

# Wilderness Presidential Resorts

American history and outdoor fun near the nation's capital

**LOCATION:** Spotsylvania, Virginia

**RESORT TYPE:** Coast Classic

**SEASON:** Open year-round

**WEBSITE:** wpresort.com

**WOODALL FACILITIES:** ♦♦♦♦

**WOODALL RECREATION:** ♦♦♦♦♦

For 30 years now, Wilderness Presidential Resorts has welcomed Coast to Coast members to the Crossroads of the Civil War. The resort not only borders Virginia's Chancellorville Battlefield, where Confederate General Stonewall Jackson was fatally shot in 1863, it's close to Spotsylvania and Fredericksburg battlefields.

Ideally situated for both outdoor enthusiasts and history buffs, this Coast Classic Resort makes good on the Wilderness part of its name with a whopping 620 acres of lush countryside. Guests can hike on the resort's nature trails, sunbathe on the sandy beach and fish for crappie, catfish and large-



mouth bass in two freshwater lakes.

The Presidential side of the property earns its name for the resort's proximity to both the U.S. capital and the nearby town of Frederickburg, George

Washington's boyhood home.

After a day spent visiting historic sites, relaxing in one of Wilderness Presidential's three pools is almost obligatory. Stay in shape by swimming laps, lifting weights in the fitness room or joining a game of basketball in the resort's full-size gym.

Kids get their exercise at several playgrounds and can join organized games of freeze tag, dodge ball and ultimate Frisbee. Grownups gather for everything from pickleball to Pictionary. The extensive lineup of recreational amenities includes courts for tennis, racquetball, volleyball and shuffleboard plus a unique 18-hole mini-golf course with a Civil War theme.

To reach the marina and its fleet of rental boats, cross the swinging bridge. This is the place for Saturday night bonfires and marshmallow roasts. There's also a craft shack, a general store and the Barn Grill restaurant.

The Wilderness side of the property has well-equipped RV sites and two-bedroom rental trailers that Coast to Coast members can pay for with Trip Points. To reserve the cabins on the Presidential side, contact the resort directly.

"This is the biggest place we have ever stayed at," reports one Coast to Coast couple on their blog. "I loved everything about this campground," reports another member online.

