

Girlfriend Getaway – Culture, Shopping and Pampering in Apple Country

Friday, April 27

AFTERNOON

Arrive and check into your accommodations. [The George Washington – a Wyndham Grand Hotel](#) is located a block from the Old Town walking mall and has an in-house spa and Roman bath-style pool. Those looking for a more intimate getaway can check in at the [Fuller House Inn](#), [Nancy Shepherd House](#), or [Old Waterstreet Inn](#); all bed and breakfasts located in Old Town.

EVENING

Wander into [Old Town Winchester](#) for some boutique shopping at the small shops and art galleries. You will also have your choice of over 20 local restaurants as well – if the weather is pleasant, you'll appreciate the largest concentration of al fresco dining in the entire Shenandoah Valley here on the walking mall.

Saturday, April 28

MORNING/AFTERNOON

Relax in the morning and get in a little more browsing before getting ready for the [Bloomin' Wine Fest](#), which begins at 11am in Old Town Winchester. Enjoy tasting wines from 20 Virginia wineries and craft breweries too. The day will be full of live musical entertainment, delicious festival food, and displays by local artisans.

EVENING

Catch a showing on Friday or Saturday evening of [The Merry Widow](#), performed at Shenandoah University with live orchestra music by the world renowned Shenandoah University Conservatory. Get your tickets in advance – these shows sell out!

Enjoy a spa treatment at the [Saumaj Health Spa](#) located in the George Washington hotel – you don't need to be a hotel guest to enjoy their services!

Sunday, April 29

MORNING/AFTERNOON

Spend your final day in the Winchester area experiencing spring in the Shenandoah Valley.

There are numerous brunch options in the area – head down to [Regions 117](#) on the shore of Lake Frederick for an outstanding farm to fork menu, or if you want to stay close, wander over to [Joe's Steakhouse](#) in Old Town. For a very unique experience, try the [Coach and Horses Tea Room](#), but make your reservations well ahead of time.

The [Patsy Cline Historic House](#) is a must-see while in town; Patsy (or "Ginny" as her friends and family called her) lived a challenging early life but her relationship with her single mother kept her strong. Learn her inspiring story and walk in her footsteps.

Before departing for home, consider ending your visit with a local tradition at Apple Blossom time - a leisurely country drive among the apple orchards. View the rows and rows of pink and white blossoms set among the backdrop of the Blue Ridge and Allegheny Mountains in the distance.