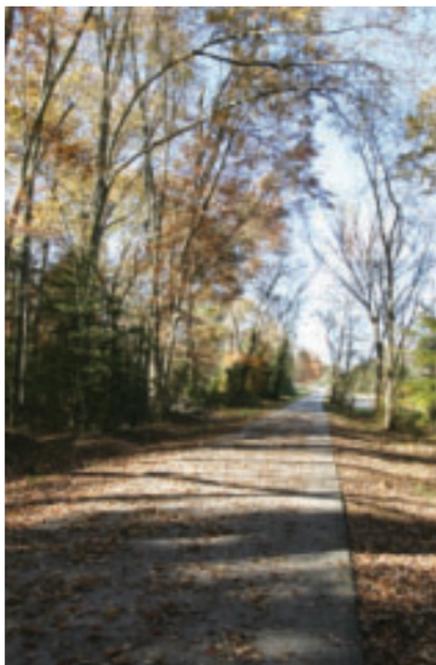


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Start this Trail at the **St. Mary's County Welcome Center**, just south of the Charles County line at the intersection of Route 5 and Charlotte Hall School Road. You can access the first site (Three Notch Trail) just west of the Welcome Center.

1 Three Notch Trail

This paved hiking/biking trail will eventually run from Hughesville to Lexington Park along the 28-mile, county-owned railroad right-of-way (parallel to Three Notch Road). The northernmost sections are already complete and have been discovered by happy hikers, bikers, walkers and horseback riders.

Open year-round sunrise to sunset. ♿ ⓘ (301) 475-4200, ext. 1800, www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/facilities

This site is 1.2 miles SOUTH of the Route 235 (Three Notch Road) and Route 5 split, on Route 5 S.(Point Lookout Road).

2 Forrest Hall Farm and Orchards 39136 Avie Lane, Mechanicsville

Forrest Hall Farm has been in Joe Wood's family for many generations and his kids and grandkids are a part of the farm today, so you know you've come to the right place for family fun! This was one of the first farms to join the "maze craze," and still one of the most popular maze destinations around. Miles of trails wind through the maze and when your trek comes to an end, you can start your shopping for fall farm goodies: mums, pumpkins and such, plus preserves and gifts in the farm store. Little ones can roam the pumpkin patch and pick out one "for the road." There are farm animals, games, hayrides and more. You can also get fresh garden produce, apples, peaches, strawberries, farm-raised Black Angus beef cuts and flowers from the greenhouse. The latest farm addition is seven acres of wine grapes—Forrest Hall is a member of the So. Maryland Wine Growers Cooperative, which operates the Port of Leonardtown Winery. **Open year-round for meat, hay, straw and field corn. Hours vary for farm store, corn maze, etc. (See website for details).** ⓘ ⓘ (301) 884-3086, www.forresthallfarm.com



From Route 234 N. (Budds Creek Road) in Chaptico, turn LEFT on Davis Road and go 0.5 miles to house on RIGHT.

3 Gravelly Hills

36350 Davis Road, Chaptico

Gravelly Hills was built in the 1820s by John H. Key, cousin to Francis Scott Key of national anthem fame. Ingrid Swann, its current owner, is documenting the history of the house and cataloging the many interesting items collected by the previous owners. The site may someday be a museum or a beautifully landscaped venue for weddings, spiritual retreats and classes. At the moment, it's a work in progress, a mixture of some notable architecture, gardens and eclectic memorabilia. There are some intriguing collections of vintage tools, antique lighting devices and kitchen items from past centuries, as well as other artifacts, some unearthed on the property itself. Almost every piece has a story, and Ingrid will happily tell it to you as you tour the grounds. She is the charming creative spirit that ties together the diverse strands of this experience. Some of the items are available to purchase, and proceeds go toward the upkeep of the property. *Open every second weekend of the month and for private tours by appointment (for a fee).* (240) 434-6660

This site is on the corner of Route 5 (Point Lookout Road) and Route 242 (Colton Point Road).

4 Keepin' It Local

25670 Colton Point Road, Morganza

Local food, art and culture...As the name implies, this is about as "local" as it gets! Owner Debbie Webb has taken a beloved local landmark—the building that once housed the Morganza Post Office—and "upcycled" it into a thriving destination spot for shoppers. High ceilings, wood floors and lots of charm serve as the backdrop for a large and lovely assortment of framed art, jewelry, pottery, clothing and home accents, most created in Southern Maryland. You'll also find some vintage treasures, repurposed and upcycled pieces gleaned by the shop's two "pickers." You'll also find local meats and Maryland cheeses, honey, baked goods, jams, jellies and lots of seasonal produce and hanging baskets. They are open every day except Christmas and Easter, and you'll often find Debbie there, greeting customers by name. *Open Mon. – Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.* ♿ (301) 475-7888, www.keepinitlocal.biz



From here, you can continue on Route 234 NORTH to meet with the Heron's Flight.



Barnwood and Beach Glass Loop



From Route 238 S. (Maddox Road) in Bushwood, take Bushwood Road SOUTH to junction with Bushwood Wharf Road. Bushwood Wharf and Quade's Store are just EAST of junction.

Robert E. Pogue Memorial Park at Bushwood Wharf

Bushwood Wharf Road, Bushwood

While this serene little corner of the county functions primarily as a public boat launch complete with ramp and pier, it's also a beautiful spot to drink in the scenic view, eat a picnic lunch and listen to a breeze rustling the reeds. (If you didn't bring a picnic, you can walk across to Quade's Store and pick up snacks in a snap!) It's a great site to glimpse red-shouldered blackbirds, egrets and herons, and to relax and recharge the soul. *Open daily sunrise to sunset.* 📞 (301) 475-4200, ext. 1800, www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/facilities



From Route 238 S. (Maddox Road) in Bushwood, take Bushwood Road SOUTH to junction with Bushwood Wharf Road. Bushwood Wharf and Quade's Store are just EAST of junction.

Quade's Store

36786 Bushwood Wharf Road, Bushwood

A fixture here in Bushwood for more than 75 years, Quade's Store is a diner, a bar and convenience store rolled into one. Nestled against the Wicomico River, adjacent to a public fishing pier and boat ramp, it's got a little bit of everything for your day on the river. The restaurant is famous for great crab cakes, seafood, burgers, homemade soups and desserts, and boaters and fishermen can still pick up fishing tackle, bait and convenience items here. *Hours change seasonally. Call ahead or check the Facebook page.* 📞  (301) 769-3903

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From Route 242 S. (Colton Point Road), turn RIGHT on Route 239 (Bushwood Wharf Road). Go 0.2 miles to farm on RIGHT.



Southern Comfort Berry Farm

37450 Bushwood Wharf Road, Bushwood

Here's a sweet incentive to spend a few spring hours on a farm with the family... plump, juicy, vine-ripened strawberries! Owners Kari and Kevin Ritchey have some already picked and waiting, or you may wander through the berry patch in search of your own choice morsels. If the kids get tired of berry picking, send them off to the petting park, the pedal tractors or the giant sandbox. There's a farm store where you can purchase preserves and other goodies, and nearby, you can get a peek at farm animals in the barn. *Open May through early June, Mon. - Fri. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sat. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun. noon to 5 p.m. (Call first to check on crop availability.)* 📞  (301) 769-3878, www.southerncomfortberryfarm.com



TO BOTH GALLERIES: From Route 242 (Colton Point Road), go WEST on Route 239 (Bushwood Wharf Road) 0.5 miles to LEFT on Route 520 (Whites Neck Road). Take second LEFT on Beitzell Road. Studio R is first house on left, above garage.

Studio R / Fine Art by Rose Beitzell

21844 Beitzell Road, Bushwood

The views leading up to Studio R, poised at the tip of Whites Neck Creek, are a prelude to the artwork inside...the long, gravel drive is lined with swamps, water views, wildlife and a host of beautiful native birds. Artist Rose Beitzell draws on all of these when creating her unique art pieces. Her signature work combines pyrography (wood burning) with oils, acrylics and other mediums. In pyrography, wood is used for the canvas, and the wood grain creates a flowing backdrop to images etched in intricate, delicate detail. The birds in particular are so vivid they seem about to take flight. Her recent work has evolved in slightly new directions, to include wood carving, wire and clay sculpture, metal, collage materials and more, often in new and exciting combinations. **Open year-round by appointment only.** ☎ (301) 769-8117, www.artbyrose.com



Continue on Beitzell Road, about 100 yards to...

Heron's Way Gallery / Mary Ida Rolape

21780 Beitzell Road, Bushwood

In this unusual outdoor gallery, artist/owner Mary Ida Rolape has started from the ground up, first creating a lovely garden setting complete with pond, flowers, hand-cast stepping stones and lots of native landscaping, all set against the backdrop of Whites Neck Creek. To this serene spot, she has added the dramatic, larger-than-life mosaic pieces she creates in her workshop on the grounds, and an assortment of outdoor art by other area sculptors and artists. Tours of the indoor studio are occasionally available, giving guests a peek at the many interesting steps which may go into the formation of a single sculpture. Individual elements may be sculpted from clay, glazed and kiln-fired; others are cut or fused glass (fired in a different kiln) and all are merged together through a fascinating mosaic process. (Studio may not be safe for children.) This outdoor gallery is expanding every year, and its beauty changes with the seasons. **Open March 15 – Nov. 30 by appointment.** ☎ (301) 769-3827, www.heronswaysculpture.com

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Created from outdoor space sculptures by Mary Ann Balenger. The Beach Glass Loop Sculpture by Sharon Balenger. P. 27



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This site is at the southern tip of Route 242 (Colton Point Road), on RIGHT just before Bayview Road. (Look for blue sign.)

10 Colton's Point Studio and Artist's Retreat Sharon Balenger

20259 Colton Point Road, Colton's Point

As you study the sculptures by artist Sharon Balenger, you're struck by the intensity of raw emotion immortalized in the rough red clay and earthy glazes, and yet there's a touch of gentleness even in the most wrenching poses. Many of the

works are based on patients she meets in her job as a registered nurse (pain management therapist); some are elderly or Hospice patients that she has known through the years. Sharon started sculpting at age 50 as an outlet for the stress of her job, and she has recently branched into abstract painting as well. (She also offers painting and sculpture lessons.) And there's an additional treat here...next to the studio is a detached apartment "retreat" available to rent. Fully furnished, it sleeps four and has a full kitchen. It would make a perfect getaway for a working artist (with studio privileges), or anyone who enjoys art, as it's decorated with Sharon's painting and sculptures. It's near the water for those who enjoy beachcombing and early-morning strolls. *Studio open by appointment. Please call ahead. Apartment available by day, weekend or more.* (301) 769-3273



The museum is at the southern tip of Route 242 (Colton Point Road). Turn LEFT on Point Breeze Road.

11 St. Clement's Island Museum

38370 Point Breeze Road, Colton's Point

This site is a place to explore the rich history of Maryland's Colonial beginnings and the area's Potomac River heritage. The museum depicts the English history that preceded the settlers' voyage to Maryland, relating the religious and political issues of the 16th and 17th centuries. On the grounds, you'll find the *Doris C*, an authentic Potomac River dory boat that worked the waters of the Potomac in the early 1900s, as well as the Little Red Schoolhouse, an authentic 19th-century one-room school. Take a water taxi to St. Clement's Island (call ahead for water taxi schedule) and explore the place where Maryland began. Enjoy hiking trails, picnic areas and the replica of the Blackistone Lighthouse. Consider timing your visit to coincide with one of this site's exciting annual events, including the Annual Jazz and Seafood Festival or the Blessing of the Fleet. **Call for hours.** ☎ (301) 769-2222, www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/museums

This site is accessible by private boat or by water taxi from the St. Clement's Island Museum.

12 St. Clement's Island / Blackistone Lighthouse

38370 Point Breeze Road, Colton's Point

St. Clement's Island is certainly among the most significant sites to define our state's heritage. It was here, in 1634, that the first Colonists came ashore and proclaimed this a land of religious tolerance. (The original inhabitants went on to establish their settlement in what would become St. Mary's City.) Today, a 40-foot cross commemorates the arrival of these settlers. A replica of the Blackistone Lighthouse (originally built in 1851) graces the island's skyline. The island is a state park, offering a picnic pavilion and a walking trail tracing the island's scenic shoreline. The island is available to the public year-round and is accessible by private boat or by the water taxi from the St. Clement's Island Museum. **Island open dawn to dusk. Water taxi tours available on weekends in season.** ☎ (301) 769-2222, www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/museums



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From the intersection of Route 242 (Colton Point Road), Route 470 (Oakley Road) and Abell Road, go EAST on Abell Road 0.1 miles to RIGHT on Morris Point Road. Go 0.5 miles to...

13 Morris Point Restaurant 38869 Morris Point Road, Abell

Like your crabs and fish fresh from the water? Chris and Deb Soussanin will whip up a delicious meal using local ingredients and just-caught seafood at this cozy, casual restaurant. If the weather's good, sit on the picnic tables at the water's edge and enjoy the view, the breeze and the sight of the birds and boats passing by. Better yet, pull up in your own boat and dock for the evening. This "small place with a big heart" is delightfully different; its scaled-down size makes for a friendly and intimate atmosphere and guarantees that you'll get personalized service. *Open Thurs. 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Fri. 5 p.m. to 10 p.m., Sat. noon to 10 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Call for winter hours.* ☼ [f](https://www.facebook.com/morrispointrestaurant) (301) 769-2500, www.morris-point.com

From Route 470 N. (Oakley Road), go EAST on Burch Road for 1 mile; turn LEFT on gravel driveway and follow to end.

14 Colton's Shipping Point Farm Cottage 39244 Burch Road, Avenue

Acres of variable aged trees greet you by land or water as you approach this cozy cottage resting on the shore of St. Clement Bay. This 130-acre tree farm owned by John and Karen Colton, called Colton's Shipping Point, has been in the family since 1888. As you drive deeper into the woods, younger stands of trees give way to a mature forest...a wonderland tucked away on the water's edge. The focal point is the two-bedroom cottage, perfect for a family getaway or a couple's retreat. Fully furnished and accented by family antiques, it features a new kitchen and breathtaking views. So relax and slow down in what John and Karen refer to as Southern Maryland's version of paradise. If you come by water: latitude 38 16 09 N, longitude 76 43 15 W. *Open year-round; please call for reservations.* ☼ (301) 807-0988, (301) 769-4359, www.ColtonShippingPointFarm.com



Farmers' Markets
on the Burnwood and Beach Glass Loop

California Farmers' Market
May through late October. Sat. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Located in BAE parking lot on Route 235 and Town Creek Drive in California.

Home Grown Farm Market
Spring: *Early April through mid-June.* Sat. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Peak: *Mid-June through early November.* Wed. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Winter: *Early November through late December.* Sat. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Located at 21078 Three Notch Road in Lexington Park.

North St. Mary's County Market
March and April. Wed. and Sat. during daylight hours. May through early October. Mon. to Sat. during daylight hours. November: Mon., Wed., Fri. and Sat. during daylight hours. Closed Sundays and some holidays. Located in the Charlotte Hall Library parking lot at the corner of Route 5 and Route 6 in Charlotte Hall.

Download the full So. Maryland, So Good Farmers' Market Guide at smadc.com.

This site is at the intersection of Route 242 (Colton Point Road) and Pin Cushion Road in Clements.

Bowles Farms / A Maze N Place, LLC 22880 Budds Creek Road, Clements

When Tina Bowles tells you to “get lost,” she’s not being cheeky, she’s inviting you to lose yourself in a 15-acre corn masterpiece on the Bowles family farm, which features a different theme each year. If three miles of trails cut through 10-foot stalks seem ambitious, there’s always the children’s miniature corn maze and straw maze. Petting zoo, pumpkins, train ride, barrel rides, farm toys and plenty of parking make for a day of family fun. And if you want to have even “mower” fun, don’t miss the annual national lawn mower races held the first Friday and Saturday in August. When you get hungry, there’s a large country kitchen with plenty of good, home-grown cooking. *Open end of Sept. through end of Oct., Mon. – Fri. by appointment (school trips, large groups), Sat. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.*   (301) 475-2139, www.bowlesfarms.com



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This site fronts Route 5 S. (Point Lookout Road) just south of the Leonardtown Center. Turn **RIGHT** on Newtowne Neck Road and go 0.2 miles to winery driveway on **LEFT**.

16 Port of Leonardtown Winery

23190 Newtowne Neck Road, Leonardtown

“Local wines from local vines” is the guiding mission of this delightful sanctuary near the entrance to Leonardtown. A wine tasting here is the perfect complement to a day of local sight-seeing or a lazy kayak trip on nearby McIntosh Run. The winery offers food to purchase, perfect for pairing with its line of wines, or you may bring your own fare to savor on the patio. The tasting room often showcases original art and live music performances, and you’ll find a selection of wine-related items for sale. Port of Leonardtown Winery uses grapes grown by local farmers, and the wines are offered at many retail establishments. (See the website for locations.) *Open year-round Wed. – Sun. noon to 6 p.m. Closed on Christmas and Easter.* ♿  (301) 690-2192, www.portofleonardtownwinery.com



This site is 0.3 miles south of the intersection of Route 5 (Point Lookout Road) and Washington Street, just before the town square in Leonardtown.

17 The Front Porch

22770 Washington Street, Leonardtown

“Unpretentious but refined” describes this gem of a restaurant, which features creative Southern Coastal cuisine in a casual atmosphere. Set within Leonardtown’s historic Sterling House, the décor features the building’s original hardwood floors, period moldings and fireplaces, with lots of cozy and quiet corners where folks can dine, drink and relax. The menu draws heavily on seasonal, local ingredients as the basis for dishes that are uncomplicated but exquisitely delicious. The “back room” at The Front Porch showcases over 40 varieties of wine, while the bar presents specialty drinks, boutique beers and traditional cocktails. Check Facebook or the website for a schedule of occasional live music, menu specials and other nifty surprises! *See website for seasonal hours.* ♿  (301) 997-1009, www.thefrontporchsomd.com

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This site is on the WEST side of the town square in downtown Leonardtown.

18 Crazy for Ewe

22715 Washington Street, Leonardtown

Painted sheep gamboling in the grass welcome you to this fiber-lovers paradise. Inside, you're surrounded by gorgeous yarns in every hue, including some hand-spun and hand-dyed wools from local sheep and alpacas. You'll likely be surrounded by friendly customers, too. Many gather regularly for classes or just to knit with friends. According to owner Ellen Lewis, you can often get an instant lesson on the spot, or request a special class and she will do her best to add it to the schedule. *Open Tues. – Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.* ♿ **f** (301) 475-2744, www.crazyforewe.com

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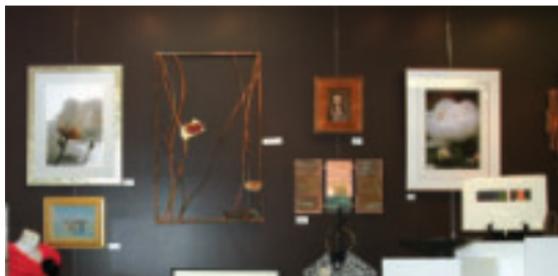
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19 Opal Fine Art Gallery and Gifts

41625 Park Avenue, Leonardtown

Owned and operated by local artists Cynthia Rosenblatt and Jane Rowe, Opal Fine Art Gallery and Gifts is a sparkling gem in the crown of the region's official arts and entertainment district. The rich, relaxed and intimate setting is a perfect presentation for the metalwork, paintings, pottery, sculpture, fiber arts, jewelry and photography by local artists. Works by national and international guest artists are available here as well. You'll find one-of-a-kind and limited edition pieces in an array of media to add to your personal collection or to give as a unique gift. Come back often and come with friends! In addition to new shows throughout the year, the gallery frequently hosts receptions and art-inspired events, perhaps a poetry reading, trunk show or dance demonstration. *Open Thurs. – Sat. 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., First Fridays 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Expanded hours seasonally.* ♿ (302) 438-1629, www.opalfineartgallery.com



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Turn at the top of the town square on Park Avenue; go one block to The Good Earth (in the old post office) on RIGHT.

20 The Good Earth Natural Foods Company

41675 Park Avenue, Leonardtown

Owner Valerie Deptula has created a specialty retail store that features an intriguing array of natural and organic products, including many wheat-free and gluten-free foods, personal care and household items, a large selection of bulk foods, herbs and spices, books and high-quality supplements, plus local eggs and produce. If it isn't in stock and you really want it, Valerie can usually find it—special orders are welcome. The store features a demonstration kitchen; you may get a taste of the latest creations. *Open Mon. – Fri. 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sat. 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun. noon to 5 p.m.*  (301) 475-1630, www.goodearthnaturals.com

This site is on the EAST side of the town square.



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21 Fuzzy Farmers Market

22696 Washington Street, Leonardtown

The Fuzzy Farmers are a group of local sheep, goat, alpaca, and rabbit farmers, plus a few fiber artists who love to create! This shop features their handmade and homegrown products, including shawls, scarves, hats and mitts, rugs, runners, bags and baskets. There's fun and funky fiber art along with felted figurines of farm animals and fairies. (They would make a "heart-felt" gift.) Indulge yourself with handmade goat's milk soap and unique jewelry. Then fill your home with locally made blankets and baskets, kitchen towels and textiles. For the DIYer, they have hand-spun yarn and dyed fiber ready to knit, crochet, spin and felt. They offer a host of classes in weaving, spinning, knitting and just about any fuzzy thing you can think of! *Open Wed. – Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.*   (301) 475-FUZZ (3899), www.fuzzyfarmersmarket.com

This site is on the EAST side of the town square.



22 Café des Artistes

41655 Fenwick Street, Leonardtown

Nestled on the square in historic Leonardtown, the Café des Artistes makes its home in the old Duke Building, a local landmark. Superb entrees, often featuring fresh local products, and an impressive wine list make this the perfect spot for a lavish celebration or a quiet dinner for two. Make your way here to enjoy the upscale, palate-pleasing cuisine in a comfortable "country French" atmosphere. The restaurant is owned and operated by Chef Loic Francois Jaffres; he and his wife Karleen continually keep things interesting with weekly dinner specials, live music and other special events. You can also have your group events catered here in Le Salon (the side dining room). *Open year-round Tues. – Fri. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tues. – Sat. 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.*   (301) 997-0500, www.cafedesartistes.ws





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email: cafedesartistes@somd.us

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This site is just off the town square on Fenwick Street.

23 Fenwick Street Used Books & Music 4165A Fenwick Street, Leonardtown

Before settling in St. Mary's County, owner Joe Orlando visited bookstores across the globe, gradually gaining a vision of the ideal place he would like to someday create. It would be a comfortable haven for book lovers, full of cozy corners and quirky accents and quotes that would inspire the imagination. He accomplished that and more in this unique shop, situated in the historic landmark building that was once Duke's Bar. (The bar itself was brought down by steamship 70 years ago from an old Baltimore hotel and is now the centerpiece of the space.) More than 27,000 books are tucked into the various nooks and crannies, including a selection of books by Southern Maryland authors. The shop also features a large collection of vinyl records. If he doesn't have what you are looking for, Joe will happily order it. And chances are, you'll find at least one delightful surprise that wasn't even on your list. **Open year round. See the website for hours.**  (301) 475-2859, www.fenwickbooks.com



This site is just off the town square on Fenwick Street.

24 North End Gallery

41652 Fenwick Street, Leonardtown

If you like your art original and your shopping experiences intimate, you'll love exploring the spacious gallery rooms filled with works by Southern Maryland artists in this cooperative. The North End features original and limited-edition fine art including oil, acrylic and watercolor paintings, hand-pulled serigraphs, drawings, sculpture, pottery, jewelry, decorative art, painted silk scarves, photography, stained glass and digital images. Each month, the front showroom hosts a feature exhibit, including solo or group shows by member artists or invited artists, theme shows, etc. On weekends, the gallery is staffed by the artists, and all will be delighted to answer your questions. Don't miss the monthly First Friday events from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. every month. **Open year-round Tues. – Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sun. noon to 4 p.m.**  (301) 475-3130, www.northendgallery.org

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Leonardtown

This historic town beckons you to shop, dine, play.

The brick sidewalks, colorful awnings and jingling bells on the doors of cozy shops all give a hint that Leonardtown is a place apart. Along Fenwick Street, you'll find fine dining, antiques, books, art, flowers and specialty shops, all tucked into buildings that speak of Leonardtown's rich and interesting history. The long-awaited Port of Leonardtown Winery adds to the town's epicurean flair. And no strolling town would be complete without plenty of shady spots to sit and relax, so pull up a bench and enjoy the view. The town square is a beautiful backdrop for annual events like the Beach Party on the Square or the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, where you'll be overwhelmed with colorful crowds, cheerful voices and a vibrant town spirit. And don't forget, Leonardtown is a waterfront town...don't miss the wharf park, complete with canteen, boat rentals and more beautiful views.

First Fridays in Leonardtown...

A year-round cornerstone of Leonardtown's lively entertainment lineup is the popular "First Friday" event. On the first Friday of each month, many merchants offer special treats like live music, free tastes, special sales, demos and much more. Many stay open late, but you'll still never see and do it all in one day. Thank goodness for next month!

www.leonardtown.somd.com



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This site is near the town square on Fenwick Street.

25 Quality Street Kitchen

41675 Fenwick Street, Leonardtown

If you are looking for an experience to be savored, why not plan an evening of culinary artistry at one of Quality Street Kitchen's cooking classes or demos? Sink your teeth (and your taste buds) into *pasta Caprese e pesto* or *pork tenderloin with sage demi*, as one of the area's best chefs gives you the inside scoop on creating a masterpiece of a dish,

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26 Sunnybank Studio / Nadine Bardin Chicoine

42010 Swans Court, Leonardtown

The true talent of photographer Nadine Bardin Chicoine is her ability to capture the soft, small moments that often go unnoticed in our busy lives and quietly bring them to our attention. Her favorite subjects include nature, animals, flowers and architecture. Prints are all giclée (pigmented) archival ink and archival paper. **Open year-round by appointment only.** ♿ (301) 475-3198, www.nadinebardinchicoine.com

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27 Viewpoint Art Studio / Karen Quam Russell 41950 Swans Court, Leonardtown

This site offers twice the delight! Upstairs, you'll find the fine art studio and gallery of Karen Quam Russell, and to the right of the main entrance, the woodworking shop of Leon B. Russell. When you enter Karen's upstairs gallery, it's like slipping inside a painting. The colorful walls and wood floors accentuate delicate watercolor florals and the exciting abstracts that are Karen's new speciality. Just beyond, her working studio (where she paints and also teaches watercolor classes) looks out on a stunning view of the water that can almost—but not quite—distract you from the art. Her work is available as prints as well as originals, and she also offers hand-painted silk scarves (the "Russell of Silk"). *Open most days; best to call first to be sure.* 📞 (301) 475-7225, www.viewpointartstudio.com

From Route 5 S.(Point Lookout Road) in Great Mills, go SOUTH on Route 249 (Piney Point Road) 8.9 miles to restaurant on LEFT.

28 Ruddy Duck Seafood and Alehouse 16810 Piney Point Road, Piney Point

Before you taste the first bite of the freshly prepared artisan-crafted food or take the first sip of craft beer created in their brewery, you'll already be in love with this beautiful spot. The wraparound views of the water (the Potomac River and St. George Creek) are spectacular from anywhere in the restaurant or on the spacious deck. The food is the grand finale, fresh from local fields or waterways and prepared with passion and flair. Check the website for info on seasonal specials, Sunday brunch, the spectacular seafood and raw bar and the live music schedule. *Open Wed. – Fri. 4 p.m. to 10 p.m., Sat. 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Closed Mon. and Tues.* 📞 🚗 🍷 🍺 (301) 994-9944, www.ruddyduckbrewery.com



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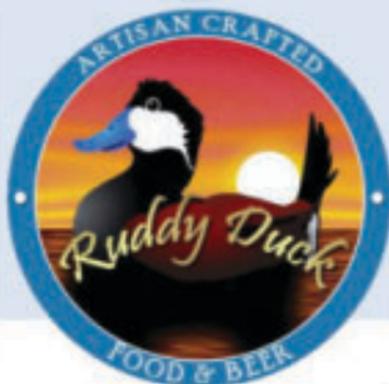
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From Route 5 S.(Point Lookout Road) in Great Mills, go SOUTH on Route 249 (Piney Point Road) 7.4 miles RIGHT on Route 498 (Lighthouse Road), then 1.2 miles to museum parking on RIGHT.

29 Piney Point Lighthouse, Museum and Historic Park

44720 Lighthouse Road, Piney Point

The Piney Point Lighthouse and keeper's quarters were built by master lighthouse builder John Donahoo in 1836. This beacon (the oldest still standing along the Potomac) served river navigators through the Civil War years, the steamboat era and both World Wars until decommissioned in 1964. The Potomac River Maritime Exhibit is the place to discover the history of the Potomac River and the stories of the watermen who lived here. Kayak launch, pier and picnic facilities available. Student and group tours welcome. *Call for hours.* ☰ ♿ (301) 994-1471, www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/museums



From Route 5 S.(Point Lookout Road) in Great Mills, go SOUTH on Flat Iron Road. In 3.9 miles, this becomes Drayden Road. Continue 0.8 miles to RIGHT on Cherryfield Road. Go 1.4 miles to slight LEFT on Boothe Road. The studio is 0.5 miles on the RIGHT.

30 M. Jane Rowe Studio

45870 Boothe Road, Drayden

As you drive down the long lane to the waterfront studio of M. Jane Rowe, tobacco barns and the surrounding gardens to the right are a quiet reminder of this area's rich agricultural heritage. Enter the detached studio/gallery (right of the house), and you'll be reminded again...many of her paintings celebrate rural landscapes, the lure of the ever-present water and the eloquent beauty of natural found objects. *Open year-round.* *Please call ahead.* ☰ (301) 994-9499, www.mjanerowe.com



☰ This symbol means that the site is on the water. Ask if you can come by boat!

Piney Point: the view is worth the trip.



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31 Cherryfield Studio / Bette Bumgarner

17794 Cherryfield Road, Drayden

Beautiful gardens and a view of the water surround the gallery/studio of artist and longtime resident Bette Bumgarner. Her oil paintings are heirloom-quality treasures, often highlighting a glimpse of the area's natural beauty. She is also an accomplished printmaker (etching and dry point). *Open year-round by appointment 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.* ☎ (301) 994-2591

From Route 5 S.(Point Lookout Road) north of Callaway, go LEFT on Camp Cosoma Road.

32 St. Mary's River State Park

Camp Cosoma Road, Leonardtown

The drive down Camp Cosoma Road takes you to one of two areas that make up St. Mary's River State Park. From here, at the northern end of the St. Mary's River watershed, you can explore a wide range of environments, from wooded stretches and fields to swamps and small streams that surround the 250-acre St. Mary's Lake. A 7.5-mile trail circles the lake, allowing the area to be fished from shore or by boat. (Freshwater fishing is popular here, and fishermen routinely snag largemouth bass, chain pickerel, crappie, bluegill and sunfish. The lake has been designated a trophy bass lake, and as such, special fishing regulations may be in effect.) Arrowheads and bits of pottery found in the area are evidence of the presence of Indian tribes that settled here at different times throughout the area's history. Today, there are hiking trails, picnic facilities and beautiful views of the lake. *Open year-round daily.* ☎ (301) 872-5688, dnr2.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/southern/stmarysriver.aspx



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33 Cecil's Mill & Country Store Historic District 20854 Indian Bridge Road, California

When you step inside Cecil's Old Mill, you're immediately immersed in the rich history of this charming vintage building. Built in the 1800s, it was originally a cotton/textile factory and was later transformed into a grist mill and sawmill, the thriving center of this tiny town. Today, it is a quaint boutique featuring works by local artists and crafters. Browse around; perhaps pick up a painting of a local lighthouse done on driftwood, crocheted baby clothes, a colorful quilt stitched by the local Amish, homemade jellies, jewelry or embroidery. And all of these handmade treasures are interspersed with displays of authentic artifacts from the mill...the old cash register, hand-lettered signs and even the old mill stones. The water wheel has even been restored to working order! (Cecil's Old Mill is on the National Register of Historic Places. You can read more about the history of this spot on the mill's website.) Across the street, the stroll through history continues at Cecil's Country Store, inside what was once the Cecil's Mill Community Mercantile and Post Office. Today you'll find antiques, furnishings, candles, jewelry, children's items, a line of personalized gifts, and a variety of specialty items, as well as a large section of originals and prints by local artist Mary Lou Troutman. *Check websites or call for store/mill hours. Closed major holidays.*

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34 Corn Crib Studio / Allen's Heirloom Homestead 18988 Point Lookout Road, Lexington Park

This unusual stop is actually two separate adventures:

On weekends (by appointment), owner Christina Allen hosts personal farm/garden tours of this working homestead, which features lambs, sheep, rare Jersey Buff turkeys, chickens and a large, year-round organic garden. There is also a spinning, weaving and knitting room where Christina makes garments from the sheep's wool and from homegrown, organically colored cotton. You'll be treated to a unique learning experience and a chance to connect with the true spirit of Southern Maryland. **During the week**, visit the Corn Crib Studio, a converted 1880s cedar corn crib-turned-gallery and workshop where Christina paints and illustrates books. You can view works in progress and purchase art (prints and originals); many are watercolors of Southern Maryland landscapes and the Chesapeake Bay. Items from the farm and the art studio, including wool, note cards, produce and Christina's books, are for sale in the new Back Porch Store on the property! **Studio: Open Mon. – Fri. 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Farm/Garden tours available weekends by appointment only. One hour maximum per visit.** (301) 862-3421, www.corncribstudio.com



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35 Chicken Scratch Feed, Seed and Bead 18080 Point Lookout Road, Park Hall

Well, it's not every day that you can load up on feed for the farm animals and grab a gift made by a local artist or crafter at the same time. The selection of arts and crafts here changes frequently. Even if you're not in the market for food for the chickens, you'll want to make a stop at this unusual feed and garden center, which features a large gift/antique section laced with local arts and crafts. They have local honey too, and plants and flowers native to Southern Maryland (in season). Stop in and stock up on goodies for your garden. To see what's new and for their latest seasonal hours, visit their Facebook page. **Open Thurs. – Sun. 9 a.m to 6 p.m.**  (301) 737-3024



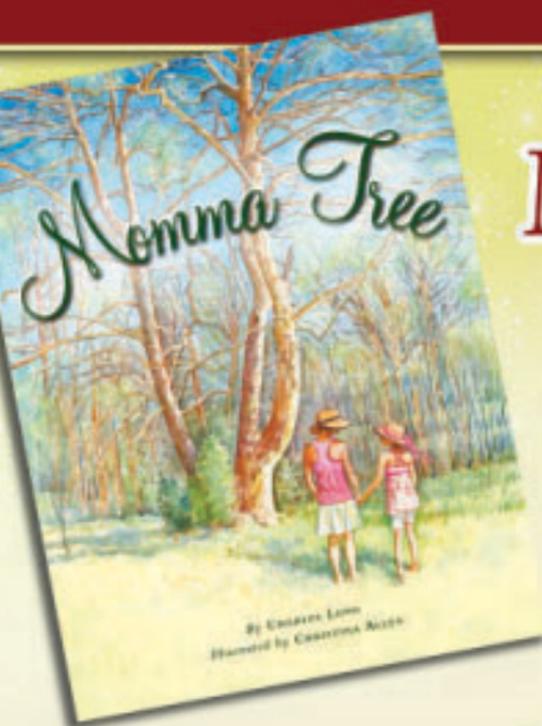
Too Pretty To Eat?

Many flowers are edible, but be careful — many are actually quite poisonous. Some common edible ones are Johnny-Jump-Ups, violets, borage, lavender, nasturtium, squash blossoms and rose petals. The petals look beautiful arranged on a salad platter or candied crowning a frosted cake.



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36 Historic St. Mary's City 1859 Hogaboom Lane, St. Mary's City

Historic St. Mary's City is an 800-acre museum on the site of the fourth permanent British settlement and Maryland's first capital. Costumed interpreters in recreated 17th-century structures depict life in the colony. Visitors can board a tall ship, explore an un-ordinary ordinary, discover the world of the Yaocomaco Indians and help a Colonial planter tend his fields. Find out how researchers reconstruct the past using historical and archaeological evidence at a major new exhibit on the St. John's Site. *Visit website for hours and events.* ♿ (240) 895-4990, (800) SMC-1634, www.hsmcdigshistory.org

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From Route 5 S. (Point Lookout Road) in St. Inigoes, turn RIGHT on Beachville Road. Follow Beachwood Road to the end. (Park entrance is on LEFT.)

37 St. Inigoes Landing 46621 Beachville Road, St. Inigoes

Here's a secret stop that even many locals haven't found yet. This tiny park has a pier, a boat launch and a pint-sized beach perfect for a private family outing. A nearby grove of pines offers a shady spot to picnic; grills and picnic tables are provided. *Open April 1 through Nov. 30 dawn to dusk.* ♿ (301) 863-8400, (301) 475-4200, ext. 1800, www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/facilities



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38 **Jeanne Norton Hammett Serigraphs**

48721 Whitaker Road, St. Inigoes

The vivid and dynamic style of artist Jeanne Norton Hammett has garnered her a place among Maryland's leading print-makers. Her original, limited-edition (signed and numbered) serigraphs are each hand-printed using a series of stretched silk screens with handmade stencils. Her deft use of color captures the moody quality of weather and the changing lighting of our local landscape. You can view her work in her newly remodeled gallery/studio, a work of art in itself, featuring specialized cabinetry and a sailboat-shaped picture window designed by Donnie Hammett. You're likely to leave here with at least one piece of beautiful art and an expanded understanding of this fascinating hand-printing process. **Open year-round by appointment.** (301) 872-5422, www.jeannenortonhammett.com

From Route 5 S. (Point Lookout Road) in Ridge, turn **RIGHT** on Wynne Road, go 0.5 miles to **LEFT** at Woodlawn sign, then 0.7 miles straight back to end of road.

39 **Woodlawn**

16040 Woodlawn Lane, Ridge

Stunning views of the Potomac River, relaxing strolls through the well-tended gardens, and intriguing archways carved through antique boxwood will lure you back to Woodlawn again and again. Woodlawn was part of Lord Calvert's Retreats in Southern Maryland, and you'll enjoy exploring hidden secrets and historical details of this 200-year-old restored manor house. Be sure to tour the English-style formal gardens, including *inside* the boxwood arbors. (You may even go home with a cutting for your own garden.) While Woodlawn has a rich history, there are new things to enjoy today—the charming Slack Wine Cottage joins a growing list of St. Mary's wineries and is the site of daily tastings, live events and entertainment. Find out more at the winery website. **Open year-round. B&B open daily. Slack Wine tasting Wed. – Sun. noon to 6 p.m.** 🍷 (301) 872-0555, www.woodlawn-farm.com, www.slackwine.com



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40 Buzzy's Country Store

12665 Point Lookout Road, Scotland

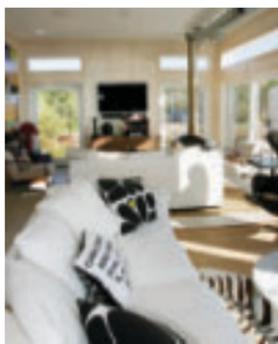
Since the late 1800s, Buzzy's Country Store has been the place where locals gather to chat with neighbors and new faces are always welcome. Owner J. Scott Ridgell has kept the best of the old: penny candy, a vintage Coke cooler, a baseball cap collection that his father, Buzzy, collected over the years and the friendly family St. Bernard named Bruno that greets customers. (The current Bruno is number eight.) And Scott has added some fun new twists: Wi-Fi, an Internet blog and occasionally even karaoke. It all adds up to a casual ambiance you won't find at

any modern convenience store. The place is well-stocked with snacks, candy, bait, drinks and other "liquid refreshments."

Open year-round 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. 📞 📍 (301) 994-0826, www.buzzyscountrystore.com



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41 Scotland Yards

15188 Lake Drive, Scotland

You don't have to be Sherlock Holmes to deduce that this assortment of beach houses in Scotland on the Chesapeake Bay (collectively called Scotland Yards) is something truly unique. Reserve an intimate, one-bedroom cottage for your quiet getaway, or a lavish five-bedroom headquarters for the next family vacation...or combine several lodgings to make your next reunion or retreat an event to remember. Each of these fully appointed, luxurious lodgings has been lovingly renovated, beautifully furnished, and comes complete with linens, kitchenware, wireless Internet, kayaks and bicycles—everything you need for your great escape. They feature stunning views of the Bay, sandy beaches, opportunities for bird watching, bicycling, kayaking or long walks by the water. And in winter, oh, what a treat! Cozy up by the fire and gaze at the serenity of the Bay while stress melts away. Visit the website to browse the photo galleries and choose your perfect destination. *Open year-round.*

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42 Point Lookout State Park

11175 Point Lookout Road, Scotland

You can swim, fish, boat or camp on this picturesque peninsula formed by the Chesapeake Bay and the Potomac River. You can also discover its rich history at a museum on site. While here, why not take the day and cruise to Smith Island, where you can learn about the way of life in this extraordinary community of watermen? (Smith Island is Maryland's only inhabited offshore island accessible only by boat.) **Open year-round daily.** ♿ (301) 872-5688, dnr2.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/southern/pointlookout.aspx

From the split of Route 5 (Point Lookout Road) and Route 235 N. (Three Notch Road): Take Route 235 NORTH for 1 mile to RIGHT on Lois Lane. Take first LEFT into driveway.



43 Cozy Cupboard Art Gallery Mary Lou and Jeff Troutman

49510 Lois Lane, Dameron

Mary Lou Troutman is well-known for her painted scenes that celebrate her love of the land and life by the water. Many of her pieces are quiet and reflective, tinged with a strong sense of nostalgia, so you may be surprised when you meet her to find she herself is quite the opposite...lively and animated and always on the move. She will tell you easily about her strong ties to this area (she grew up in Southern Maryland) and her appreciation of family (her husband, Jeff, and her two children are a strong force in her business). But if you have seen her artwork, you've probably realized all that already. Her work

(giclee prints and originals) is collected by locals and can be found in private and corporate collections from coast to coast. **Open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Best to call first to confirm.)** ♿ (301) 872-5807, www.marylouttroutman.com



From the split of Route 5 (Point Lookout Road) and Route 235 (Three Notch Road), take Route 235 NORTH for 2.6 miles to RIGHT on St. Jerome's Neck Road, then 0.9 miles to farm on RIGHT.

44 T&A Farm

18281 St. Jerome's Neck Road, Dameron

T&A Farm is a great way to experience Southern Maryland's down-home appeal. The farm has been in the Trossbach family for 117 years; Tom and Abby planted the first pumpkin patch in 1999 and have been inviting the public to come and experience the farm ever since. Pick a pumpkin—any pumpkin. You will ride away with a lot more than a “jack” for your lantern. You'll have had the chance to walk through the petting pen with all your favorite farm animals, run through a mini-straw maze, take a stroll through a cornfield and of course chat with the Trossbach family about your favorite pumpkin pie recipe. **Open in Oct. Call for hours and pickup times.** ♿ **f** (301) 872-5003, www.tandafarm.webs.com



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From Route 235 N. (Three Notch Road) in Lexington Park, take Bay Forest Road 1 mile to park on LEFT.

45 Elm's Beach Park

19350 Back Door Road, Lexington Park

Elm's Beach Park offers a beautiful site to relax with a picnic lunch. Tables down the trail behind the pavilion treat visitors to a view of serene marshland on one side and the quiet rhythm of the surf from the Chesapeake Bay on the other. The beach on the Bay side is a great place to swim, sunbathe or just walk along and look at what the surf has brought today. The park also offers hiking, fishing and environmental education. **Open April 1 through Nov. 30 dawn to dusk.** ♿ (301) 475-4200, ext. 1800, www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/facilities



This site fronts Route 235 N. (Three Notch Road) at the corner of Gunston Drive.

46 Blue Wind Gourmet

22803 Gunston Drive, Lexington Park

At this specialty food store and gourmet restaurant, you'll find great food and an extensive selection of fine wines (many local). The beer room features more than 400 boutique beers. The well-trained staff can steer you toward the perfect wine for tonight's dinner, an upcoming party or the perfect gift. Enjoy soups, freshly made pizzas, sandwiches, wraps and fresh salads of organic greens. Eat here or have the staff whip up a picnic for you to take on the Trails. Local artists display their work for sale on the walls; enjoy it while your meal is being prepared. Join Rob and his staff for wine tastings every day. **Open year-round Mon. – Sun. 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.** **f** (301) 737-2714, www.bluewindgourmet.com



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From Route 235 N. (Three Notch Road) in Lexington Park, take Gunston Drive 0.2 miles to studio on RIGHT.

47 Wood Windfall Studio Gerry Wood

22948 Gunston Drive, Lexington Park

The workspace of artist Gerry Wood may strike you as a place where learning and growing as an artist are as much a priority as the painting process...her studio/gallery clearly does double duty as an active classroom, with a half-dozen or so paint-flecked tables arranged around a work-in-progress. Gerry is well-known on the Southern Maryland art scene; she is active in art organizations, shows and galleries in addition to giving watercolor lessons in her studio. In her words, she is "constantly striving to create new and exciting paintings, to expand my horizons, and attend workshops to learn more techniques to teach to my students." Her own work features

architecture, landscapes, lighthouses, florals, classic cars and marine scenes. *Open year-round by appointment only.* (301) 863-9663, www.artbygerry.com



From Route 235 (Three Notch Road), go EAST on Route 4 (Patuxent Beach Road), go LEFT on N. Patuxent Beach Road, 0.2 miles to LEFT on Patuxent Lane, then 0.1 miles to 4th driveway on LEFT ("Kinston Cove" sign).

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Art Safari!

Grab a group of girlfriends and get going on an ART-RAGEOUS gallery-hopping gal pal Trails trip. (See the *Imaginative Itineraries* section for more themed trip ideas!)

48 Linda Wharton's Studio 45853 Patuxent Lane, California

In addition to painting in her fine art studio at the edge of the Patuxent River, artist Linda Wharton also teaches figure drawing and painting. Her work includes landscapes, still life and the figure (nudes). Linda is a longtime resident of Southern Maryland and her love of the area is evident in her ability to deftly capture the richness of local landscapes. She's also a past winner of the *Free State's Finest Artist Award* presented by Maryland Life Magazine. Be sure to ask Linda to show you her "cozy cottage," a tiny adjunct studio on the banks of Kinston Creek. You can also get to Linda's by boat: heading north on the Patuxent River (up river from the Solomons Island Bridge) take a LEFT into the first inlet (Kinston Creek). Fourth dock on the LEFT. (Note: the draft here is 5 feet.) *Open year-round by appointment.* ☎ (301) 737-3423



From Route 235 N. (Three Notch Road), go RIGHT on Route 4 (Patuxent Beach Road) 0.7 miles to LEFT on Patuxent Boulevard, then 1.3 miles to park.

49 Myrtle Point Park

24050 Patuxent Boulevard, California

If you need a peaceful place to enjoy your gourmet picnic from Blue Wind Gourmet, you don't have far to go. Myrtle Point Park is one of our region's secret getaways. This natural jewel is a perfect place to reconnect with the land, the water and the beauty of Southern Maryland. **Open year-round from dawn to dusk.** 📞 (301) 475-4200, ext. 1800, www.stmarysmd.com/recreate/facilities

From Route 235 N. (Three Notch Road) in Hollywood, go RIGHT on Route 245 (Sotterley Road), 2.2 miles to RIGHT on Steer Horn Neck Road, then 1 mile to LEFT on Rosedale Manor Lane.

50 The Greenwell Foundation Greenwell State Park

25420 Rosedale Manor Lane, Hollywood

When you arrive here, you'll soon realize you are discovering one of Southern Maryland's truly beautiful places. In this 600-acre park, wide-open sky meets pastures and horse barns, rose gardens scent the air and spacious, easy pathways loop along the banks of the Patuxent River. The Greenwell Foundation provides inclusive and accessible programs that include camps, horseback riding, kayaking and veterans' programs. A small fee gives you access to the grounds; bring a lunch and lounge by the water, do some fishing or hike the trails. Facilities are available for rent, including the historic Rosedale Manor (a perfect wedding spot), rose garden, Quarter Creek Pavilion and the Knott Lodge, which can accommodate 24 people in eight bedrooms. **Park open year-round daily sunrise to sunset. Foundation office open Mon. – Fri. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.** ♿

📞 (301) 373-9775, www.greenwellfoundation.org



From here, if you would like to cross over to the *Fossils and Farmscapes Ramble*, continue EAST on Route 4 (Patuxent Beach Road) and cross the Patuxent River bridge.



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From Route 235 N. (Three Notch Road) in Hollywood, go **RIGHT** on Route 245 (Sotterley Road), 3.9 miles to **RIGHT** on Sotterley Lane, then 0.1 miles to ...

51 Sotterley Plantation

44300 Sotterley Lane, Hollywood

Sotterley Plantation, a National Historic Landmark, is one of the oldest museums of its kind in the United States, with a history dating back to the turn of the 18th century. Sotterley today consists of almost 100 acres of breathtaking beauty on the Patuxent River that include over six miles of nature trails, Colonial Revival Gardens and over 20 historic buildings. See the website for a full listing of programs and events offered throughout the year. *Guided tours May 1 through Oct. 31, Tues. – Sat. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sun. noon to 4 p.m. Self-guided tours year-round.* 📍 (301) 373-2280, www.sotterley.org

From Route 235 N. (Three Notch Road), go **RIGHT** on Route 245 (Sotterley Road) for 3.5 miles to **LEFT** on Vista Road. Go 0.5 to **RIGHT** on Whiskey Creek Road and continue to cul de sac (past the circle.) Park at top of drive and walk down.

52 Whiskey Creek Wood Works

Dave and Marta Kelsey

25920 Whiskey Creek Road, Hollywood

Whiskey Creek Wood Works is actually two studios in one. The detached workshop to the left of the house is a fully equipped woodworking shop, where owner Dave Kelsey creates custom-designed furniture in a modified mission style, using local woods whenever possible. He always has a project “in process” and is happy to explain to interested visitors just what he’s doing. Marta, resident “gourd lady,” has her shop in the basement of the log home. Half of her shop is dedicated to relatively clean work—painting and wood burning—while the other half is where the dirty work of cleaning gourds, sawing, sanding and carving takes place. Except for a few “exotic” gourds, Marta’s gourds are grown and harvested in Southern Maryland. Many of Marta’s designs reflect the local environment—herons, boats and fish. *Open by appointment.* 📍 (301) 373-3671, www.whiskeycreekwoodworks.com

From Route 235 N. (Three Notch Road) in Hollywood, turn on Joy Lane. Go straight back to end of paved road; continue on unpaved road to end (follow signs).

53 Joy Lane Healing Center

43288 Joy Lane, Hollywood

Established in 1991 by Owner Carol Marcy (author of “Living Life as a Prayer, a Guide to Healing and Wholeness”) to serve the community’s holistic wellness needs, Joy Lane Healing Center is a 62-acre sanctuary situated within the peaceful woodlands of Southern Maryland. It features tall oaks, beech and mountain laurel, flat walks, steep ravines and running streams. This property is sanctuary to birds, hawks, wild turkey, squirrel, deer, snakes and insects. Visitors can explore meditation gardens, a labyrinth and trails. There is also a store featuring books, crystals, smudging products, card decks and CDs. The center offers a wide variety of classes, workshops and events specializing in holistic healing, spirituality, wellness, meditation, sustainability and more in one eco-friendly environment. **Open by appointment.**  (301) 373-2522, www.joylane.org



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From Route 235 N. (Three Notch Road) in Hollywood, turn on Jones Wharf Road. Go 1 mile to RIGHT on Sunny Ridge Lane. Go 0.3 miles to RIGHT on Lifelong Landing Lane. Continue 0.3 miles to studio on RIGHT.

54 Log Cabin Studios / Shelley Wilson

43635 Lifelong Landing Lane, Hollywood

You know you are in for an afternoon of artistic delights long before you even get a glance at Shelley Wilson’s gorgeous oils and delicate watercolor images. Her 700-foot, second-floor studio is tucked inside a genuine log cabin that she custom-built with her husband Roy. It comes complete with cozy furnishings, a framing station (she does her own framing), a soaring beam and purlin ceiling and a cat curled on the sofa. Shelley works in a variety of mediums and her subject matter frequently features figures and faces, often in period clothing, executed with delicate artistry and attention to the dramatic play of light and shadow. There are always paintings in progress. Shelley also teaches art classes in the studio to students of all ages and abilities. **Open Tues., Thurs., Fri. and Sat. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call ahead please.**  (301) 373-8996, www.PortraitsByShelley.com



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From Route 235 N. (Three Notch Road) in Hollywood, turn on Jones Wharf Road. Go 1.6 mile to RIGHT on Drum Cliff Road, then 1.4 miles to RIGHT into driveway (at end of road); studio is 0.1 miles on RIGHT.

55 Sarah Houde Pottery 44035 Drum Cliff Road, Hollywood

The work of full-time potter Sarah Houde can be seen in galleries, shows and homes throughout Maryland, Virginia and beyond. She creates beautiful functional pieces (fish platters, bakers, casseroles, mugs, etc.), many of which are inspired by the fish, plants, etc. native to this area. She also creates decorative works (raku, urns, wall plaques, sculptural pieces). Sarah's studio includes a gallery area with finished pieces for sale, and a workshop where you'll get a first-hand look at how the pieces are made, from clay to kiln. If you're intrigued by the thought of playing with clay, ask Sarah about classes. (Want to come by boat? Call for directions.) Don't miss the annual open studio, first weekend of December, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days, no need to call ahead. Please bring canned food for a local food bank. *Open by appointment. Classes for groups of four to six available by appointment.* ☎ (301) 373-2297, www.sarahhoudepottery.com



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This site fronts Route 235 S. (Three Notch Road), just north of the intersection of Route 247 (Loveville Road).



56 Summerseat Farm 26655 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville

The known history of this property dates back to the late 1600s, and in the centuries since, its buildings and grounds have evolved in a fashion that epitomizes the area's culture. Today, preserved and run by volunteers, it is a beautiful farm open to visitors for special events throughout the year as well as guided house tours on designated days. The farm features a Queen Anne-style manor house perched above 120 acres of serene pastures with spectacular views and beautiful gardens. You can observe the resident bison herd from afar, or get up close with sheep, pigs and other



farm animals. The site also has examples of an organic garden, vineyard and trails. And while there, you can scout the facility for your wedding, business meeting, retreat or conference. *See the website for scheduled events and Open House dates or call to arrange for special tours.* **f** (301) 373-6607, www.summerseat.org

From Route 235 N. (Three Notch Road) approximately 3 miles SOUTH of the Route5/Route 235 split, turn EAST on Oakville Road at the traffic light. Go 0.3 miles to RIGHT on Queentree Road, then go 1 mile to farm on RIGHT.

57 Evergreen Acres

27118 *Queentree Road, Mechanicsville*

Roger and Nancy Lavoie and their grandkids greet you as you begin your search through this field of perfect Christmas trees, looking for the one to grace your home. Choose from the large assortment of fir (Canaan, Douglas, Frazier, Nordsman), spruce (Myer, Norway, Colorado, white) or pine (Scotch, white). For an extra fee, you can tag your special tree early in the season. If you come during the week, the Lavoies will be glad to show you how they make wreaths and garlands and give you tips on which trees last the longest. *Open Nov. 25 through Dec. 17 daily noon to dusk.* (301) 862-1597

This site fronts Route 235 S. (Three Notch Road), between Mechanicsville and Oakville, at the entrance to Laurel Grove Park.

58 Laurel Grove Station All American Grill

26945 *Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville*

The motto at this newly renovated hometown diner is “Keeping it Local and Making it Fresh,” according to owner Cody Sir. His signature burgers proudly feature beef from nearby Hole in The Woods Farm, topped with local produce in season. Be sure to try the homemade chili, soups, wings and homemade desserts! You’re sure to find a casual atmosphere, good food and even a few crafts for sale from local crafters. *Open Tues. – Thurs. 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Fri. and Sat. 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., Sun. 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Closed Mon.* **f** (301) 884-4763



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