

West Virginia
Hauntings



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Wild and Wonderful

1. Moundsville Prison's All Night Ghost Hunts (cover photo)

Come join us for an all night ghost hunt of a different kind! Roam the halls and cells of the gothic structure that once housed many of the nation's most dangerous criminals. (Many say that they are still there!) Walk with experienced paranormal investigators as they explore the spirits from the darker side of humanity using the latest in technology. Or DARE TO EXPLORE ON YOUR OWN!! Ghost Hunts are open to the public, 18 and over, please.

Contact info: (304) 845-6200, www.wvpentours.com



A guide to the haunted tours of West Virginia

2. Haunted Parkersburg Ghost Tours

This tour covers the haunts of Parkersburg and surrounding areas, as well as features other paranormal tales of the region such as the Banshee of Murrtown, Blennerhassett Haunts, and the local tale about contact with the alien Indrid Cold.

Contact info: Susan Sheppard, Sheppard@wirefire.com or (304) 428-7978, www.hauntedparkersburg.com

3. Time Travelers Haunted History of Wheeling

The tour begins with a haunted hike. Locations of ghostly sightings will be investigated using hand held equipment to measure paranormal activity.

Then in to a graveyard experience, the equipment will reveal if we are alone in the adventure. Paranormal activity will once again be measured by our team of new specialists — that's YOU! You will become educated and trained to recognize spirit activity!

Contact: Diane Davis Darnley or Ashley McDonald (304) 277-5322 or hauntedhistoryofwheeling@yahoo.com



4. North Bend Rail Trail Ghost Walk

Take a slow walk into the dark night on the North Bend Rail Trail from historic Marshall Hardware store

in Cairo. We allow only two kerosene lanterns to guide the group. Each walk includes the Phantom of Silver Run as well as other local ghost stories. The terrain is flat and easy, about ½ mile total walk. Hear stories told in the dark as the group continues to slowly travel into the night. The tour lasts about 45 minutes.

Contact: R. C. Marshall Hardware Co., Cairo (304) 628-3321

5. Ghost Tours of Lewisburg

Tour haunted homes and sites in the Historic District of Lewisburg. Tours begin at the General

Lewis Inn and include The Cemetery, The Mansions of Lewisburg, the New Carnegie Hall, 1900 Women's College Tour, "The Greenbrier Ghost" and the Civil War Antebellum period.

Contact: John Luckton (304) 256-TOUR (8687)

6. Ghost Tours of Beckley

See these turn-of-the-century haunted homes and sites. Tours include the Raleigh County Courthouse, Coal Baron Mansions, and The 1931 Historic Soldiers and Sailors Theatre (interior tour). Bring your camera!

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7. Ghost Tours of Harpers Ferry

Take the guided nighttime tours through the historic Civil War capitol of Harpers Ferry. Share the history of the town and the tales of the Civil War spirits left behind.

Contact: (304) 725-8019 or visit www.harpersferryghost.20m.com



8. Trans Allegheny Lunatic Asylum (formerly Weston State Hospital)



Reported paranormal activity and Civil War tales make this haunted tour a must for every ghost hunter. Pre-dating the Civil War, this National Historic Landmark

was constructed in 1858 and is the largest hand-cut stone masonry building in North America. Originally named the Trans Allegheny Lunatic Asylum and designed to house 250 patients, the hospital peaked at 2,400 patients in the 1950s. In 1964, the name was changed to the Weston State Hospital. Closed in 1994, the hospital today has reclaimed its original name and is now open to the public for guided tours.

Contact: Rebecca Jordan at (304) 269-5070 or visit their website at www.trans-alleghenylunaticasylum.com

9. Mothman – Point Pleasant

Although the Mothman Legacy began nearly 40 years ago, it still has a strong hold on the small community of Point Pleasant and the thousands of townspeople and visitors who have hunted for him. Does he exist? Where did he come from? What really happened? Come and participate in guided tours of the areas where he was seen and hear the stories of eyewitness accounts and strange occurrences.

Contact: Call (304) 675-3844 to arrange for a guided tour or visit www.mothmanlives.com for more information.



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