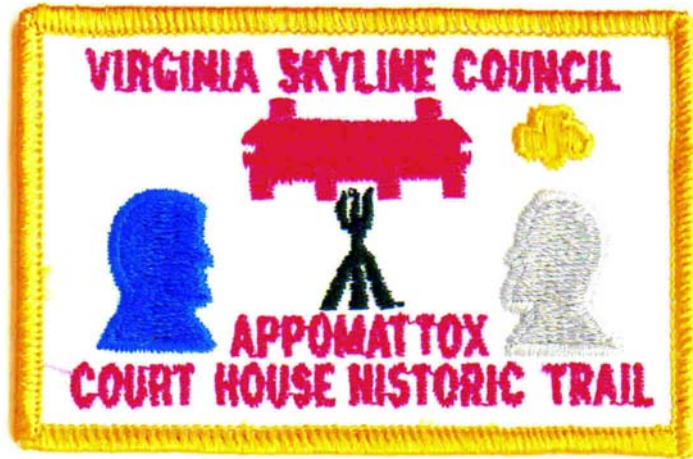


APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE HISTORICAL PARK AND Cadette/Senior GIRL SCOUTS



GUIDELINES FOR APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE HISTORICAL PARK TOUR FOR CADETTE and SENIOR GIRL SCOUTS

PROCEDURES: Once the troop has decided to visit Appomattox Historical Park, the troop leader will request the material from GSVSC. Next, notify the ranger at the park that your troop plans to visit – giving the date, time, and number of people going. At this time also ask them to note that the troop is willing to do a service project while at the park, if one is possible.

Arrange for the proper permission forms to be filled out and signed, i.e., Trip Permission and Parent Permission.

Each leader should have a set of questions and a blank sheet of paper. (If the troop is fairly large, you might want to divide into two or more groups with each group answering a set of questions.) As you go to each area of the park, discuss the questions and record the answers of the group.

If your troop would like to take a picnic lunch with you. The Appomattox Wayside is near the park entrance, with tables and trashcans. Holiday Lake State Park is also nearby. The town of Appomattox offers several fast food places if you are interested.

Address for Appomattox Court House Historical Park:
P.O. Box 218
Appomattox, VA 24522
434-352-8987 x 26 or <http://www.nps.gov/apco/>

GENERAL RULES

- ❶ When walking near roadways, use wide grassy shoulders along the highway and stay well away from traffic. Cross single file on highway bridges.
- ❷ Do not in anyway disturb or destroy the natural state of animal or plants. Open fires are prohibited.
- ❸ Carry out all trash where garbage receptacles are not available.
- ❹ Water is not available on the trail; take all you will need with you before starting. Wear good comfortable shoes.
- ❺ You may keep this questionnaire, developed by BSA Troop 147, Nutley, N.J. and provided courtesy of Scouts of Virginia Skyline Council

APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE



APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE HISTORICAL PARK QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CADETTE AND SENIOR GIRL SCOUTS

Listen carefully to the documentary slide presentation in the park visitor center and answer these questions.

1. How long did the Civil War last?
2. Where was the Army of Northern Virginia going when it left Petersburg?
3. Who was General Lee's aide who selected the house where General Lee surrendered to General Grant?
4. In whose house did the surrender take place?
5. At what time on April 9, 1865, did General Lee meet with General Grant to surrender the Army of Northern Virginia?
6. Where were the paroles printed and how many Southern soldiers received a parole pass?

McLean House Audio Program

7. When was the original McLean House built and when was it dismantled?

Surrender Triangle Audio Program

8. When did the formal surrender parade take place and who was the federal officer in charge?

Now begin your hike down the old Richmond-Lynchburg Stage Road at eastern edge of the village. Look for the trail head sign on the right side of the road past the Peers House. The hiking trail is marked with directional arrows on metal posts.

Appomattox Wayside

Appomattox Wayside has picnic tables and trash containers. Use safe hiking procedures for crossing the busy highway bridge. Cross bridge to left side of Route 24.

9. Who has been credited as the inventor of the five-string banjo?

Now cross to the right hand side of the highway. Hike along the right side of Route 24 away from the traffic.

10. Who rested under the famous Apple Tree on April 9, 1865 and what was he waiting for?

Proceed along Route 24 until you reach Lee's Headquarters Site.

11. On the night of April 8, 1865, Lee held his last Council of War with his Corps Commanders _____, _____, _____.

12. According to tradition, where did General Robert E. Lee deliver his Farwell Address?

13. In his Farwell Address, Lee said, "Men, we have fought the war together and I have done the best I could for you. You will all be _____ and go to your _____ until exchanged."

OVER ⇒

Continue along trail into woods following directional arrows. When you come to the fence across the trail, cross fence at steps and continue along edge of field. Sweeney Prizery is on your left at the top of the hill.

14. What is a Prizery?

Follow signs and cross over fence on steps at the end of the Sweeney Prizery field. As you approach the Appomattox River, notice the eastern dam on your right. Carefully, cross the river by using the stepping stones and take the path along the river on your right. After following the Appomattox River some distance, you will be directed up a steep hill on your left. On top of this hill is a fire road, which leads to the Prince Edward Court House Road.

**Group Leaders: Take rest or pause for discussion on the questions.
Keep your group together!!!**

15. As you hike directly across the Prince Edward Court House Road, what immediately tells you that the man was here? (other than the chain across fire road)

16. What has caused the soil erosion in this area?

17. Union Calvary under Major General _____ received a flag of truce near this site, date: _____, _____.

Follow directional markers along park's southern boundary

18. Read a boundary sign. In a few words, tell why the park has put these signs.

19. What evidence of wildlife have you seen on the hike?

20. Name at least five trees you have seen along the trail.

After crossing Plain Run, follow fire trail to the left until you come to fence, cross the steps, bear to the right, follow the tree line and cross the steps on you left which will bring you to the back of the North Carolina Monument.

21. Whose brigade fired the last Confederate volley at Appomattox?

22. Name three Civil War battles in which North Carolina soldiers distinguished themselves.

From the North Carolina Monument, you can follow Route 24 to either Grant's Headquarters or hike directly to the Confederate Cemetery. Be careful crossing Route 24.

23. How many confederate soldiers are known by name in the Confederate Cemetery?

24. When did Lee's last attack take place?

Hike down the old stage road to the Court House Visitors Center.

25. Write one paragraph on the historical significance of the events that occurred at Appomattox Court House.

**Appomattox Court House Historical Patches can be ordered
from the Skyline Shop in Roanoke or Charlottesville**