



Join the Adventure

Explore the places Englishman John Smith traveled in the early 1600s. Learn about the thriving American Indian communities he encountered and imagine the bountiful Chesapeake he observed. Experience the natural and cultural richness that exists in the region today.

The 3,000-mile Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail traces the exploratory voyages Smith conducted from 1607 to 1609 on the Chesapeake Bay and along several major rivers. The trail includes parks, museum sites, driving tours, and water trails that align with Smith's historic voyage routes and offer opportunities for recreation and discovery.



Experience the Trail

- Explore rivers, coves, and open water by kayak, sailboat, or motor craft.
- Bicycle or hike along woodland trails and shoreline paths.
- Follow winding back roads through rural landscapes and historic villages.
- Visit places that celebrate American Indian heritage.
- See birds and other wildlife foraging in marshes, waterways, and forests.
- Attend festivals and demonstrations, or join a guided tour.



To learn more about the trail and to plan your adventure, visit www.smithtrail.net



Overlooking the Susquehanna River



Students aboard *Discovery* at Jamestown Settlement



Kayakers explore the trail



Indian dance demonstration at Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum

