

STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY...

Plan your visit thoughtfully to ensure that you are comfortable, safe, and well-prepared.

Weather:

Check weather forecasts before departing. Most of the events in this guide take place outdoors. Richmond area weather in spring can vary and change. Summer days can be extremely warm. Please dress accordingly – wear loose clothing, bring a hat, and choose comfortable, sturdy shoes for walking on uneven battlefield terrain. Bring and wear sunscreen.

Water and Food:

Bottled water will not be sold in the park, but free water stations will be available for refilling personal water bottles and canteens. Please plan to bring a water bottle with you. Souvenir water bottles will also be available for purchase.

In most cases, food will not be available for purchase; however, visitors are welcome to bring lunches and snacks during these special events only. Please dispose of litter and recycling in the provided containers. During the weekend of June 30 - July 1, food sales will be available outside of the park at the Gravel Hill Community Center and the Willis Church.

Roads and Trails:

Please stay on designated trails and note special event signs on roadways and trails.

Insects:

Richmond's battlefields contain mosquitoes and a variety of ticks. Knowing tick safety protocols is very important for one's health. Some ticks are carriers of blood-borne pathogens, which can be transmitted when the tick is embedded in its host. Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever and Lyme Disease can be prevented with the right precautions. Check yourself, your children, and all clothing for ticks.

Facilities and Accessibility:

All events will provide accessible parking facilities. Most events and programs are fully accessible. However, several walking/hiking tours take place over long distances and uneven and rough terrain. They are indicated in the event descriptions. Outdoor events will offer portable restrooms that are accessible.

Pets:

Pets on leashes are allowed within Richmond National Battlefield Park units as long as they remain outdoors. Service animals only are allowed inside park buildings.

Seating:

Some limited seating will be provided for programs and events that are stationary and expected to last longer than 20 minutes. If you are planning to be in the park for an extended period of time, consider bringing a blanket or chair that is easy to transport. Keep in mind that most events will be reached via a shuttle system, so it is a good idea to plan carefully what to bring.

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