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Experience Spring at Colonial Williamsburg

Complete with delicious colonial fare, live entertainment, and family-friendly fun, Colonial Williamsburg is the quintessential spring destination WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (March 21, 2022) — Colonial Williamsburg, the largest outdoor living-history museum in the country, offers plenty of interactive activities for all ages and interests—and this spring will bring a host of special programming to the Historic Area as well as exciting new updates to the Colonial Williamsburg Resorts.

From strolling the beautiful gardens to seeing the newborn baby lambs, here are some of the activities visitors can take part in when visiting Colonial Williamsburg, as well as dining and lodging updates for this spring season.

Historic Area (full list of activities here)

- <u>Women's History Month</u>: Women played important, and at times, unexpected, roles in 18th-century Williamsburg. Their contributions advanced the shaping of the nation. Join us this March for special programming as we celebrate and examine the experiences, lives, and relationships of these women during Women's History Month.
- *The Return of CW Lights (April 7-30)*: Explore the family-friendly evening experience in the Governor's Palace Gardens. This magical glow event will transform the world-class gardens into the star of the show, illuminating the spring blooms like never before. Enjoy the sounds of the finest 18th-century entertainments on a stroll through the enchanted gardens.
- Archaeology Digs and Labs (April 4-8): Archaeologists excavating at the site of First Baptist Church's first permanent structure on South Nassau Street, Powder Magazine, and Custis Square welcome all guests, especially families on Spring Break, for a week of interactive programming. Explore archaeology as a way of learning about life in the past.
- New Program: "Intersections" (Wednesdays-Sundays beginning in April): The Williamsburg community comes to life in this street theatre experience exploring the daily lives of ordinary people during extraordinary times. Consider diverse perspectives on political and societal elements of 18th-century life as people of the past gather near the Raleigh Tavern to tend to personal and professional businesses of the day.
- **Return of** <u>Drummers Call</u> (**May 20-22**):Returning this spring, the popular Drummers Call is an annual weekend-long showcase of 18th-century military music.
- <u>Learn 18th-Century Skills First-Hand</u>: This spring, engage with Historic Area tradespeople in hands-on experiences such as hand-sewing, woodworking, coopering and drawing with a compass and rule.
- *Colonial Williamsburg's <u>Rare Breeds Program</u>*: See the newborn baby lambs and learn about the Rare Breeds of livestock raised in 18th-century Virginia, how to

identify breeds of domesticated animals in the Historic Area, and why preserving these breeds is so important today.

Dining & Lodging Updates

- Williamsburg Woodlands Hotel & Suites: The family-friendly resort will reopen March 31 for guests. Boasting the ideal blend of comfort and convenience for families, the Williamsburg Woodlands Hotel & Suites is the perfect starting point for your Colonial Williamsburg adventure, conveniently located next to the Visitor Center. Start your day off with an enhanced continental breakfast and enjoy two complimentary Colonial Williamsburg length of stay admission tickets valued at \$114 when you book direct.
- Williamsburg Inn: Cheryl Griggs, director of Interior and Exterior Design, is leading the exciting redesign of the dining spaces at the iconic Williamsburg Inn, bringing back the Regency Style to the Terrace Room, Goodwin Room, Restoration Bar, and Library. The dining spaces will feature products from several WILLIAMSBURG licensees, such as the "Regency Views" WILLIAMSBURG Mural Collection by new licensee Paul Montgomery and "Homecoming" fabric by Schumacher fabrics. The Rockefeller Room will also feature a new menu starting April 15.
- **King's Arms Tavern**: This distinctive dining venue, celebrating its 250th anniversary in 2022, reopens for the season on March 18. Last year, King's Arms Tavern received an extensive redesign and menu overhaul that brought a modern twist to the colonial classics.
- Spring Getaway Package: Families can book the Spring Getaway Package for the ultimate spring family vacation. Families staying three or more nights get the fourth night free with free meals for kids under 12 with each paying adult. Additionally, families booking the Spring Getaway Package direct will receive up to two complimentary Colonial Williamsburg length of stay admission tickets (\$114 value) and up to \$350 in Resort Outlet savings. *Available stay dates: March 24, 2022 May 31, 2022.

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The Colonial Williamsburg Foundation preserves, restores and operates Virginia's 18th-century capital of Williamsburg. Innovative and interactive experiences highlight the relevance of the American Revolution to contemporary life and the importance of an informed, active citizenry. The Colonial Williamsburg experience includes more than 600 restored or reconstructed original buildings, renowned museums of decorative arts and folk art, extensive educational outreach programs for students and teachers, lodging, culinary options from historic taverns to casual or elegant dining, the Golden Horseshoe Golf Club featuring 45 holes designed by Robert Trent Jones and his son Rees Jones, a full-service spa and fitness center, pools, retail stores and gardens. Philanthropic support and revenue from admissions, products and hospitality operations sustain Colonial Williamsburg's educational programs and preservation initiatives.