

**VIPMOAA Annual Outing (May 26)**

**Williamsburg Winery/Gabriel Archer Tavern**



**From Interstate 64:**

- 1. Take exit 242A to merge onto VA-199 W/Humelsine Pkwy W toward Williamsburg/Jamestown** 5.0 mi
- 2. Turn left at Brookwood Dr** 492 ft
- 3. Take the 1st left onto Lake Powell Rd/State Route 617** 0.9 mi
- 4. Turn left at Wessex Hundred**  
Destination will be on the right:  
5800 Wessex Hundred, Williamsburg,  
23185 0.8 mi

Are you ready for some fun? This year our VIPMOAA outing will be to visit the Williamsburg Winery and the lovely Gabriel Archer Tavern. Located just minutes from historic Williamsburg, the Winery was established in 1985 and produces over 60,000 cases of wine annually. Known for both Red and White varietals, their wines have won over 250 national and international awards. The mid-day event will start by meeting at the gift shop at 11:00 a.m. and moving to the wine tasting room inside. Here is a chance to try some of the award-winning vintages that you don't routinely see in the stores. After the tasting, we will be given an extensive tour of the facility and overview of the wine-making process by winery staff.

After the tour, we will walk over to the Gabriel Archer Tavern for a lovely lunch. You will be able to select off of a menu of delicious sandwich entrees which will be served on homemade French bread accompanied by the Tavern's signature side salad. Lunch will include one glass of wine from the selection of Governor's White, Two Shilling Red, or Plantation Blush. A tasty cookie tops off the meal.

As a special treat for our group, we have arranged an *additional* tour of the new boutique hotel on the premises. *Wedmore Place* is a European-style country hotel decorated with antiques, king-size beds, and wood-burning fireplaces; all to provide the feeling of warmth and elegance of an aristocratic mansion.

*What a lovely way to spend a spring day!*

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