



**Welcome New Recruits!** You are about to embark on an exciting adventure as a private at the Civil War Adventure Camp, located on the Historic Hart Farm at Pamplin Historical Park. This document contains all of the necessary information to make this experience fun and memorable.

**Muster In**

Recruits are to arrive between 3:30 and 3:45pm on the day of the camp and report to the Hart Farm Barn to complete the required registration. Programming will begin at 4:00pm *sharp!*

**Discharge**

Soldiers will be discharged from the army at 10:00am the following day, after receiving official discharge papers and pay.

**Late Arrivals**

Soldiers arriving late will need to call the Camp Emergency number at (804) 712-2180 by 3:45pm, advise staff they will be late and receive instructions.



**Sample Day**

Day 1 includes:

- Muster into the Army
- March and maneuver as a Company
- Enjoy a Civil War era supper
- Learn Military Communications and Signals
- Participate in Guard Duty

Day 2 includes:

- Eat breakfast rations
- Join in weapons firing demonstrations
- Participate in mortar target practice
- Pose for company photograph
- Discharge and rejoin 21st Century Life



Please note the military programs featured may vary based on the age of participants. The minimum age to enlist is eight-years-old.

**Packing your Knapsack**

Upon entering the army, soldiers will be issued a Union or Confederate jacket and hat, haversack, canteen, tin cup, belt and training rifle. Soldiers are encouraged to bring to Camp:

- Comfortable walking/hiking shoes (closed toe shoes required)
- Soap
- Toothpaste and toothbrush
- Shampoo
- Shaving equipment (optional)
- Bath towel (if you plan to shower)
- Change of clothes appropriate to the weather
- Insect repellent
- Sunscreen
- Medications (if necessary)
- Sleeping bags
- Flashlights
- Ponchos (in case of poor weather)

The following are NOT allowed in Camp:

- Electronic devices (DVD players, Cell phones, iPods, Gameboys, etc.)
- Edged weapons (including pocket knives)
- Firearms
- Open flame devices (including matches and lighters)
- Food items
- Alcoholic Beverages
- Pets
- Wristwatches

Cell phones and pagers can be secured in locker facilities, if necessary. Pamplin Historical Park is not responsible for loss of personal items.

**After the Adventure**

Camp recruits can visit Pamplin Historical Park for 50% off the General Admission price the day of their camp.

All camp participants will receive a one-size-fits-all kepi (cap) to take home with them and a 10% off coupon good at The Civil War Store.

**Sleeping**

Authentic replicas of two-person common tents, four-person log huts, and a sixteen-person frame bunkhouse will serve as your quarters during this experience. Tents are unheated. All other sleeping quarters are heated with wood burning stoves, as weather dictates. Each tent/hut is outfitted with mattresses. Soldiers are assigned sleeping quarters in Camp. Efforts will be made to honor unit requests whenever possible.

**Facilities**

Modern locker facilities and restrooms are available in the Hart Barn. A locker with a combination lock will be assigned to each recruit allowing soldiers to store one gym bag or knapsack. Bags must be no larger than 12" wide, 24" long and 60" high. The locker combination is written on a tag recruits will wear around their necks throughout their adventure.

**Directions**

**From Petersburg and Points North:** Take I-95 south to I-85 south, to Exit 63-A (U.S. 1 south). **(General Directions)** Turn left on route 670 (Duncan Road). Travel approximately 1.1 miles to the Civil War Adventure Camp. The entrance will be on the left.

**From Williamsburg and Points East:** Take I-64 west to I-295 south. Travel south to Rt. 895 east. Take Rt. 895 east to I-95 south. Travel south on I-95 to Petersburg and follow general directions above.

**From Points South of Petersburg:** Take I-95 north to Petersburg and take I-85 south. Follow general directions above.

**From Charlottesville and Points West:** Take I-64 east to I-95 south to Petersburg. Follow general directions above.

**Approximate Travel Times:**

- Richmond, VA..... 30 mins
- Williamsburg, VA ..... 1 1/4 hrs
- Washington, DC..... 2 1/2 hrs
- Charlottesville, VA..... 1 3/4 hrs
- Raleigh-Durham, NC ..... 2 hrs

**Rations**

Civil War era recipes will be served to recruits during this experience. Soldiers will line up with their tin plates and will be served their rations of hot food. A typical menu may be as follows:

**Dinner**

- Beef Stew
- Hardtack
- Seasonal Fresh Fruit
- Donuts
- Cookies
- Shrub (fruit drink)
- Water

**Breakfast**

- Rations on the March!*
- Jerky
- Dried Fruit
- Corn Muffins
- Seasonal Fresh Fruit
- Coffee
- Apple Cider
- Water

For recruits with dietary restrictions, substitutions can be made for the beef portions of the meals. Please check the appropriate boxes on the registration form.

