



Welcome to Woodstock

Visitors Guide

Located within 150 miles of Washington, D.C., Baltimore (MD), Richmond, Roanoke, and Harrisburg (PA), nearby commercial centers include Winchester (30 miles) and Harrisonburg (35 miles). The 507 square mile county includes six incorporated towns: Edinburg, Mount Jackson, New Market, Strasburg, Toms Brook, Woodstock and one unincorporated town, Maurertown. Shenandoah is an Indian name meaning “beautiful daughter of the stars.”

Woodstock is one of the oldest towns in the Shenandoah Valley and the fourth oldest town in Virginia. Woodstock was home to famed Revolutionary, “the fighting parson,” John Peter Gabriel Muhlenberg, who came to Woodstock in 1772 to serve as pastor of the area Lutheran congregations. Muhlenberg is famous for his fiery Sunday sermon of January 28, 1776, in which he punctuated the reading from Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 “There is a time for every purpose...a time for war, and a time for peace,” by dramatically casting off his clerical robes to reveal a uniform of the Continental Army. He served with General Washington as commanding officer of the 8th Virginia, the famed “German Regiment.”

During the Civil War several important battles and numerous skirmishes took place up and down the Old Valley Pike (U.S. 11) and the Middle and Back Roads to the west. The Valley Pike, the only macadamized road in the area, was vital to the success and agility of General Jackson’s “foot cavalry” during the Campaign of 1862. General “Stonewall” Jackson made headquarters in several Woodstock locations, including the small brick building at the end of Lawyers row. The limestone courthouse, at the center of town was visited by soldiers from both sides, including Generals Bank, Fremont, Hunter, Sheridan, Ashby, Rosser, Imboden, Jones, Hampton, Gordon, Shield, Early, and Ewell. That same old stone courthouse was built in 1795 and is now the oldest courthouse still in use west of the Blue Ridge. Union General Phil Sheridan will always be remembered here for ordering “The Burning” of valley mills, barns and foodstuffs in order to cut off supplies for the Confederate Army.

So much of our history is still readily accessible in the Courthouse, the Woodstock Museum and the Wickham House. Visitors may want to take the Woodstock Museum self-paced walking tour downtown along these old streets where many of the early homes from the 18th and 19th centuries remain in use today.

Public Recreation

Nestled between the Allegheny and Blue Ridge Mountains, the great outdoors is right at the edge of town. Outdoor lovers from all over America come to Shenandoah County to enjoy some of the finest hunting and fishing on the east coast or just to breathe in its natural beauty. Over eighty river miles on the Shenandoah River and more than 77,000 acres of George Washington National Forest grace the county. Hiking trails abound on both the eastern and western slopes of this valley haven. Canoeing, camping and backpacking challenge the heavy outdoor lover. Or just enjoy driving around the rural landscape. For a grand “overview” of Woodstock and our famous Seven Bends of the Shenandoah River, make a point to visit the Woodstock Tower– it’s worth the trip!

Shenandoah County is home to six public parks as well as two golf courses, two skating rinks, three bowling alleys, three movie theaters and amateur theater. Snow skiing is available at Bryce Mountain Resort. Skyline Drive is a nearby favorite tourist attraction as are the county Caverns. The Shenandoah Valley Music Festival draws visitors each summer while the George Washington Forest, the New Market Battlefield State Historical Park, and local museums attract visitors year round.

Other Attractions

In addition to the history and outdoors, the Shenandoah Valley has much to offer visitors from wine tasting at local vineyards to tours of caverns, historic towns and Early American homes. The Shenandoah Valley Music Festival brings summer concerts (from symphony and big band to county and folk music) to the beautiful outdoor pavilion at Orkney Springs. Or just enjoy stopping at small antique shops and other authentic family-run businesses.

Our attractions differ from the large-scale Virginia tourist sites. We attract visitors who appreciate the scenic beauty, the hospitality and the unique cultural and historic treasures of the region.

From the depths of our county’s unique limestone caverns to the heights of its mountain vistas, Shenandoah County provides a wealth of year-round recreational activities and facilities.

Climate

January Average Temperature:	32.0	July Average Temperature:	74.7
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Tourism Related Contacts

Shenandoah County Tourism 540-459-6227
Woodstock Chamber of Commerce 540-459-2542
Town of Woodstock 540-459-2163

WOODSTOCK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Lodging

Bed & Breakfasts:

Candlewick Inn 540-722-8750
Edinburg Renaissance Bed & Breakfast
540-984-8286
The Feathered Nest 540-459-9009
The Inn at Narrow Passage 540-459-8000

Hotels:

Comfort Inn Woodstock 540-459-7600
Hampton Inn & Suites 540-459-7111
Holiday Inn Express 540-459-5000

Vacation Rental Homes:

Shenandoah River Lodge 540-335-4556

Restaurants

Asian Spice 540-459-8815
Ben's Diner 540-459-4322
Cross Roads Catering 540-459-4589
Joes Steakhouse 540-459-5637
McDonalds 540-459-9383
Seven Bends Restaurant 540-459-4996
Shaffer's Deli & Catering 540-459-3744
Woodstock Café 540-459-8888

Misc.

Anytime Fitness 540-459-5442
Ashley's Laundromat 540-436-9122
Mountain Springs Massage 540-975-2079

Attractions/Recreation

Caverns:

Shenandoah Caverns 540-477-3115

Golf:

Bryce Resort 800-821-1444
Shenvalee 888-339-3181

Festivals/Fairs

Shenandoah County Fair 540-459-3867
Woodstock Autumnfest 540-459-2542

Horseback Riding:

Fort Valley Ranch 540-933-6633
Riverview Farms & Stables 540-436-8237

Museums:

Woodstock Museum 540-459-9558

Skiing/ Zip Line/ Tubing:

Bryce Resort 800-821-1444

Theatres/Movies/Music:

Community Theatre 540-459-2221
Masterworks Chorus 540-477-9514
Shenandoah Valley Music Festival
540-459-3396
Theatre Shenandoah 540-984-3972

Vineyards:

Cave Ridge Winery 540-477-2585
North Mountain 540-436-9463
Shenandoah Vineyards 540-984-8699
Wolf Gap Vineyard 540-984-3306

Retail

7 East Gallery 540-459-7595
Advanced Auto Parts 540-459-2641
Beidler's Furniture 540-459-2103
Blue Canoe Crew 540-459-2520
CE Thompson & Sons 540-984-4136
CG Shoppes 540-459-8893
Cabin Creek Roasters 984-3588
Cabin Hill T's 540-459-8912
Cooks Country Store 540-459-4500
Fina Drapes 540-459-4817
Fort Valley Nursery 540-459-5151
Four Star Printing 540-459-2247
Guiding Light Christian Book & Gifts
540-459-5060
HN Funkhouser/Handymart 540-459-3794
Katrina's Hallmark 540-459-4820
Lowe's 540-459-1040
Mastercraft Carpets & Interiors 540-459-
4039
Natural Art & Garden Center 540-436-3130
PJ Designs 540-459-2113
Phlopsey's Vintage 540-459-9030
Peebles Department Store 540-459-5626
Racey's Furniture 540-459-4441
Seed for the Nation 540-459-7333
Yellow Barn at Shenandoah Caverns 540-477-
3115
Shenandoah County Thrift Store 540-459-
2939

Retail

Shenandoah Sew & Vac & Quilters Cabin
540-459-1888
Sherwin Williams 540-459-8125
Spring Hollow Antiques 540-459-3946
Sprint 540-459-7877
The Farmhouse 540-459-9006
The Market 540-459-4100
The Watchful Tiger 540-459-8800
Valley Flower Shop 540-459-2169
Vivid Hair Designs & Spa 540-459-5522
Walmart 540-459-9229
Walton & Smoot 540-459-2136
Wayfinder Gifts 540-459-5010
Woodstock Café & Shoppes 540-459-8888
Woodstock Farmers Market 540-459-4917
Woodstock Gallery & Frame Shop 540-459-
4917

Religious Organizations

Antioch Church of the Brethren 540-459-
3661
Emanuel Lutheran Church 540-459-3837
Shenandoah Community Christian
Fellowship 540-459-2952
Shenandoah Valley Lutheran Ministries 540-
436-3449