SCENIC ROADS FACTS

This map showcases state and national “byways” in Virginia. These roads border areas of historical, natural or recreational significance. They encourage travelers to explore interesting destinations away from high-traffic corridors.

About 3,600 miles of roads are signified as Virginia Byways. Other scenic roads that may qualify for state byway status, but haven’t been designated, are marked in dark green on the map.

AMERICA’S BYWAYS

The National Scenic Byways Program includes five such roads in Virginia: Blue Ridge Parkway, Colonial Parkway, George Washington Memorial Parkway, The Journey Through Hallowed Ground and Skyline Drive. The map identifies these roads in purple.

VIRGINIA BYWAYS

Distinctive blue signs with a cardinal and dogwood blossoms mark Virginia Byways. These roads show up in light green on the map.

ADOPT A HIGHWAY

Nearly 50,000 volunteers help keep Virginia’s roads clean for your enjoyment. Please help them by properly disposing your litter. For more on this effort, visit www.virginiadot.org/programs.

HISTORIC MARKERS

More than 2,500 roadside markers honor Virginia’s rich historic, architectural and archeological heritage. Since 1927, these signs have commemorated sites, individuals, buildings and events of state and national interest. Learn more from the state Department of Historic Resources at www.dhr.virginia.gov.