Welcome to the Shenandoah Valley

A newcomer’s guide to living in Harrisonburg & Rockingham County

This guide is brought to you by the Valley Roots Team of Kline May Realty:
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We would like to thank you for choosing the Valley Roots Team and Kline May Realty. If you’re looking for a wonderful community to raise a family or grow a successful business, we’re convinced the Valley is the place for you.

Harrisonburg bills itself as the Friendly City, and the area’s natural beauty allows residents a healthy work/life balance. You’ll find a warm, welcoming atmosphere, a sense of unhurried simplicity along with opportunities for growth and innovation in our multi-faceted economy. We, as the Valley Roots Team, embody that spirit.

This welcome packet offers our recommendations for the best our area has to offer based on our personal and professional experiences. By no means should you stop at what’s listed here. Use this guide as a starting point to discover what you love most about the Shenandoah Valley.

Welcome to our community!
Jeremy Litwiller, Derik Trissel, Marsha Thomas, and Michael Harnish

The Valley Roots Team with Kline May Realty
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While You’re Visiting
Lodging

Top Hotels Overall
Country Inn and Suites
540.433.2400
Hampton Inn Harrisonburg – University
540.432.1111
Holiday Inn
540.433.2521

Top Family Hotels
Fairfield Inn
540.433.9333
Hampton Inn Harrisonburg – South
540.437.0090
Residence Inn by Marriott
540.437.7426

Best Value Hotels
Best Western
540.433.6089
Candlewood Suites
540.437.1400
The Village Inn
540.434.7355

While you’re visiting
Lodging

Short-Term Rentals
Candlewood Suites
540.437.1400
Fairfield Inn
540.433.9333
Residence Inn by Marriott
540.437.7426

Local Flavor
By the Side of the Road
ByTheSideOfTheRoad.com | 540.801.0430
Joshua Wilton House
JoshuaWilton.com | 540.434.4464
The Village Inn
TheVillageInn.Travel | 540.434.7355

While you’re visiting
Harrisonburg Food

Our area is fortunate to have a strong farm-to-table movement and a rich cultural diversity, offering excellent local dining options...and Downtown Harrisonburg was designated as Virginia’s first “Culinary District” in 2014. Here’s a smattering of some of our favorites:

Breakfast
Cracker Barrel
Little Grill Collective
Mr. J’s Bagels & Deli
Stride’s Donuts

Lunch
Cinnamon Bear Bakery & Deli
El Charro
Heritage Bakery and Café
Jack Brown’s Burger Joint

Dinner
Clementine
Food.Bar.Food
Local Chop and Grill House
Corgan’s Irish Pub

Pizza
Bella Luna Woodfired Pizza
Benny Sorentino’s
Vito’s Italian Kitchen
Franco’s Pizza

Food Trucks*
Grilled Cheese Mania
Lobsta Rollin’
Mashita
Tacos El Primo

Ethnic
Beyond Restaurant
Thai Flavor
Xenia Kebab Grille
Taste of India

*For a complete list: http://www.visitharrisonburgva.com/dining/food-trucks

While you’re visiting...
Harrisonburg isn’t just a great place for foodies. Our area is a welcome environment for those who love coffee, craft beer, and local wine. Many people joke that Harrisonburg is known for biking and beer, but you must try our favorite coffee spots and vineyards as well.

**Coffee**
- Artful Dodger
- Greenberry’s Coffee
- Shenandoah Joe’s
- Starbucks (2 Locations)

**Breweries Downtown**
- Pale Fire Brewery
- Three Brothers Brewery
- Three Notch’d Brewery
- Wolfe Street Brewery

**Nearby Vineyards**
- Barren Ridge Vineyard (Fishersville)
- Bluestone Vineyard (Bridgewater)
- Crosskeys Vineyard (Cross Keys)
- Muse Vineyards (Woodstock)

While you’re visiting...
During Your Search
# Taxes & Utility Information

## Real Estate Tax Rates

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*in addition to county rates

## Insurance Providers

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<td>Blue Ridge Insurance Services</td>
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<td>L D &amp; B Insurance</td>
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<td>Nationwide Insurance: Jenkins Insurance</td>
<td>540.434.8388</td>
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<td>State Farm: Courtney Teague</td>
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## Electric Companies*

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<td>Harrisonburg Electric Commission</td>
<td>540.434.5361</td>
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<td>Dominion VA Power</td>
<td>1.866.366.4357</td>
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<td>Shenandoah Valley Electric Co-operative</td>
<td>540.434.2200</td>
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*ask us which electric company services your property

## Heating Oil & Propane Gas

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<td>Columbia Gas – Harrisonburg City Only</td>
<td>540.886.0718</td>
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<td>Quarles Petroleum</td>
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## TV, Internet, and Phone

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## Water & Sewer*

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<td>Harrisonburg Water Operations</td>
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<td>Rockingham County Public Works</td>
<td>540.564.3020</td>
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*some towns provide this service

## Trash and Recycling*

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<tr>
<td>Green Earth</td>
<td>540.801.8668</td>
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<td>Waste Management</td>
<td>1.800.553.7771</td>
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*some towns provide this service
Our area is comprised of two public school divisions: Harrisonburg City Public Schools and Rockingham County Public Schools. The City is served by 5 elementary, 2 middle and one high school with funds allocated in 2015 for 2 additional school buildings. Rockingham County residents are served by 15 elementary, 4 middle and 4 high schools. For more information on these public school divisions, visit:

- Harrisonburg City Public Schools  http://harrisonburg.k12.va.us
- Rockingham County Public Schools  http://www.rockingham.k12.va.us

Further specialized studies are offered for high school students and adults at Massanutten Technical Center and at Dayton Learning Center, an alternative education center. In addition, the Massanutten Regional Governor’s School offers an enriched curriculum to select students in our public high schools.

Our community is home to various private schools, some of which include:

- Blue Ridge Christian School  www.brschool.org
- Cornerstone Christian School  www.ccsconnection.org
- Eastern Mennonite School  www.emhs.net
- Redeemer Classical School  www.redeemerclassical.org
- Woodland Montessori School  www.wmsh.org

Our community is home to these universities and colleges:

- Blue Ridge Community College  www.brcc.edu
- Bridgewater College  www.bridgewater.edu
- Eastern Mennonite University  www.emu.edu
- James Madison University  www.jmu.edu

Massanutten Regional Library serves the city of Harrisonburg and the counties of Rockingham and Page with 7 area locations. To learn more about our local library system, visit mrlib.org.
Once You’ve Planted Roots
# Shopping in Harrisonburg

## Grocery & Markets
- Food Lion (multiple locations)
- Friendly City Food Co-op
- Harrisonburg Farmers Market
- Kroger
- Martin’s Food Market
- Red Front Supermarket

## Specialty Food & Drink
- Downtown Wine and Gourmet
- Kate’s Natural Products
- Midtowne Bottle Shop
- Pickford’s Fresh Seafood
- Valley Meat Market & Deli
- Vintage Wines

## Local Retailers
- 10,000 Villages
- Artisan’s Hope
- Rocking R Ace Hardware
- Shenandoah Bicycle
- Shops at Dayton Farmers Market
- The Sole Source
- The Yellow Button
- Walkabout Outfitters

## Retail Chains
- Barnes & Noble
- Bed, Bath & Beyond
- Costco
- Dick’s Sporting Goods
- Home Depot
- Lowe’s
- Target
- T.J. Maxx
Health & Wellness

Family Medicine
Harrisonburg Family Practice
540.433.9151
Sentara RMH Health Center
540.433.2554
Rockingham Family Physicians
540.433.3344

Pediatricians
Bluestone Pediatrics
540.437.3800
Harrisonburg Pediatrics
540.437.3740
Mountain Ridge Pediatrics
540.217.5333
Valley Children’s Clinic
540.434.0898

Fitness and Health Centers
CrossFit Harrisonburg
Ice House Studios
Gold’s Gym
Planet Fitness
Sentara RMH Wellness Center

Dentistry
Blue Stone Hills Denistry
540.433.3625
Caitlin Batchelor Dentistry
540.432.9992
Ken Copeland Family Dentistry
540.437.4090
Scott A. Dunaway, DDS
540.433.2800

Veterinarians
Ashby Animal Clinic
540.433.9174
Heartland Veterinary Clinic
540.434.3903
Massanutten Animal Clinic
540.908.2367

Once You’ve Planted Roots
Just for the Kids

Daycares & Preschools
Many options are available, from licensed in-home care to larger daycare centers. Here are a few we recommend:
- Generations Crossing
- Harrisonburg-Rockingham Child Daycare Center
- Kids Harbor Preschool and Afterschool
- Tara’s Tots

Music & Dance Lessons
- Dance & Co
- Dancing Feet
- Musikgarten – EMU
- Preparatory Music Program – EMU
- Shenandoah Valley Youth Orchestra*
- Shenandoah Valley Children’s Choir*
  *by audition

Kid-Friendly Activities*
- A Dream Come True Playground
- Explore More Discovery Museum
- Kinetic Kids
- Pump It Up of Harrisonburg
- You Made It! Pottery & Fused Glass Studio
  *To see more kid-friendly ideas, visit ValleyRootsTeam.com

Weekly Story Time & Crafts
Storytime and crafts are available at our local library branches – see mrlib.org for more information.

Once You’ve Planted Roots
Local Attractions

Venues & Galleries
Clementine Café (live music)
Corgan’s Irish Pub (live music)
Court Square Theatre (live music, film)
Darrin-McHone Art Gallery
Forbes Center for Performing Arts
Larkin Arts
Sawhill Gallery
Spitzer Art Center

Festivals and Yearly Events
Taste of Downtown (March and Aug.)
Rocktown Beer Festival (April and Sept.)
ValleyFest (May)
Shenandoah Valley Bach Festival (June)
Fridays on the Square (summer months)
Rockingham County Fair (Aug.)
Harrisonburg International Festival (Sept.)
Dayton Days (Oct.)
Downtown Holiday Tour (Dec.)
First Night Harrisonburg (New Year’s Eve)

Museums
Crossroads/Valley Brethren-Mennonite Heritage Center
Harrisonburg Fire Department Museum
Harrisonburg/Rockingham Historical Society - Heritage Museum
Museum of American Jewelry & Manufacturing
Virginia Quilt Museum
Recreation

Outdoor Attractions
Bicycling and Mountain Biking
Edith J. Carrier Arboretum
Harrisonburg Farmers Market
Grand Caverns
Luray Caverns
Massanutten WaterPark
White Oak Lavender Farm

Parks & Bicycling
Many local parks and mountain bike trails are found in our area. Harrisonburg is one of America’s Top Mountain Biking Towns. Stunning vistas and waterfalls can be enjoyed on hikes within George Washington National Forest and Shenandoah National Park.

Golf Courses
Heritage Oaks Golf Course
Lakeview Golf Club
Packsaddle Ridge Golf Course
Spotswood Country Club

Pools
Ashby Recreation Center*
East Rockingham Recreation Association*
Spotswood Country Club*
Broadway Community Park Pool
Grand Caverns Pool
Westover Pool

*Membership required

Once You’ve Planted Roots
Our Preferred Contractors

Life happens. In the event you need a reliable professional to fix a problem, here’s a list of reputable contractors that we recommend:

**Electricians**
- Delp Electric
  540.746.0484
- Fieldcrest Electric
  540.564.0333

**Handyman Services**
- Jeff Warner
  540.810.2928
- Doug Christophel
  540.908.1669

**HVAC**
- Air Quality Systems
  540.896.7182
- Blue Mountain Plumbing, Heating, and Cooling
  540.942.2700
- Landes Heating & Air Conditioning
  540.434.5988

**Locksmith**
- Precision Locksmith
  540.433.4007

**Roofers**
- Jim Shrock Roofing
  540.421.1611
- JL Davis Roofing
  540.249.3622

**Plumbers**
- Blue Mountain Plumbing, Heating, and Cooling
  540.942.2700
- Burgess Plumbing
  540.896.9922
- Cedar Run Plumbing
  540.896.6121

**Landscaping**
- Fine Earth
  540.432.7977
- Grass Roots Landscaping
  540.432.7200
- Great Outdoors Landscaping
  540.810.7976

Once You’ve Planted Roots
We are the Valley Roots Team, locally-focused REALTORS®, helping buyers and sellers of homes, farms and land in the Shenandoah Valley. Read more about us at ValleyRootsTeam.com/OurStories.

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