



Eastern Shore

Focus: Literature and History

Length: 2 Days

Dates: April/May 2022





Program Information

Follow in Harriet Tubman's footsteps as she escaped in 1849 and traveled from Maryland's Eastern Shore through Delaware to reach her freedom in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Explore authentic escape missions and discover how hundreds of men and women risked everything to pursue their freedom. Chesapeake landscapes – extensive waterways, marshes and woodlands – both helped and hindered Tubman and other freedom seekers.

The Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad Byway travels 125 miles through the Eastern Shore of Maryland before crossing into Delaware at Sandtown. It continues for another 98 miles, connecting through Dover to Wilmington. Our route then follows the Brandywine Valley Scenic Byway into Pennsylvania where highways and local roads take you to Philadelphia, Tubman's first destination once she found freedom.

Harriet Tubman:

Harriet Tubman was a famous Underground Railroad conductor. Born Araminta Ross in Dorchester County, Maryland, she spent her early years in slavery, serving several masters in Bucktown and Madison. After escaping, she made 13 trips back to the Eastern Shore and rescued at least 70 family members and friends from slavery.

The Underground Railroad:

was a secret network of courageous people throughout the United States who broke the law to offer transportation, refuge, food and comfort to escaping slaves during the 1700s and early 1800s. It was named symbolically after the new steam trains and used terms such as "passengers," "depots," and "conductors."

*Hotel selection will be based on group size, gender breakdown and availability. Students will share rooms of 2-4 people per room, each student will have their own bed. Faculty leaders will have their own private room with en-suite bathroom.

Accommodation are always centrally located and top rated (minimum rating of 8 out of 10). Daily american breakfast and Free Wi-Fi included.

