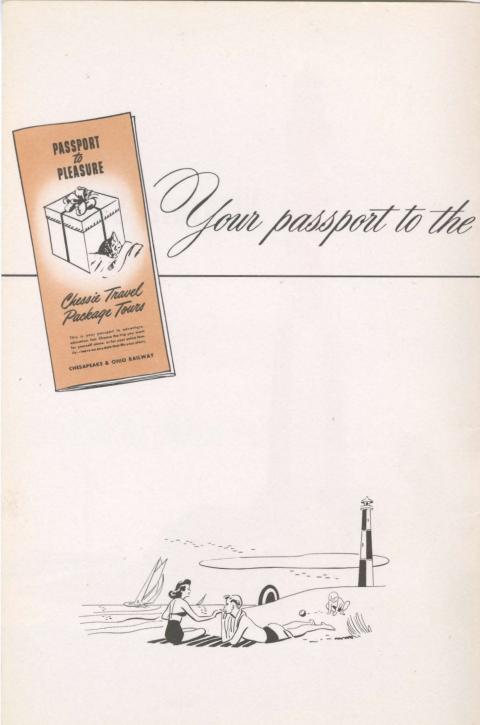
Virginia Shore

CHESAPEAKE & OHIO LINES



Sunny Virginia Shore

We're off to meet Virginia where Virginia meets the sea! Your vacation starts the moment you glide away from the station platform for a smooth Chesapeake & Ohio trip. Ease back in your reclining, reserved seat and watch the ever-changing scenery unfold each new vista more delightful than the last.

You'll cruise for miles along the banks of the broad Ohio River. You'll roll through sunny Kentucky where thoroughbred horses-whinny and romp on the blue grass plains. You'll sweep across the deep cut of New River Gorge, and thread your way in and out of the vast, towering Allegheny and Blue Ridge Mountains.



When you're hungry, you'll step to the diner for a famous Chesapeake & Ohio meal; good food and lots of it . . . cooked just right and capably served.

Air-conditioned cars, service with a "personal touch," and the hearty good-fellowship of travelers having fun—all help to make your trip on the C&O a carefree and restful adventure.

Your arrival finds you rested and ready for the exciting and beautiful Virginia seashore.

Now-to get yourself into a saltwater mood-visit the exciting Mariners' Museum on the James River. Here on display are ship's figureheads, historic prints and paintings, ship models, marine medals, coins and weapons . . . trophies of "the maritime accomplishments of all times and of every nation."



Port o' Pleasure ...

Brace yourself for your first breath-taking sight of vast Hampton Roads, one of the greatest natural shipping harbors in the world. Here the James, Nansemond, and Elizabeth rivers converge to pour their waters into Chesapeake Bay. This is the great ocean gateway to Virginia . . . miles of inland waterways, bordered with bright, white beaches and enchanting countryside.



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Here you can swim or bask in the sun, sail up into the broad Chesapeake, fish in the deep sea or tidewater streams, hunt ducks and wild geese, tramp through woodland trails, and explore the numerous historic shrines that dot the coastline:

For you who like to rest and dream, the ever-shifting water traffic through the Roads provides endless diversion. Freighters trailing wispy plumes of smoke ... great warships, lean and gray against the horizon ... chugging trawlers and oyster boats ... sleek yachts and cabin cruisers ... all pass before you in constant parade. This huge harbor has played host to world shipping since earliest exploration days. It was through historic Hampton Roads that Sir Christopher Newport sailed in 1607. He, and his hardy band of pioneers ventured up the James River to found the first permanent English settlement in this country at Jamestown, Va.

In these waters, the first ironclad ships, the Monitor and the Merrimac, clashed in fierce battle on March 8, 1862, proving to the world the superiority of steel ships.

In this famous harbor, Abraham Lincoln met with the Confederate commissioners on board a steamship, during the War Between the States. The meeting is recorded in history as The Hampton Roads' Conference.

Sports of your choosing, a superb climate, a rich historical background-all these make Hampton Roads a true port o' pleasure-and first stop in your vacation of fun.



Don't Miss This Point ...

No tour through Tidewater Virginia is complete until you've visited nearby Old Point Comfort—as serene and as charming as the name suggests. A sunny, sandy peninsula, it stretches lazily into Hampton Roads and is caressed by the sparkling waters of Lower Chesapeake Bay. Here you'll feel the same light-hearted ease that has enticed vacationers to the "Point" for more than a century. This is the place for you to sniff the salt air and stretch your tired body in the warm Virginia sun.

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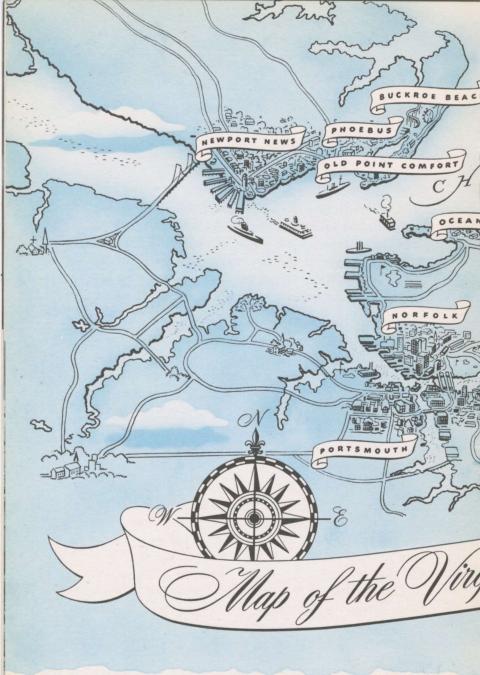


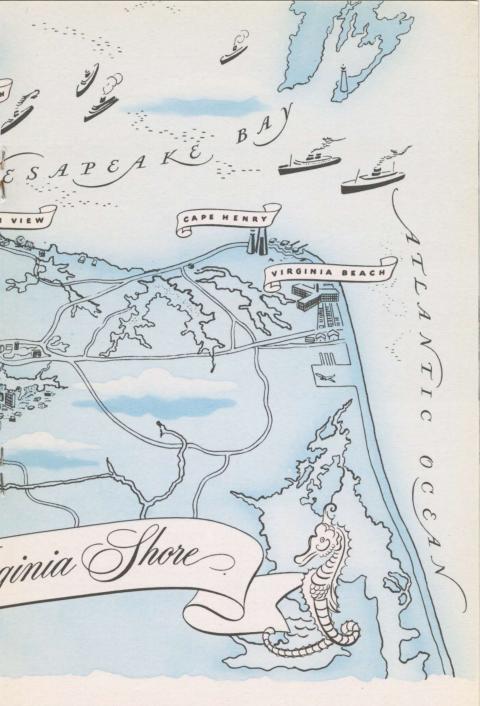


Gulls wheel in lazy circles overhead. White coastwise steamers sidle up to Old Point's dock. Trim sailboats glide into anchorage with easy elegance. As you feel the light breeze off the bay, hear the muted tolling of the bell buoys in the channel—yes, it's easy to fall into the relaxed tempo of life at Old Point Comfort.

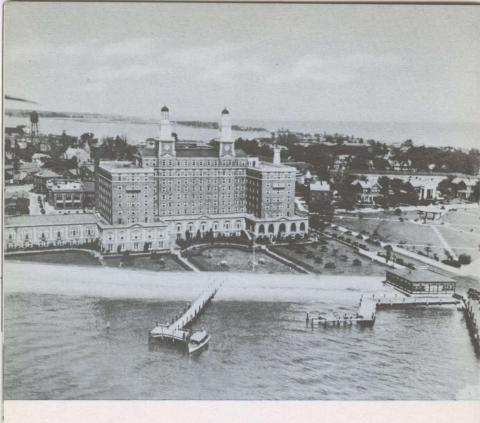
Old Point is not without its spectacle and pageantry, however. You'll thrill to giant formations of Army bombers, winging overhead on practice flights from Langley Field. You'll gaze upon huge battleships threading their way through Hampton Roads, exchanging staccato messages with great winking searchlights. And you'll visit nearby Fortress Monroe which has stood guard on the "Point" since it was first garrisoned in 1823.

Historic Fortress Monroe was erected on the same site as that used by the Jamestown Settlers for a stockade in 1609. Here at the fort, Jefferson Davis was held a prisoner for two years after his capture on May 10, 1865. You'll walk the same ground that once was trod by Edgar Allan Poe, when in 1828 he was an enlisted man here. And the first vacationers to come to the "Point" were the curious crowds who flocked to the fort in 1832 to see the imprisoned Chief Black Hawk and his warriors.





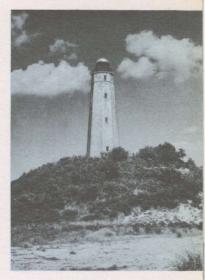
AY SERVES THE VIRGINIA SEASHORE.



A towering landmark from the sea, and the center of social activities on the "Point," is the luxurious Hotel Chamberlin. There are a host of good, limb-stretching summer sports here. There are refreshing salt-water swimming pools, indoors and out. The Chamberlin has beautiful outside rooms overlooking the sea, and mouth-watering, southern-style meals in the dining and grill rooms. From the hotel you can arrange for tours to the historic shrines at Jamestown Island and the Yorktown battlefields.

Again we say-don't miss this "Point"! Delightful Old Point Comfort! Six Miles of Fun in the Sun...

A quick ferry trip across to Norfolk and a scenic twenty-mile motor jaunt south will bring you to Virginia's most famous playground. And oh, what a playground it is! Six straight miles of clean, white, sun-warm sand . . . the broad, blue water . . . stately ocean-front hotels . . . creamy gardenias and blazing azaleas in green, trimmed gardens . . . dance music floating in a mild Gulf Stream breeze . . . this is Virginia Beach!



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Bring your swim suit, your golf clubs, your tennis racquet, your riding boots but leave your cares at home. For "fun" is the watchword here. Romp on the roomy, broad sweep of beach. Plunge in the cool, sparkling surf and come up smiling and refreshed. Then stretch out flat on the clean sand and let the sun bake you brown.



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And off the beach — thrill to the sweet, solid sock of a golf ball on the pine-shaded Princess Anne course. Eighteen holes with clipped, fast fairways and flawless, velvet greens. Play on one of the hard clay courts where tennis ball meets racquet with a musical "plunk" and you can answer the challenge "set point." Ride at a gallop over sand dunes with the sea spray in your face, or trot your mount through winding, restful forest paths.

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And there's plenty of fishing to be done. You can surfcast, hip-deep in the foamy breakers, or pursue the elusive bass in nearby fresh-water lakes. There's deepsea fishing and inland fishing. Pike and perch, striped bass and channel bass, bluefish, rockfish, croakers and flounders—they're waiting for you here in abundance. Better bring your camera, cause chances are you'll be posing with a big catch before you leave.

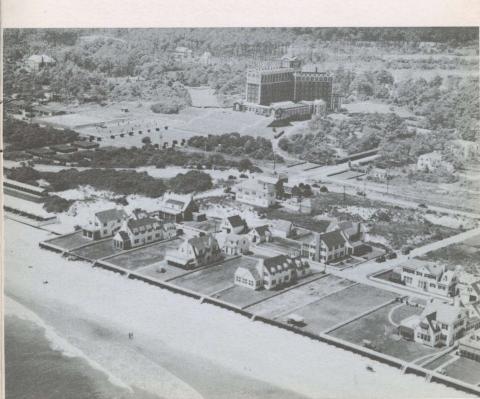


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Sharp, healthy appetites find good food waiting for them at Virginia Beach. The restaurants and hotels specialize in tasty southern dishes: tender fried chicken, succulent Virginia hams, corn bread, hot biscuits, candied yams, oysters and clams fresh from Lynnhaven Bay—mmm, how you'll smack your lips over these! This beautiful resort boasts many fine hotels, the most sumptuous being the world-famed Cavalier. Here you can play in the sun on a private beach, dance under the stars near the phosphorescent sea, and enjoy the gracious living that is traditional in historic Virginia.

Thousands of vacationers are drawn to Virginia Beach and near-by Ocean View each year because of the exceptional climate and the wealth of facilities for healthful, outdoor, summer fun. Here is a place of easy laughter and easy living, where you can play vigorously and relax completely.

What are you waiting for? Pack your bags, lock the front door behind you and head for the surf!





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