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Hopewell City Point Walks 5K and 10K

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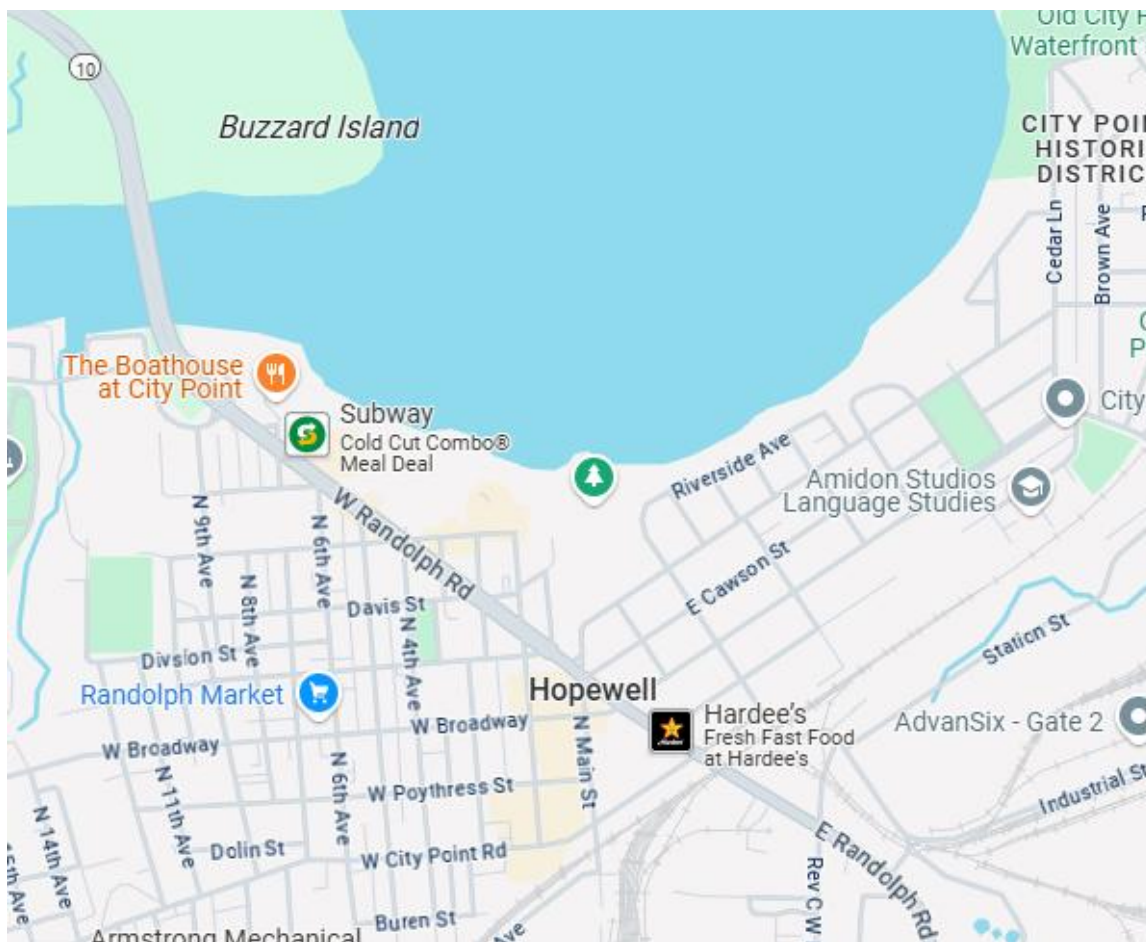
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Driving Directions:

FROM I-95S: Take I-295 S to Exit # 15A, Route 10 East toward Hopewell. Route 10 becomes Randolph Road after crossing the Appomattox River Bridge. Continue Randolph Road past John Randolph Hospital (on the left) and through two more traffic lights to Hardee's on the right, just before the underpass.

Those coming from the Portsmouth/Chesapeake/Virginia Beach area might find traveling on Route 460 or Route 5 to be a more direct route.

From I-64W: Take exit 211, Route 156. Continue, crossing Route 60. Right at light on to Route 10. Continue through several traffic lights. Immediately after the railroad underpass, turn left on to City Point Road, Hardee's is on the right.



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Special Programs:

Virginia Cities Hopewell

Walking the United States

Walking the USA A-Z "H"

Par for the course

History:

Hopewell is known as the "Wonder City" because it revived after a devastating fire in 1915. The city was founded to take advantage of its site overlooking the James and Appomattox Rivers. City Point, the oldest part of Hopewell, was established in 1613 by Sir Thomas Dale. Hopewell is an industrial city. It began when DuPont bought property for a dynamite plant, and later for a gun cotton plant. Today Honeywell and Evonik have facilities in Hopewell. Components of many products we use every day are manufactured in Hopewell.

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Enjoy the historical sites on the City Point Open Air Museum Walking Tour in Hopewell.

City Point Open Air Museum Walking Tour

This self-guided walking tour is a unique way to learn about the Old Town of City Point which is now part of Hopewell, Virginia. The National Historic District tour includes 25 points of interest focusing on colonial to early 20th-century history. Outdoor storyboards capture the people, places and events of City Point as you walk down the same streets as General Ulysses S. Grant and President Abraham Lincoln once did.

CEDAR LANE

1 St. John's Episcopal Church (1840)

505 CEDAR LANE

On May 5, 1864, black troops captured a Confederate signal station located on the roof. The Union Army then used the church as a signal station, stockade and place of worship. The early history of St. John's includes a time when white, free black and slave children were baptized in the church at the same time.

2 Appomattox Gate (1916)

CEDAR LANE & PECAN AVENUE

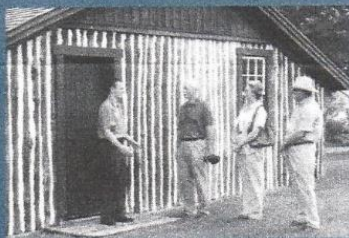
The stones used in the posts are thought to be ballast from colonial ships. A nearby storyboard provides a timeline of City Point's history.

3 General Grant's Headquarters at City Point, Petersburg National Battlefield (1763)

CEDAR LANE & PECAN AVENUE

Captain Francis Eppes received this land grant in 1635 and later established Appomattox Plantation on the site. Located at the confluence of the James and Appomattox Rivers, the land remained in the Eppes family for the next 340 years. The center portion of the home was built in 1763 with the east wing added in 1841. A portion of the west wing was built as storerooms in 1854 and the entire wing was enlarged in 1913. Tour includes a 15-minute video as well as the parlor, library, Grant's cabin and outbuildings.

In June 1864, General Grant set up his Union headquarters on the lawn of Appomattox Plantation, the home of Dr. Richard Eppes. He directed the 10-month Siege of Petersburg from this site. Grant's primitive



T-shaped cabin is constructed of vertical timbers and mortar.

City Point was a major supply center for 100,000 Union soldiers and one of the busiest seaports in the world at this time. President Lincoln visited City Point twice. It was during his second visit in March-April 1865 that Petersburg and Richmond fell.

Open daily from 9:00am-5:00pm except selected federal holidays.

BROWN AVENUE

4 Overseer's House (c.1912)

1000 BROWN AVENUE

This building was the overseer's residence for Appomattox Plantation.

5 Porter House (c.1810)

617 BROWN AVENUE

This home is thought to be one of the oldest structures in City Point. The Federal style two-story frame home was once owned by Miss Mary Van Deusen who married Dr. Richard Eppes of Appomattox Plantation.

6 City Point Early History Museum at St. Dennis Chapel (c.1887)

609 BROWN AVENUE

Built by the U.S. Navy, this post-Civil War chapel was used by gunboat crewmen and their families. The museum features an exhibit of china manufactured by the Hopewell China factory from 1920-1945. Nearly 100 pieces representing a variety of patterns and styles are on display. Open April-October on Monday-Saturday, 10:00am-4:30pm; Sunday, 1:00pm-4:30pm.



7 Dr. Peter Eppes House (c.1830)

603 BROWN AVENUE

Once the residence of Peter Eppes, a cousin of Dr. Richard Eppes, this home originally stood with its long side facing Brown Avenue. The one-story frame structure with Greek Revival influence was used by Brigadier General Henry Collis, one of three post commanders to serve under General Grant. His wife, Septima, wrote in her published diary about personal conversations with President Lincoln at City Point. She and her husband also received General and Mrs. Grant in this home.

MAPLEWOOD AVENUE

8 The Wiseman House (c.1898)

1003 MAPLEWOOD AVENUE

This two-story frame vernacular structure is distinguished by a period stairway and interior woodwork.

9 The James House (c.1880)

1016 MAPLEWOOD AVENUE

Although exterior embellishments have been removed, fine early architectural details remain inside.

10 Cook House Annex (1914)

1013 MAPLEWOOD AVENUE

This two-story annex is located behind the main home.

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On all roads, please walk on the left side, facing traffic.

Directions:

1. Leave Hardee's, **turn right** on to Randolph Road.
2. At a traffic light (City Point Road) **turn left** and **cross** Randolph Road. (*Caution – uneven sidewalk!*)
3. **Continue** on City Point Road to the stop sign at Hopewell Street.
4. **Cross** Hopewell Street (Hopewell Quick Lunch is on your left).
5. **Turn right** on to Hopewell Street, **cross** the railroad track, and walk past Fire Station #1 on your left.
6. **Turn left** on to Station Street. (Honeywell is on your right, behind the trees). (*1 k at the overgrown paved road on the right with a white metal gate.*)
7. At the intersection of Station Street and Ramsey Avenue **turn right**.
5K WALKERS **turn left** on to Water Street and **continue with instruction 8**.
10K WALKERS **continue** on Ramsey Avenue around cul-de-sac, **retrace** your steps to the stop sign at Water Street and **turn right**. (This area was housing for the DuPont management level employees.)
There are views of the James River on the right.

8. Cross railroad tracks. (*2 km for 10K walkers.*) You will pass large storage tanks (the James River flows behind the tanks) and a small waterfront park.

9. Turn right at rope fence into Waterfront Park. (*2 km for 5K walkers.*) **Bear left** to walk beside the river. Note the historical sign just past the restrooms. (*Restrooms may be available in the park.*)

- 22 on the City Point Open Air Museum Walking tour - Historic Waterfront and Boardwalk

10. At Pecan Avenue:

11. 5K WALKERS **turn left** on to Pecan Avenue and **skip to instruction 14**.

10K WALKERS **continue straight** and enter park at rope fence. Continue to follow the trail along the Appomattox River to the far end of the concrete retaining wall on the left. **Turn around** at a steep drop at the far end of the retaining wall (3 km). Do not continue on the beach, the tide may be in.

12. Retrace your path along the river. (*3 km for 10K walkers at the other end of the wall.*) Exit the park at rope fence. (**NOTE:** Benjamin Harrison Bridge straight ahead spanning the James River from Prince George County to Charles City County.)

13. Turn right on to Pecan Avenue.

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14. Proceed up a hill on the brick paved street (Pecan Avenue, also known as Brickety Hill).

- 21 on the City Point Open Air Museum walking tour - Brickety Hill
- Please see the City Point Open Air Museum walking tour - Pecan Avenue has many historic houses listed under PECAN AVENUE

Turn left on to Prince Henry Avenue. *There are historical markers on both sides of the road.*

15. Turn right on to Maplewood Avenue.

- 8, 9 and 10 on the City Point Open Air Museum walking tour

16. Turn right on to Brown Avenue. *(4 km for 10K walkers.)* You will pass historic St. Dennis Chapel. *(Now City Point Early History Museum)*

- 6 on the City Point Open Air Museum walking tour - City Point Early History Museum

(Appomattox Manor, a unit of the Petersburg National Battlefield, will be straight ahead. There is no fee to tour the site. *Restrooms available at the rear of manor house.*)

- 2 and 3 on the City Point Open Air Museum walking tour

17. Turn left on to Cedar Lane, walking on the right sidewalk. *(3 km for 5K walkers.)*

18. Continue on Cedar Lane, passing St. John's Episcopal Church (established in 1840, rebuilt in 1894).

- 1 on the City Point Open Air Museum walking tour

19. 5K WALKERS Continue on Cedar Lane to Appomattox Street and **turn right**, walking on the right sidewalk. Proceed on Appomattox Street *(4 km for 5K walkers at Marks Street.)* At Hopewell Street, **cross** Hopewell Street and **skip to instruction 31.**

10K WALKERS Turn right on to Francis Street.

20. Turn left on to Canterbury Street.

21. Turn left on to Appomattox Street.

22. Cross and turn right on to Cedar Lane. *(5 km for 10K walkers.)* **Continue** to East Broadway.

23. Cross East Broadway and continue **diagonally left** into the Heritage Gardens entrance on the corner. (If the garden gate is locked, go to **instruction 24.** **Bear left** at pavilion toward gazebo, walk the inside perimeter of the garden and exit at the corner gate.)

24. Exit Heritage Gardens at the same gate you entered, **cross** East Broadway **diagonally left** and **turn right** on Cedar Lane.

25. Turn left on East Cawson Street and **right** on Fort Street to Appomattox Street. *(6 km for 10K walkers.)*

26. Turn left on to Appomattox Street and immediately on your left you will reach **Union Fort**, sign on your left. Enter the fort

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grounds and bear to the right to walk around the perimeter of the fort, following the split rail fence. When you return to your point of entry, **turn left** on to Appomattox Street.

27. Turn right at Bonnaccord Street to **cross** Appomattox Street and **turn left**.

28. Turn right on to Pace Street.

29. Turn left on to Riverside Avenue. The Appomattox River is on your right. **(7 km for 10K walkers at Monroe Street.)**

30. Turn left on to Hopewell Street.

31. Cross Appomattox Street **and turn right**. The Appomattox Regional Library (*restrooms available*) will be on your left and Hopewell City Park on your right.

32. Continue on Appomattox Street to N. Main Street and **bear left** on the brick sidewalk past the entrance of the historic Beacon Theater on your left to Cawson Street.

33. Cross Cawson Street, **turn right**.

34. Cross Randolph Road and **continue on the left side** of N. Main Street. You will pass Ashford Civic Plaza on your left. (Ashford, Kent, England, is Hopewell's sister city.) The Hopewell Police Department is in the former courthouse building on your right. The current courthouse is across Broadway. (Note point of reference sign listing distances to

other cities)

35. Turn right on to W. Broadway, crossing Main Street.

36. 5K WALKERS: Turn left to cross Broadway, **turn right** to walk on the left side of Broadway, then **turn left** on to N. 2nd Avenue and **skip to instruction 40**.

10K WALKERS: Continue on W. Broadway. (8 km for 10K walkers at 4th Avenue.) Turn right on to N. 10th Avenue.

37. Leave the cemetery via N. 10th Avenue and **return** to W. Broadway.

38. Turn left on to W. Broadway. **(9 km for 10K walkers at Memorial Avenue.)**

39. At 2nd Avenue, **cross, turn right**, then **cross** W. Broadway on to the left side of N. 2nd Avenue.

40. Turn left on to W. Poythress Street. The Hopewell Post Office is on the corner. On the post office lawn is an information marker about the **mural** located inside the post office.

41. Cross N. Main Street, go **straight** through the brick plaza on the left side of Teamsters Union Local 101 and **continue** straight through parking lot to Hardee's and the finish.

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**Thanks for walking today!
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OSB: Don't forget to log into the OSB system to complete your walk and the registration process.

Remote Registration:
Send the completed Start Card with the number of stamps needed to:

Chris Kelly
12311 Ridgefield Parkway
Henrico, VA 23233.

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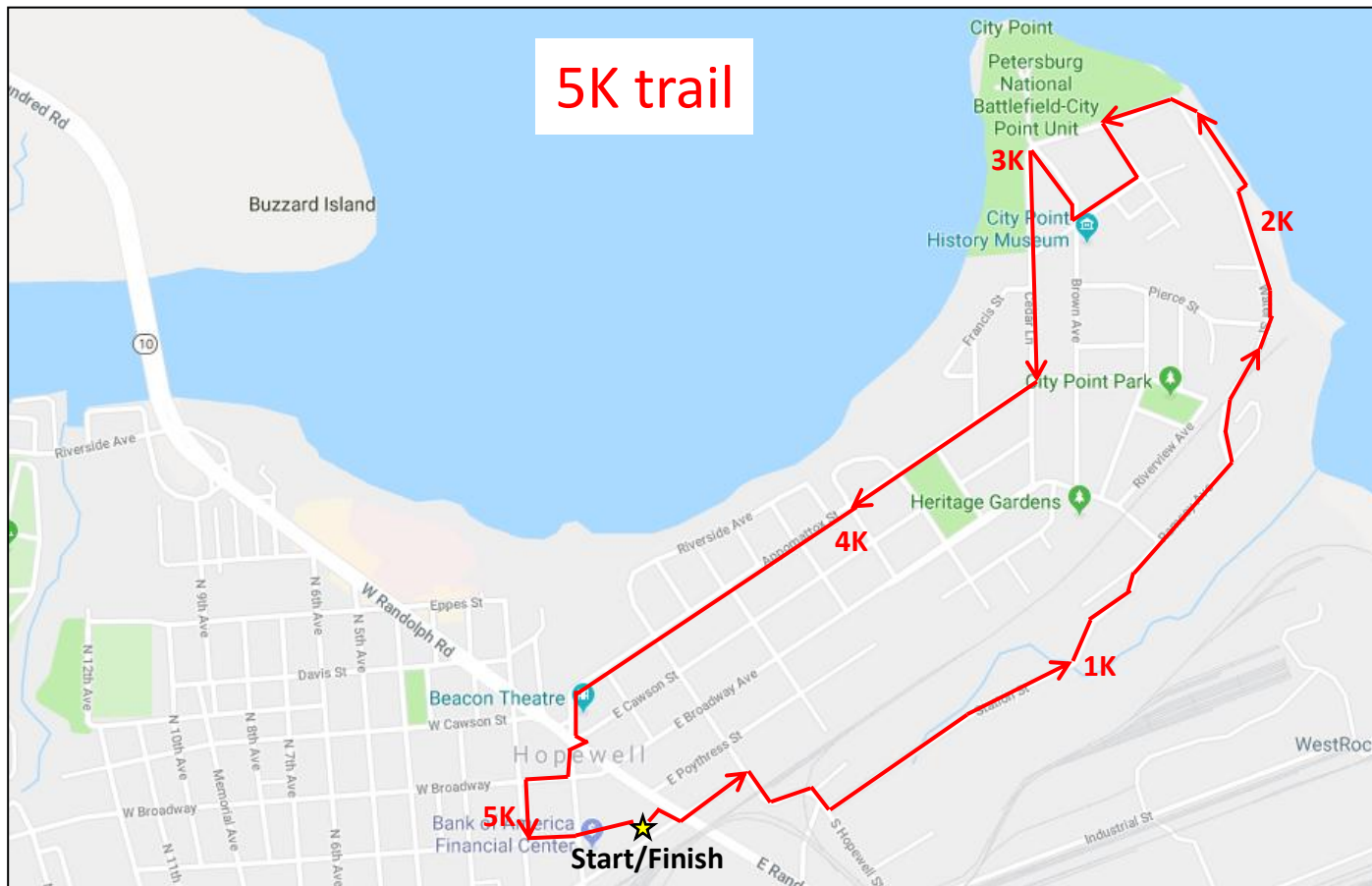
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