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Sip and Splash through the Mid-Atlantic

Sip and splash your way through the Mid-Atlantic experiencing hand crafted wine and craft beer while taking in scenic waterways. From boat tours to waterfront restaurants there is no shortage of memorable places to visit and things to do on this three day excursion.



Day One: Arrive in Central Pennsylvania (State College)

Centre County, Pennsylvania has a wide variety of attractions and events for visitors year-round. The county, home to Penn State University, is known on its surface for Penn State Football and its 107,000 person stadium. However, other interesting tidbits include seven Pennsylvania governors from the tiny town of Bellefonte and the largest authentic [Christopher Columbus collection](#) in North America in Boalsburg. Pennsylvania's largest 4th of July celebration and one of the nation's premiere arts festivals also live here.



[Penn's Cave and Wildlife Park](#) offers a scenic boat tours, making for the perfect relaxing kick off to your Mid-Atlantic adventure. This 45-minute guided boat tour of America's only all-water cavern, located in Centre Hall, PA, is a fun afternoon activity for visitors of all ages. Along the way you'll see formations such as "The Statue of Liberty" and "The Garden of the Gods." It is recommended to bring a jacket as the cave stays at a constant 52 degrees year round.

Craft-beer and a college town has been a natural partnership for locals and visitors alike. One of the favorite stops for those wanting a libation and a good meal is [Happy Valley Brewing Company](#). With several choices on hand any beer connoisseur's palate will be met. A couple of favorite menu items to go with your beer is the short rib nachos or the jumbo pretzels.



4.5 Hours to Felton, Delaware



Day Two: Arrive at Delaware's Quaint Villages

In Delaware's Quaint Villages, great vacations come in pieces: keepsakes, souvenirs, sensations and experiences. From time spent travelling to time spent exploring. From the feeling of a fresh peach in your hand, to a cold sip of craft beer, to cobblestone streets under your feet, in Kent County, these small pieces build on each other to create something wholly unique, and completely unforgettable. No matter what speed you choose to take your visit, you're sure to leave with an incredible story, and maybe an impressive list of trinkets.



Visit Kent County's [Killens Pond State Park and Water Park](#) located in Felton. Here, visitors can kayak the waterways, go fishing and boating, take a leisure hike or cycle throughout one of the many nature trails, play 18-hole disc golf, camp under the stars and so much more! Every year starting on Memorial Day to Labor Day, visitors can enjoy Killens Pond State's Water Park, a water park filled with all kinds of water adventures with two 54-foot-high spiral slides with tunnels, tot lot and pool for smaller children to enjoy, beach volleyball with sand courts and interactive pool features.

Next, take a drive through the Amish Country-side to visit [Harvest Ridge Winery](#) in Marydel, located on the border of Maryland and Delaware and smack dab on the Mason-Dixon Line. Harvest Ridge Winery produces Chardonnay, Viognier, Malbec and Merlot. Tastings are offered daily, pair your tastings with various selections of cheeses, meats, and crackers for nibbling while you enjoy the wines! Make sure to stick around for behind-the-scene tours of the vineyard and winery!



45 Minutes to Georgetown, Delaware



Day Three: Arrive in Southern Delaware



Start your Southern Delaware day with your toes in the sand watching the waves roll in in [Rehoboth Beach](#). Enjoy exploring the unique boutiques lining Rehoboth Avenue (did we mention Tax Free shopping?) then bicycle north along the boardwalk and follow the [Gordons Pond Trail](#) into [Cape Henlopen State Park](#). Explore [Fort Miles](#), the WWII fort that is now a museum that was built into the dunes in this beautiful state park.

Next enjoy a walking tour of [Lewes](#), the First Town in the First State, and enjoy hearing stories of the rich maritime history of this historic town, then enjoy a visit to several of Southern Delaware's most popular breweries including [Dogfish Head](#), [Crooked Hammock](#), and [Dewey Beer Company](#).



3 Hours to Manassas, Virginia



Day Four: Arrive in Prince William County, Virginia

Step back in time and be immersed in America's history in Prince William & Manassas, VA. Located just 30 miles west of Washington, D.C., Prince William and Manassas is an affordable destination filled with everything from Civil War battlefields, museums and historic sites performing arts venues and exquisite shopping at both outlet stores and boutiques. Spanning from the Bull Run Mountains to the stunning shores of the Potomac River, Prince William & Manassas also offer countless outdoor recreation opportunities.



Explore [Historic Occoquan](#). Occoquan is derived from a Dogue Indian word meaning "at the end of the water". Located on the river, Occoquan was a natural site for water-borne commerce. By 1765, it flourished as an industrial settlement with grist mills and tobacco warehouses. The [Merchant's Mill](#) was the first automated grist mill in the nation. It operated for 175 years until destroyed by fire. During the Civil War, the post office passed letters and packages between North and South.

Although fire and river silting have caused hardships for Occoquan, the town has survived and thrived. Today, it serves as one of the top places to go in Virginia as a charming restored artist's community with shops, outdoor dining, kayaking, paddle boarding, ghost walks and more.

Head over to [Ornery Beer Company & Public House](#) for a relaxing evening of live music and local craft beer. Boasting a casual but elevated pub environment you can find a wide variety of meticulously crafted, house brewed ales and lagers paired with a creative menu.

They host an array of events throughout the year from crab feasts to their annual October Fest! Fun for the whole family you can sit back, relax and enjoy the music or challenge your friends and family to a game of corn-hole in their private, covered outdoor bar area. The perfect way to wrap up your Mid-Atlantic adventure.



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