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We invite you to come and share in our storied past and boundless future. From history to technology and everything in between, there is something for everyone in St. Mary's County—Maryland's birthplace.

Learn who we are by traveling back centuries in time to when the Piscataway Indian Nation settled the land and took to our many waterways and over 500 miles of coastline. See where the first English settlers arrived in 1634 to start a new life and pave the way for some of our country's most cherished rights and freedoms. Explore the technological marvels and unique exhibits at the Patuxent River Naval Air Museum, celebrating over 70 years of naval air research and American military history.

Taste the treasures of our fertile lands and waters. From locally harvested oysters (celebrated by our annual U.S. Oyster Festival) to farm-fresh favorites and award-winning wines, celebrate the flavors and indulge in their delights. Enjoy truly unique dishes, such as Stuffed Ham, a staple of historic southern Maryland cuisine.

Get your blood pumping with the virtually endless outdoor adventure that awaits you. Explore our county off the beaten path—whether it be by hiking, biking, or

water-related activities. With over 500 miles of coastline and miles upon miles of trails for you to explore, you're guaranteed to have a unique experience with each visit.

Whether you are into art galleries, studios, or the performance arts, St. Mary's County's unique art scene is sure to be aesthetically pleasing. In fact, arts and culture experiences come in all forms in St. Mary's County! Center your artistic journey in Leonardtown, Southern Maryland's only Arts & Entertainment District, where you can explore galleries, rent art space, discover your next inspiration, or thrive in the many street festivals. Live music events throughout the county range from classical to bluegrass and everything in between, including several outdoor concert series during the summer months.

Find inspiration, adventure, and excitement where the Potomac and the Chesapeake meet. Whether you've come to explore the past, savor the beauty of the moment, or imagine the possibilities of the future, you'll find that you are always welcome in St. Mary's County.

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All About the County



ST. MARY'S COUNTY

Amazing outdoor experiences, storied museums, fun nightlife and restaurants, and unique events—with something for everyone, come discover why St. Mary's County is the best-kept travel secret. Enjoy the local opportunities that the county provides from shops, food, wineries, and distilleries that provide an enjoyable experience for everyone. Make St. Mary's County your next destination, and make it an unforgettable experience.

LEONARDTOWN

Leonardtown—small town charm with modern flare, bustling with local and unique shops, restaurants, wineries, waterfront, and more. Enjoy a sunny day exploring the waterfront access with Leonardtown's Wharf. Take a walk through history as you tour Tudor Hall and the Old Jail Museum. Come experience the nightlife with local pubs and bars or exciting events that are held in Leonardtown, such as First Fridays.

SEVENTH DISTRICT

Seventh District is home to several historic sites such as St. Clements Island, Blackistone Lighthouse, and Chaptico's Christ Church. Don't forget to stop in at the local country stores in the area and to enjoy some delicious food from the Chaptico Market.

PATUXENT – CHESAPEAKE CORRIDOR

The Patuxent-Chesapeake Corridor is home to many national brand hotels and restaurants, along with unique places. Enjoy history as you explore the Historic Sotterley Plantation, Grand Dame of Maryland, and the Patuxent Naval Air Museum. Enjoy beautiful scenery as you hike through Greenwell State Park. Don't forget to purchase tickets to watch performances put on by the Three Notch Community Theater.

LOWER POTOMAC AREA

Enjoy a weekend away in a boutique resort hotel or one of the campgrounds that are home to the Lower Potomac Area. Enjoy paddling, fishing, and/or canoeing from St. George Island in the St. Mary's River. Drayden African-American Schoolhouse is also located in this area for all the history lovers.



SOUTH COUNTY

South County is home to Historic St. Mary's City, the starting place for St. Mary's. Enjoy the scenery as you walk through Historic St. Mary's outdoor living museum and St. Mary's College of Maryland. The area is also home to Swanendele Inn (recently named one of the Top 13 Great Luxury Hotels in the Northeast for 2020), the new Pier450 (motel, restaurant, pier and beachfront), and amazing farm venues such as Woodlawn Farm and Mary's Hope. Enjoy delicious seafood, marinas, charter fishing, and bed and breakfasts. Don't forget to check out Point Lookout State Park for your camping and fishing opportunities.

NORTH COUNTY

North County is a beautiful and historic place. It is home to the Charlotte Hall Veterans Home, once one of the oldest military academies in Maryland. Enjoy Ye Coole Springs, Three Notch Trail, the Amish market, and the Wicomico Golf Club. For something more speedy, head over to Maryland International Raceway for major motor sport events.



Getting
CRAFTY
in St. Mary's

By Linda L. Esterson





THE FIRST STOP on America's bourbon trail is right here in St. Mary's County. Long before Maryland distillers migrated to what is present day Kentucky in 1786, the Haydens, Wathens and Willets were making whiskey in St. Mary's. Today, St. Mary's is leading a renaissance of the craft beverage industry. The county's up-and-coming breweries, distilleries and wineries provide plenty of options to please every palette and preference, all with a local flair.

St. Mary's County's flourishing agriculture industry helps fuel the area's beverage masters, who utilize home-grown ingredients in their creations, keeping local establishments and restaurants stocked with the best the region has to offer.

"With our expansive terrain and unique soils, our area provides the perfect conditions for growing high quality produce—including premium grapes—with lots of



potential to harvest plentiful grains for our other craft beverage producers,” says Lauren Zimmerman, winemaker for the Port of Leonardtown Winery, a winery cooperative creating a broad portfolio using products from 11 different farms. “The culinary scene in St. Mary’s is exploding, with many phenomenal, locally-focused restaurants, many of which are excited to support the local producers and provide quality beverages for their customers. Next time you dine out, ask for Maryland wine, beer or spirits!”

The first legal distillery in St. Mary’s County is Tobacco Barn Distillery. They are one of the few in America that grows the grain that they distill, says partner Scott Sanders. The distilling process dates back to Maryland’s colonial period, when early settlers grew and traded for crops and began distilling, Sanders explains. Today, he and partners Sean Coogan and Dan Dawson run Tobacco Barn Distillery, producing bourbon and whiskey from ingredients grown and sourced from the local farming community.

“This is where colonial bourbon started,” says Sanders. “The taste comes from the local terroir. Local grains, water, soil, and weather conditions all impact the flavor and taste of our bourbon. People like drinking what’s local.”

In celebration of all of the area’s craft businesses, St. Mary’s plans to launch the St. Mary’s Taste Trail, featuring leading wineries, distilleries and breweries in the area. Many will provide taste samples, live music, events, and snacks on premises.

THE ST. MARY’S Taste Trail

The Port of Leonardtown Winery

23190 Newtowne Neck Road;
Leonardtwn
Winner of the prestigious Governor’s Cup in 2018 for its Barbera Reserve.
Tasting Room open 7 days a week

Generations Vineyards

22715 Wheatleys Content Farm Lane; Leonardtown
Tasting Room open Friday and Saturday, by appointment in winter

Kella Winery

26781 Laurel Grove Road;
Mechanicsville, MD 20659

Southern Trail Distillery

27227 Morganza Turner Road;
Mechanicsville
Tasting Room open Friday–Sunday

Tobacco Barn Distillery

24460 Hollywood Road; Hollywood
Tasting Room open Saturday and Sunday,
Thursday and Friday by appointment

Free State Ciders *

21078 Three Notch Road;
Lexington Park
Plans to have a Tasting Room in the future. Available at the Home Grown Farms Market

Breton Bay Brewing *

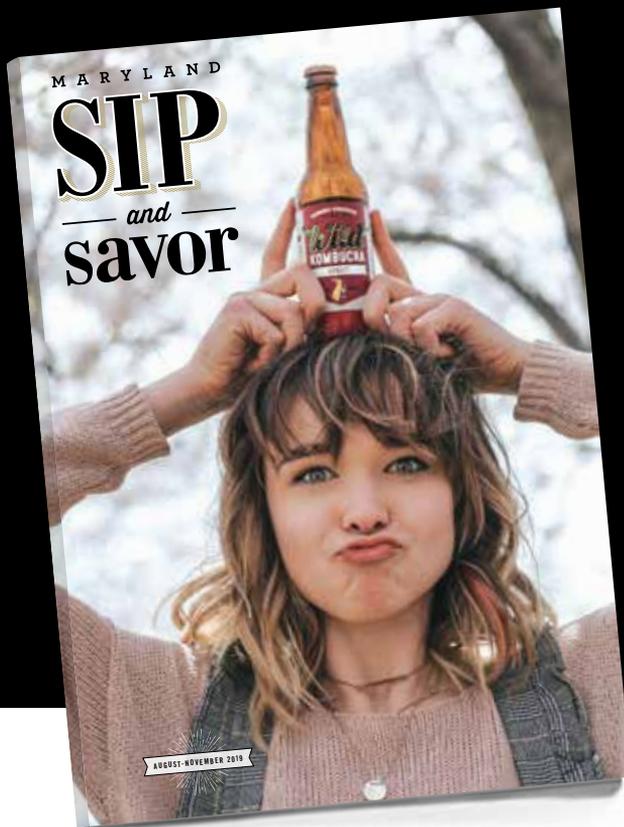
22725 Duke Street; Leonardtown
Plans to have a Tasting Room in the future. Available at Shepherd’s Old Field Market

* Addresses listed are tasting locations

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SHOPPING IN ST. MARY'S

Quaint Stores Offer Unique Treasures

By Linda L. Esterson

YOU NEVER KNOW what treasures you'll find at the local shops in St. Mary's County.

"There's always a great deal around the corner," says Randy Ferguson, executive director of The Center for Life Enrichment (TCLE), which operates two Vintage Values thrift stores in the county. "And each person's treasure is a little bit different."

That's the beauty of the small shops in St. Mary's, whether TCLE's locations in Lexington Park and Leonardtown, or places like the Craft Guild Shop artist co-op in Leonardtown, The Grapevine Antiques & Collectibles in Lexington Park and Keepin' It Local in Morganza.

Vintage Values, the first stop for many visitors, offers a rotating stock of household goods and furniture, men's, women's and children's

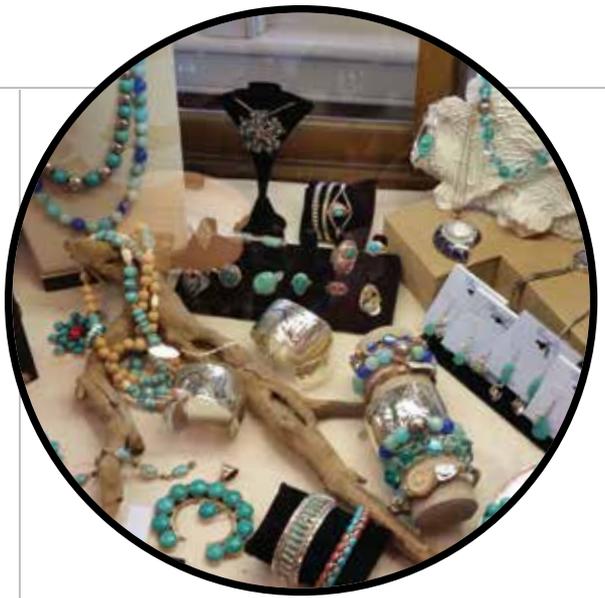
clothing, jackets and shoes, some with original tags. Inventory is based on donations, all of which support the organization's mission to increase the vocational and personal potential of individuals with disabilities.

The Vintage Values stores serve as a base for vocational training, including such basic work skills as reporting on time, punching a time clock, running a cash register and stocking shelves. Work at the stores prepares individuals for employment in the community, and TCLE helps participants secure jobs. Some remain employed at Vintage Values, helping to run special sales and aid customers looking for unique items.

"Someone looking for an unusual article of clothing or household item might find it at our locations," Ferguson says. "Treasure means something different to everyone."

Fenwick Street Used Books and Music is another St. Mary's Treasure. Located just off the town square in Leonardtown on Fenwick Street, the store provides a stock of about 25,000 books and vintage vinyl records, as well as CDs, DVDs, comic books and tarot cards. About 95 percent of the stock is gently used, says Jody Brouwer, who purchased the store with daughter Kelly Brouwer from Joe Orlando, who retired last August after serving the county since 2003.

Tourists love to stop in and experience the historical value – the store operates in one of the county's oldest buildings, the former Duke's Bar. The mirror and serving bar, dating back to the 1800s, provide an antique charm to an already enchanting spot.



"It's the adventure of the hunt for a book, to find a treasure, and have the experience," Jody Brouwer says.

Fenwick's also offers a few new selections from local authors or about local history. A small reading area provides the perfect place to relax and peruse in a comfortable, intimate setting focused on personalized customer service, provided directly from the owner.

The small-town shopping experience is also part of the charm at the Apple Basket in Mechanicsville. Proceeding through the store's entrance provides a glimpse of the building's original tenant, Latham's General Store, which operated in the 1800s. Original counters and shelves and old ledgers, tins and shoes give visitors the feel of shopping in the 19th century general store.

"We're keeping the memory alive," says owner Charlene Tsirigotis. "It's one of a kind. People come from Virginia and further just to shop here. We're not an ordinary store.

There's a lot of history here."

The 35-year-old operation offers "something for everyone" in its 13 rooms, many uniquely themed for wares like nautical; dogs, cats and horses; and Maryland. New inventory arrives daily, some from local artists including Tsirigotis' sparkled vintage hand painted furniture and custom wreaths and arrangements, as well as fine jewelry, clothing, antiques, vintage items like Pyrex and other kitchen ware, and much more.





WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE

By Linda L. Esterson

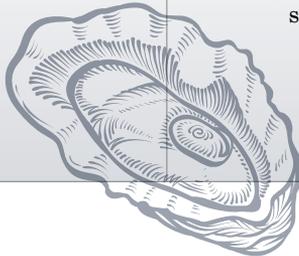
ST. MARY'S COUNTY is a peninsula, touched by the Potomac and Patuxent Rivers and the Chesapeake Bay. Thus, its historically strong commerce and pleasurable recreational opportunities are buoyed by these natural resources and their tributaries.

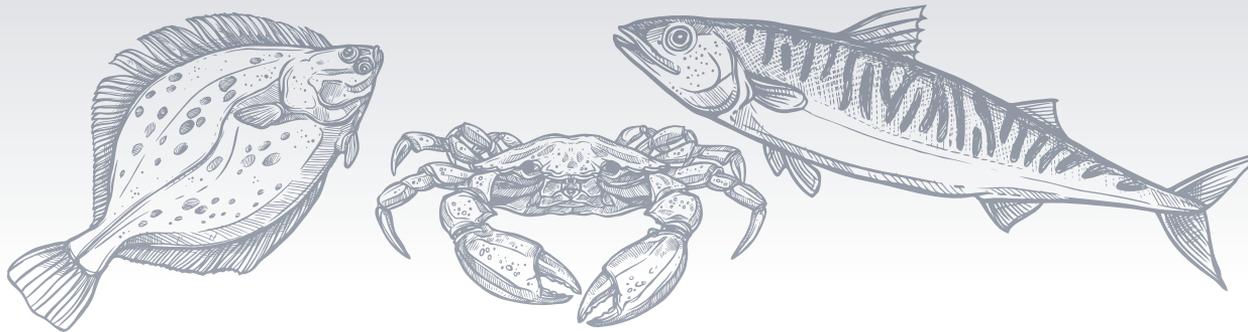
The area is known for its plentiful supply of seafood, which has provided a livelihood for commercial watermen for generations. Crabs, oysters, and varieties of fish including bluefish, rockfish, spot, croaker, flounder and mackerel are among the

species that fuel the St. Mary's seafood industry.

"St. Mary's County has some of the freshest seafood because of its availability," says Willy Dean, president of the St. Mary's County Watermen's Association and a commercial waterman for 40 years. "We're one of the top producers of seafood in the state. We're right on the bay and the river, and the higher salinity of our waters gives our seafood the tastiest flavors."

St. Mary's watermen provide meaty, tasty seafood to area crab houses,





oyster shuck houses, local restaurants and the general public, and also supply to county seafood dealers who distribute product into Baltimore and Washington, D.C. The crab season runs from April 1 to the end of November, while oysters are the most plentiful from October 1 through May. Some fish, like perch and rockfish, are available from the local waters all year round.

Visitors and locals enjoy fishing charters, providing a glimpse into the life of a commercial waterman. On the fishing charter offered by Fish the Bay Charters, up to 30 travelers spend a half or full day aboard a Coast Guard certified vessel and with rods, bait, tackle and temporary license, experience life as a fisherman. Shore-side grilling enables the fishermen to cook their own catch or take the cleaned fish to cook later. The organization's Watermen's Heritage Tours gives participants a hands-on opportunity to tong oysters, pull crab pots and cull crabs.

"Everyone is not a fisherman," says Phil Langley, owner of Fish the Bay Charters, one of two dozen that provide charters and tours on the water in St. Mary's. "A lot of people have an interest in the ecosystem and our resources. The Waterman Heritage Tours

take people out and give them first-hand experience on what it's like to pull crab pots, bait them and harvest crabs. They learn the traditional way of oystering and tonguing oysters. The watermen explain the life cycle of crabs and oysters, how fast they grow, and how they reproduce. On the water, they learn the importance of these species to our ecosystem."

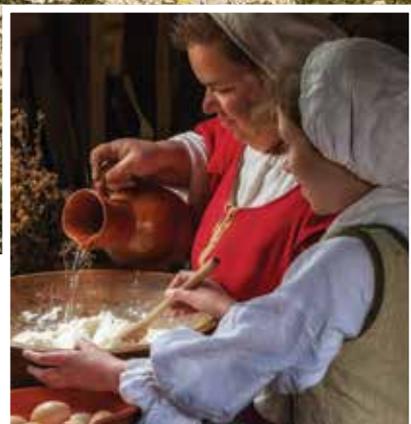
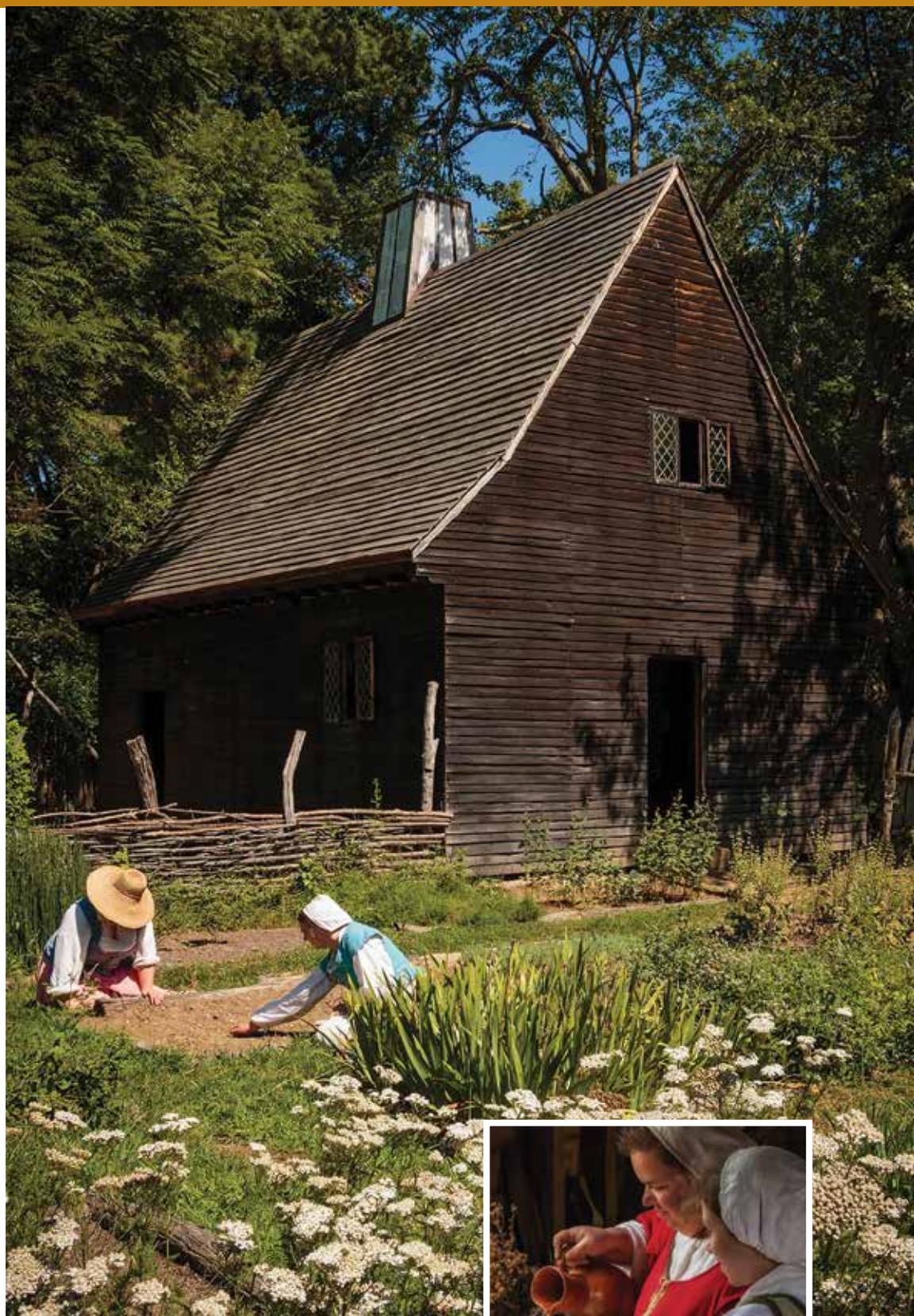
Langley also offers a Sunset Cruise on the Chesapeake Bay. The two-hour cruise heads a few miles offshore to Point No Point, with a relaxing view of the lighthouse and a breathtaking sunset.

The tours educate participants on the importance of the water industry, and the supply of crabs, oysters and fish locally and to other states.

"The water is one of the best kept secrets down here," says Langley. "It's a beautiful area surrounded on three sides by water, and as far as tourism goes, it's a sample platter of the best in tourist locations.

"You have the farming community, the water community, a ton of history and state parks. St. Mary's has all of the tourist attractions encompassed in one county."







ST. MARY'S CITY: Rich in History

By Linda L. Esterson

HISTORIC ST. MARY'S CITY proudly boasts so many firsts for Colonial America and for Maryland. It was the state's first official city and for 61 years, the country's colonial capital. St. Mary's was where the first Catholic Chapel in English America was built and where the First Freedom of Conscience policy in America was established, the first effort to free religion from government in America. There's a long list of firsts and likewise a long list of sites to visit and experiences to be had.

Two indoor museums and four main outdoor attractions provide a glimpse of life in Historic St. Mary's City. Set foot on the spot where the foundation of America was created. The actual layout of the 17th century City Center has been reconstructed with a baroque street plan and several structures faithfully recreated on their original locations. According to Dr. Regina Faden, executive director of Historic St. Mary's City, the actual layout today mirrors what existed in the 17th century city, and with some cultural materials still underground, it is considered one of the premiere 17th century archaeological sites.

St. John's Site Museum, a former home, provides a full view of an open excavation pit, where visitors see the building's foundations and a brick-lined cellar, fireplaces, an Indian hearth and a dairy cellar. Part of the building is reconstructed and interpreted with text panels and artifacts like German pottery, English stoneware, and Venetian glass, to help visitors imagine the past.

2020 is The Year of the Woman, in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the amendment giving women the right to vote. In St. John's Site Museum, there is a

EVENTS

2020 ST. MARY'S CITY

Maryland Day (observed)

March 21

10AM-4PM

Free day celebration of Maryland's founding

May Day

May 16

10AM-4PM

Spring Festival

BeerFest

July 20

12PM-6PM

Tidewater Archaeology Weekend

July 18-19

10AM-4PM

Behind the scenes tours

Shakespeare in the City: Hamlet

August 7, 8, 13, 14 & 15

7:30 PM

Live outdoor production with
Newtowne Players

Indigenous Heritage Day

September 12

10AM-4PM

Celebrating indigenous culture

Militia Muster

September 26

10AM-4PM

St. Maries Militia demonstrations

Lost City

October 24

5-8 PM

Trick-or-treating after hours

Hearth and Home November 27 & 28

10AM-4PM

Hearth cooking demonstrations

Madrigal Dinners December 4, 5, 11 & 12

A fine meal and entertainment

marking of the spot where Margaret Brent became the first woman to ask the Maryland Assembly for the right to vote, as a landowner and representative of Lord Baltimore.

The first official state-purchased **State House** was considered the colonial Town Center. Today, Town Center provides visitors with a feel for the locale where laws concerning slavery, religious persecution, and separating church and state were passed. The reconstructed State House is the city's most formal building.

Town Center comprises several notable buildings. Visit the storehouse, called **Cordea's Hope**, and see the types of things people purchased centuries ago, like axe heads and fine drinking glasses, by appointment with credit. Visit a recreated inn, **Smith's Ordinary**, to learn about who stayed there and the stories of race and equality that occurred at the inn.

There's also a reconstructed 17th century brick **Jesuit Chapel** on the original foundation of the first English Catholic Church in America. There's a glass floor, and underneath is a vault that was created to store the lead coffins of Lord Baltimore, his wife and baby girl, determined to be six months old at the time of her death. The destination is a popular stop for schools and visitors of all ages.

Maryland Dove is a representation of a 1680s sailing ship that colonists used to trade on the eastern seaboard. On the ship, docked in the St. Mary's River, costumed interpreters discuss transportation, immigration and life onboard during that time period. Operate a bilge pump, learn to use block and tackle, or walk along the five miles of paths and trails with signs explaining the historic landscape.

The **Woodland Indian Hamlet** includes three witchotts, or long houses, that were an Indian village. The houses represent the different occupants in history, whether the original Indians with their pottery or the English after the Indians departed. Try different daily activities like scraping out a canoe or making cordage.

The **Godiah Spray Tobacco Plantation** is a modest house with costumed interpreters that help to recreate life on the 17th century plantation. Enjoy the period garden, visit the heritage breed chickens, cows and pigs and imagine a time when tobacco production was the priority of the day.

Before departing, be sure to experience **Chancellor's Point**, named for the last chancellor of Maryland who owned the property. The 66-acre site was developed into a recreational area located on the museum's beautiful trails with a boardwalk with access to St. Mary's River, picnic areas, and 10 campsites for rent.

"A lot of people come to St. Mary's because of their genealogy with families ties to the area or they want custom tours," says Faden. "You can do just about anything here."



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Outdoor Activities



STATE PARKS

Each of our five state parks has its own defining character, but all have one thing in common—water! Three of our state parks have roots in history. St. Clement's Island is the first colonial landing site and birthplace of Maryland. Newtowne Neck is site of the second oldest Jesuit Mission in Maryland. Point Lookout was a resort, then a military hospital, then a Civil War prison camp. Maryland State Parks are open sunrise to sunset.



St. Mary's River State Park

21250 Camp Cosoma Road
Callaway, MD 20620
301-872-5688

www.dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/southern/stmarysriver.aspx

Situated at the north end of the St. Mary's River watershed in the center of the county, the park consists of approximately 2,000 acres of land with a 250-acre fishing lake. The relatively flat landscape of St. Mary's County is not usually thought of as mountain biking terrain; however, the 7.5-mile course encircling the lake at St. Mary's River State Park is a little-known treasure. This course is also available for hiking.

Greenwell State Park

25420 Rosedale Manor Lane
Hollywood, MD 20636
301-373-9775

www.dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/southern/greenwell.aspx

Nearly 600 acres of parkland, 10 miles of trails, and two miles of waterfront along the Patuxent River with an accessible 50 ft. pier. Kayak/canoe launch sites, beach and picnic areas.

St. Clement's Island State Park

38370 Point Breeze Road
Coltons Point, MD 20626
301-872-5688

www.dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/southern/stclements.aspx

One half mile offshore in the Potomac River lies a piece of land considered to be the most historic in Maryland. This island marks the site where Governor Leonard Calvert formally took possession of the land that was to become Maryland.

Point Lookout State Park

11175 Point Lookout Road
Scotland, MD 20687
301-872-5688

www.dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/southern/pointlookout.aspx

Located at the tip of St. Mary's County, Point Lookout combines a rich history with recreation options. This is one of the state's most popular parks. Campsites & cabins, 710 ft. fishing pier and surf fishing areas. Swimming beach open Memorial Day to Labor Day. Beach area has grills, picnic tables, playground, showers, and restrooms. Boat launch facility, fish cleaning station, boat rentals, camp store.

Newtowne Neck State Park

MD 243, Compton, MD 20627
301-872-5688

www.dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/southern/newtowne.aspx

Cradled by Breton Bay, the Potomac River and St. Clements Bay, this 776-acre property of woodlands, wetlands, and agricultural fields offers low-impact recreational opportunities such as biking, walking, hunting, birding and fishing. Capt. John Smith explored the waters surrounding the property in 1608. Newtowne was the first settlement in the Maryland province after St. Mary's City.



PUBLIC LANDINGS

With over 500 miles of shoreline, there is much to explore. Grab your boat, canoe, kayak, or other vessel and travel around the County. For more information on public landings managed by St. Mary's County, visit www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/ facilities or call 301-863-8400 ext. 3570.

Abell's Wharf

21620 Abell's Wharf Road, Leonardtown, MD
Landing with boat ramp.

Bushwood Wharf

36803 Bushwood Wharf Road, Bushwood, MD
Landing with boat ramp and pier.

Camp Calvert Landing

22530 Camp Calvert Road, Leonardtown, MD
Canoe/kayak launching only; minimal parking.

Cape St. Mary's Landing

27290 Holly Lane, Mechanicsville, MD
Landing with boat ramp for motorized boats and parking.

Chaptico Wharf

23975 Old Chaptico Wharf Road, Maddox, MD
Landing with boat ramp and pier.

Clarke's Landing

Clarke's Landing Road, Hollywood, MD
Landing with boat ramp, minimal parking.

Forrest Landing

44600 Forrest Landing Road, Hollywood, MD
Landing with boat ramp.

Fox Harbor Landing

16490 Dunbar Lane, Ridge, MD
Landing with pier, minimal parking. No fishing or crabbing.

Great Mills Canoe/Kayak Launch

20228 Point Lookout Road, Great Mills, MD
Canoe/kayak launching only.

Greenwell State Park

25420 Rosedale Manor Lane, Hollywood, MD
Accessible canoe/kayak launch.

Leonardtown Wharf

22500 Washington Street, Leonardtown MD
Boat tie-ups, canoe/kayak launch and rentals. No overnight boat facilities.

Paul Ellis Landing

37385 Paul Ellis Road, Avenue, MD
Landing with pier, minimal parking.

Piney Point Landing

17139 Piney Point Road, Piney Point, MD
Landing with boat ramp and pier.

Piney Point Lighthouse Canoe/Kayak Launch

44701 Lighthouse Road, Piney Point, MD
Museum grounds. Canoe/kayak launching only.

Port of Leonardtown Park / McIntosh Run

23190 Newtowne Neck Road, Leonardtown, MD
Park, pavilion, walking paths, and canoe/kayak launch.

River Springs Landing

37250 River Springs Road, Avenue, MD
Landing with pier, minimal parking.

St. George Island Landing

16036 Thomas Road, St. George Island, MD
Landing with boat ramp.

St. Inigoes Landing

46621 Beachville Road, St. Inigoes, MD
Landing with boat ramp.

Tall Timbers Landing

18521 Herring Creek Road, Tall Timbers, MD
Landing with pier, minimal parking.

Wicomico Shores Landing

35222 Army-Navy Drive, Chaptico, MD
Landing with boat ramp and pier; picnic area and playground.

BEACHES

Elms Beach Park

19350 Back Door Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
301-475-4200 ext. 71800
www.stmarysmd.com/recreate
500 feet of shoreline with unsupervised swimming, picnicking and fishing, plus picnic pavilion, playground, portable restrooms, changing areas, and parking.

Myrtle Point Park

24032 N. Patuxent Boulevard
California, MD 20619
301-475-4200 ext. 71800
www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/facilities
Nearly two miles of shore, including unsupervised beach, picnic tables, informal canoe/kayak launching, three miles of hiking trails, parking, and portable restroom facilities.

Point Lookout State Park

11175 Point Lookout Road
Scotland, MD 20687
301-872-5688
www.dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/southern/pointlookout.aspx
Extensive beach with posted lifeguards, restrooms, bath house, first aid station, picnic facilities, and playground.

Snow Hill Park & Beach

26590 South Sandgates Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-475-4200 ext. 71800
www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/facilities
6-acre park that includes 1500 feet of unsupervised beach, pavilion, picnic tables, portable restrooms, and informal kayak and canoe launch.



Getting Here

St. Mary's County is conveniently located on a peninsula with over 500 miles of shoreline bounded by the Patuxent River, Potomac River, and the Chesapeake Bay. Only an hour from DC and less than two hours from both Baltimore and Richmond, St. Mary's County is an ideal getaway in the mid-Atlantic.

INTERNATIONAL / NATIONAL AIRPORTS

Reagan National Airport (DCA)

www.flyreagan.com
Travel Time: One hour

Baltimore-Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BWI)

www.bwiairport.com
Located just outside of Baltimore, MD
Travel Time: One hour and 20 minutes

Dulles International Airport (IAD)

www.flydulles.com
Located in Northern Virginia, right in DC's backyard
Travel Time: One hour and 35 minutes

Richmond International Airport (RIC)

www.flyrichmond.com
Located just outside of Richmond, VA
Travel Time: Two Hours

LOCAL / REGIONAL AIRPORT

St. Mary's County Regional Airport

301-373-2101
www.co.saint-marys.md.us/dpw/Airportinfo.asp
Services include aircraft hangar leasing, grass and paved tie-downs, charter service, low lead and Jet A fueling, and maintenance/repair services.

TRAINS

Amtrak

www.amtrak.com
Stations in Washington DC, Baltimore, New Carrollton, Richmond, and more.

LOCAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

St. Mary's Transit Buses (STS)

301-863-8400 ext. 1120

Private Shuttle Services

Southern Maryland Express
888-313-9773
www.somdexpress.com

Dyson Mini Coach

240-431-1722

Compass Limousine

301-904-5252

Gold Star Limousine Service

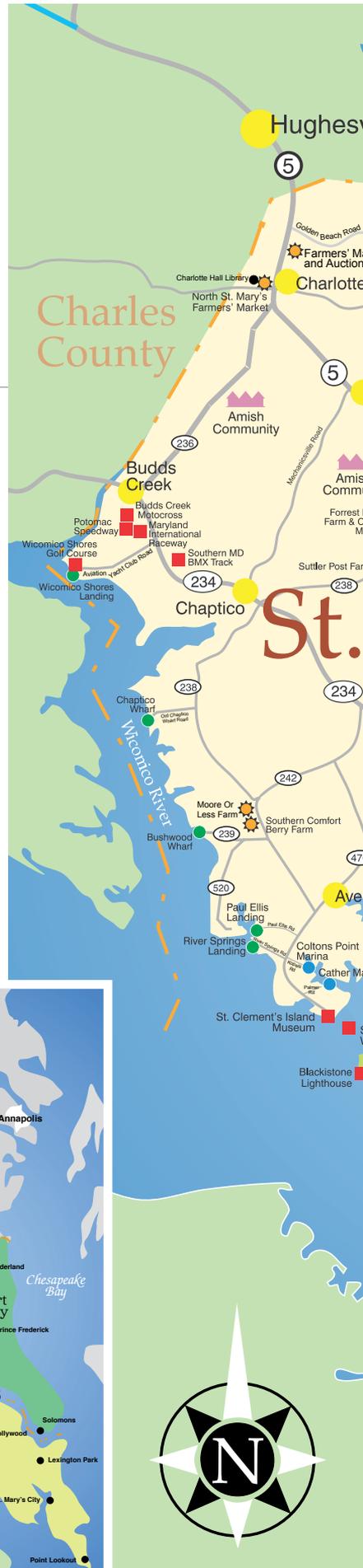
301-373-4444

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Washington, DC - 55 miles
Annapolis, MD - 65 miles
Baltimore, MD - 88 miles
Richmond, VA - 101 miles
Williamsburg, VA - 140 miles
Harrisburg, PA - 150 miles
Philadelphia, PA - 180 miles
Norfolk, VA - 180 miles
Pittsburgh, PA - 275 miles
New York, NY - 280 miles

Important Phone Numbers

Emergency: 911
Directory Assistance: 411
MedStar St. Mary's Hospital:
301-475-8981
St. Mary's County Government
(All Departments
Directory): 301-475-4200
St. Mary's County Library:
301-475-2846





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Mary's County



Museums & Attractions

MUSEUMS

Patuxent River Naval Air Museum and St. Mary's County Visitor's Center

22156 Three Notch Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
301-863-1900
www.paxmuseum.org

The nation's only museum dedicated to naval aviation research, development, testing, and evaluation. Featuring nearly 30 one-of-a-kind aircraft that you can walk right up to, the museum highlights the story of how the Navy established their flight test center prior to WWII, where major advances in aircraft such as the Harrier, Tomcat, and Osprey were developed. Open Tuesday–Sunday, 10:00AM to 5:00PM



St. Clement's Island Museum

38370 Point Breeze Road
Colton's Point, MD 20626
301-769-2222
www.museums.stmarysmd.com

This nationally-accredited museum traces the history of the English colonization of Maryland and the landing on nearby St. Clement's Island on March 25, 1634. Enjoy the museum's colorful exhibits, then take the water taxi to nearby St. Clement's Island State Park where the first Colonists landed. The museum grounds are also home to a 19th-century, one-room schoolhouse, picnic area, pier, and docking facility. Spring/Summer Hours, Open Daily from 10:00AM to 5:00PM. Fall/Winter Hours, Open Thursday–Monday from 12:00PM to 4:00PM.



Historic St. Mary's City

18751 Hogaboom Lane
St. Mary's City, MD 20686
240-895-4990
www.HSMCDigsHistory.org

Explore life in 17th-century Maryland. Colorful living history, scenic hiking trails, and fascinating archaeology are yours to explore at Maryland's colonial capital. Visit a re-created 17th Century Plantation, Chancellor's Point, the 1676 State House, and much more. Go aboard the Maryland Dove, a rebuilt coastal trading vessel that made the voyage to Maryland in 1634. Hours vary by season, please check website.



Sotterley Plantation

44300 Sotterley Lane
Hollywood, MD 20636
301-373-2280
www.sotterley.org

A National Historic Landmark, Sotterley Plantation has a history dating back to the turn of the 18th century and is one of the oldest museums of its kind in the United States. Many have called Sotterley home over its 300-year history. Some came to prosper; others worked the land, either for wages or under bondage. Sotterley today consists of almost 100 acres of breathtaking beauty on the Patuxent River that includes over six miles of nature trails, Colonial Revival Gardens, and over 20 historic buildings. Open Tuesday–Saturday, 10:00AM–4:00PM, Sunday, 11:45AM–4:00PM, Closed Monday.



Drayden African American Schoolhouse

18287 Cherryfield Road
Drayden, MD 20630
301-994-1471
www.museums.stmarysmd.com

One of the best preserved African-American schoolhouses in the country, the one-room schoolhouse still occupies its original site and has not been significantly altered. Built circa 1890, it was in use until 1944. The structure marks the era of segregated schools in St. Mary's County. Interpretive panels offer self-guided tours. Group tours are available by advance arrangement.



Piney Point Lighthouse Museum & Historic Park

44720 Lighthouse Road
Piney Point, MD 20674
301-994-1471
www.museums.stmarysmd.com

Climb the oldest lighthouse on the Potomac (constructed in 1836), see historic boats and maritime history in the museum, learn about the U1105 Historic Shipwreck Dive Preserve, stroll the beach, paddle about in your kayak & enjoy 6 acres of park, pier & more. The Potomac River Maritime Exhibit includes a collection of historic wooden boats that once plied the waters of the Chesapeake Bay as well as the watermen's story. Spring/Summer Hours, Open Daily from 10:00 AM to 5:00PM. Fall/Winter Hours, Open Thursday–Monday from 12:00PM to 4:00PM.



Point Lookout State Park & Civil War Museum

11175 Point Lookout Road
Scotland, MD 20687
301-872-5688
www.dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/southern/pointlookout.aspx

Located at the tip of St. Mary's County, Point Lookout combines a rich history with recreation options. This is one of the state's most popular parks. Campsites & cabins. 710-ft. fishing pier and surf fishing areas. A valid fishing license and appropriate stamps required. Swimming beach open Memorial Day to Labor Day. Beach area has grills, picnic tables, playground, showers, and restrooms. Boat launch facility, fish cleaning station, boat rentals, camp store. Open from sunrise to sunset year round. Open for active night fishing after sunset.



Old Jail Museum

11 Courthouse Drive
Leonardtown, MD 20650
301-475-2467
www.stmaryshistory.org

Built in 1876 and in use until 1945, the granite block and brick structure retains its original upstairs cells where prisoners were once segregated by gender and race. The jail keeper's quarters downstairs house artifacts that relate county history. A cannon from The Ark, one of two ships that first brought colonists to Maryland, and later used to defend St. Mary's City, is displayed on the grounds. Special tours and hours are available by advanced arrangement.

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DIRECTIONS: From St. Andrews Church Rd (Rt 4), take Indian Bridge Road South for ¼ miles to Cecil's Historic District.



AFRICAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE SITES

African-American history in Maryland begins in 1634 with the arrival of indentured servant Mathias de Sousa, one of the 140 settlers who first traveled here and established Maryland. Monuments, historic sites and museums illuminate our rich African-American history.

Cardinal Gibbons Institute Memorial Park and Monument

48913 Seaside View Road
Ridge, MD 20680
301-475-4200 ext. 1800
www.ucaconline.org/historic-sites.html

A monument marks the site of this vocational institute established in 1924 and operated by educators from the Tuskegee Institute. Hours: dawn to dusk

Drayden African-American Schoolhouse

18287 Cherryfield Road
Drayden, MD 20630
301-994-1471
www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/Draydenschool

One of the best preserved African-American schoolhouses in the country, built in the late 1800s. Interpretive markers on the grounds. Tours by advance arrangement.

Elmer Brown African-American Monument

21744 South Coral Drive
Lexington Park, MD 20653
www.ucaconline.org

Located at Freedom Park (corner of Route 235 and Tulagi Place), the monument recognizes African Americans who have made significant contributions to the county.

Pathway Through History Markers

John G. Lancaster Park, 21550 Willows Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
www.ucaconline.org

Wayside interpretive signs mark milestones and challenges experienced by the African-American community from the end of the Civil War until World War II.

Underground Railroad Sites

Underground Railroad-Network to Freedom sites include Sotterley Plantation, the Old Jail Museum, and Point Lookout State Park.



RELIGIOUS HERITAGE SITES

Maryland's first colony is where the concepts of religious toleration and separation of Church and State were introduced to the New World. Follow the Religious Freedom National Scenic Byway through St. Mary's and Charles counties. The byway brings together natural beauty, recreation, inspirational stories and amazing places.

The Brick Chapel of 1667

Historic St. Mary's
www.hsmcdigshistory.org/research/archaeology/chapel

The Roman Catholic Chapel, built by the Jesuits in 1667 at St. Mary's City, served as the focal point of the Catholic Faith in Maryland. Visit the amazing re-creation.

St. Clement's Island

www.dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/southern/stclements.aspx

In March of 1634, Father Andrew White stepped ashore in St. Clement's Island with the first Maryland colonists and celebrated the first Catholic mass in the English-speaking colonies.

St. Francis Xavier Church

21110 Newtowne Neck Road
Leonardtown, MD 20650
www.stfrancisxavierchurch.org

Built in 1731, St. Francis Xavier Church replaced the original Newtown Chapel of 1662. Site of an early Jesuit mission in Maryland.

St. Ignatius Church

8855 Chapel Point Road
Point Tobacco, MD 20677
www.facebook.com/St.IgnatiusChurch

The first chapel of St. Ignatius was built in 1641. In 1704, the colony's early policies of religious toleration were abolished, and the chapel was closed and the church was dismantled. In 1785, the present day St. Ignatius Church was built.

Trinity Episcopal Church

16855 Point Lookout Road
St. Mary's City, MD 20686
www.trinitysmcnd.com

Originally established in 1638, this present-day church adjacent to Historic St. Mary's City was built in 1829 using brick salvaged from the colony's State House.



LANDMARKS

Living history abounds throughout St. Mary's County. Explore the many historical and heritage sites that tell the story of Maryland's humble beginnings.

Tudor Hall

41680 Tudor Place
Leonardtown, MD 20650
301-475-2467
www.stmaryshistory.org

Originally built in 1744 and enlarged in the 1760s, this Georgian-style house was the home of Phillip Key, uncle of Francis Scott Key, author of the Star Spangled Banner. Unusual features of the house are the inset portico, the main hall's hanging staircase, and a "triple fireplace" in the kitchen. Maryland War of 1812 site. Tudor Hall serves as the research library for the St. Mary's County Historical Society, Bookstore. The Research Center is open Thursday and Friday, 11:00AM–4:00PM and on 2nd and 4th Saturdays, by appointment only. Call ahead for hours.



Cecil's Old Mill

20853 Indian Bridge Road
Great Mills, MD 20653
301-994-1510

www.facebook.com/cecilmill

Cecil's Mill was originally built as a cotton/textile factory in the 1800's. Later, it was transformed into a grist mill and saw mill. After restoration, Cecil's Old Mill has become a National Landmark in Historic St. Mary's County and is home to some of the finest local arts and crafts around.



Point Lookout Lighthouse

11175 Point Lookout Road
Scotland, MD 20687
301-872-5688

www.dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/southern/pointlookout.aspx

Point Lookout Lighthouse is located at the southern tip of the park. The point's rich Civil War history is found at Fort Lincoln and at the Point Lookout Civil War Museum. The museum is open May through October, on Saturday and Sunday from 9:00AM–5:00PM.



Charlotte Hall Schoolhouse

museums.stmarysmd.com

Located on the grounds of the St. Clement's Island Museum, this early 19th Century one-room building was used until the 1960s. It offers exhibits of period desks, blackboards, and a wood stove. The schoolhouse is open during the museum's regular summer hours.



Charlotte Hall Military Academy

Charlotte Hall, MD

www.facebook.com/pages/Charlotte-Hall-Military-Academy

Charlotte Hall Military Academy, located at Charlotte Hall, Maryland, was established as Charlotte Hall School in 1774 by Queen Charlotte to provide for the liberal and pious education of youth to better fit them for the discharge of their duties for the British Empire. It was fully accredited by the Maryland State Department of Education.

Rosedale Manor House

25420 Rosedale Manor Lane

Hollywood, MD 20636

301-373-9775

www.greenwellfoundation.org

Located within the Greenwell State Park, this beautiful building is a blending of history from the 1700s to the 1950s. Restored and preserved, the home sits on nine acres of landscaped lawns adorned with native flowers, trees, and shrubs.



USS Tulip Monument

Cross Manor Road

St. Ingoes, MD 20684

This monument marks the smallest federal cemetery in the nation. The Tulip was purchased by the Navy for use in the Potomac Flotilla during the Civil War. Sinking shortly after her launch, the Tulip and her crew are memorialized at this historic site.





WEDDINGS

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Take a step towards waterfront elegance. With over 500 miles of shoreline, life in centuries-past took place at the water's edge. Today, St. Mary's offers a variety of waterside settings.

Find shimmering coves as lovely today as when they were first settled by Native tribes centuries ago. Say "I do" on a sandy beach next to glistening waters, or dance your first dance in an elegant banquet hall with panoramic views of the Potomac River.

Journey to the heart of the county and let our countryside delights brighten your special day. Rustic barns, amber fields, split rail fences and farmhouse porches dot the countryside and pave a path to an unforgettable evening. St. Mary's is steeped in rural traditions passed down through generations. Discover locations full of homespun charm along the County's scenic byways. Let your walk down the aisle take place on a country lane. Orchestrate your reception as a barn dance. Pose for photos in a sunlit meadow - and be sure to wear some flowers to enhance the experience.

Your perfect day is here! Your wedding day needs to be an outstanding occasion perfectly suited to you. Discover a host of beautiful settings and resources for your day, just a breeze away in Southern Maryland's unique St. Mary's County.

Explore more at www.VisitStMarysMD.com/weddings



Arts and Culture



Arts and culture experiences come in all forms in St. Mary's County! Center your artistic journey in Leonardtown, Southern Maryland's only Arts & Entertainment District, where you can explore galleries, rent art space, discover your next inspiration, or thrive in the many street festivals. Journey to South County and enjoy the remarkable River Concert Series. Kick back and enjoy live performances in Lexington Park at the Newtowne Players performing arts theater. Live music events throughout the county range from classical to jazz, rock, bluegrass and everything in between, including several outdoor concert series during the summer months.



EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES



Leonardtown First Fridays

On the first Friday of every month, historic Leonardtown's art galleries, restaurants, cafes, gift shops, antique shops, bookstores, etc. open their doors to showcase local artists and/or serve specials at their establishments. You are invited to a fun evening of live entertainment, demos, receptions, hands-on activities, and seasonal promotions.

Craft Guild Shop

The Craft Guild of St. Mary's County was established in 1976 by a group of talented artists with the goal of organizing and operating a retail store right in the heart of Southern Maryland. The Guild houses skilled crafters who engage in fabric arts, jewelry making, woodworking, floral artistry, photography, glass work, tobacco stick art, baking/ culinary specialties, and much more.

Southern Maryland Film Festival

Held annually during the summer, this event showcases local filmmakers from Southern Maryland of all ages. Visitors can take part in a full day of screenings at various local businesses. The fun continues during the festival with panel discussions, receptions, award ceremonies and meet-and-greets.

CONCERTS

COSMIC Symphony Concert Series

www.cosmicsymphony.org

Local talent with universal appeal come together for a series of concerts beginning in the Fall and ending in the Spring.

Chesapeake Orchestra River Concert Series

www.smc.edu/events/riverconcert

St. Mary's College of Maryland's River Concert Series provides a unique outdoor experience of high-quality professional performances throughout the summer, enriching the cultural offerings of our region. The repertoire of the Series ranges from serious classical composition, to light classics, to jazz.

Leonardtown Summer Music Festival

www.leonardtownmusicfest.com

Located in the heart of Leonardtown, Leonardtown Summer Music Festival is a free concert series that features a variety of music genres including jazz, country, bluegrass, acoustic, and rock-n-roll performed by local artists. Bring a chair or blanket and enjoy the music on the square in Leonardtown.

Potomac Jazz & Seafood Festival

www.potomacjazzandseafoodfestival.com

This 3-day event is held in July at the St. Clement's Island Museum. Enjoy jazz, seafood, and stunning waterside views with a variety of activities for jazz enthusiasts. Travel around the County to enjoy jazz brunches and activities.

Dining

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AROUND THE COUNTY

Abell's Restaurant

23945 Colton's Point Road
Clements, MD 20624
301-769-4010

Bert's Restaurant and 50's Drive In

28760 Three Notch Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-884-3837
www.berts50sdiner.com

Captain Leonard's Seafood

27240 Morganza Turner Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-884-3701

Chaptico Market Deli

25466 Maddox Road
Chaptico, MD 20621
301-884-3308
www.chaptico-market.com

Chief's — Your Neighborhood Bar

44584 Tall Timbers Road
Tall Timbers, MD 20690
301-994-0772
www.vjdent.com

Courtney's Restaurant

48290 Wynne Road
Ridge, MD 20680
301-872-4403 (on the water)
www.courtneysseafoodrestaurant.com

Drift Inn

41310 River View Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-884-3470 (on the water)

Fiesta Café Mexican Restaurant

28255 Three Notch Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-884-9730
www.fiestacafemd.com

The Foxy Grill

28976 Three Notch Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-884-4235
www.thefoxyfish.com

Gridiron Grill

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Callaway, MD 20620
301-994-1020

Hot Pot Chinese Restaurant

29255 Three Notch Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-884-8188

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38869 Morris Point Road
Abell, MD 20606
301-769-2500 (on the water)
www.morris-point.com

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30080 Three Notch Road
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240-249-3390
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Pizza Hotline

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301-994-1508 (on the water)
www.talltimbersmarinasomd.com

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301-994-2233 (on the water)
http://dennispointcampground.com

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35794 Aviation Yacht Club Road
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301-884-0399
www.stmarysmd.com/recreate

Ruddy Duck Seafood & Alehouse

16810 Piney Point Road
Piney Point, MD 20674
301-994-9944 (on the water)
www.ruddyduckbrewery.com

Sandgates Inn

27525 North Sandgates Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-373-5100 (on the water)

Seabreeze Restaurant

27130 South Sandgates Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-373-5217 (on the water)

St. Mary's Landing

29935 Three Notch Road
Charlotte Hall, MD 20622
301-884-6124

Sonny's BBQ Pit

29144 Thompson Corner Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-290-0035



Sunset Cove & Snorkel's Bar at Point Lookout Marina

16244 Miller's Wharf Road
Ridge, MD 20680
301-872-5020 (on the water)
www.pointlookoutmarina.com

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30320 Triangle Drive
Charlotte Hall, MD 20622
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41655 Fenwick Street
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www.fitzies.homestead.com

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301-997-1009
www.thefrontporchmd.com

Happy Dragon Chinese Restaurant

40955 Merchants Lane
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301-475-9695

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Jessie's Kitchen

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www.facebook.com/Jessieskitchen

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240-304-0855s

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301-475-7228
www.bretonbaygolf.com

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22725 Duke Street
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240-309-4384
www.brudergarten.com

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40955 Merchants Lane
Leonardtown, MD 20650
301-475-2722
www.crabknockers.com



McKay's Market & Café

23860 Hollywood Road
Hollywood, MD 20636
301-475-2531
www.mckaysupermarkets.com

Oga's Asian Cuisine

22745 Washington Street
Leonardtown, MD 20650
301-475-0188
www.ogasiancuisinemd.com

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Leonardtown, MD 20650
301-475-8184
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Leonardtown, MD 20650
301-475-1512
www.therexmd.net

The Slice House

41565 Park Avenue
Leonardtown, MD 20650
301-997-6577
www.theslicehouse.com

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301-475-2400
www.socialcoffeehouse.company

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25470 Point Lookout Road
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301-997-0442
www.salsasmexicancafe.md.com

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22845A Washington Street
Leonardtown, MD 20650
240-309-4185

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22680 Washington Street
Leonardtown, MD 20650
240-309-4148
www.sweetbayrestaurant.com

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www.BlueWindGourmet.com

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www.BollywoodMasalaCalifornia.com

Captain Pat's Seafood

21901 Three Notch Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
301-866-0000
www.CaptainPats.com

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25188 Three Notch Road
Hollywood, MD 20636
301-373-3020

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22608 Three Notch Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
240-237-8310
www.DaysOffDeli.com

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21703 Great Mills Road
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301-862-7600

Elements - Eatery & Mixology

46580 Expedition Drive
Lexington Park, MD 20653
301-862-5303
www.Elements-Food.com

Hacienda Los Guayabos Mexican Grill

19661 Three Notch Road
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240-237-8345

Hibachi Grill and Buffet

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301-862-3309

Hong Kong Lexington Park

21800 North Shangri La Drive
Lexington Park, MD 20653
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21779 Tulagi Place
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Mom & Pop's Pizza

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21719-1 Great Mills Road
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301-863-7222
www.sake2go.com

Sawatdee Thai Seafood

21525 Great Mills Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653

Showtime Deli

21719 B Great Mills Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
301-862-3354
www.showtimedeli.com

Stoney's Seafood at Clarke's Landing

24580 Clarke's Landing Road
Hollywood, MD 20636
301-373-3986
www.stoneysseafoodhouse.com

Taphouse 1637

23418 Three Notch Road
California, MD 20619
301-862-3166
www.BollywoodMasalaCalifornia.com

Teariffic Café

22576 MacArthur Boulevard
California, MD 20619
301-866-9688
www.tearifficsomd.com

Thai Inter

22622 MacArthur Boulevard
California, MD 20619
301-866-1880
www.thaiinterrestaurant.com

That Pizza Joint

21030 Point Lookout Road
Callaway, MD 20620
240-237-8456
www.thatpizzajoint.com

ONE DAY TO EAT IT ALL



Wake up with fresh-roasted coffee and pastries, stock up on locally grown goods, and stop for a bite and drinks—all St. Mary's style.

Today's the day. You've set aside your Saturday to taste everything St. Mary's has to

offer—but where should you start? From quick bites to lavish affairs, there are many opportunities to explore St. Mary's culinary offerings. Let us guide you through our top picks and hot spots around St. Mary's County.

St. Inie's Coffee

www.stiniescoffee.com

Enjoy a morning cup of locally fresh-roasted, delicious, and responsibly-sourced coffee! Pair it with your favorite pastry and join the St. Inie's family in their living room for reading and relaxation in the ever-expanding library of used books for sale. An adjoining family room provides games and activities for kids of all ages.

Home Grown Farm Market

www.homegrownfarmmarket.webs.com

Stock up on baked goods, fresh produce, meats, and cheeses to bring home to your family and friends. This producer-only market, featuring sustainable agricultural products utilizing eco-friendly production techniques, forges a strong connection between the producers and consumers. The market carries a large selection of food, frozen meats, flowers, ice cream, and more from the Southern Maryland area.

LUNCH @ Pax River Ale House

www.paxriveralehouse.com

Indulge in this modern take on the classic neighborhood bar and grill. With a rotating selection of unique and complex beers from local and domestic brewers and impressive house specialty dishes, this centrally located spot is sure to fill you up with pure happiness.

AFTERNOON DRINKS @ Port of Leonardtown Winery

www.polwinery.com

The Port of Leonardtown Winery is home to one of the only cooperative wineries in the country—the Southern Maryland Winegrowers Cooperative. Established in 2010, the winery has produced many exceptional award-winning wines.

DINNER @ Sweetbay Restaurant & Bar

www.sweetbayrestaurant.com

Enjoy one of Leonardtown's newest restaurants! The restaurant takes its name "Sweetbay" from a clever connection between one of the restaurateur's DC restaurants (Magnolia Kitchen & Bar) and the county's local flora. "Sweetbay" is the species of Magnolia most often found in Southern Maryland. Featuring fresh local favorites and an impressive lineup of cocktails, it's a wonderful way to end a perfect culinary day.



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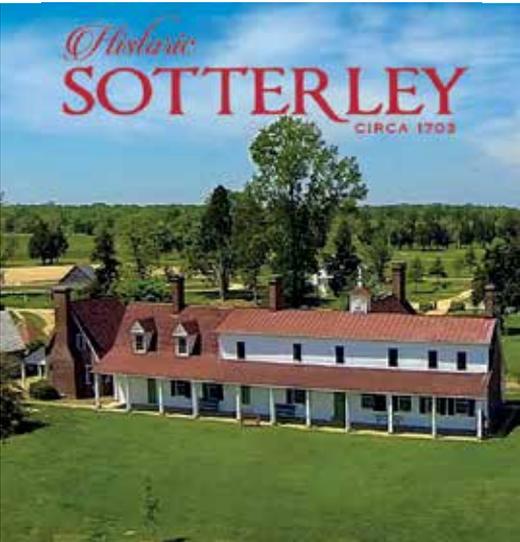
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Shepherd's Old Field Market

Have a PERFECT WEEKEND in St. Mary's County!

ST. MARY'S COUNTY is a destination brimming with history and culture, celebrated by its modernity as an emerging center for science, technology, and aviation. With so much happening throughout the year, St. Mary's is the ideal place to have a perfect weekend getaway.

Start your journey by checking into one of our well-appointed hotels and B&Bs. Whether it is the newly renovated Ascend Collection hotel in Leonardtown, the classic style of Swanendele Inn (recently named as one of the Top 13 Great Luxury Hotels in the Northeast for 2020), or the rustic waterside rooms at the new Pier450, there is a home-away-from-home for everybody.

Kick your first morning off with a caffeine boost from **St. Inie's Coffee**, a family-run roastery with an ever-changing seasonal

menu, or grab your coffee and a nibble at **Social**, a neighborhood coffeehouse and cocktail bar in the heart of Leonardtown. In the mood for something more filling? Take a seat at **Linda's Café**, the ultimate in delectable greasy-spoon diners.

With your newfound energy, the County is your oyster (literally and figuratively)! Take a tour of one of the oldest and continuously maintained plantations in the United States at **Historic Sotterley**. Learn about the complex history and legacy of slavery, walk the grounds and discover life as it was back in the 18th century. Nearby **Greenwell State Park** offers beautiful grounds to explore the nature, beach, and water in a truly picturesque setting – and a great place to launch a kayak or two. Still yearning to travel back in time? Walk in the footsteps of important historical figures, including Native Americans, missionaries, colonists, revolutionaries, merchants, farmers, and everyone in between at **Historic St. Mary's City**, Maryland's first capital. Journey to the first ever landing site in Maryland at **St. Clement's Island Museum** to see where it all began.





Having taken a step back in time, it's now time to take a step forward! Tour **PAX Naval Air Museum** to test out the only pilot training flight simulators in the region, and explore the history of aviation on the Chesapeake, from over a dozen full-size aircraft to prototype designs that were tested at the nearby PAX Naval Air Base.

Have a bit of the shopping bug? We have you covered! Shop at our many vintage shops, including **Vintage Values**, a shop from the Center for Life Enrichment, with its mission to provide employment that will increase the vocational and personal potential of individuals with disabilities. Looking for something new? Explore **Leonardtown** to check out its many different shops. From locally roasted coffee, art galleries, chocolatiers, to a unique small-business incubator and farmers market at **Shepherd's Old Field**, there really is something for everyone.

Now that you've worked up quite the appetite, it's time to enjoy some of our more

succulent offerings. Oysters—a staple of St. Mary's County—can be found at many of our restaurants (and don't forget to check out our annual **U.S. Oyster Festival** every October). Take a light bite at **The Slice House**, featuring some of the best pizza found south of New Jersey. Indulge in **The Front Porch** featuring southern coastal cuisine at its finest. Fancy yourself a beer at the **PAX River Ale House**, a modern take on the classic neighborhood bar and grill with an impressive rotating menu of unique and complex beers from across the region and the nation. Set sail at sunset on one of our many charter boats provided by our local watermen, and cheers the perfect weekend with a glass of your favorite wine from **Port of Leonardtown Winery**.

With so much to do and see, we invite you to extend your stay and explore the boundless adventure that awaits you. For more information, visit us at www.VisitStMarysMD.com or on Instagram [@VisitStMarysMD](https://www.instagram.com/VisitStMarysMD).

Amish and Mennonite

FURNITURE

Busy Corner Chair Shop

David Z. Stauffer
25725 Loveville Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
Tables and chairs, entertainment units, bookcases, kids' furniture.

Custom Indoor Furniture

Dennis Horst
41365 Friendship Court
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Leonardtown, MD 20659
Custom-made furniture and repairs. Chests made of cedar, oak, cherry and walnut.

Loveville Gazebos

John Stauffer and Stuart Martin
25150 Dove Point Lane
Leonardtown, MD 20650
Custom-built gazebos and wishing wells.

Martin's Caning Service

Martin's Mini Barns
Edward Lee Martin, Jr.
25141 Buggy Trail Way
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
Storage sheds and portable garages to fit your needs — all sizes and styles.

Zimmerman's Lawn Furniture

25757 Friendship School Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
Picnic tables, swing sets, chairs, benches and gliders.

QUILTS & CRAFTS

The Quilt Shop

Magdalena Stoltzfus
28635 Thompson's Corner Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659

Zimmerman's Greenhouse

25028 Point Lookout Road
Loveville, MD 20656
Aprons, sunbonnets, towels, greenery for wreaths and centerpieces.

MISCELLANEOUS

Esh's Buggy Shop

Simeon Esh
27744 Thompson's Corner Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
Handmade buggies and buggy repair.

Loveville Hen Yard

Joseph Stauffer
28150 Point Lookout Road
Leonardtown, MD 20650
Feed and livestock supplies.



DURING THE 1930S, Amish and Mennonite families left Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and relocated to St. Mary's County. Travel scenic back roads around Loveville such as Parsons Mill Road, Friendship School Road and Busy Corner Road, explore farm markets and visit farm shops offering items such as leather goods, furniture, and quilts.

Most Amish and Mennonites are farmers or engage in work with their hands—and the crafts you can buy are some of the highest quality goods available. Meticulously crafted, you can find offerings such as leather harnesses, bedding plants and hand-carved furniture, posted at farm entrances of those who wish to conduct business.

Each year, you're in for quite the QUILT-essential opportunity. Experience the Amish Quilt Auction, held on a Saturday in November. The public is invited to an Amish Farm for this annual auction of quilts and other handicrafts

created by the women of the community. Proceeds help cover the community's health care costs. It's also a great place to pick up pies and baked goods. Homemade soup keeps folks warm until the bidding heats things up.

The Amish & Mennonites in St. Mary's County feature some of the finest handcrafted and hand-stitched items in the state. Please keep in mind that the Amish and Mennonites have no phones and all shops are closed on Sundays. Most are open the rest of the week. Occasionally, they are closed when you drop by.

Locally Grown Flavors

Fresh and local. That's what St. Mary's County is all about! Whether you spend the morning wandering through a corn maze, or meander along gorgeous pathways through orchards, farms, and wineries, there is something for everyone. County farmers markets and on-farm stands offer the best local produce, meat, and seafood. Our farms are always serving up something fresh!



FARMERS MARKETS AND ON-FARM SHOPS

Sample these local picks all year round!

Home Grown Farm Market

21078 Three Notch Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
www.HomeGrownFarmMarket.webs.com
Local fresh fruits, vegetables, produce, flowers, and more. See website for hours.

Farmers Market & Auction

29890 Three Notch Road
Charlotte Hall, MD 20622
301-884-3966
Nine-acre flea market. Inside and outside shops. Variety of vendors, plus produce, Amish goods. Open every Wed. and Sat. year-round.

California Farmers Market

22810 Three Notch Road
California, MD 20619
240-309-4021
Grower/Producer only market featuring produce, flowers, baked and canned goods. Open Saturdays: May–October, 9AM–1PM.

Clover Hill Dairy

27925 Woodburn Hill Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
(No phone)
Amish-owned and -operated dairy. Cheeses made on premises, plus Amish canned and baked goods, and hand crafts. Open Mondays–Fridays, 9AM–5PM, Saturday 8AM–4PM

Forrest Hall Farm and Orchards Farm Shop

39136 Avie Lane
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-884-3086
www.forresthallfarm.com
Flowers, fruits and vegetables; Maryland-produced McCutcheon's products. Fresh baked goods. July–December, 9AM–5PM.

Kellam's Seafood

16616 Three Notch Road
Ridge, MD 20680
301-872-0100
www.KellamsSeafood.com
Small market offering fresh local seafood including crabs, oysters, rockfish, or perch. Call for seasonal hours of operation.

Loveville Leather

40625 Parsons Mill Road
Leonardtown, MD 20650
(No phone)
This Mennonite-owned tack shop offers horseback riding items and a variety of leather goods for man and beast. Custom-made items available.

Loveville Produce Auction

40454 Bishop Road
Loveville, MD 20656
Amish-owned and -operated. Wholesale auctions. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in season. Occasional small lot auctions. Open to the public.

North St. Mary's County Farmers Market

37600 New Market Turner Road
Charlotte Hall, MD 20622
240-309-4021
Open Mondays–Saturdays, seasonally. Primarily Amish. Produce, flowers, baked and canned goods. Adjacent to Charlotte Hall Library.

Shepherd's Old Field Market

22725 Duke Street
Leonardtown, MD 20650
www.shepherdsoldfield.com
Saturday farmer's market featuring meats, baked goods, preserves, oysters, wine tastings, and more.

Sotterley Farmers Market

44300 Sotterley Lane
Hollywood, MD 20636
301-373-2280
www.sotterley.org
Producer-only farmers' market. Produce, meats, canned and baked goods. Saturdays, end of May to end of September.

Zimmerman's Greenhouse and Produce

28025 Point Lookout Road
Leonardtown, MD 20650
Locally-grown vegetables, bedding plants and flowers, and locally and Mennonite-crafted articles. Open year round.

FARMS, MAZES, AND MORE

A Maze N Place

22880 Budds Creek Road
Clements, MD 20624
301-475-2139
www.bowlesfarms.com
Fifteen-acre maze with three miles of twists and turns. Petting zoo, pumpkins, hayrides, children's play area, barrel rides. Home to So. Maryland's National Lawnmower Race. Open to the public October, Saturdays–Sundays, 10AM–6PM. Call ahead for exact dates and hours.

Forrest Hall Farm Corn Maze

39136 Avie Lane
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-884-3086
www.forresthallfarm.com
Home of the Crazy Corn Maze. Three miles of trails, animals, children's activities. Farm Store open July–December, Corn Maze open September–October.

Goldpetal Farm

37260 Manor Road
Chaptico, MD 20621
240-925-4415
www.goldpetalfarms.com
Stroll through this maze of over ten thousand sunflowers, buckwheat, mustard, and millet while experiencing butterflies, dragon flies, birds, ladybugs, and many more. Generally open June/July; call for hours and dates.

Moore or Less Farm

22467 Colton Point Road
Bushwood, MD 20618
301-769-2210
www.mooreorlessfarm.com
Farm shop with produce, alpaca products and collectibles. Working farm with animals including an alpaca herd. Tours by appointment. Hours vary by season. Call for hours.

Nobella Alpacas

40280 Wathen Road
Leonardtown, MD 20650
240-925-6959
Haucaya Alpaca farm specializing in quality bred alpacas with fine fiber and pleasing dispositions. Product sales year round. Tours by appointment.

Southern Comfort Berry Farm

37450 Bushwood Wharf Road
Bushwood, MD 20618
301-769-3878
www.southerncomfortberryfarm.com
Pick your own strawberries in the spring, or raspberries and pumpkins in the fall. Hours vary by season. Check website for hours.

Suttler Post Farm

38750 Chaptico Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-884-4831
www.suttlerpostfarm.com
Farm tours, Clydesdale horses, fresh cut flowers and hay. Carriage services. Tours by appointment.

T&A Farm

18281 St. Jerome's Neck Road
Dameron, MD 20628
301-872-5003
www.tandafarm.webs.com
Pumpkin farm with petting zoo and mini corn maze. Open October only. Call ahead for hours.

Accommodations



HOTELS

America's Best Value Inn & Suites

21847 Three Notch Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
240-237-8201

www.redlion.com/americas-best-value-inn?idp=2188
Americas Best Value Inn and Suites Lexington Park offers the most value for your money when staying for business, pleasure, or just passing through.

Ascend Hotel Collection

241655 Park Avenue
Leonardtown, MD 20650
301-475-3000

Located right in the heart of downtown Leonardtown, this newly renovated property offers a variety of accommodations that include king rooms, double rooms, queen double bed suites and Executive Suites.

Charlotte Hall Motel

30030 Three Notch Road
Charlotte Hall, MD 20622
301-884-3172

www.charlottehallmotel.com
32 rooms. Outdoor swimming pool, cable TV/HBO, nearby attractions and restaurants. Handicap accessible.

Comfort Inn & Suites - PAX River

21885 Three Notch Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
301-863-1051

www.choicehotels.com/maryland/lexington-park/comfort-inn-hotels/md232
Have a great stay at the award-winning Comfort Inn & Suites® hotel in Lexington Park near Naval Air Station Patuxent River.

Country Inn & Suites

44941 Worth Lane
California, MD 20619
301-737-5227

www.countryinns.com/california-hotel-md-20619/mdlexing

Whether you're traveling for business or for leisure, the Country Inn & Suites By Carlson®, Lexington Park (Patuxent River Naval Air Station), MD provides high-quality amenities and accommodations near the area's top attractions.

Extended Stay America

46565 Expedition Park Drive
Lexington Park, MD 20653
240-725-0100

www.extendedstayamerica.com/property/Extended-Stay-America-Lexington-Park-Pax-River-hotel.html

98 rooms. Furnished efficiency studios with fully equipped kitchen including refrigerator, stovetop, microwave, coffee maker, recliner, cable TV, free local calls. Handicap accessible.

Fairfield Inn by Marriott

22119 Three Notch Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
301-863-0203

www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/waslp-fairfield-inn-lexington-park-patuxent-river-naval-air-station/
74 standard rooms, 4 Jacuzzi rooms and some handicap accessible rooms. Every room comes with a 32" LCD TV with HD, microwave and refrigerator, free high-speed internet and remote printing. Centrally located, near St. Mary's City, Patuxent River Naval Air Museum & Visitor Center, and directly across from Patuxent River Naval Air Station.

Hampton Inn Lexington Park

22211 Three Notch Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
301-863-3200

<http://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/maryland/hampton-inn-lexington-park-LPKMDHX/index.html>

Your home-away-from-home while traveling to St. Mary's County. The perfect mix lobby is designed for a business meeting or catching up with friends and family. The seasonal outdoor pool offers an inviting space to relax after a long day at work or after a sporting event.

Holiday Inn Express

45260 Abell House Lane
California, MD 20619
301-880-3851

www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/california/bwica/hoteldetail

The Holiday Inn Express & Suites is the ideal destination, where you'll have all the space and tools you'll need for business (or fun!). Planning an event? The space accommodates up to 125 people comfortably. And, if you're here for pleasure, you're just minutes away from shopping, dining, entertainment, and all the adventures that St. Mary's County has in store.

Home2Suites by Hilton

46058 Valley Drive
Lexington Park, MD 20653
301-866-1416

<http://home2suites3.hilton.com/en/hotels/maryland/home2-suites-by-hilton-lexington-park-patuxent-river-nas-md-DCALPHT/index.html>

Located in the heart of the Lexington Park technology corridor. ECO-Friendly Hilton hotel with 100 customizable Suites and Underground Parking Garage for weatherproof Bridal Party pick-up. Complimentary Guest Laundry and Continental Breakfast with hot and cold items offered daily. Stay fit in our state-of-the-art fitness center, indoor heated saline pool, and outdoor walking trail. Pet Friendly, 100% non-smoking, and Fully Handicapped Accessible.

Island Inn & Suites

16810 Piney Point Road
Piney Point, MD 20674
301-994-1234

www.stgeorgeislandinnandsuites.com
Let the pristine charm and natural beauty of St. George Island take you away from it all. This boutique hotel provides waterfront views from both sides of the building. Standard rooms, 1 bedroom suites, and two bedrooms suites are available. Recreational activities include kayaking, biking, hiking, and boating. There is even a fire pit on the shore to make some S'mores! Come by boat and enjoy complimentary boat slips for hotel guests and restaurant patrons.

La Quinta Inn & Suites

22769 Three Notch Road
California, MD 20619
301-862-4100

www.lq.com/en/findandbook/hotel-details.6275.html
112 rooms, including 16 suites and one meeting/banquet space. All rooms feature microwave, refrigerator, 32" Flat Screen TV, complimentary high-speed internet access and Wi-Fi. Complimentary Hot Full Breakfast is offered daily. Outdoor Pool, Tennis Courts, barbecue area with fire grill, business center, and on-premise Fitness Center. Free access to 24-hour local gym.

Pier 450

48342 Wynne Road
Ridge, MD 20680
info@pier450.com

www.Pier450.com

A collection of eight unique, fully furnished and well-appointed rooms nestled in the heart of St. Mary's South County. A premier hospitality and recreation destination that combines a motel, restaurant, pier, and beachfront. Offerings include rooms with two full beds, queen, and king bed options.

TownPlace Suites by Marriott

22520 Three Notch Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
301-863-1111
www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/wastl-towneplace-suites-lexington-park-patuxent-river-naval-air-station
87 all-suite rooms, full kitchens, separate living and sleeping areas, luxury bedding, pull-out sofas, well-lit area with desk, high-speed Internet, complimentary hot breakfast, business center, indoor pool, barbecue area with fire pit and grill, 24-hour exercise room and guest laundry, food and beverage market, pet friendly, restaurants, grocery, and retail stores located across from hotel.

Red Roof Inn

23428 Three Notch Road
California, MD 20619
301-737-2444
www.redroof.com
80 rooms. Offering indoor pool, fitness center, high-speed Internet, microwave and refrigerator in every room. Handicap accessible. Convenient to food and shopping.

Super 8

22801 Three Notch Road
California, MD 20619
301-862-9822
www.wyndhamhotels.com/super-8
62 rooms. Free local calls, cable TV, micro-fridge, recliners, fitness center and tennis courts. Handicap accessible.



B&B AND OTHER UNIQUE ACCOMMODATIONS

Colton's Shipping Point

Farm Cottage
39244 Burch Road
Avenue, MD 20609
301-807-0988
<http://coltonshippingpointfarm.com>
This 130-acre tree farm along the shore of St. Clements Bay has been family owned since 1888. This two bedroom cottage is perfect for a couple's retreat. Fully furnished, accented by family antiques, it features a kitchen and breathtaking water views. Open year round. No pets.

The Inn at Brome-Howard

18281 Rosecroft Road
St. Mary's City, MD 20686
301-866-0656 or 240-434-3209
bromehoward@stmaryscity.org
www.bromehoward.com
Spend your nights relaxing in comfort at the charming, 1840s inn located on the grounds of Historic St. Mary's City. Choose from three private rooms and a double room suite, all beautifully decorated and luxuriously appointed.

Nekadesh Farm Bed & Breakfast

20520 Wellington Court
Colton's Point, MD 20626
202-297-8132
With a beautiful view overlooking the Potomac River, 2 private rooms, fishing, & other amenities, Nekadesh Farm Retreat Center serves as an ideal location for unique lodging with overnight stays for personalized and pre-scheduled Retreat Counseling.

Scotland Yards Beach Rentals

15188 Lake Drive
Scotland, MD 20687
202-256-4893
www.scotlandyardsmd.com
A collection of twelve renovated beach houses in a picturesque beach community—far away from the hustle and bustle yet only 2 hours driving distance from DC. A variety of rentals provide your "Home-Away-from-Home"

St. Michael's Manor Bed & Breakfast

50200 St. Michael's Manor Way
Scotland, MD 20687
240-298-3339
www.st-michaels-manor.com
stmichaelsman@hughes.net
A 17th-century manor house with a three-acre vineyard. Two queen rooms, one double room and one twin room with shared bath. Water view from each room. Complimentary gourmet breakfast. Close to St. Mary's City and Point Lookout State Park. Bikes, canoe, paddle boat and rowboat are available for guests. Open March 1–October 22. No pets.

Swanendele Inn

49946 Airedele Road
Ridge, MD 20680
301-576-9910
www.swanendeleinn.com
An elegant, upscale country inn on the shore of St. Jerome's Creek and the Chesapeake Bay. With 8+ suites and rooms, the Swanendele property sits on 2.7 acres and features 800 feet of wraparound waterfront. Landscaped to preserve the natural character of the land, this inn provides year-round beauty and elegance.

Trent Hall Farm Bed & Breakfast

29350 Trent Hall Road
Mechanicsville, MD 20659
301-884-3700
www.sites.google.com/site/trenthallbb
An historic working farm encompassing 300 preserved acres on the scenic Patuxent River, Trent Hall offers two suites with private bathrooms. Panoramic views, seasonal heated pool, beach, abundant wildlife. Pier can accommodate water arrival. Bring canoes or kayaks to explore the river.

The Victorian Candle

25065 Peregrine Way
Hollywood, MD 20636
301-373-8800
www.victorian-candle.com
A Victorian-style house nestled on 12 acres. Seven queen rooms and one king room with private full baths, refrigerators, some with private entrances. High-speed Internet. Full and continental breakfast. Spa package available. Located close to Sotterley Plantation and Greenwell State Park. Per diem.

Woodlawn

16040 Woodlawn Lane
Ridge, MD 20680
301-872-0555
www.woodlawn-farm.com
This late 18th-century manor located on 180 acres offers spectacular views of the Potomac River. A variety of cottage suites include queen beds, private bath, Jacuzzis, and high-speed internet. Nearby attractions include Historic St. Mary's City.

CAMPGROUNDS

Camp Merryelände

15914 Camp Merryelände Road
Piney Point, MD 20674
301-994-1722 / 800-382-1073
www.campmd.com
Eleven rustic beach cottages overlooking the Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay. Also campsites with fire rings and picnic tables. Crab off the pier, stroll along the beach or swim. Bike, fishing rod, tent and kayak rentals on site. Camp store. Pets must be pre-approved.

Dennis Point Marina & Campground

46555 Dennis Point Way
Drayden, MD 20630
301-994-2288 or 301-994-2253
www.dennispointcampground.com
A fifty-acre marina and campground with 117 campsites along the Potomac and St. Mary's Rivers. Shady waterfront sites for RV and tent camping. Riverside Bistro, pool, camp store, laundromat, playgrounds, dog park and nature trail are available. Electric, water, sewage hook-ups and dump station. Marina with 80 slips. Service yard with lift. Daily, weekly, monthly, seasonal rental.

La Grande RV and Camping Resort

32385 Point Lookout Road
Leonardtown, MD 20650
301-475-8550
www.lagranderesort.com
A 33-acre wooded campground with 56 30-amp and 12 50-amp sites. Water, electric and sewer hook-ups. Dump station. Can accommodate up to 40' RVs. Laundry and playground available. Pets welcome. Daily, weekly and monthly site rentals.

Point Lookout State Park

11175 Point Lookout Road
Scotland, MD 20687
1-888-432-2267
www.dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/southern/pointlookout.aspx
A variety of campsites from primitive to hook-up. (See State Parks listing.)

Seaside View Recreational Park

48593 Seaside View Road
Ridge, MD 20680
301-872-4141
www.seaside-view.com
Wooded and waterfront sites. RV spaces with water, electric & sewage. Campground has piers for boats (limited hook-ups). Picnic area with tables, playground, restrooms & showers. RV spaces rented by day, week, month or season. Tent sites rent daily. Wi-Fi available.

Take It Easy Campground

45285 Take It Easy Ranch Road
Callaway, MD 20620
301-994-0494
www.takeiteasycampground.com
Three hundred sites, many shaded. Full hookup or water/electric sites. 30- and 50-amp service. Amenities include propane, ice, firewood, laundromat, hot showers, playground, swimming pool, stocked fishing lake, meeting hall, Wi-Fi, and dumping stations. Big Rigs welcome. Pets permitted. Great for groups.

VACATION RENTALS

St. Mary's has fabulous waterfront vacation rental properties. Find listings at www.VisitStMarysMD.com

Events

Below is just a taste of the events happening throughout St. Mary's County. Check out St. Mary's entire line-up of 2020 and 2021 events and find info on historic sites and attractions, plus dining, shopping, lodging, and more at www.VisitStMarysMD.com

2020

March 21

Maryland Day at Historic St. Mary's City

www.hsmcdigshistory.org
Historic St. Mary's City celebrates Maryland's founding with ceremony, pageantry, speeches, and free admission to living history and museum exhibits. 10AM–4PM.

March 25

Maryland Day at St. Clement's Island

www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/museums.asp
Celebrate the founding of Maryland at the state's birthplace at St. Clement's Island Museum with free admission, free water taxi rides, activities, ceremony featuring guest speakers, and more. 10AM–5PM.

April 19

Earth Day on the Square

www.Leonardtown.somd.com
Live animals, hands-on education, eco-friendly products and entertainment come together in the Leonardtown Square. Free. 12:30PM–4:30PM.

April 24-26

Xtreme Dragbike Association – Spring Nationals

www.RaceMDIR.com
The XDA kicks off the season at Maryland International Raceway located in Mechanicsville, Maryland with the 25th annual Spring Nationals and Awards Ceremony. Over 700 professional, sportsman, and grudge motorcycle drag racers in competition. Admission.

May 16

May Day

www.Hsmcdigshistory.org
Celebrate the arrival of spring at Historic St. Mary's — colonial-style! Take part in a Maypole dance, play games, make a craft to take home. Admission. 10AM–4PM.

June 6

St. Clement's Island Heritage Day

www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/museums.asp
Discover St. Clement's Island State Park and its history as the site of Maryland's first colonial landing in 1634. This free event invites everyone to visit the St. Clement's Island Museum. 10AM–3PM.

June 20

Juneteenth Celebration

www.Ucaonline.org
John G. Lancaster Park. Juneteenth commemorates African American freedom and emphasizes education and achievement. Music, family entertainment and activities. Free. 12PM–8PM.



Leonardtown First Fridays

First Friday of every month, 5PM–8PM. Leonardtown Square and throughout the Town. Leonardtown retailers offer something unique including live music, poetry readings, book signings, cooking classes, wine tastings, and a host of dining and shopping specials. Browse art galleries and meet the artists. 301-475-9791. www.FirstFridaysLeonardtown.com

June 20

Beerfest

www.Stmaryscitybeerfest.org
Historic St. Mary's City. Join the annual celebration of brews, food, and music! Sample select craft brews, local cuisine, artisans, demos, activities, and live music. Admission. 12PM–6PM.

July 10-12

21st Annual Potomac Jazz & Seafood Festival

www.potomacjazzandseafoodfestival.com
Enjoy jazz, seafood and stunning waterside views with a variety of activities for jazz enthusiasts! Three amazing days of jazz, with a free Friday concert celebration in Leonardtown and Sunday jazz brunches and activities. Saturday, 12PM–8PM. Friday and Sunday, various times.

July 18 and July 19

Tidewater Archaeology Days

www.hsmcdigshistory.org
Get down and dirty with the pros at one of the nation's best-preserved colonial archaeology sites at Historic St. Mary's City. Take guided tours of excavations, and don't miss a once-a-year opportunity to explore the archaeology laboratory. 10AM–4PM.

August 1-2

Southern Maryland Boat Club Summer Regatta

www.southernmarylandboatclub.com
Vintage racing boats hearken back to a bygone era and put on quite a show as they compete in various heats on the waters of Breton Bay. Free. 9AM–3PM.

August 1-2

Governor's Cup Yacht Race

www.smc.edu/events/govcup
Hosted at St. Mary's College of Maryland, join the oldest and longest overnight race on the Chesapeake. The race starts in Annapolis and ends in St. Mary's City. Free.

August 8

Beach Party on the Square

www.Leonardtown.somd.com
Fun in the sun in downtown Leonardtown! Say goodbye to summer with sand volleyball, live bands, fire truck hose downs, strolling entertainers, and so much more. Free. 4PM–9PM.

August 7, 8, 13, 14, 15

Shakespeare in the City

www.Hsmcdigshistory.org
Join us at Historic St. Mary's City with a picnic and lawn chair and spend an evening enjoying one of Shakespeare's beloved masterpieces. Admission. 7:30PM–10PM.

September 12

Indigenous Heritage Day

www.Hsmcdigshistory.org
Explore the life, ways, and culture of Maryland's first people through hands-on activities at Historic St. Mary's. Admission. 10AM–4PM.



September 24-27

St. Mary's County Fair

www.Smcfair.somd.com

Celebrate St. Mary's heritage at this traditional county fair, located at the St. Mary's County Fairgrounds. Livestock, home arts, flowers, field crops, 4-H, carnival, exhibits, and so much more. Admission. Thursday 3PM-9PM. Friday & Saturday 9AM-9PM. Sunday 9AM-6PM.

September 19

Riverfest & Militia at Historic St. Mary's City

www.SMRWA.org

Learn ways to protect and enjoy our waterways. Live music, environmental and children's activities, kayaking, muster demos by the St. Maries City Militia. 10AM-4PM

October 3-4

Riverside Winefest at Sotterley Plantation

www.Sotterley.org

Sotterley Plantation. Celebrate the best of Maryland wines with over 20 Maryland wineries, live music, local food, cooking demos, local beer tastings, and artisan marketplace. Admission. Saturday 12PM-6PM. Sunday 12PM-5PM

October 3-4

Blessing of the Fleet

www.7thdistrictoptmist.org

St. Clement's Island Museum. This family-friendly festival features live music, family entertainment and activities, crafters, Southern Maryland food, free boat excursions, local wine tastings and tours of St. Clement's Island, Blackstone Lighthouse, and St. Clement's Island Museum. 11AM-10PM.

October 26

Lost City

www.hsmcdigshistory.org

Historic St. Mary's City. Come in costume and experience the Maryland Dove's not-so-scary Halloween make-over. Trick-or-Treating, face painting, games, and more. 4:30PM-8PM

October 17-18

54th Annual U.S. Oyster Festival

www.usoysterfest.com

Celebrate the opening of oyster season on the Chesapeake Bay and take part in one of the oldest and most popular oyster festivals in the United States, the annual U.S. Oyster Festival featuring the U.S. National Oyster Shucking Championships and National Oyster Cook-Off. Admission. Saturday 10AM-6PM. Sunday 11AM-6PM

November 4-8

World Cup Finals

www.RaceMDIR.com

Maryland International Raceway. The largest motorsports event in Maryland, featuring Import vs. Domestic drag racing, car show, over 400 cars from around the world, and more. Admission. 8AM-10PM

November 27

Christmas on the Square & Tree Lighting

Join the town of Leonardtown as we light up one of the largest Christmas trees in the area! Enjoy festive fun, local food, and entertainment. 4:30PM-8:30PM

December 1-31

Holiday Exhibit, Christmas Doll, and Train Exhibit

www.co.saint-marys.md.us/recreate/museums
Located at both St. Clement's Island Museum and Piney Point Lighthouse Museum & Historic Park. Enjoy family-friendly holiday exhibits, where visitors can view holiday stories, lighthouse library boxes exhibit, antique and collectible trains, toys, and dolls. Admission. 12PM-4PM.

2021

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JANUARY

Fly-in Farmers Market

The ONLY place in the Country where you can join pilots as they fly in to enjoy the best of St. Mary's products and produce.

FEBRUARY

Spirits of Maryland and FeBREWary

Warm yourself up this winter with the Spirits of Maryland event, hosted at the PAX Naval Air Museum.

MARCH

Maryland Day

Come celebrate the heritage and history of Maryland at Historic St. Mary's City and St. Clement's Island Museum.

APRIL

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Leonardtown, MD

Maryland International Raceway

The season begins! Join and watch races throughout the Spring, Summer, and Fall.

MAY

May Day

Historic St. Mary's City

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Is Bluegrass music to your ears? Join this fun and festive outing!

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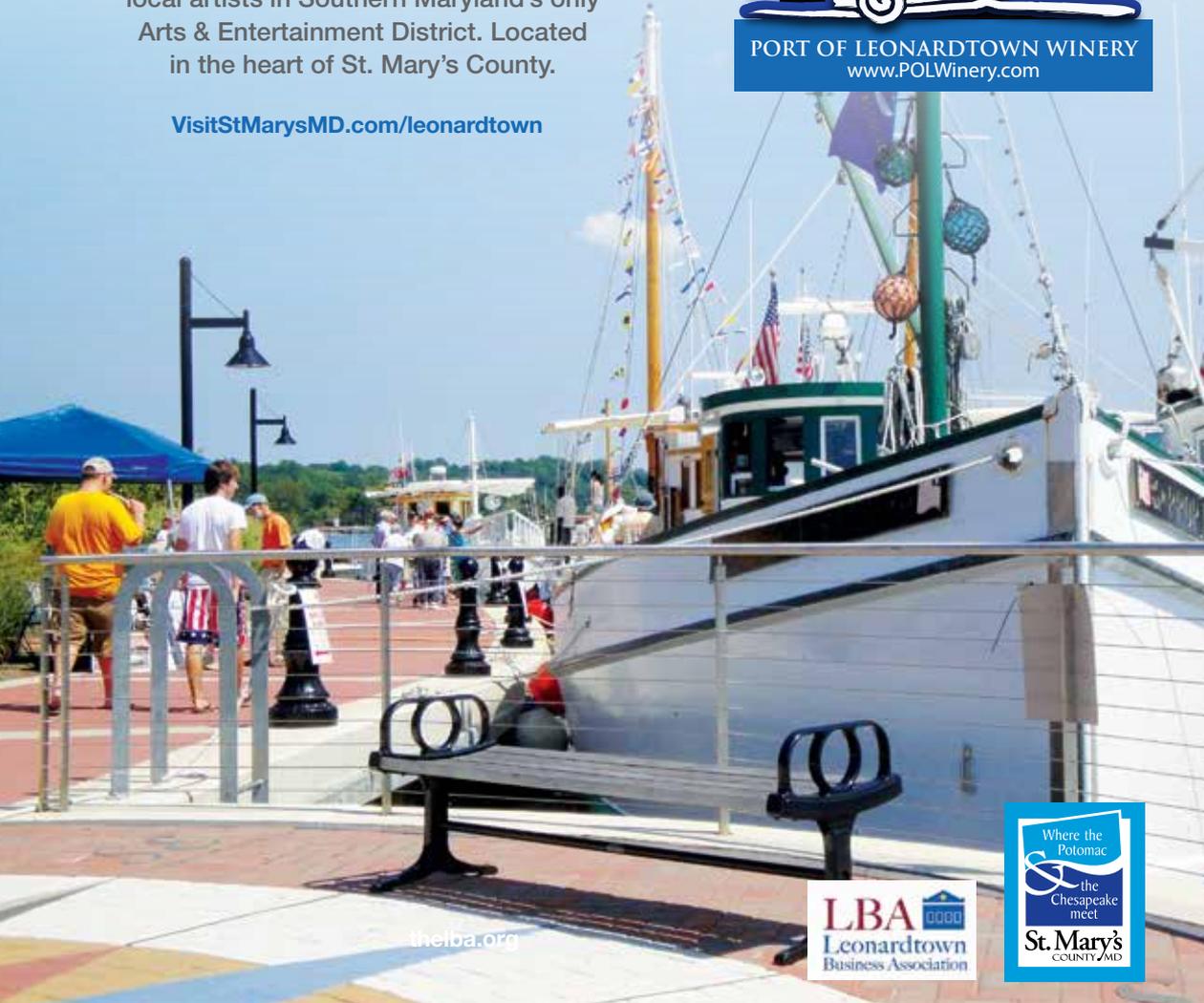
A most exceptional place!

Taste award winning wines at the Port of Leonardtown Winery. Paddle the McIntosh Run water trail. Enjoy a sunset along Breton Bay. Dine at an outdoor café. Shop the unique shops and Shepherd's Old Field Market. Explore the galleries showcasing local artists in Southern Maryland's only Arts & Entertainment District. Located in the heart of St. Mary's County.

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