

Colonial Williamsburg

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Free Admission for Military Families, Special Programs Offered Veterans Day Weekend

The “Honoring Service to America” program extends free admission to active-duty military, veterans, reservists, retirees and their dependents Nov. 8-11 thanks to a generous grant from The Home Depot Foundation



WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (Nov. 5, 2019) – Colonial Williamsburg honors American military service Veterans Day weekend Nov. 8-11 with free Single-day admission for all active-duty military, reservists, National Guard members, veterans, retirees and their dependents. The foundation observes Veterans Day and women’s contributions to military efforts throughout America’s history through special military-themed programs including a veterans’ parade and a memorial ceremony honoring fallen service members.

The “Honoring Service to America” complimentary ticket program is made possible again this year by a generous \$100,000 grant from the Home Depot Foundation, whose mission is to improve the homes and lives of U.S. military veterans and their families. The program has distributed more than 37,000 tickets to military families since 2014.

While visiting Colonial Williamsburg, military families are encouraged to visit Colonial Williamsburg’s military information desk at the Colonial Williamsburg Regional Visitor Center and the Liberty Lounge, a complimentary space for ticketed military guests to relax and recharge in the Historic Area that has served more than 200,000 military guests and their families since opening.

Colonial Williamsburg observes Veterans Day weekend on Sun., Nov. 10. The day begins with a spirited military proclamation at 10 a.m. near the entrance to the Liberty Lounge on Duke of Gloucester Street. At 2 p.m. active-duty military, veterans and their families are invited to gather outside the Capitol building for a parade down Duke of Gloucester Street honoring veterans at 2:20 p.m. The parade, which begins with an address from Colonial Williamsburg Nation Builder

Martha Washington, is led by Colonial Williamsburg Nation Builders George Washington and Marquis de Lafayette on horseback and concludes with a Salute to the Citizen Soldier. At 3:30 p.m. a service honoring fallen service members is held in collaboration with the Williamsburg Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution in the Governor's Palace Revolutionary War cemetery. The memorial service will highlight women's contributions to military causes throughout history and is free and open to the public. As dusk falls, a lone bagpiper honors our nation's heroes with music played from the roof deck of the Governor's Palace.

Colonial Williamsburg is proud to offer military discounts on Colonial Williamsburg hotels, dining, retail, golf and spa.

Free Honoring Service to America tickets are available at all onsite ticket locations with proper ID. Minor dependents must be accompanied by an adult, and dependents ages 10 and over must present valid dependent ID. Service members need not be present for qualifying guests to receive free Honoring Service to America tickets, which are provided to dependent family members of currently deployed troops with appropriate identification. Veterans who separated before retirement can bring a copy of their honorable discharge paperwork, form DD 214, as identification of service. These weekend-long admission tickets are available at all onsite ticketing locations.

Additional information on the "Honoring Service to America" program and other military offerings is available by visiting www.colonialwilliamsburg.com/military, by calling 855-296-6627 toll-free and by following Colonial Williamsburg on [Facebook](#) and [@colonialwmsburg](#) on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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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 nearly 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.

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Since 2011, the Foundation has invested over a quarter of a billion dollars in veteran-related causes and improved more than 40,000 veteran homes and facilities in 2,500 cities. In 2018, the Foundation committed an additional \$50 million dollars to train 20,000 skilled tradespeople over the next 10 years starting with separating military members and veterans, at-risk youth and members of the Atlanta Westside community.

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