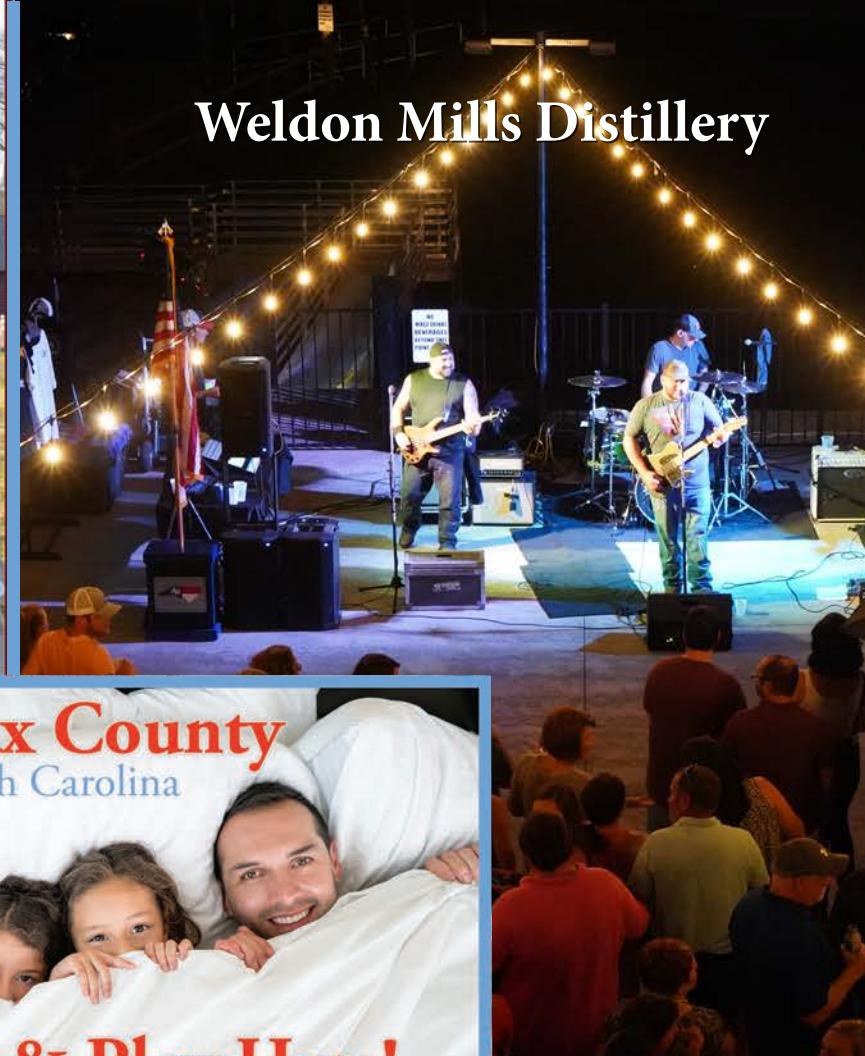


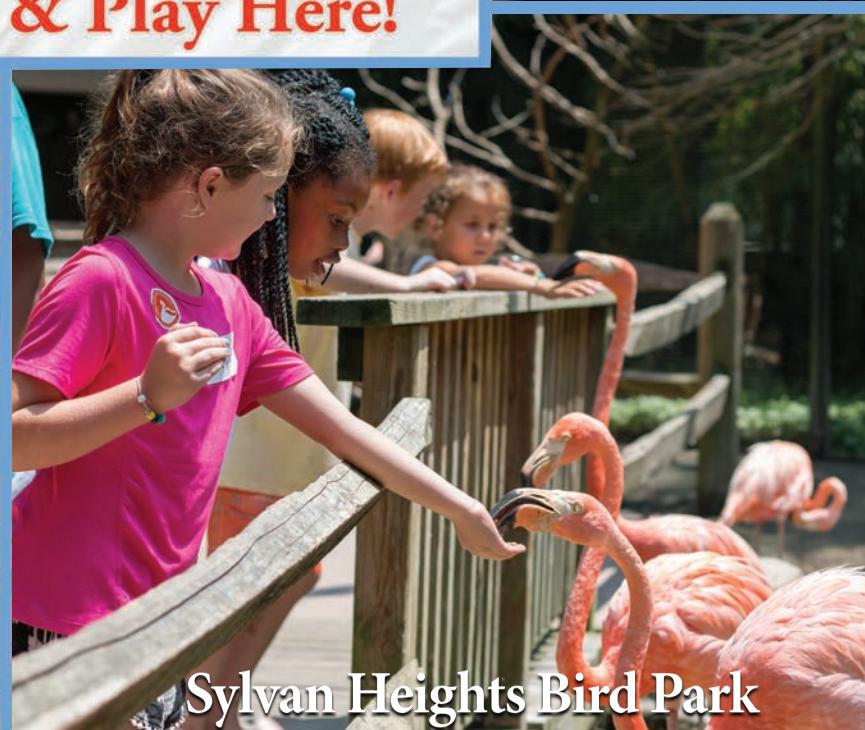
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Weldon Mills Distillery - Spirits of the South www.weldonmills.com

North Carolina's new distillery, Weldon Mills, is pouring spirits on the banks of the Roanoke River. This new hot spot in, Weldon, NC, just a "rock skip" from I-95, is the vision of Bruce Tyler and Michael Hinderliter. Friends for years their idea is to make "booze with cause"! Bruce explains, "Weldon Mills will produce two lines of bourbon with one dedicated to raising money for the families of fallen soldiers, and the other will be a premium reserve bourbon. The Mill will offer a regular whiskey and one flavored with sweet potato. They will also produce a Rockfish line of whiskey and apparel focused on rockfish preservation, as that is a significant resource for the community.

Vodka and gin will also be produced. They are using a new process for these spirits, not yet used in the industry. Tours are offered to embrace the local history and the spirit making process. Folks can enjoy a tasting and purchase bottles and memorabilia in the distillery. Additionally, they can purchase mixed drinks with spirits at the Mill.

Sylvan Heights – World's Largest Bird Park

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Discover the world's largest collection of rare and endangered waterfowl. Sylvan Heights gives visitors the opportunity to see over 2,500 birds from around the world, from ducks, geese, and swans, to parrots, pheasants, cranes, owls, toucans, flamingos and much more.

Visitors of all ages and interests can walk through continentally-themed aviaries, experiencing the diverse beauty, color, and sound of these creatures. For an even more interactive experience, guests can feed parakeets and flamingos in the park's Landing Zone exhibit. An amazing handicapped-accessible treehouse overlooks the natural wetlands, and the Beaver Pond Blind allows visitors to get closer to North Carolina's native wildlife. They offer regularly scheduled educational programming and special events. Tours are self-guided, but guided tours are also available by appointment. Call for the details.

Have your wedding in a treehouse overlooking the natural wetlands, followed by a reception in Toad Hall. Featuring a stone fireplace and rustic decor, this 4,400 square foot event space can seat more than 200 guests, and is nestled among the aviaries at Sylvan Heights Bird Park. The open-air pavilion allows nature to set the backdrop, but clear, weather-proof panels can be lowered during cold or wet weather. The adjacent treehouse overlooks a lush natural wetland teeming with wildlife. A catering kitchen and flat screen monitor available.



Historic Halifax – Birthplace of Independence historicsites.nc.gov/halifax

Historic Halifax State Historic Site and the Roanoke River have recently been added to the National Park Service Network to Freedom trail. A guided tour is offered at designated times, but visitors can walk the trail and read the interpretive signage leading from the historic site to the river any time the site is open. Historic Halifax is the site of the adoption of the Halifax Resolves, the first official authorization of independence by any colony. There are 10 Colonial homes and buildings to tour, as well as a museum and visitor center. Special events are held at the site throughout the year, and admission is free.

Do you believe in Ghosts?

www.hauntedlittleton.com

If you're the kind of tourist that enjoys ghost stories, chilling tales in the dark of the night, or if you are looking for evidence of the supernatural, Littleton, NC has just the ticket. **Ghost Tours of Historic Haunted Littleton**, was founded by Stephen Barcelo, a long-time photojournalist with the New York Daily News. While doing a "Halloween-themed documentary" for the paper, Stephen became captivated by the paranormal. Now he leads mysterious and supernatural tours in the heart of historic Littleton.

Whether a 45 minute Ghost Walk or a 4 hour Ghost Hunt, you can walk the little known trails through this historic community. Hear strange folk tale, and ghost stories along the way as you search for restless spirits. One creepy stop is Person's Ordinary, 1739, the oldest standing landmark in Halifax County. The building has been securely sealed for years, but locals report seeing faces and lights coming from inside! Don't miss the Cryptozoology and Paranormal Museum before you go. Skeptic or believer, share in the mystery!

