
Contact: Blue Ridge Mountains Council, BSA  
Appomattox Courthouse Historic Trail  
2131 Valley View Blvd. N.W.  
Roanoke, VA 24012  
Description: Make reservations 3 weeks prior, wear uniform during hike, read Appomattox story, check in with Ranger, may be required to do service project, visit Visitor Center, answer questions  
Length: 5.5 miles  
Award: Medal

Trail Name: High Knoll Trail Camps (Special)  
Blue Ridge Mountains Council Reservation  
Pulaski County, VA  
Contact: Blue Ridge Mountains Council  
2131 Valley View Blvd.  
Box 7606,  
Roanoke, Virginia 24019

Description: Combines the physical challenge and excitement of five days of backpacking and trail camping with educational and stimulating experiences at Outpost Camp. Programs are offered along the trail. Over 100 miles of trails are available on the 16,000 acre Scout reservation.

Special program at Outpost Camps are:  
Huff Farm (horseback riding), survival Camp (foods and techniques), Bark Camp (rock climbing and repelling), Rendezvous Camp (1830 Mountain man, black powder shooting), Logging Days (cross-cut saws and axe work), and the Challenge Course.

High Knoll trail Camp is open to all Scouting youth, ( age 13 by Jan 1 of camping year) or First Class or equivalent. Co-ed crews are welcome. Girl Scouts, 4-H groups, Royal Ambassadors, and Civil Air Patrols are also welcome. Itineraries are available based on age, experience, and physical abilities for the crew, and are termed TYPICAL (easy to moderate) and RUGGED (moderate to difficult). The key to the High Knoll experience is the choice of itinerary by crew leadership.

Length: Varied, by average trail itinerary is 25 to 50 miles for 5 days.  
Award: Patch for completion of itinerary equipment "BRAND" for completion of itinerary.

### **MASON-DIXON COUNCIL**

Trail Name: ANTIETAM Battlefield Historical Trail Sharpsburg, MD  
Contact: Mason Dixon Council, BSA  
P.O. Box 2133  
1200 Crestwood Drive  
Hagerstown, MD 21740

Description: Historic points on Antietam Battlefield, the bloodiest single day's action in America's Military history in 1862  
Length: 10.5 miles  
Award: Patch

Trail Name: C & O Canal Historic Trail Washington, DC to Harper's Ferry, WV  
Contact: Mason-Dixon Council, BSA  
P. O. Box 2133  
1200 Crestwood Drive  
Hagerstown, MID 21740

Description: Follow the old Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, observing old methods of transportation  
Length: 184.5 miles  
Award: Patch and medal

Trail Name: Forbes Road Historical Trail Cowan's Gap State Park, MD  
Contact: Mason-Dixon Council, BSA  
P.O. Box 2133  
1200 Crestwood Drive  
Hagerstown, MD 21740

Description: Trail traces part of Forbes Road, a pathway for troops during the French and Indian War, through virgin wilderness, Council camp halfway along trail.  
Length: 28.0 miles  
Award: Patch

#### **NATIONAL CAPITOL AREA COUNCIL**

Trail Name: "Old Town" Alexandria Trail Alexandria, VA  
Contact: American Historic Trails  
Box 26986  
Charlotte, NC 28221

Description: Trail includes historical homes, churches, memorials, and Robert E Lee's home  
Length: 8.0 miles  
Award: Patch

#### **NATIONAL CAPITOL AREA COUNCIL (Cont'd)**

Trail Name: President's Trail Washington, DC  
Contact: American Historical Trails  
Box 26986  
Charlotte, NC 28221

Description: Trail includes the Jefferson, Lincoln, and Washington Memorials, National Archives, White House, and the U S Capitol  
Length: Three trail lengths: 8.0, 9.5, and 11.0 miles  
Award: Patch and medal

Trail Name: The Manassas National Battlefield Trails Manassas, VA  
Contact: American Historical Trails  
Box 26986  
Charlotte, NC 28221

Description: First Manassas Trail covers the Battle of 1861

Length: The Second Manassas Trail covers the Battle of 1862  
1st Manassas Trail - 9.1 miles  
2nd Manassas Trail - 7.75 miles  
Award: Patch and Medal

Trail Name: The Washington and Lee Trail Mount Vernon to Arlington House  
Contact: National Capitol Area Council, BSA  
9190 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W.  
Bethesda, MD 24814

Description: Exploration of Natural and Living History, dedicated to two outstanding Virginians  
Length: 22.0 miles  
Award: Patch

## THE APPALACHIAN TRAIL

The Appalachian Trail is America's first national scenic trail and one of the longest marked footpaths in the world. Conceived in 1921 by forester Benton MacKaye, the Appalachian Trail winds 2100 miles through 14 states, eight national forests, and six national parks areas. Its route lies within a day's drive of half the population of the United States.

About one quarter, 500 miles, of the Appalachian trail is found in Virginia. The trail enters Virginia from the south near Bristol, VA and exits near Harper's Ferry, WV. Over 100 miles of the trail is in the Shenandoah National Park. The trail also traverses the George Washington National Forest and the Jefferson National Forest, south of the Park. A small portion of the trail north of the Park is privately owned, and care should be taken because permission to travel this section could be revoked at any time should misconduct occur. The trail is a backpacking trail that in Virginia parallels most of the Skyline Drive and the Blue Ridge Parkway. Water is available, however, Shenandoah National Park literature recommends boiling water or the use of a water filter due to the danger of Giardia. Hikers on the trail in the Park must complete a back country permit (no charge) available at entry points and Ranger stations. The Potomac Appalachian Trail Club maintains a number of trail shelters along the trail, however, Park literature states that these are for emergency use. The literature also states that wood/charcoal fires are not permitted in the Park. Hikers are advised to take precautions for bears and hang food out of reach at night.

The most direct route to the Appalachian Trail from the Colonial Virginia Council is by traveling west via 1-64. The Trail crosses 1-64 at Afton Mountain, approximately 175 miles west of Newport News.

Contacts for Information:

Appalachian Trail Conference  
P.O. Box 807  
Harpers Ferry, WV 25425-0807

Potomac Appalachian Trail Club  
1718 N Street N.W.  
Washington, DC 20056

Shenandoah National Park  
3655 U.S. Hwy 211 E  
Luray, VA 22835  
(540) 999-3582

## **HIGH ADVENTURE OPPORTUNITIES**

### **PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH**

Located in Cimarron, NM, Philmont Scout Ranch offers a 12-day backpacking experience in America. In the Sangre De Cristo range of the southern Rocky Mountains, the Old Santa Fe Trail passed through Philmont and within Philmont's 137,493 acres, where elevations range from 6,500 to 12,441 feet above sea level, Scouts and Explorers find horizons that really are unlimited.

For information, contact:

Philmont Scout Ranch Cimarron, NM 87714 (505) 376-2281

### **FLORIDA NATIONAL HIGH ADVENTURE SEA BASE**

In the heart of the fabulous Florida Keys, on a sub-tropical island, 75 miles south of Miami, is Scouting's newest high adventure base. The Sea Base is scouting's most complete aquatic facility, offering sailing, motor boating, canoeing, deep sea fishing, scuba diving, lobstering, and beach combing.

For information, contact:

Florida Sea Base P.O. Box 1206 Islamorda, FL 33036-1206 (305) 664-4173

### **NORTHERN TIER NATIONAL HIGH ADVENTURE PROGRAMS**

From Minnesota to Canada, Northern Tier programs, offer canoeing, fishing, low impact camping, and winter camping from December through March. Truly, an unforgettable journey for Scouts and Explorers.

For information, contact:

Northern Tier National High Adventure, Boy Scouts of America, P. O. Box 509, Ely, MN 55731-0509

### **MAINE NATIONAL HIGH ADVENTURE AREA**

Five million acres of managed forests filled with thousands of lakes, rivers, and the famous Travelers Range for backpacking, canoeing, bushwhacking, and backwoods camping in the woods of Maine.

For information, contact:

Maine National High Adventure, Area Route 1, Box 207F, Hampden Highlands, ME 04445  
(207) 862-4394

### **Chesapeake Bay High Adventure Sailing Experience (CHASE)**

110 Acre facility on the beautiful Chesapeake Bay in Virginia offers sailing (beginning to the week long Outpost Sailing Experience), canoeing, kayaking, motorboating and water skiing activities and training. Boy Scouts, Sea Scouts, and Venturers will all have a range of opportunities to complete advancement requirements at CHASE. Each crew's experience is tailored to both their interests and their program's achievement goals.

For information, contact:

Colonial Virginia Council Boy Scouts of America, 11721 Jefferson Avenue, Newport News, VA 23606 (757) 595-3356

## **WAHUNSENAKAH LODGE # 333 - ORDER OF THE ARROW**

The Order of the Arrow is a Scouting brotherhood of honor campers. The organization is a society of Boy Scouts and Explorers that functions as a part of the regular camping program of the Boy Scouts of America. The Order's primary purpose is to promote Scout camping.

Elements of Indian tradition are used in the Order of the Arrow ceremonies for the dramatic effect. However, the Indian aspects of the Order should never obscure its objectives. One becomes a member not so much for what he has done, but for what he is expected to do. Elections for the Order are held once a year in each unit. To be eligible for election, a Scout must have achieved First Class rank, must have had 15 days and nights camping, including one long term camp (6 consecutive days), and be recommended by his Scoutmaster. Voting is done by the youth in the units.

Wahunsenakah Lodge # 333 was officially established in January 1996 as a consolidation of the old Kecoughtan # 463 and Chanco # 483 Lodges. At establishment, Wahunsenakah # 333 was over 800 members strong. The Lodge's main goals center around outdoor experiences and service to others. Throughout the year, Wahunsenakah has accomplished several projects at the Council camp Camp Chickahominy. Presently, Wahunsenakah Lodge #333 has five Chapters representing the districts in the Colonial Virginia Council: Pamunkey ( Heritage District), Wicomico (Chesapeake Bay District), Piankatank (First Colony District), Nansamen (Colonial Trail District), and Nottoway (Siouan Rivers District).