

COASTAL

Living in Virginia

Coastal living in rural Virginia brings the nostalgic sites, sounds, and smells of our water-based heritage and economy right to your backyard. When you hear the early sounds of fishing boats or catch the scent of crab pots, bait, or oyster cages, be reminded that you are part of a community carrying on their unique history and culture.



Virginia Coastal Zone
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM



Watermen have worked the waters of rural coastal Virginia for hundreds of years, bringing the bounty of the Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic to your table and nationwide.

**VIRGINIA
IS FOR
BOAT
LOVERS™**



To learn more, search online for "Virginia Working Waterfronts".

Working Waterfronts

Beautiful views and endless recreational activities abound in rural coastal Virginia, but what is it like to live along the water or near an active working waterfront area? Find out by talking with watermen in your area. Visit the Watermen's Museum in Yorktown, the Eastern Shore Watermen's Museum and Research

Center in Onancock, or take a full-immersion Watermen Heritage Tour at multiple locations throughout the Bay.

Sharing Space

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