



DISCOVER THE FINEST THINGS IN LIFE WITH ART

Walk through beautiful gardens, historical landmarks and homes in Norfolk, Virginia. With internationally-acclaimed museums, performing arts, upscale shopping, an extensive restaurant assortment, and other great attractions, no other Mid-Atlantic destination offers visitors more. Enjoy small-town charm in this 400-year-old seaport city!

DAY ONE

Noon - The Chrysler Museum of Art Glass Studio brings you face to face with some of the greatest glass artists as they create handcrafted pieces from start to finish. Watch artists from around the world and learn from their expert techniques and demonstrations. Become a glass artist as well and take a no-experience-necessary class to get the taste of the magic of glass, which include blown/sculpted glass eggs, frameworked jewelry/ wine glass charms, and fused-glass coasters.

P.M. - Stroll through 5,000 years of art history at the **Chrysler Museum of Art**, home to Walter Chrysler Jr.'s world-class collection of more than 30,000 pieces of art. The museum features a world-renowned Tiffany-glass collection, Art Nouveau furniture, and works of art from African, Egyptian, Pre-Columbian, Islamic and Asian cultures. The museum also offers an extensive European and American collection of paintings, sculpture and decorative arts.

Dinner – Sip over 50 wines from around the world at **Press 626 Cafe and Wine Bar**. The menu will please all taste buds using only ingredients from local farms for the freshest tastes!



DAY TWO

A.M. - Relax along a tree-lined riverbank at the **Hermitage Foundation Museum**. This early 20th century historic home appears frozen in time, offering visitors an extraordinary trip through antiquity. The museum and gardens consist of a world-wide art collection and contemporary exhibition galleries, all surrounded by twelve acres of formal gardens and natural woodlands.

Afternoon - Spend the afternoon antique shopping in the **Historic Ghent** section of Norfolk. From Country-French to 18th and 19th century pieces, Ghent is filled with antique shops that offer something for everyone. Stop along the way for lunch on your own in one of the many locally owned restaurants on Colley Avenue or 21st Street. Or paint your own masterpiece! You might see your own work of art hanging in the halls of the Chrysler Museum after a few sips and brush strokes at **Pinot Palette**. All you need to do is bring your friends and get ready to be inspired by our local artists who will guide you step-by-step through a featured painting. At the end you get to leave with your own masterpiece!

P.M. - Time to relax at Virginia's first urban winery at the **Mermaid Winery**. The winery focuses on producing many small well-balanced wines using Virginia grapes. The winemaking process can be viewed from the tasting bar where you can enjoy their creations. At the tasting bar, choose from several wine flights that include other wines from boutique wineries. There are also food pairings that range from classical charcuterie and artisanal cheese platters to sandwiches.

Dinner - Journey through Norfolk by experiencing a **Town and Country Wine Tour**. The Tour provides behind-the-scene info (and access when available) on top regional wineries and wine bars. You will learn about the heritage, styles of wine production, and highlight local lore and history.



DAY THREE

A.M. - Grab a cup of coffee and a bowl at **Zeke's Beans & Bowls** in Norfolk's new arts district, the **NEON District**. Stop by one of the many pop-up galleries opening up daily by the area's creative community and be inspired by its artistic energy and ever-growing collection of public art. Be on the lookout for colorful murals, sculptures, mixed media installations, projections and much more. Discover over 20 local artists and their studios with a guided tour of **d'ART Center**. The d'ART Center is an environment where working artists are a part of an interactive arts community that engages the public through the experience of art and the creative process

Lunch - Shop till you drop at **MacArthur Center** with over 70 retailers anchored by Dillard's. While there, take part in one of MacArthur Center's special packages include a cooking class at Williams-Sonoma or a self-guided Chocolate Tour.

P.M. End your afternoon with a visit to the **Moses Myers House** and the **Norfolk History Museum**. Both of these homes are only two blocks apart. The Moses Myers House in downtown Norfolk is the oldest Jewish home in America, constructed between 1795-1797, and offers an exceptionally accurate portrayal of life in the 18th Century. The **Norfolk History Museum** at the **Willoughby-Baylor House** was built in 1794 and currently features permanent and changing exhibit galleries that highlight vignettes of the city, showcasing Norfolk's evolving history not only as an international port and maritime center, but also as a focal point of commercial growth with impressive naval and military roots.

P.M. - Just a short few blocks away Experience the elegance and romance of the Victorian Era inside the **Hunter House Victorian Museum**. Rich in architectural detail, the Hunter family's collection of Victorian furnishings and decorative pieces are displayed throughout the house.

Dinner - Located in downtown Norfolk, **Omar's Carriage House** is sure to please! This historic site in Norfolk was built in the early 1840's, when the patrons then were horses. Savor fresh jumbo lump crab cakes and succulent potato crisp flounder at Omar's contemporary

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