

DC's Wine Country



With more than 40 wineries and tasting rooms, Loudoun is a premier East Coast wine region and leading the way in Virginia. Known as DC's Wine Country due to its proximity to Washington D.C., Loudoun's wineries are nestled along winding, unpaved roads, adjacent to horse farms and historic estates. Our boutique wineries house tasting rooms in everything from rustic barns and intimate cellars to architecturally stunning facilities. Indulge in tastings, tours, food pairings and conversation with award-winning winemakers.

LoCo Ale Trail



Virginians have been producing wine for over 400 years but now the craft beer scene is making waves. Loudoun is where visitors can get a distinct local taste at 23 breweries creating more than 200 unique brews. Home to the [LoCo Ale Trail](#), Loudoun blends rural farm breweries with industrial-style tasting rooms. Experience tasting rooms on farms where brewers are growing hops, cherries and other products to go into their beer or play corn hole and chat with a brewmaster at an urban brewery minutes from Dulles International Airport. Here, get a behind-the-scenes look into the industry by booking a guided tour of the Mid-Atlantic's first commercial-scale hops processing facility at Black Hops Farm or bike to breweries along the W&OD Trail.



Adventure in the Capital Region



From whitewater rafting and kayaking to treetop obstacle courses and zip line tours, there is something for every outdoor enthusiast at Harpers Ferry Adventure Center.

At Empower Adventures, try the zip and ride package to experience Middleburg by air and by land with a horseback ride through the countryside.

For thrill seekers, experience skydiving without the parachute at iFly-the DC area's first indoor skydiving experience.

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What's new in Loudoun



LoCo Ale Trail additions

Hoof Brewing and Twinpanzee Brewing Co.

Several new breweries are opening in 2017. In Spring, Loudoun welcomed **Delirium Café's** first US location in historic Leesburg. This upscale, Belgium-based cafe features more than 260 beers including several local favorites. **Crooked Run Brewery** opened its second location, Crooked Run Central, teaming up with Senior Ramon Taqueria to offer visitors craft beer and traditional Mexican flavor all in one tasting room. Other breweries that opened in 2017 include Solace Brewing, Black



DC's Wine Country Passport

Taste your way through Loudoun's wine country with the new [DC's Wine Country Passport](#). Created by Visit Loudoun and launched this summer, the passport offers exclusive perks to more than 20 wineries including 2 for 1 tastings, discounts on purchases, gift cards and more. Visitors can purchase an annual pass for \$55 or a three-day one for \$25.



ION International Training Center

Former Olympic figure skater and Romanian national champion Luiz Taifas and his wife, Mitra Setayesh, are slated to open an 85,000-square-foot, \$19.5 million center in 2018, featuring two NHL-sized rinks. The two-story building will also include a full-service gym, cafe, pro shop and hockey training room as well as a multifunctional floor for non ice-related sporting events and concerts. The facility will be encircled with seating for up to 4,200.



Resort News

honey from the resort's bee program.

Lansdowne Resort & Spa opened a Virginia-inspired restaurant Coton & Rye following a multi-million dollar renovation of all 296 guest rooms. The name comes from the farm located on the property in the 1700's and pays homage to Virginia's wine country landscape. **Salamander Resort & Spa** welcomed new Executive Chef Ryan Arensdorf in January. Arensdorf is expanding the resort's culinary offerings to feature items from the on-site culinary garden and specialty cheeses paired with



Leesburg Launches New Walking Tour App

In August, The Town of Leesburg unveiled the "Tour Leesburg" app, which guides visitors to various historic sites in the downtown district. Currently, two tours are available-one focused on the overall history of the town and the other highlighting Leesburg's African American history. The app includes video clips, historical images and other content that helps tell this story of this town, which was established in 1758.



New Events in 2017

LoCo Hangar Fest: Nov. 11. Tap into the LoCo Ale Trail and experience craft beer from more than a dozen Loudoun breweries at this event in a private jet hangar. Meet with brewmasters and discover why Loudoun is a must-visit beer destination.