WELCOME

The Roanoke Island Festival Park Overnight Program offers groups a unique opportunity to walk in the footsteps of the sailors, soldiers, and craftsmen who attempted to colonize Roanoke Island and the Outer Banks for England in 1585. Not only will program participants learn information about England’s colonization efforts, they will learn blacksmithing, wood working, weaving, and many other activities related to this unique story in a hands-on environment.

Contained in this packet is a brief summary of the types of activities program participants will encounter with costumed interpreters at Roanoke Island Festival Park. The cost of the program is $30 per person with a 15 person minimum (minimum cost of $450). A $100 non-refundable deposit is due two weeks after booking your overnight program and the remaining balance is due no later than the Monday prior to your adventure.

If you have any further questions, or wish to book an evening of adventure, please contact:

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OVERNIGHT SCHEDULE & ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

Please note, the schedule is subject to changes due to varying factors such as group arrival time and weather.

6:00 PM – ADVENTURE MUSEUM

Group will arrive and store overnight gear in the Adventure Museum lobby. This will be followed by a brief introduction into the Roanoke Voyages and Roanoke Island Festival Park.

6:15 PM – GUN DRILL PRESENTATION

Group will help costumed interpreters defend the settlement by participating in a gun drill on the Elizabeth II.

6:30 PM – EXHIBIT EXPLORATION: ELIZABETH II

Participants will explore the decks of the Elizabeth II, which represents one of the seven ships that carried colonists from England to North America in 1585. While aboard ship, participants will heave on the ship’s capstan and learn how to tie several simple knots.

7:15 PM – EXHIBIT EXPLORATION: AMERICAN INDIAN TOWN

Group will explore the American Indian Town exhibit and participate in several hands-on activities including weaving and constructing a dug-out canoe.

8:00 PM – BATHROOM AND SNACK BREAK

Group will take a snack (to be provided by the group) and bathroom break in the Adventure Museum lobby.

8:30 PM – HANDS-ON ACTIVITY: SCAVENGER HUNT

Group will go on a history scavenger hunt through the Adventure Museum, which touches on 400 years of Roanoke Island. Afterwards, the Group will have time for “free play” in the Adventure Museum to try on costumes and further explore sections of the Museum.

9:30 PM – PREPARATIONS FOR LIGHTS OUT

Group will prepare their overnight gear and prepare for Lights Out.

10:30 PM – LIGHTS OUT
7:00 AM – WAKE UP CALL AND BREAKFAST

Group will wake up, clean up the overnight gear and have a light breakfast (to be provided by the Group).

7:30 AM – HANDS-ON ACTIVITY: BLACKSMITH’S APPRENTICE

Youth members of the group will work one-on-one with the blacksmith to make their own handforged 16th century nail. Depending on the size of the Group, the Group may be split in half to work on other activities while waiting their turn to make a nail.

8:00 AM – EXHIBIT EXPLORATION: THE SETTLEMENT

Participants will explore the barracks and sergeant’s tents in the settlement and learn how to use various carpentry tools including the draw knife and spring pole lathe.

8:45 AM – HANDS-ON ACTIVITY: PIKE DRILL

Group will end their experience by learning how to defend the settlement with pikes and participating in a pike drill.

9:00 AM – DEPARTURE

Group will reassemble in the Adventure Museum lobby to fill out program surveys and depart for the day.
OVERNIGHT CHECK LIST

Items the overnight participants are suggested to bring:

**ALL - WEATHER GEAR:**
- Sleeping Bag and Pillow
- Flashlight
- Toilet Articles (toothbrush, toothpaste, etc.)
- Sleeping Apparel
- Evening and Morning Snack (that does not require cooking)
- Reusable Bottle of Water

**COLD - WEATHER GEAR** (bring two more layers than you think you need):
- Coat
- Hat
- Gloves
- Layered Clothing: sweaters, sweatshirts, t-shirts, etc.
- Woolen Socks

**WARM - WEATHER GEAR:**
- Wind-breaker
- Sunscreen
- Closed-Toe Shoes (no sandals please)
- Raincoat/poncho
- Hat

Please keep in mind that each participant will carry his or her own belongings.
DRIVING DIRECTIONS & PARKING

1. Follow US 64 East to Manteo.
2. Cross the Virginia Dare Bridge from Manns Harbor to Roanoke Island, turn left at the first stoplight and follow the road into the Town of Manteo.
3. Turn right at the stoplight on Budleigh Street (there will be a Colony Tire on your right).
4. Follow Budleigh Street to the end and at the stop sign, turn left.
5. Follow the road to the end (at the Tranquil House Inn) and turn right to cross over the bridge to Roanoke Island Festival Park.

From Points North – Richmond, VA and Washington, D.C.

1. Follow I-64 to Hampton, Virginia.
2. Go South on I-664 through the Monitor-Merrimac Memorial Bridge Tunnel.
3. Take I-64 towards Norfolk, Virginia Beach, and Nags Head.
4. Take the Nags Head Exit, which will lead you to a toll road. The toll is $2.00 per car during the fall, winter, and spring and increases to $6.00 per car on Saturdays and Sundays in the late spring and summer seasons.
5. The toll road will turn into Highway 158 South.
6. Follow Highway 158 to the Outer Banks (you will cross the Wrights Brother Memorial Bridge into Kitty Hawk, North Carolina).
7. Follow Highway 158 through Kitty Hawk, Kill Devil Hills, and Nags Head.
8. Follow the directions “From Nags Head, North Carolina” to get to Roanoke Island Festival Park.

From Nags Head, North Carolina

1. Follow Highway 158 to Highway 64 towards Manteo.
2. You will cross over the smaller Melvin Daniels Bridge and then the Washington Baum Bridge.
3. After crossing both bridges, stay in your right lane. You will pass a stoplight at Pirate's Cove. At the second stop light, turn right into the Town of Manteo.
4. Follow Budleigh Street to the end and at the stop sign, turn left.
5. Follow the road to the end (at the Tranquil House Inn) and turn right to cross over the bridge to Roanoke Island Festival Park.