

Virginia Presidents Tour

Presidential homes, birthplaces, and Virginia wine country — 5 Days

- Duration: 5 days
- All drives ≤ 4 hours (most 1–2.5 hours)
- Stops: Mount Vernon, Sherwood Forest (Tyler), Berkeley Plantation (W.H. Harrison), Monticello, Highland, Montpelier, Woodrow Wilson Birthplace & Library

Day 1 – Mount Vernon & Williamsburg

- Mount Vernon (George Washington) — <https://www.mountvernon.org/>
- Explore Colonial Williamsburg Historic Area — <https://www.colonialwilliamsburg.org/>

Overnight: Williamsburg

Morning at Mount Vernon, then ~2.5 hr drive to Williamsburg; evening stroll and dinner in Merchant's Square.

Day 2 – Charles City Plantations & Richmond

- Sherwood Forest Plantation (John Tyler) — <https://sherwoodforest.org/>
- Berkeley Plantation (Birthplace of William Henry Harrison) — <https://www.berkeleyplantation.com/>

Overnight: Richmond

Short scenic drives along Route 5; enjoy Richmond's dining scene and the State Capitol by Jefferson.

Day 3 – Charlottesville: Monticello & Highland

- Monticello (Thomas Jefferson) — <https://www.monticello.org/>
- Highland (James Monroe) — <https://highland.org/>

Overnight: Charlottesville

Richmond → Charlottesville ~1.5 hrs; book Monticello house tour slots in advance.

Day 4 – Montpelier & Central Virginia Wineries

- Montpelier (James Madison) — <https://www.montpelier.org/>
- Barboursville Vineyards — <https://www.bbvwine.com/>
- Horton Vineyards — <https://www.hortonwine.com/>
- Early Mountain Vineyards — <https://www.earlymountain.com/>

Overnight: Charlottesville or wine country inn

Charlottesville → Montpelier ~1 hr; plan winery tastings in the afternoon with a designated driver.

Day 5 – Staunton & Return to DC

- Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library & Birthplace — <https://www.woodrowwilson.org/>

Overnight: Return travel

Charlottesville → Staunton ~1 hr; Staunton → DC area ~2.5 hrs.

Driving & Planning Notes

- All individual legs are ~1–2.5 hours; within the 4-hour maximum.
- Consider timed-entry tickets for Monticello and Mount Vernon during peak seasons.
- Check individual sites for seasonal hours and special events.

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