

The Patuxent Challenge

Itineraries

Consider one of the following itineraries to expand your enjoyment of the Patuxent Challenge sites and activities:

Option 1: Explore Calvert County's Natural Beauty with the Patuxent Challenge!

Are you ready for an unforgettable adventure? The Patuxent Challenge offers a unique blend of outdoor adventure and cultural exploration along the Patuxent River. Take part in the challenge and experience the beauty of our natural landscapes and the warmth of Calvert County. From fishing to hiking and kayaking, Calvert County has it all. Be sure to document your participation in each activity by taking a selfie at each activity sign and email it to PatuxentChallenge@gmail.com!

Day 1: Fishing Fun at [Kings Landing Park](#)

Sign location: Fishing Pier

Morning: Start your day bright and early at Kings Landing Park. This picturesque park is a hidden gem for fishing enthusiasts. Whether you're a seasoned angler or a beginner, the serene waters of the Patuxent River are perfect for casting your line. Persons 16 or older are required to have a valid Maryland Chesapeake Bay & Coastal Sport Fishing License. On your way to the park, be sure to look out for the Crossed Kayaks barn quilt on Huntingtown Road. Check out the [Calvert County Barn Quilt Trail](#) for a complete list of locations.

Afternoon: After a morning of fishing, enjoy a picnic lunch at one of the park's scenic picnic areas. Then, explore the park's nature trails and keep an eye out for local wildlife. Be sure to check out the wayside exhibits, funded by the Chesapeake Bay Gateways Network and learn more about the significance of the Patuxent River and the wildlife that depends on it. After lunch, take a 15-minute drive to enjoy some family fun at a local bowling alley or other activity.

Evening: Wrap up your day with a relaxing evening by the river, watching the sunset over the water. Kings Landing Park offers a serene and peaceful atmosphere that will leave you feeling rejuvenated. Hungry? Stop by a local restaurant nearby for delicious food in a colorful and fun atmosphere.

Admission: FREE

Address: 3255 Kings Landing Road, Huntingtown MD 20639

Park Hours:

September 11 through November 4 - Daily 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

After November 4, hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For More Information Please Call: 410-535-2661

Day 2: Hike Through History at [Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum](#)

Sign Location: Along Village Trail

Morning: Begin your day with a visit to Jefferson Patterson Park & Museum. Explore the extensive network of trails that wind through forests and fields, offering picturesque views of the Patuxent River. Don't forget to stop by the visitor center to learn about the park's history and archaeological treasures.

Afternoon: Enjoy a packed lunch amid the beautiful surroundings of the park. You'll be transported back in time as you wander through reconstructed Indian villages and discover the rich history of the region. Visit a local winery for a wine tasting in a relaxed atmosphere.

Evening: As the day comes to a close, you can relax in the park's tranquil setting. If there are any special events at the park, be sure to check the Community Events Calendar for details. On your way home, be sure to enjoy local fare at a nearby restaurant.

Admission: FREE

Address: 10515 Mackall Road, St. Leonard, MD 20685

Park Hours: 7:30 a.m. to dusk year-round, closed on Thanksgiving and Christmas Day

Visitor Center: Wednesday through Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For More Information Please Call: 410-586-8538

Day 3: Kayaking Adventure at [Lower Marlboro Wharf](#)

Sign Location: Wharf

Morning: Spend your morning at Lower Marlboro Wharf, a perfect spot for kayaking and canoeing. Bring your own or rent equipment from local outfitters. Paddle along the calm waters of the Patuxent River and explore its scenic shoreline.

Afternoon: Enjoy a leisurely lunch by the water or enjoy fishing from the pier. Persons 16 or older are required to have a valid Maryland Chesapeake Bay & Coastal Sport Fishing License. Later on in the afternoon stop by a microbrewery that uses local ingredients.

Evening: Wrap up your Patuxent Challenge adventure with a sunset paddle on the river. As you glide along the water, take in the peaceful ambiance and the natural beauty that surrounds you. Stop by a local restaurant for mouth-watering home cooking to round out your day.

Admission: FREE

Address: 3955 Lower Marlboro Road, Owings, MD 20736

Wharf Hours: Dawn to Dusk

For More Information Please Call: 410-535-5327