



Groups visiting Newport News in the fall experience much more than nature's splendor!

Newport News, VA, July 8, 2016 – Autumn brings pleasant temperatures, beautiful foliage and an array of events to Newport News. During September and October alone, a Brazilian festival, a traditional craft show, an art and sculpture festival, a celebration of Greek culture, an oyster roast, and lantern tours are just a few of the great things happening in this city by the James River.

It's easy to enjoy fall in the great outdoors of Newport News. Opportunities for hiking, biking, fishing, boating, and golfing abound in [Newport News Park](#) (which, by the way, is commemorating its 50th anniversary this year!)

At 7,711 acres, Newport News Park is also the perfect setting for some of our favorite events, like the annual [43rd Annual Newport News Fall Festival of Folklife](#) the first weekend in October (Oct. 1-2). Coastal Virginia's biggest traditional craft show, the Fall Festival of Folklife has been held in Newport News Park since 1974. It's here that groups can indulge in traditional crafts and trades, demonstrations, folk music, and the many sights, sounds and memories that have been passed down from generation to generation.

Another great setting for outdoor fall fun can be found at the [12th Annual Port Warwick Art & Sculpture Festival](#) (Oct. 8-9) around Styron Square in Port Warwick. More than 100 artists and sculptors from across the nation are showcased in this gorgeous outdoor setting.

Two more popular fall events have City Center at Oyster Point as their backdrop: The [Virginia Brazilian Festival](#) on Sept. 17 – a celebration of Brazilian culture, food and people – and the annual [City Center Oyster Roast](#) on Oct. 21.

Tasty Greek dishes, music and dancing bring thousands to the fall edition of the [Newport News Greek Festival](#) (Oct. 20-22). Enjoy food specialties such as moussaka, spanakopita, pastitsio, and mouth-watering pastries while listening to Greek music and watching traditional folk dancing.

Autumn is the perfect time to visit Newport News. We have mild temperatures in the 60s and 70s, beautiful foliage turning every color imaginable, and events ideally suited for groups! For more information about our group-friendly events and to request a Group Planner, contact Barb Kleiss, Group Marketing Manager with the Newport News Tourism Development Office, at 757-926-1442, toll-free at 888-493-7386, or via e-mail at bkleiss@nnva.gov.

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