

Wild and Wonderful West Virginia

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Meet Location: Sheetz Gas Station, 2600 James Anderson Highway (US 60) at the intersection of Dorset Rd. and US 60 at 9:00am.

Route Directions to Chili's Restaurant, Staunton, VA

- US 60 west to SR 628 (1.5 miles)
- Turn right on SR 628 to SR 615 (4.2 miles)
- Turn right on SR 615 to SR 628 (.3 mile)
- Turn left on SR 628 to SR 711 (.9 mile)
- Turn left on SR 711 to SR 617 (3.2 miles)
- Turn right on SR 617 to US 522 (3.8 miles)
- Turn right on US 522 to SR 6 (1.8 miles)
- Turn left on SR 6 (at stop light) and drive through Goochland Courthouse) (.5 mile)
- Continue on SR 6 to Scottsville (39 miles)
- In Scottsville, turn right on SR 6 to **rest stop at Food Lion** located on SR 726 (.8 mile)
- Turn left on SR 726 to SR 20 (.1 mile)
- Turn left on SR 20 to SR 712 (5.3 miles)
- Turn left on SR 712 (Plank Road) to SR 692 (10.1 miles)
- Cross over US 29 and proceed on SR 692 to Miller School Road in Batesville, VA (4.8 miles)
- Turn right on SR 240 (Miller School Road) to US 250 (5 miles)
- Turn left on US 250 to I 64 (1.3 miles)
- Merge onto I 64 west to I 81 north (19.8 miles)
- Merge onto I 81 north to US 250 west (.8 mile) **stay in right lane**
- Exit 222 (US 250 west) to Staunton, VA (.5 mile)
- Proceed US 250 west to Chili's restaurant on right (.9 mile)
- **Lunch at Chili's Restaurant (1 hour)**

Route Directions to Marlinton, WVA

- Exit Chili's Restaurant on US 250 west to next stop light and reverse directions to I 81 (.7 mile)
- Enter I 81 south to SR 262 (1.7 miles)
- Proceed on SR 262 to SR 252 (2 miles)
- Turn left on SR 252 and proceed to SR 39 (26.6 miles)
- Turn right on SR 39 to Goshen Pass Wayside **rest stop (15 minutes)**
- Continue on SR 39 to Marlinton, WVA (64 miles)
- At Marlinton, WVA, turn right on US 219 north to Marlinton Motor Inn (3 miles)

Route Directions to Green Bank Observatory

- US 219 north to SR 66 (17.3 miles)
- Turn right on SR 66 to SR 28 north (16 miles) (pass through Cass, WVA)
- Turn left on SR 28 north to Green Bank Radio Observatory (3 miles)
- ***Tour Observatory and Museum (1.5 hours) followed by catered lunch***

Route Directions to Richmond, VA: (3 hours and 30 minutes)

- Turn left on SR 28 to US 250 east (8.5 miles)
- Turn right on US 250 to Monterey, VA (22.5 miles)
- ***Rest Stop at Sunoco Gas Station (15 minutes)***
- Proceed east on US 250 to SR 262 south at Staunton, VA (40 miles)
- Merge onto SR 262 south to I 81 north (7 miles)
- Merge onto I 81 north to I 64 east (1 mile)
- Proceed on I 64 east to Richmond, VA (103 miles)

Notes:

- (1) Chili's Grill and Bar, 1025 Richmond Rd, Staunton, VA. Tel = 540-887-0082
- (2) Marlinton Motor Inn, Rt. 219 (3 mile north of Marlinton, WVA) Tel = 304-799-4711 (\$71.95 with AARP or AAA discount)
- (3) Pocahontas Opera House, Marlinton, WVA, 304-799-6645 (admission fee paid by CVMC)
- (4) Green Bank Radio Observatory, Rt 28, Green Bank, WVA. Tel = 304-456-2150 (admission fee \$6.00, lunch = \$7.95)

Travel Estimates:

- Sheetz gas station (Flat Rock) to Staunton, VA = (2 hours and 30 minutes)
- Staunton, VA to Marlinton, WVA = (3 hours and 30 minutes)
- Marlinton, WVA to Green Bank Observatory = (55 minutes)
- Green Bank, WVA to Richmond, VA = (3 hours and 20 minutes)