

U.S. ROUTE

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ROUTE 17 PRINTABLE LIBRARY

TRIP COMPANION

Elizabeth City to Yorktown Road Trip Companion

North Carolina handoff, Chesapeake gateway, Hampton Roads crossing, and a deliberate Yorktown history finish.

USE THIS FOR

Carry the live itinerary on paper: route phases, anchor roles, gateway checks, backups, pacing posture, cut-first choices, and a final worksheet.

LIVE GUIDE <https://route17roadtrip.com/trips/elizabeth-city-to-yorktown-road-trip/>

Florida > Georgia > South Carolina > North Carolina > Virginia

Planning aid only - verify current weather, construction, closures, operating hours, lodging, fuel, parking, and access before driving.

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LIVE GUIDE

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Trip promise and route phases

Carry Route 17 from the Albemarle gateway into Virginia without losing the state transition: Elizabeth City closes North Carolina, Chesapeake resets the road, Newport News marks the crossing chapter, and Yorktown becomes the destination.

Route phases

- ☐ Elizabeth City - close the North Carolina chapter and set the Virginia handoff.
- ☐ Chesapeake - practical gateway reset for services, timing, and route awareness.
- ☐ Newport News / James River Bridge - crossing event and Hampton Roads context.
- ☐ Yorktown - protected history stop and handoff into the Middle Peninsula.

START

Elizabeth City

Albemarle gateway and final North Carolina cue.

RESET

Chesapeake

Practical services and state-entry reset.

CROSSING

Newport News

James River crossing context, not a required destination.

FINISH

Yorktown

Chosen history stop with time to register.

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Backups, pacing, and what to cut first

The printable stays subordinate to the live guide. Use current checks for anything time-sensitive.

Backup choices

- ☐ South Mills / Dismal Swamp edge - use only if the North Carolina handoff needs one more pause.
- ☐ Chesapeake - make this the fuller reset if traffic, weather, or timing requires margin.
- ☐ Newport News - keep the bridge/crossing context; do not force a separate stop.
- ☐ Yorktown - protect this as the finish; use overnight margin if the next Virginia chapter starts tomorrow.

PACING POSTURE

Default: Elizabeth City, Chesapeake, crossing chapter, Yorktown. Save optional stop time for Yorktown rather than stacking extra Tidewater pauses.

ROUTE DISTINCTION

Chesapeake is the gateway; Yorktown is the history stop. Newport News is useful primarily as Route 17 crossing context in this trip shape.

IF THE DAY RUNS LONG

Cut optional pauses first. Keep the gateway reset and arrive in Yorktown with enough margin for the finish to feel intentional.

FINAL WORKSHEET

Commit the day before you drive

Write the anchors and verification items that matter. Leave optional stops optional.

Decision	Your plan
Start time / first anchor	
Primary reset	
Backup stop	
Finish / overnight	
Cut-first choice	
Live checks before departure	

Trip notes

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