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Stay Overnight

(Mid-Atlantic Region, March 12, 2020) — Plan your next getaway around an amazing lodging experience! Throughout the Mid-Atlantic, you can pick from a variety of unusual and memorable overnight accommodations. From luxury resorts to one of a kind bed and breakfast retreats, there is a wonderful assortment of places to rest your head across the region. You can journey back in time when you stay at one of the many national historical landmarks dating back to the birth of our country. Immerse yourself in breathtaking natural beauty while spending the night in a light house, tree house, railroad car, glamping, modern cabins or an all-inclusive family-owned country resort! When it comes to unique places to stay, there is something for everyone in the Mid-Atlantic region.

For more information on any of the following, contact the destination marketing organization listed below. For general information on the Mid-Atlantic, visit MATPRA.org.

DELAWARE

Delaware's Quaint Villages

Spend the night underneath the stars at Delaware's Quaint Villages' Killens Pond State Park. This Park features year-round wooded camping for tents, RVs, and family cabins. Spend the day at the outdoor waterpark, kayak along the 66-acre millpond or adventure off to one of their many hiking and biking trails. *Delaware's Quaint Villages (Kent County, DE), Danielle Jonigan, VisitDelaware Villages.com,*

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MARYLAND

*Maryland (State of)

For a unique camping experience, stay in either a treehouse or Hobbit House in Western Maryland. Travel to Southern Maryland to stay at the Cove Point Lighthouse, located along the Chesapeake Bay. Or stay along the C&O Canal in one of the seven lockhouses, ranging from full amenities to rustic living. *Maryland Office of Tourism, Matthew Scales, VisitMaryland.org, mscales@visitmaryland.org*

Calvert County

Cove Point Lighthouse is a beautifully restored and re-purposed active lighthouse and keeper's home that sits on a seven-acre point of land in one of the narrowest parts of the Chesapeake Bay. The gorgeous keeper's house can be rented as a vacation home, and sleeps up to 16 guests. Calvert County Department of Economic Development, Hilary Dailey, ChooseCalvert.com, hilary.dailey@calvertcountymd.gov

Charles County

Discover two of the friendliest lodging draws to Explore Charles County - Legends, Lore, and Room to Explore. Visit Rosewood Manor and Brictoria Cottage Bed and Breakfast locations soon and reimagine a wedding venue or rural retreat. Explore Charles County is 30 miles south of Washington D.C. *Charles County Government, Department of Recreation, Parks, & Tourism, Catherine Herbert, explorecharlescounty.com, herbertc@charlescountymd.gov*

Frederick County

Situated between the scenic Potomac and the still-active railroad tracks, Lockhouse 28 is a half mile from the nearest parking lot. Though this is a house, there is no electricity or plumbing inside. It is truly a place to get off the grid! *Visit Frederick, Melissa Joseph Muntz, VisitFrederick.org, mmuntz@fredco-md.net*

Harford County

Stay and play at the Vandiver Inn in Havre de Grace, Maryland. At Vandiver you will experience charming boutique lodging in a historic waterfront town. The Inn is located just blocks from the Chesapeake Bay and is surrounded by historic homes, museums, golf, shopping, antique stores, marinas and water-oriented activities. *Visit Harford, Mindy Schneider, VisitHarford.com*,

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Howard County

There is so much to explore in Howard County, especially at The Columbia Inn at Peralynna. A boutique hotel, nestled in a private estate and rolling hills of Howard County. Featuring a unique blend of chic and elegance. Be sure to ask for the fresh

baked cookies. Visit Howard County, Crystal Abrom, visithowardcountytourism.com, crystal@howardcountytourism.com

Talbot County

The luxurious Inn at Perry Cabin in St. Michaels is where "Wedding Crashers" was filmed while the historic Tidewater Inn anchors downtown Easton. Whether you're planning a weekend getaway or a family excursion, Talbot County also offers numerous rentals, from charming in-town cottages to sprawling estates on the Chesapeake Bay. *Talbot County Office of Tourism, Cassandra M. Vanhooser, TourTalbot.org,*cvanhooser@talbotcountymd.gov

Wicomico County

Stay in a historic building during your next visit to Wicomico County. The Whitehaven Hotel has eight rooms and is located on the Wicomico River by the Whitehaven Ferry. The new Gillis Grier Bed & Breakfast is in Salisbury. Or, get in touch with nature at one of three campgrounds. Wicomico County Tourism, *Vanessa Junkin, WicomicoTourism.org, vjunkin@wicomicocounty.org*

PENNSYLVANIA

Allegheny

From Plush to Primitive. The Lodge at Glendorn, set in the majestic scenery of the Allegheny National Forest, is the ultimate luxury resort, 4-star dining, wine cellar, and spa. B & B's in the Smethport Mansion District, Olmsted Manor, rustic cabins and campgrounds round out your distinct overnight accommodation choices. *Allegheny National Forest, Linda Devlin, VisitANF.com,*

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Bradford County

Built in 1897 for wealthy lumber baron and banker J. A. Decker, the Victorian Charm Inn in Towanda is a 30 room Victorian home welcoming guests as a bed & breakfast. Stained glass windows, original woodwork, wraparound porch and grand cherry staircase are some of the features of this cozy getaway spot. *Bradford County Tourism Promotion Agency, Morgan Christopher, VisitBradfordCounty.com, info @visitbradfordcounty.com*

Butler County

Armstrong Farms is an award-winning bed and breakfast. Their B&B is comprised of different houses and quaint cottages situated on the farm along with suites in the town of Saxonburg. With over six miles of trails, ponds and beautiful vistas, Armstrong Farms

offers a relaxing and unique lodging experience. Butler County Tourism & Convention Bureau, Butler County Tourism & Convention Bureau, VisitButlerCounty.com, tiffany@visitbutlercounty.com

Clearfield County

Clearfield County is the "best place to escape to in Pennsylvania" expedia.com. You can digitally disappear in Clearfield County's breathtaking natural beauty or you can enjoy and experience the many fun and adventurous activities and attractions that Clearfield County has to offer. Come visit the place that is also known as "Halfway to Everywhere." Visit Clearfield County, Josiah Jones, VisitClearfieldCounty.org, jjones@visitclearfield.com

Endless Mountains

Twin Spruce Tourist Home is a Victorian bed & breakfast operating in a historic "tourist home" dating back to the early 20th century when travelers and salesmen were the primary lodgers in these once popular venues along rural highways. Near hiking trails and wineries, this nostalgic property is the perfect mountain getaway! *Endless Mountains Visitors Bureau, Morgan Christopher, EndlessMountains.org,*sales@endlessmountains.org

Gettysburg

Stay at the upscale Federal Pointe Inn. Part of the Ascend Hotel Collection, this boutique hotel served as Gettysburg's first high school. The hotel pays homage to its past with old photos, report cards and chalkboards in the basement pub. *Destination Gettysburg, Rachel Wright, DestinationGettysburg.com, rachel@destinationgettysburg.com*

Happy Valley

Wake up to Happy Valley. Spend the night in a state park with sweeping lake views at The Nature Inn at Bald Eagle State Park. Luxury and sophistication abound at the Carnegie Inn & Spa. Connect with university tradition on Penn State's campus for a comfortable stay at the Nittany Lion Inn. *Happy Valley Adventure Bureau, Edward Stoddard, visitpennstate.org, edwards@visitpennstate.org*

Lancaster County

Lancaster County offers plenty of unique lodging, from the fun of refurbished railroad cars at Red Caboose Motel in Ronks to the live entertainment vibe & theme-ing of Hotel Rock Lititz to the intimate & personalized tiny-house experience at Tiny Estates in Elizabethtown. Discover Lancaster, Joel Cliff, DiscoverLancaster.com, icliff@discoverlancaster.com

Pennsylvania Commonwealth

From cozy bed and breakfasts to luxury resorts and even rustic farm stays, Pennsylvania has accommodations for your next adventure. Fall asleep under the stars, relax by the fire on the countryside, or shop til' you drop in a charming city. *Pennsylvania Tourism Office, Sarah Lunny, VisitPA.com*, <u>SLunny@tierneyagency.com</u>

Potter County - Tioga County

The Penn Wells Hotel, a designated Historic Hotels of America, reflects the grandeur of hotels from the early 20th century. In the heart of the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon region, this landmark hotel serves as a venue site for local events like Dickens of a Christmas, Endless Mountains Music Festival and many more! *Visit Potter-Tioga, Morgan Christopher, VisitPotterTioga.com, morgan@visitpottertioga.com*

VIRGINIA

Alexandria

In Alexandria, known as George Washington's adopted hometown, visitors can stay in a replica of a town house originally owned by Washington. Available for rent on Airbnb, the town house is located steps from Christ Church, where Washington attended, and Gadsby's Tavern, where he socialized and conducted business. *Visit Alexandria, Leah Spellman, VisitAlexandriaVA.com, Ispellman@visitalexva.com*

Charlottesville & Albemarle County

Charlottesville & Albemarle County, Virginia have a wide variety of lodging options, but few are as unique as The Townsman. Dubbed "the unhotel," this 4-room hotel is located directly on the historic pedestrian Downtown Mall, steps away from nightlife, restaurants, live music and arts. *Charlottesville & Albemarle County CVB, Brantley Ussery, VisitCharlottesville, org*,

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Giles County, VA

Lodging in Giles is just as adventurous as the great outdoors. Mountain Lake Lodge, home of Dirty Dancing, is a full family adventure. Romance and peace are found at the Inn at Riverbend while classic and quality cabins at Walker Creek Retreat are a basecamp in Virginia's Mountain Playground™. *Giles County, VA Tourism, Cora Gnegy, VirginiasMtnPlayground.com, cgnegy @gilescounty.org*

Harrisonburg

By the Side of the Road Getaway Lodging has been transformed into Harrisonburg, Virginia's premier short-term rental property to serve your Getaway Lodging needs in a unique and beautiful nine-acre "Oasis in the City." When was the last time you felt really and truly pampered? *Harrisonburg Tourism & Visitor Services, Jessica Williams*,

Norfolk

The Glass Light Hotel & Gallery is a new boutique hotel and glass art gallery located in the heart of downtown Norfolk's Historic District, featuring world renowned artists such as Dale Chihuly, and Peter Bremers. A Michelin starred chef serves upscale French cuisine at the ground floor restaurant. VisitNorfolk, Sarah Hughes, VisitNorfolk.com, shughes @visitnorfolktoday.com

Orange County, VA

Mayhurst Manor House, circa 1859, was the most fashionable home in Orange county at the time, Italianate in style. Stunning in its architectural beauty it hosted many historical figures from General Lee to Stonewall Jackson. Immerse yourself in an era of history, architecture and southern hospitality of old Virginia. *Orange County, Virginia Tourism, Lori Landes-Carter, VisitOrange Virginia*, Lcarter@orangecountyva.gov

Prince William County

Spend the night in a rustic cabin that was once used for spy training during WWI & II at Prince William Forest Park. If you prefer modern amenities, The Inn at Evergreen, a Civil War Era mansion, offers the perfect blend of modern amenities, historic charm and a first-class getaway. *Prince William County Office of Tourism, Nicole Warner, VisitPWC.com, nwarner@pwcgov.org*

Virginia's Blue Ridge

Breathe in fresh mountain air along the banks of the scenic Upper James River while glamping riverside with Twin River Outfitters. These new float-up camp sites offer cozy lodging, an outdoor kitchen, prime fishing spots and a chance to unplug during a multiday paddle trip in Virginia's Blue Ridge. Visit Virginia's Blue Ridge, @VisitVBR, VisitVBR.com, tspellman@visitvbr.com

WEST VIRGINIA

Hampshire County

Come home to Hampshire with family-owned and operated lodging. Romney, the oldest town in WV, provides both the comfortable South Branch Inn and the retro Koolwink motel. Or you enjoy a full vintage vacation at the all-inclusive Capon Springs & Farmsan historic mountain resort set on 4700 picturesque acres. *Hampshire County CVB, Jonathan Bellingham, cometohampshire.com, info@cometohampshire.com*

About the Mid-Atlantic Tourism Public Relations Alliance

The Mid-Atlantic Tourism Public Relations Alliance (MATPRA) is a cohesive unit of regional tourism partners encompassing Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia, and

Washington, D.C. The group serves travel journalists by creating a regional resource that ignores geographical boundaries to better promote common threads, offering story ideas about the Mid-Atlantic region as a whole. For more information, visit MATPRA.org.