

*Civil War in Newport News, Virginia*  
*During the Holidays*  
*Day Itinerary Available December 8-30, 2011*

- 10:00am Arrive at **Lee Hall Mansion** and meet your Tour Guide for the day. Today you will step back in time to enjoy the wonder and elegance of a mid-19<sup>th</sup> Century Christmas. The Mansion is replete with all of the finery and decor that a gentleman farmer and his family could provide. Experience the holidays as Richard D. Lee and his family did prior to the American Civil War. Tour the mansion and the unique 1862 Peninsula Campaign Gallery which houses artifacts from the campaign.
- 10:45am Board your motorcoach and depart with your Tour Guide for **Endview Plantation**.  
11:00am Arrive and tour Endview Plantation.  
Completed in 1769 by William Harwood, Endview has been restored to its 1862 appearance. In the 1850s, the home was purchased by Dr. Humphrey Harwood Curtis, William Harwood's great-grandson. The home was used briefly as a Confederate hospital in the spring of 1862 and was then occupied by Union forces until 1864.
- 11:45am Board your motorcoach and depart for lunch at the **First Ladies Tea Parlor**.  
12:00pm Arrive and enjoy a delightful lunch at the First Ladies Tea Parlor in the village of Port Warwick, Newport News. Guests will enjoy a traditional choice of several varieties of tea, finely cut sandwiches, freshly baked scones, jam and clotted cream and a range of delicate pastries, combined to make for an unforgettable afternoon.
- 1:30pm Depart for **The Mariners' Museum and the USS Monitor Center**.  
1:45pm Designated by Congress as America's National Maritime Museum, The Mariners' Museum offers a captivating look at centuries of seafaring adventures. The dramatic USS *Monitor* Center brings to life the "Battle of the Ironclads" and offers visitors the chance to walk the deck of a full-scale *Monitor* replica. Other treasures await you at this maritime gem. The world-class collection includes 35,000 maritime paintings, artifacts, figure heads, ship models, decorative arts and small craft from around the world.
- 5:00pm Board your motorcoach and depart for Virginia's first drive-through holiday light event  
5:30pm Arrive at the Newport News Park and enjoy **Celebration in Lights**. This two-mile drive-through holiday light event will open this year for its 19<sup>th</sup> season. View over half a million individual lights creating animated holiday scenes.
- 6:15pm Arrive for **Dickens Christmas Dinner** at the **Boxwood Inn** featuring the Doorway Singers. Envision a British manor house in December 1870 where Christmas is celebrated in the finest traditional sense, accompanied by "*Holly and the Ivy*," "*Deck the Halls*," "*Gloucestershire Wassail*," and "*Good King Wenceslas*." Bring on the plum pudding and have a happy holiday!
- 7:45pm Board your motorcoach and depart for home.

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