



**MARCH 2017**  
**VIRGINIA WINE, CIDER, CRAFT BEER & SPIRITS**



**February 27-March 4**

**Virginia Wine Expo (Richmond)**

A curated, national, six-day destination wine and food event at the spectacular Main Street Station and nearby venues. Showcasing premium Virginia, Oregon, New Zealand and Australian wines.

[www.virginiawineexpo.com](http://www.virginiawineexpo.com)

**March 1: Paddling Film Festival**

**Chaos Mountain Brewing (Callaway)**

See that world's best paddling films of the year in 120+ locations around the world. Live music, food trucks and craft beer specials. Admission free.

[www.playfranklincounty.com](http://www.playfranklincounty.com)



**March 1: Wine Tasting with Chris Pearmund**

**Denim and Pearls Restaurant (Warrenton)**

A fun event with Chris Pearmund featuring wine from Pearmund Cellars, Effingham Manor Winery and Vint Hill Craft Winery. Appetizer specials and wine discounts.

[www.denimandpearlsrestaurant.com](http://www.denimandpearlsrestaurant.com)

**March 3: Merlot Vertical Tasting**

**Breaux Vineyards (Purcellville)**

Sample and discuss various vintages with winemaker, Josh Gerard. Three-course gourmet meal and pairing, finished with delectable truffle. 90-minutes; reservations.

[www.breauxvineyards.com](http://www.breauxvineyards.com)

**March 3: Mac 'N' Cheese Wine Pairing**

**James Charles Winery (Winchester)**

Experience wine and cheese in a new way with self-guided pairing of wine and four gourmet mini mac "n" cheese bites. Tasting comes includes pairing guide. Reservations.

[www.jamescharleswine.com](http://www.jamescharleswine.com)

### **March 3: Holi Festival of Colors**

#### **Narmada Winery (Amissville)**

Celebrate Holi, the official welcoming of spring and fresh start for the new year, and join in “throwing colors” with rose petals. Select wines to pair with food sampler.

[www.narmadawinery.com](http://www.narmadawinery.com)



### **March 3: Mac ‘N’ Cheese Wine Pairing**

#### **Veramar Vineyards (Berryville)**

Experience wine and cheese in a new way with self-guided pairing of wine and four gourmet mini mac “n” cheese bites. Tasting comes includes pairing guide. Reservations.

[www.veramar.com](http://www.veramar.com)

### **March 3: Bring Your Own Vinyl Party**

#### **Adventure Brewing Company (Fredericksburg)**

An evening of music and beer. Dust off your old Vinyl and bring your favorite tunes to play as you take a turn at DJ.

[www.adventurebrewing.com](http://www.adventurebrewing.com)

### **March 3: Mac ‘N’ Cheese Wine Pairing**

#### **Bogati Winery (Round Hill)**

Experience wine and cheese in a new way with self-guided pairing of wine and four gourmet mini mac “n” cheese bites. Tasting comes includes pairing guide. Reservations.

[www.bogatibodega.com](http://www.bogatibodega.com)



### **March 3-4: Spring Showcase**

#### **James River Cellars Winery (Glen Allen)**

A special cookie weekend with Girl Scout Cookie Pairing and music on Saturday; cookie decorating and wine on Sunday. Adults and kids welcome. Admission.

[www.jamesrivercellars.com](http://www.jamesrivercellars.com)

### **March 3-4: Annual Barrel Tasting**

#### **Gray Ghost Vineyards and Winery (Amissville)**

Taste developing wines and experience blending. Only opportunity to reserve futures of 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon. Light hors d’oeuvres and logo glass. \$20.

[www.grayghostvineyards.com](http://www.grayghostvineyards.com)

### **March 6: Wine Glass Paint Night**

#### **James River Cellars Winery (Glen Allen)**

Get in touch with your artsy side and paint your own wine glass. Includes glass to paint, glass to drink and all supplies. Space is limited; reservations.

[www.jamesrivercellars.com](http://www.jamesrivercellars.com)



### **March 9: Toga Party**

#### **Adventure Brewing Company (Fredericksburg)**

Et tu, Brute? Pull out your bed sheets and some olive branches and enjoy the best craft beer in town. Our own Julius Caesar will be crowned.

[www.adventurebrewing.com](http://www.adventurebrewing.com)

### **March 10: Gray Ghost Winemaker Dinner**

#### **Marriott Ranch (Hume)**

An evening of culinary delight in an elegant setting. Five course dinner paired with Gray Ghost Vineyards' select wines and guided by the winemaker. Reservations.

[www.marriotttranch.com](http://www.marriotttranch.com)



### **March 10-11: Spring Oyster Fest**

#### **Early Mountain Vineyards (Madison)**

Weekend of wine, live music and fresh oysters. Seasonal menu of crab cakes, clam chowder and oysters on the half shell. Newly released 2017 Rosé will be flowing.

[www.earlymountain.com](http://www.earlymountain.com)

### **March 10, 17 & 24: Vertical Tasting Weekend**

#### **James River Cellars Winery (Glen Allen)**

Taste various vintages of Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot or Touriga. Learn about the factors that affect the flavors of wine. Tickets required.

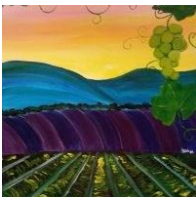
[www.jamesrivercellars.com](http://www.jamesrivercellars.com)

### **March 11: Painting Class**

#### **Ducard Vineyards (Etlan)**

An afternoon of laughing, music and creating one-of-a-kind masterpiece. Talented instructors will walk you through the creative process. Supplies included. Reservations.

[www.ducardvineyards.com](http://www.ducardvineyards.com)



### **March 11: Paint & Sip**

#### **Breaux Vineyards (Purcellville)**

A fun afternoon of listening to music and creating one-of-a-kind masterpiece. All art supplies and an awesome staff included. Wines and tidbits available for purchase.

[www.breauxvineyards.com](http://www.breauxvineyards.com)

### **March 13: Pints and Paint**

#### **Adventure Brewing Company (Fredericksburg)**

Paint in the spirit of St. Patrick with "Luck" the canvas of the month. All supplies and first flight included. Reservations.

[www.adventurebrewing.com](http://www.adventurebrewing.com)

**March 17: Saint Patrick's Weekend****Peaks of Otter Winery (Bedford)**

Extra discounts on wines if you are wearing green. Also visit National D-Day Memorial and the Bedford Museum just down the road.

[www.peaksofotterwinery.com](http://www.peaksofotterwinery.com)

**March 17: Run of the Irish 5K & 3K Runs****Devils Backbone Brewing Company (Roseland)**

The "Luck of the Irish" means prizes for the best dressed. Runners get gift card for food, beverages and merchandise. Hang in the Meadows after the runs. Advance registration.

[www.dbbrewingcompany.com](http://www.dbbrewingcompany.com)

**March 17: Shamrock Shenanigans Whisky Party****Virginia Distillery Company (Lovington)**

Special St. Patrick's Day Celebration includes all day food truck along with live music.

[www.vadistillery.com](http://www.vadistillery.com)

**March 17: 2018 Barrel Tasting****Narmada Winery (Amissville)**

Exclusive tasting with winemaker Sudha Patil of upcoming vintages of Yash-Vir, Melange and Cabernet Franc. Special discount to reserve case of your favorite.

[www.narmadawinery.com](http://www.narmadawinery.com)

**March 17: Cooking Class—Irish Whiskey & Fare****Salamander Resort & Spa Cooking Studio (Middleburg)**

Sip on Irish whiskey as you learn techniques on making your Irish favorites, like beer battered fish and homemade bangers. Reservations.

[www.salamanderresort.com](http://www.salamanderresort.com)

**March 17: St. Patrick's Day Bash****Stable Craft Brewing (Waynesboro)**

Don a wee bit of green and head to the Taproom for a St. Patrick's Day Bash like no other. Delicious Irish fare and lots of hearty Irish brews.

[www.stablecraftbrewing.com](http://www.stablecraftbrewing.com)

**March 17: St. Patrick's Celebration****Honah Lee vineyard (Gordonsville)**

Come, relax and gather round the fire pit. Listen to great music, enjoy the wine and delicious food by Mountain View BBQ.

[www.honahleevineyard.com](http://www.honahleevineyard.com)

**March 17: St. Paddy's on the Dan****2 Witches Winery & Brewing Co. (Danville)**

Green beer, food trucks, cash bar, music by Flipside the Band, 50/50 raffle and costume contest. To benefit Rotary community projects.

[www.2witcheswinebrew.com](http://www.2witcheswinebrew.com)

**March 17-18: Rosépalooza****Valley Road Vineyards (Afton)**

Celebrate "Rosé all day" with the release of the 2017 Joie Sparkling Rosé and the first Frosé of the season. Perfect for spring sipping.

[www.valleyroadwines.com](http://www.valleyroadwines.com)

**March 17: Shamrock & Shenanigans****Brew Republic Bierwerks (Woodbridge)**

Irish breakfast in the morning along with Vanguard Irish Red Ale and Night Mare Oatmeal Stout, \$1 for 12 oz pour. Get there early as price increases \$1 every hour.

[www.brewrepublic.beer](http://www.brewrepublic.beer)

**March 17: Winemaker's Barrel Tasting****Veramar Vineyard (Berryville)**

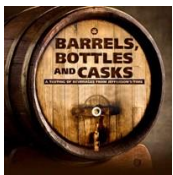
Irish cheer with Virginia wine and a warm cup of potato soup for a fine St. Patty's Day. Irish dancers in the tasting room from 2-3.

[www.veramar.com](http://www.veramar.com)

**March 17: St. Patty's Day Celebration****The Homeplace Vineyard (Chatham)**

Celebrate winery style with special Irish meal from Barnyard Catering, green sangria and music. Be sure to wear your green.

[www.thehomeplacevineyard.com](http://www.thehomeplacevineyard.com)

**March 23-24: Barrels, Bottles and Casks****Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest (Bedford)**

Sample different beverages on this special tasting tour. Focus is on spirits and culinary trends in Jefferson's time at Poplar Forest. Reservations.

[www.poplarforest.org](http://www.poplarforest.org)

**March 24: Winemaker's Dinner****Chateau Morrisette (Floyd)**

Multi-course meal with wine pairings. Winemaker will explain the pairings and talk about new wines. Reservations and prepayment.

[www.thedogs.com](http://www.thedogs.com)

**March 24: Winemaker Dinner****Marriott Ranch (Hume)**

Five course gourmet dinner paired with select wines from Desert Rose Winery. Winemaker Bob Claymier will discuss the wines and pairings. Reservations.

[www.marriotttranch.com](http://www.marriotttranch.com)

**March 24: 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Kite Flight****Three Fox Vineyards (Delaplane)**

Fun in the skies above the vineyard where the breezes are great for kite flying. Prizes for Best in Show, Most Time Aloft, Most Creative and Youngest Flyers. Judging at 3 pm.

[www.threefoxvineyards.com](http://www.threefoxvineyards.com)

**March 24: Blending Session****Tarara Winery (Leesburg)**

Begin with informative tasting and blending overview then break into groups for the actual blending. After lunch, taste the many creations and vote your choice.

[www.tarara.com](http://www.tarara.com)

**March 24: Creative Mankind Painting & Wine****Chrysalis Vineyards (Middleburg)**

Spend a fun afternoon painting and sipping, listening to music and creating your own masterpiece. All supplies and awesome staff included. Reservations 571-403-1912.

[www.chrysaliswine.com](http://www.chrysaliswine.com)

**March 24: Southern Food Festival****Center of the Universe Brewing Co. (Ashland)**

Dust off your family cookbooks and enter the Amateur Southern Dish Competition. Food vendors will be on hand as well as live music and special beer releases. Free event.

[www.cotubrewing.com](http://www.cotubrewing.com)

**March 25: Winemaker for a Day Blending Seminar****Narmada Winery (Amissville)**

Interactive winemaking seminar with winemaker Dusha Patil. Experience the excitement of combining both the art and science of winemaking and create your own unique cuvee.

[www.narmadawinery.com](http://www.narmadawinery.com)



**March 25: Hoppy Easter Eggstravaganza**  
**Stable Craft Brewing (Waynesboro)**

Easter games for young and old and a special beer release to celebrate the special day. They're cooking up Easter specials and maybe an Easter Bunny or two.

[www.stablecraftbrewing.com](http://www.stablecraftbrewing.com)

**March 30: Canvas Paint Night**  
**James River Cellars Winery (Glen Allen)**

Follow along with artist Nancy Jacey and create your own masterpiece. Perfect date night entertainment. Includes supplies and glass of wine. Tickets required.

[www.jamesrivercellars.com](http://www.jamesrivercellars.com)

**March 31: Easter Egg Hunt**  
**Ducard Vineyards (Etlan)**

You'll find treats inside and out and the Easter Bunny will be visiting. Live acoustic music by Haze & Dacey and goodies by food truck Sweet Treats.

[www.ducardvineyards.com](http://www.ducardvineyards.com)



**March 31: Hops, Wines & Swines Festival**  
**Olde Dominion Agricultural Complex (Chatham)**

Regional wine, craft beer, cider, mead, BBQ and More! Enjoy music by the Retro Band as you browse artisans and crafters and taste great beverage varieties.

[www.oldedominionagriculturecomplex.com/](http://www.oldedominionagriculturecomplex.com/)

**March 31: Jelly Bean Wars**  
**James River Cellars Winery (Glen Allen)**

An interactive event the day before Easter with wine and jelly bean pairings. Five different jelly beans and 10 wines, plus keep the wine glass. Tickets on line.

[www.jamesrivercellars.com](http://www.jamesrivercellars.com)

**March 31: Easter Egg Roll**  
**Three Fox Vineyards (Delaplane)**

In honor of Dolly Madison who started the White House tradition. Rolls at 2pm and 4pm and a winner for each who get a wonderful Easter Basket. Special appearance by the Easter Bunny.

[info@threefoxvineyards.com](mailto:info@threefoxvineyards.com) to register.

**About Events:** *As our information comes from many sources, we recommend you verify dates and times, as well as costs and reservations that may be required. (We are not responsible for incorrect or inaccurate information.)*

*If you would like to submit an event, send details (what, where and when, as well as contact information) to [info@vawinelover.com](mailto:info@vawinelover.com) no later than the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to the month of the event.*