# **Curiosities Of Hampton Roads**

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Discover the fascinating world of Hampton Roads with an exploration of its many unique curiosities. Uncover hidden stories, historical oddities, and intriguing facts that make this part of Virginia truly one-of-a-kind. From maritime legends to forgotten landmarks, delve into the lesser-known aspects that shape the region's rich heritage and vibrant culture.

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## Virginia Curiosities

This definitive collection of the Old Dominion's odd, wacky, and most offbeat people, places, and things is filled with quirky photographs throughout and maps for each region. Virginia Curiosities includes humorous state facts and amusing stories and serves as a combination almanac, off-the-wall travel guide, and wacky news gazette.

## **UNDAUNTED CURIOSITY**

This is an adventure book. But an adventure without either fright or special effects. An adventure which took 10 years, which a couple and their dog(s) enjoyed immensely. This book is the recounting of the cruise of a lifetime. It tells the adventures, life lessons and beauty of the first half of a voyage of 26,000 miles by water, all within the territorial waters of America - the United States and Canada. The journey was predominately within inland waterways, but covered most of all four North American "coasts" as well. The book is entertaining and instructional. Entertaining by providing fascinating, interesting scenic and historical highlights, and "boater tales" gleaned from 10 years of literally almost circumnavigating North America by traversing the vast majority of its navigable waterways and coasts. Instructional to those interested in travel and boating. And informational, relating how to buy and equip a boat, and to plan and execute cruises, both major and minor. Tidbits of information are inserted where intersecting with the entertaining, providing responses to "situations" encountered, enlightening, significant, and humorous. The "tales" range from amusing to hilarious, but they too provide information and instruction useful to those interested in boating and sightseeing cruising by boat. One goal of this book is to illustrate how relaxing, enjoyable, educational and magnificently scenic and satisfying boat travel is within North America. This book relates a literal voyage thru history - the history of two nations and their first and formative transportation system - coasts, rivers and lakes, and some really old canals. This saga encompasses four boats, thousands of gallons of fuel, hundreds of stops, and the water covered over 10 years at the ideal sightseeing speed of 10 miles per hour. In other words, utilizing the waterways of North America to see what's there, in historic and scenic depth - out of pure Undaunted Curiosity.

## The Inter Ocean Curiosity Shop ...

Recounts the rich history surrounding one of the oldest and most significant American seaports. This fascinating historical account pays tribute to an area that has overcome extreme obstacles over the past 400 years to become a vital U.S. connection with the world.

## The Inter Ocean Curiosity Shop for the Year ...

With this striking collection of historical images, experience a front-row view of the origination of the public school system within Hampton Roads and the epic struggle for racial equality. From the seventeenth century until the present, this area of the Old Dominion has been at the forefront of challenges, including Reconstruction, Jim Crow law, racial disharmony and public resistance to tax-based public schools. The fiftieth anniversary of the reopening of Norfolk's desegregated schools marks an especially appropriate occasion on which to look back at the evolution of public education in the Hampton Roads region.

## **Hampton Roads**

This work focuses on the Norfolk team (nicknamed the Mary Janes), which played in the Virginia, Eastern and Atlantic leagues. Much attention is given to the players, coaches and teams of the Virginia League and the local news coverage from 1884 through 1928 as well as the business of baseball, the relations between major and minor league teams, and the controversy over hosting professional baseball games on Sundays. Photographs of the players, cartoons, and an appendix of league statistics are included.

#### Norfolk's Waters

Your round-trip ticket to the wildest, wackiest, most outrageous people, places, and things the Granite State has to offer. Whether you're a born-and-raised New Hampshirite, a recent transplant, or just passing through, New Hampshire Curiosities will have you laughing out loud as Eric Jones takes you on a rollicking tour of the strangest sides of the Granite State. Meet the state's Official Gull Harasser

(Uh-huh, it's a government job); a man who made 2,850 consecutive ascents of Mount Monadnock; and Dean Kamen, New Hampshire's very own twenty-first-century Thomas Edison. Lament the passing of the state-sponsored Roadkill Auction, where the frozen carcasses of everything from bobcat to black bear were available to the highest bidder—until a rabies outbreak put an end to this time-honored tradition. Visit the Exeter UFO Festival—an annual event in the town that saw one of the most impressive UFO sightings on record, in September 1965—and the 1804 grave of a soldier's amputated leg.

## Leigh's New Pocket Road-book of England and Wales

"Are you God?" the Planning Intelligence asked. "No," I replied. "Guess it depends on your perspective," It said. To author Bruce Moen, these words acknowledged that his odyssey into the nonphysical realms of existence would at last carry him back to the origin of consciousness itself, to the source he calls, "Curiosity's Father." In this latest installment in his popular 'Exploring the Afterlife Series', Moen takes you on his deepest exploration of the vast, uncharted spaces beyond reality. Meeting those who have gone before, he asks: What is consciousness? Where do we, and our perceptions, fit into what is ultimately real? How can we discover what lies before, and beyond, our lives on Earth? You will enjoy Moen's ability to translate the difficult metaphysical concepts learned during his out-of-body explorations into easily understood metaphors and images. Going back . . . and back . . . and back to Curiosity's Father provides a stunning glimpse into the ultimate nature of consciousness. It is a journey unlike any you have taken before.

## **Hampton Roads**

Before the Jamestown colonists reached their final shore, they arrived at a place they named Cape Henry, and beyond that lay an inlet that would one day shelter the towns of Hampton Roads: Chesapeake, Hampton, Newport News, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Suffolk, and Virginia Beach. With a selection of fine historic images from their best-selling book Historic Photos of Greater Hampton Roads, Emily J. and John S. Salmon provide a valuable and revealing historical retrospective on the growth and development of the region. The images collected in Remembering Greater Hampton Roads offer a remarkable glimpse into the history of these unique communities. Published in vivid black-and-white, these images communicate the historic events and everyday life of two centuries of Americans and two centuries of a fascinating corner of America. Remembering Greater Hampton Roads is sure to captivate anyone curious about the region's past, from the student of history to the local history buff.

## Early Professional Baseball in Hampton Roads

This fascinating collection explores the unusual and often bizarre persons, attitudes, and events of the Civil War. Illustrated and indexed.

## **New Hampshire Curiosities**

From an area that boasts itself as America's First Region from the first settlement of Jamestown in 1607, the Greater Hampton roads area is steeped in American history. The area is mostly known for seven main cities that surround one of the world's largest natural harbors and has the mouth of two rivers, Elizabeth and James, that empty into the Chesapeake Bay heading out to the Atlantic Ocean. There are also several independent cities and counties that make up this beautiful coastal area. With around 200 photographs, many of which have never been published, Historic Photos of Greater Hampton Roads shows the historical growth from the mid-1800's to the late 1900's of the area in stunning black and white photography. The book follows life, government, events and people important to Hampton Roads history and the building of this unique area. Spanning over two centuries and two hundred photographs, this is a must-have for any long-time resident or history lover of the Greater Hampton Roads!

## Insider's Guide to South Hampton Road

"Hampton is a historical jewel of the Commonwealth. One day at a time, authors Wythe Holt and Edward B. Hicks offer up fascinating stories of the people and events that shaped it. The city's story begins at the origins of Old Point Comfort as early as 1608, long before the American Revolution. The Emancipation Proclamation was first read to the public on the grounds of today's Hampton University under what would soon be called the Emancipation Oak. NASA's Langley Research Center helped send astronauts to space and tested such icons as the Apollo lunar lander. Fort Monroe encompasses

nearly two centuries of service to the country as the largest moated fort in North America. Join Holt and Hicks and enjoy the rich historical legacy every day of the year."--Page [4] of cover.

## Voyage to Curiosity's Father

Mitch Edwards has it made: at twenty-nine, he's just been named partner at one of the largest law firms in the city and he's just bought his first house. But he has the feeling something is missing, and he's pretty sure he knows what it is. So when the woman he's been dating goes out of town for three weeks, he seizes the opportunity and summons the courage to visit a gay bar. He takes Rion Murphy home, and they hit it off so well that after a few weeks of exploration on Mitch's part, they decide to make the arrangement more permanent. But then Mitch's past catches up with him, and it's up to Rion to help him cope.

## Remembering Greater Hampton Roads

From its beginnings as a trickle of icy water in Virginia's northwest corner to its miles-wide mouth at Hampton Roads, the James River has witnessed more recorded history than any other feature of the American landscape -- as home to the continent's first successful English settlement, highway for Native Americans and early colonists, battleground in the Revolution and the Civil War, and birthplace of America's twentieth-century navy. In 1998, restless in his job as a reporter for the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot, Earl Swift landed an assignment traveling the entire length of the James. He hadn't been in a canoe since his days as a Boy Scout, and he knew that the river boasts whitewater, not to mention man-made obstacles, to challenge even experienced paddlers. But reinforced by Pilot photographer lan Martin and a lot of freeze-dried food and beer, Swift set out to immerse himself -- he hoped not literally -- in the river and its history. What Swift survived to bring us is this engrossing chronicle of three weeks in a fourteen-foot plastic canoe and four hundred years in the life of Virginia. Fueled by humor and a dauntless curiosity about the land, buildings, and people on the banks, and anchored by his sidekick Martin -- whose photographs accompany the text -- Swift points his bow through the ghosts of a frontier past, past Confederate forts and POW camps, antebellum mills, ruined canals, vanished towns, and effluent-spewing industry. Along the banks, lonely meadowlands alternate with suburbs and power plants, marinas and the gleaming skyscrapers of Richmond's New South downtown. Enduring dunkings, wolf spiders, near-arrest, channel fever, and twenty-knot winds, Swift makes it to the Chesapeake Bay. Readers who accompany him through his Journey on the James will come away with the accumulated pleasure, if not the bruises and mud, of four hundred miles of adventure and history in the life of one of America's great watersheds.

## Civil War Curiosities

Including never-before-published images spanning the years from 1870 to 1965, this collection is a nostalgic view of those lazy summer days in the southside region of Hampton Roads. Scenes from the cities of Norfolk, Portsmouth, Virginia Beach, Chesapeake, and Suffolk, and the counties of Isle of Wight and Southampton, chronicle the familiar and well-loved activities of summer, from fishing trips, beach outings, and picnics to ice cream cones, fireworks, and baseball. Evoking the sweet, heavy scent of summer with beautiful photographs and charming anecdotes, this book is a well-crafted history of summertime in Virginia that invites all to reminisce. Whether you are a newcomer to the area or a longtime resident, Summer on the Southside will appeal to everyone who has ever spent a warm summer evening sitting on the porch, listening to the frogs, and watching the fireflies. From the first chapter, "Bring Forth the Flowers," to the last, "School Bells and Fall Leaves," readers will enjoy this meandering journey down memory lane.

## Historic Photos of Greater Hampton Roads

Just like the tide, history flows through every corner of Old Dominion's Hampton Roads region, and for decades it has been chronicled in the Virginian-Pilot's column, "Our Stories." These stories are now told by local historian and longtime columnist Paul Clancy, who offers up this unparalleled and uninhibited collection of articles and stunning historical images. Rediscover the history behind landmarks such as Fort Monroe, Sewell's Point and Cape Henry and take in the view from the vantage point of those who witnessed history being made before their eyes: stories about the hurricane of '33, the old fairgrounds on the bay, the trolleys that ran to Ocean View, the semipro baseball teams that battled for glory, the harrowing and courageous struggle for racial equality and the soldiers and sailors who went off to war. This is the real stuff of Hampton Roads history.

New Pocket Road Book of England and Wales, ...

Reprint of the original pamphlet prepared for the Jamestown Ter-centennial Exposition held in 1907 in Norfolk, Virginia.

Leigh's New Pocket Road-book of England and Wales ... Fifth Edition, Carefully Revised

Norfolk Southern Railway's history in southeastern Virginia began in the mid-19th century when a young civil engineer named William Mahone designed an innovative 12-mile-long roadbed through the Great Dismal Swamp that is still in use today. Trees were felled and laid side by side at right angles beneath the swamp's surface, forming a corduroy road, with the roadbed built on top of the logs. The logs sank into the boggy swamp, where they were preserved. Nearly 170 years later, Mahone's corduroy design continues to serve as a major route for Norfolk Southern traffic, supporting millions of tons of freight each year as the railroad provides extensive service throughout Hampton Roads. One of the nation's largest Class 1 railroads, Norfolk Southern was created through the merger of Roanoke-based Norfolk & Western Railway and Washington, DC-based Southern Railway in June 1982.

Leigh's New Pocket Road-book of England and Wales ...

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Leigh's New Pocket Road-book of England & Wales

A fantastical children's story based around the Laugherty family and the adventures they have when visiting the Musty Old Magical Curiosity Shop, which sells anything that anybody wants. "The shopkeeper looked very strange to Miles. He was wearing a pointed purple hat decorated with stars that twinkled like real stars. His eyes were piercing like X-rays. They went right through Miles's body and made him feel as though the man knew everything from A to Z." Mabble Merlin turns out to be the wildest, wackiest, most wizardly shopkeeper you could ever hope to meet, and everything in his shop is odd and magical.

Leigh's New Pocket Road-Book of England and Wales ... Eighth edition

On this Day in Hampton History