



Anchored in LaTrapp Creek near Cambridge, MD.



Calvert Marina in Solomon's Island, MD. We meet a family who just bought this catamaran and will go cruising next year.



The two 1000' floating docks for transients at Calvert Marina.



Anchored in Reedville, VA.



Reedville wharf.



Early departure from Reedville to Deltaville, VA.



We check on **Branwyn**, our Canadian friends' sailboat, in Deltaville.



Lover's Lane in Deltaville. They are really big on Halloween here.



We anchor in Jackson Creek in Deltaville—same place we anchored in 1998.



Pepper the parakeet plays with his toy inside **Running Free's** salon.



We get ready to leave Deltaville, Oct. 18, before the sun rises.



A parade of boats leave Deltaville at sunrise all heading south.



We are dwarfed by the 150' motor yacht **Just J's** at the Yorktown Landings dock.



Yorktown Day parade, Oct. 19, 2012., 231 years after Cornwallis' surrender.



All branches of the service are represented in the parade. Marines.



Navy.



Army.



Air Force.



Uncle Sam wearing a camouflage tuxedo.



Fife & Drum Band.







**YORK HIGH SCHOOL**  
**FALCON**  **BAND**  
**YORKTOWN, VIRGINIA**



1 of about 4 high school ROTC groups represented in the parade.



Before the ceremony starts at the Victory Memorial Monument.



Yorktown Victory Monument authorized by the Continental Congress in 1781 after the news of the British surrender reached Philadelphia.



The lawn of Grace Church (1697) during the annual Brunswick Stew luncheon. 75 gallons of stew was made for this event!



For \$10 we each got stew, ham buns, pie and a drink. Delicious!



We learned all about the Battle of Yorktown from this National Park volunteer. The French baskets were used by the soldiers to make battlefield trenches—they were filled with dirt and kept the berms from disintegrating in the rain.



Redoubt 9 (French word for “outlying fort”) with a flag and the spikes to deter the enemy.

ON THIS LINE AT THE  
SIEGE OF YORKTOWN  
ON OCTOBER 14, 1781, AT NIGHT  
THE BATTALIONS OF  
GIMMEL HAMILTON AND LAURENS  
OF THE LIGHT INFANTRY DIVISION OF  
MAJOR-GENERAL  
MARQUIS DE LAFAYETTE  
UNDER THE COMMAND OF  
LIEUTENANT-COLONEL  
ALEXANDER HAMILTON  
WITH UNLOADED MUSKETS AND  
FIXED BAYONETS, SCALED THE  
PARAPETS AND GALLANTLY CAP-  
TURED REDOUBT NO 10 WHICH  
FORMED THE EXTREME LEFT  
OUTLYING DEFENSE OF THE  
BRITISH AND SO HASTENED THE  
SURRENDER OF YORKTOWN IN  
THE LAST FIGHTING OF  
THE TROOPS OF  
GEN. GEORGE WASHINGTON



ERECTED BY THE  
SONS OF THE REVOLUTION IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK  
1923



Carl and one of the bronze mortar cannons.



Joyce sitting at the captain's table in a warship replica in the Park Service Battlefield Museum.



Crew quarter's hammocks & cannons.



### A National Treasure

It must have been saved under the tent of Washington. Lafayette was then conducted to the tent, where a plentiful repast was spread. Several hours were given. By Mr. Deshayes, of Richmond County, who is present, we learn that the tent was saved from the tent of Washington, which had formerly covered the site from the wind and rain.

— *Washington, October 22, 1781, from an account of General Lafayette's visit to England in the Month 1782, in the Boston St. Ward.*

Washington's tent was the only tent, containing 10th century American artifacts, some believed they were made wood throughout the 17th century. It is extraordinary that they survived between 1803 and 1817. General Washington Park Corps guided the tent for special occasions including the Marquis de Lafayette's visit in Yorktown in October 1781.

Today, the tent is in several institutions including agencies within the Federal Government, the Mount Vernon Ladies Association, and the Valley Forge Historical Society. The pieces still surviving include a sleeping mattress, a chest, a chair, a table, a stool, a camp stool, and sleeping trunks.



General George Washington, 1775-1799

I have the highest veneration for everything that belonged to the General, particularly for this Tent, which it will bring to my recollection so many former scenes.

— *Journal of Nathaniel Greene, Philadelphia, June 1, 1782*

### A Family Heirloom

I have during the term I have been here, endeavored to take the greatest care of this tent, and to have it kept in a safe way for the preservation of anything that is worthy to be handed down to posterity.

— *General George Washington, June 17, 1782, in the Boston St. Ward.*

After the death of George and Martha Washington, George Washington Park Corps purchased the tent from the grandnephew of George Washington, General Charles Washington Parke Custis, who was the last owner of the tent. The tent was then sold to the National Park Service and is now on display at the George Washington Park Corps.

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General George Washington's actual tent saved by one of the family slaves.