

VIRGINIA

CRAFT BEER EXPERIENCE

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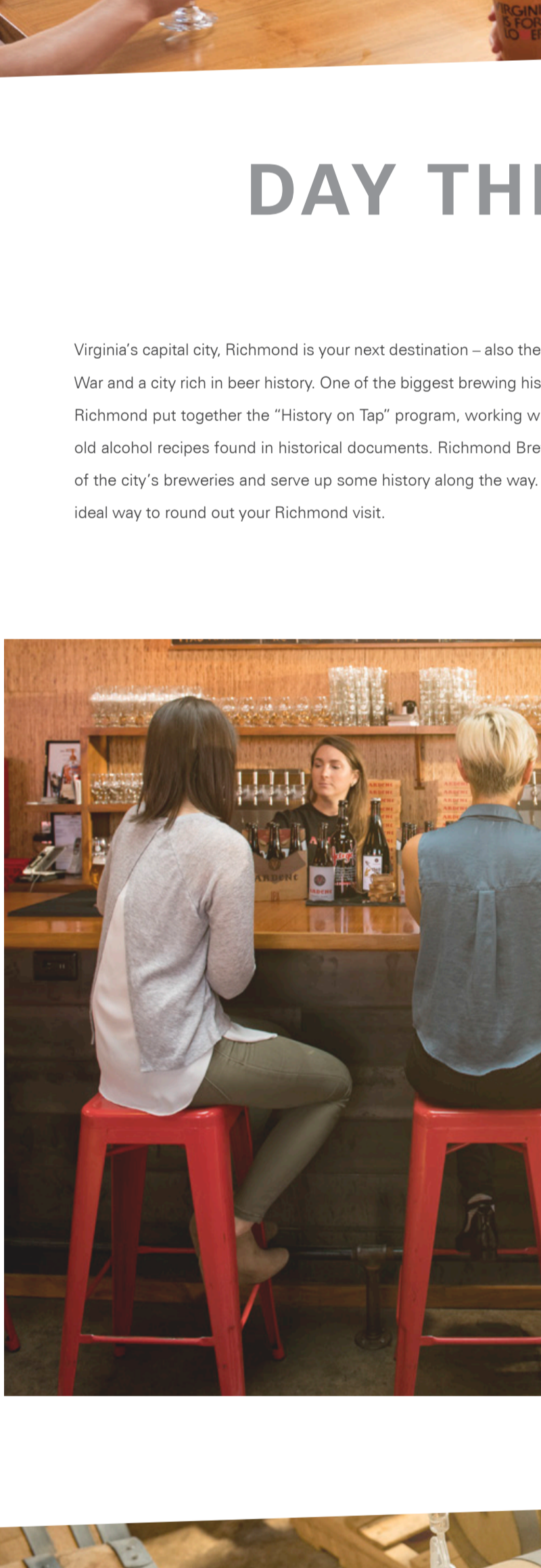
THE BIRTHPLACE OF AMERICA, VIRGINIA IS STEEPED IN HISTORY. YOU'LL EVEN FIND IT IN OUR BEER.

The first permanent settlers in Jamestown, Virginia started brewing beer more than 400 years ago and today, throughout the Commonwealth, we're still brewing beer with a nod to the first brewers in the New World. Come tour Virginia, where the taste of great craft beer comes packaged with a big slice of history.



DAY ONE

Your Virginia craft beer experience starts in Alexandria, DC's Old Town on the Potomac River. Here you can hop on Alexandria's Historic Breweries Guided Tour and Tasting, with Alexandria's Historic Breweries author, Garrett Peck, and Portner Brewhouse co-founder, Catherine Portner. Portner Brewhouse brews up historic family recipes from the original Robert Portner Brewing Co., once the largest pre-Prohibition brewery in the South. Discover Alexandria offers a public Historic Brew Crawl as well as private tours you can customize. For those who prefer to drink in Alexandria's rich history at their own pace, there's Alexandria's Historic Breweries Self-Guided Walking Tour and Pub Guide which directs beer lovers through nearly 250 years of brewing in Alexandria, with designated "Hop Stops" to pause for a pint. After dinner on historic King Street you'll be ready for a good night's sleep.



DAY TWO

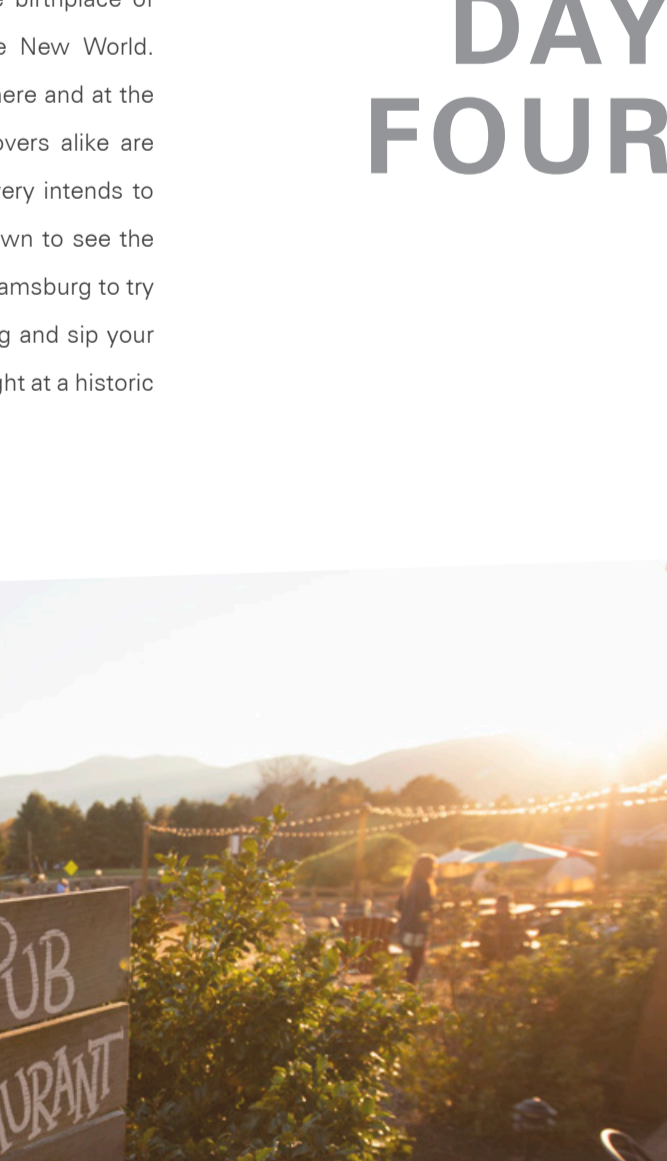
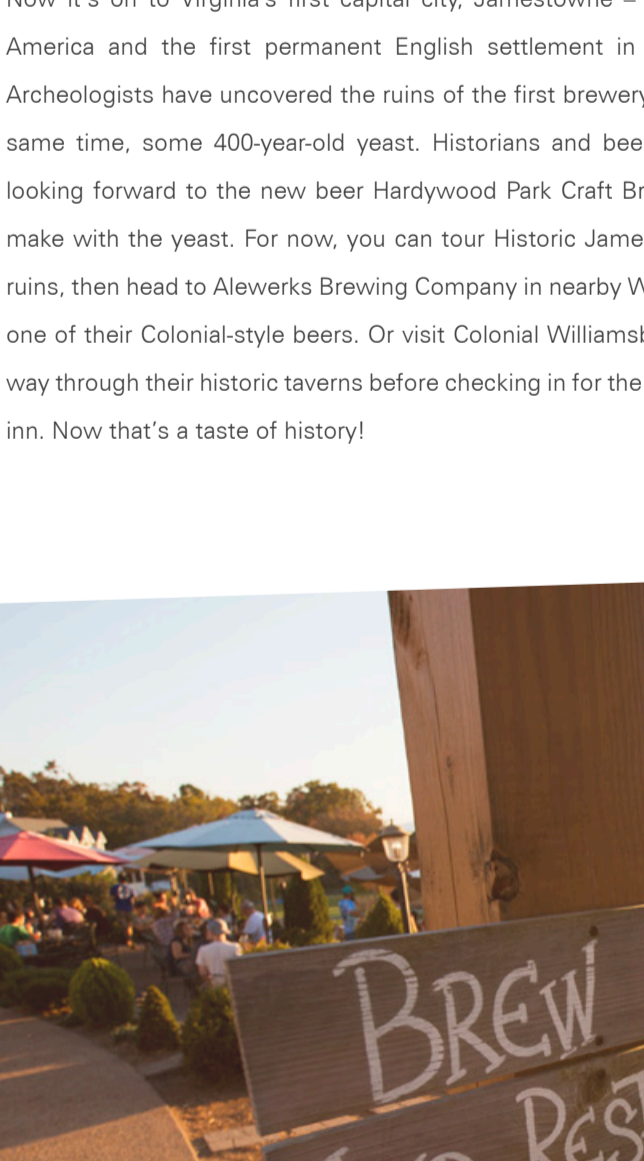
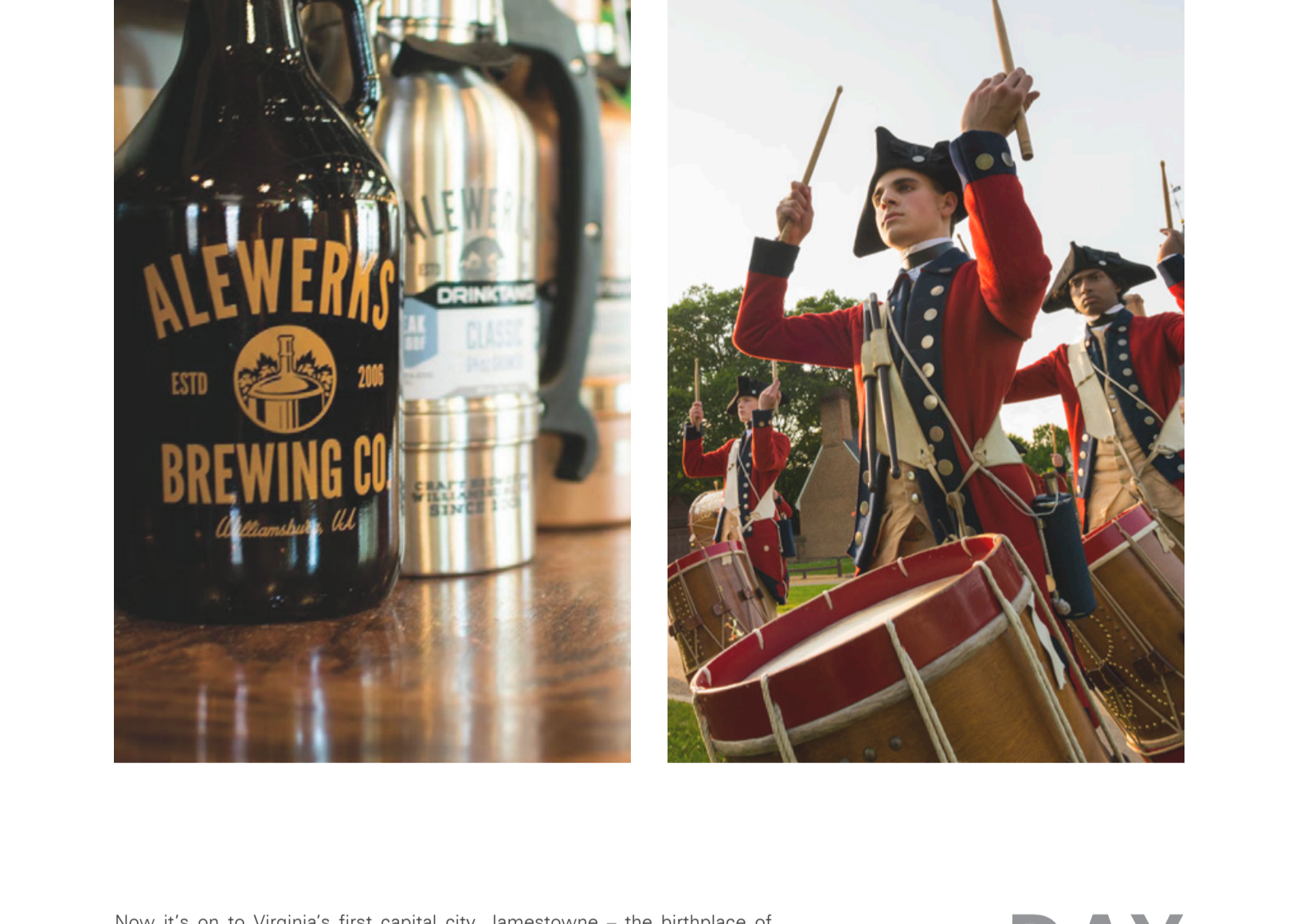
Head south to Manassas, home to Manassas National Battlefield Park as well as the all-in-one craft beer destination, Farm Brew Live. Here you can take a tour with 2 Silos Brewing and learn all about crafting beer, from the growing of the hops to the brew in the glass. Then grab lunch at The Black Sheep, shop for some beer memorabilia, play some games in The Yard and take in some live entertainment - all on site.

Next stop, Fredericksburg, George Washington's boyhood home, where FXBG Brewery Tours offers the history and public tours with behind-the-scenes access to the beer-making process, along with the history of each local brewery you visit. And they'll do the driving - after which you can relax at one of Fredericksburg's many hotels or inns.



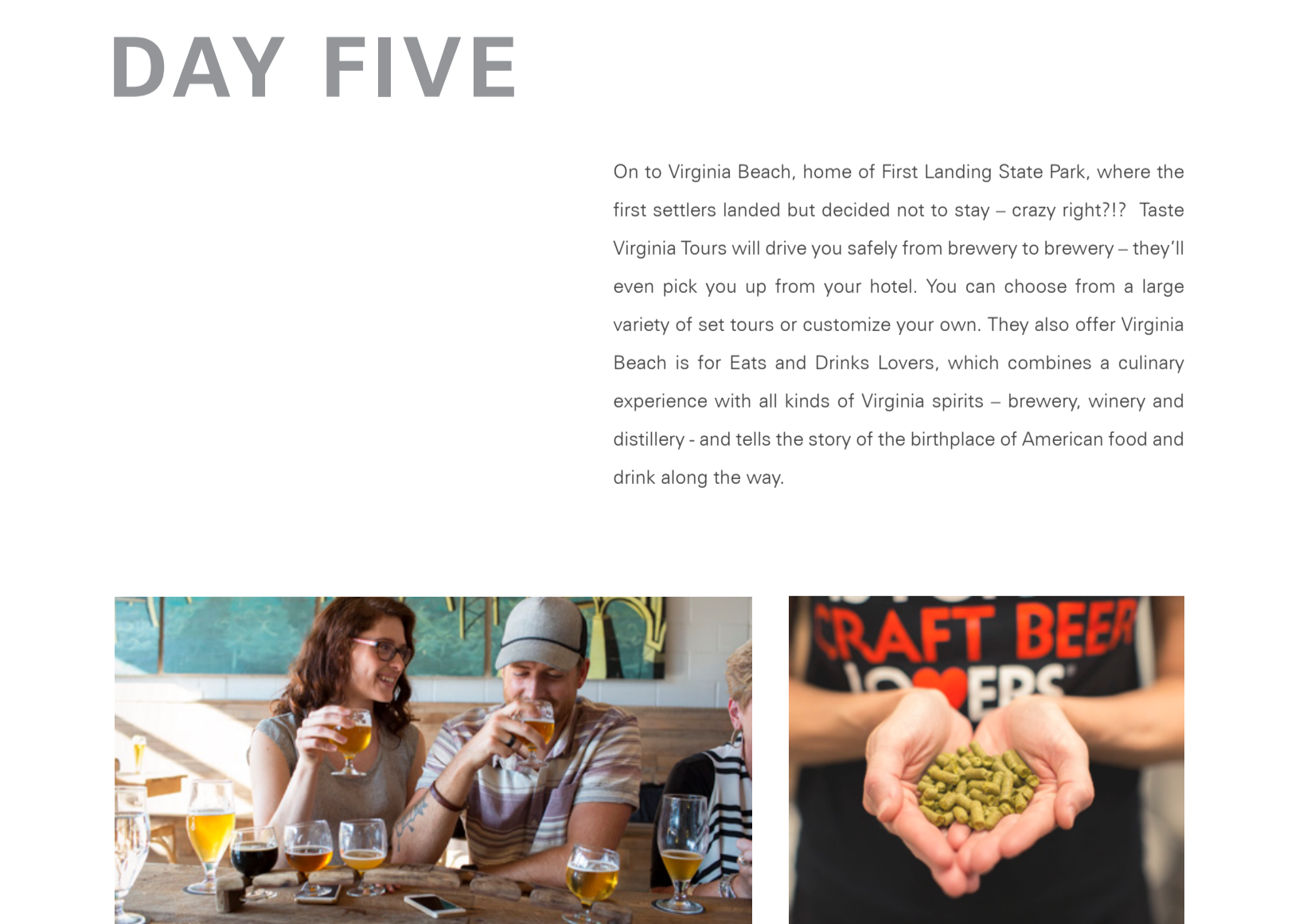
DAY THREE

Virginia's capital city, Richmond is your next destination - also the capital of the Confederacy during the Civil War and a city rich in beer history. One of the biggest brewing history feasts, the Virginia Historical Society in Richmond put together the "History on Tap" program, working with local brewers and distillers to re-create old alcohol recipes found in historical documents. Richmond Brewery Tours will take you around to several of the city's breweries and serve up some history along the way. A night in the historic Shockoe Slip is the ideal way to round out your Richmond visit.



Now it's on to Virginia's first capital city, Jamestown - the birthplace of America and the first permanent English settlement in the New World. Archeologists have uncovered the ruins of the first brewery there and at the same time, some 400-year-old yeast. Historians and beer lovers alike are looking forward to the new beer Hardywood Park Craft Brewery intends to make with the yeast. For now, you can tour Historic Jamestown to see the ruins, then head to Alewerks Brewing Company in nearby Williamsburg to try one of their Colonial-style beers. Or visit Colonial Williamsburg and sip your way through their historic taverns before checking in for the night at a historic inn. Now that's a taste of history!

DAY FOUR



DAY FIVE

On to Virginia Beach, home of First Landing State Park, where the first settlers landed but decided not to stay - crazy right?? Taste Virginia Tours will drive you safely from brewery to brewery - they'll even pick you up from your hotel. You can choose from a large variety of set tours or customize your own. They also offer Virginia Beach is for Eats and Drinks Lovers, which combines a culinary experience with all kinds of Virginia spirits - brewery, winery and distillery - and tells the story of the birthplace of American food and drink along the way.



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