## Location, Location, Location!

Maryland is a green equestrian oasis located in the busy East Coast metropolitan corridor. Thousands of acres of preserved farmland are used for horse sports by folks of all ages and abilities. It is an easy drive from major airports in Baltimore, Washington DC, Philadelphia and New York.



## **Diversity and Wide Range of Activities**



#### Rodeo



**Trail Riding** 



Wild Horses at the Ocean Anywhere you travel in Maryland, you will find unique experiences with horses







## 101,457 Horses in Maryland Making MD the number one

state in terms of the number of horses per square mile!





**200 Equine Organizations Statewide 35 Different Equine Disciplines 40 Breeds of Horses** 



of households in MD contain horse enthusiasts

## Integral to the State's Economy



**\$2.1** Billion **Economic Impact** 

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# Welcome to Maryland **Horse Country**



## Horse Parks for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

Several iconic venues have been reinvigorated to create a new Maryland Horse Park System.



Washington International Horse Show

The Longines FEI Jumping World Cup Washington CSI5\*-W is a highlight of the 7-day Washington International Horse Show now held at The Show Place Arena in metro Washington D.C. in Prince George's County. The show is live streamed in the U.S., Europe and beyond.



#### **Maryland 5 Star at Fair Hill**

The inaugural Maryland 5 Star at Fair Hill, one of only seven 5 Star events in the world and second in the US, drew 16 international competitors from five countries and over 22,000 spectators to the lush 5,600-acre Fair Hill Natural Resource Management Area in Cecil County, MD. The event also hosts a 3 Star and the USEA Young Event Horse East Coast Championships.



### Maryland Horse Library & Education Center

Centrally located outside of Baltimore, the library houses one of the finest collections of equine sporting books in the nation and serves as the hub for equestrian activities in the state. The facility includes a memorabilia area, meeting space, interactive kiosks and rotating exhibits.

## Legendary Horse Races Known Throughout the World



#### **Preakness**

The Preakness is the Middle Jewel of U.S. Thoroughbred Racing's Triple Crown and has been contested 147 times. Winners include Secretariat, American Pharoah and Justify and is broadcast all over the world.



#### **Jim McKay Maryland Million Day**

ABC-TV Olympics sportscaster Jim McKay is the founder of this \$1M race card that features Maryland-sired and bred horses. McKay's concept was the first of its kind and has been copied in 27 other events in 20 locations throughout the U.S.



#### **Maryland Hunt Cup**

Billed as the toughest timber race in the world, the winner of the 4-mile race over 22 unbending obstacles automatically earns a starting position in the English Grand National. Two Hunt Cup winners have gone on to win at Aintree.