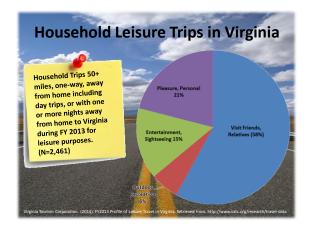


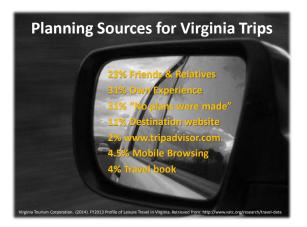




- Are traveling by car most often
- Take shorter day trips
- Brief planning time
- Seek to spend quality time with loved ones





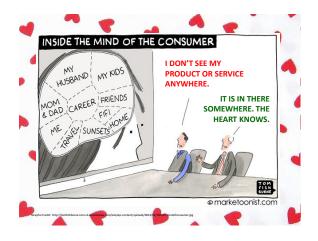


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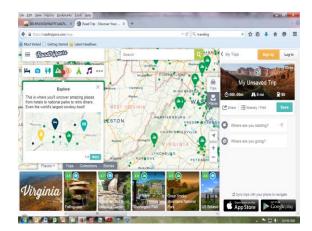
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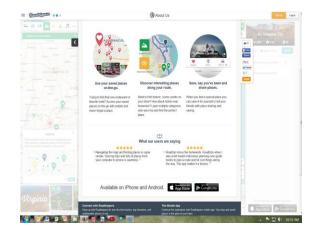
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# Help Customers Relax



### Provide activities to connect visitors to nature

- Passive (scenic beauty, places to meditate, sit, take selfies, eat)
- Active (walks, classes, hunting, fishing, horseback riding, yoga)













# Make Happy Happen



- Positive experiences, customer tells 7 people
- Negative experiences, customer tells 19 people
- Pay attention to customer needs
- Be kind to customers
- Smile, be responsive





## Be Who You Are Highlight your strengths Focus on your uniqueness Create experiences based on your expertise

# Do What You Do BestImage: Strain of the strain of th



#### Be Genuine



- What you see is what you get marketing
- Clear and simple communications
- Consistent and reliable service







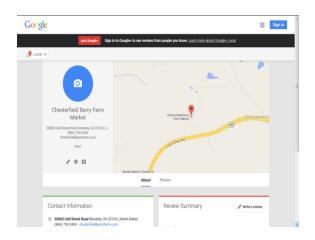


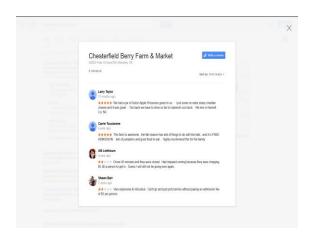




















• Avoid sending unrequested information







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#### **Agritourism Self-list Directories**

- <u>http://www.farmstayus.com/sign-up</u> (Fee)
- <u>http://admin.virginia.org/</u> (No Fee)
- <u>http://www.agritourismworld.com/create-account</u> (No Fee)
- http://www.vdacs.virginia.gov/vagrowndirectory/participationform.shtml (No Fee)
- http://www.ruralbounty.com/listing (No Fee)
- <u>http://www.pickyourownflowers.org/addmy</u> <u>farm.htm</u> (No Fee)