Research Guide: Virginia Native Americans

Prehistoric and Pre-Contact:


Contact Period (1570s to 1620s):


Harriot, Thomas, and Theodor de Bry. *A Briefe and True Report of the New Found Land of Virginia*. Charlottesville, VA: Published for the Library at the Mariners’ Museum by the University of Virginia Press, 2007. **Call # 975.5 HAR**


**Virginia Tribes:**


Beverley, Robert, and Louis B. Wright. *The History and Present State of Virginia*. Chapel Hill, NC: Published for the Institute of Early American History and Culture at Williamsburg, VA, by the University of North Carolina Press, 1947. **Call # 975.5 BEV**


McCary, Ben C. *Indians in Seventeenth Century Virginia*. Williamsburg, VA: Virginia 350th Anniversary Celebration Corp, 1957. **Call # 970.4 MCC**


**Twentieth Century:**


Other Resources to Consult:

- Census Records
- Virginia Legislative Petitions
- Local Records – Check local Clerk of Courts or microfilm copies
- Maps
- Newspapers: Virginian-Pilot, Norfolk Ledger-Dispatch, and other Virginia newspapers
- Periodical/Serials:
  - Chesopiean: A Journal of Archaeology North American
  - Quarterly Bulletin (Archaeological Society of Virginia)
  - Tyler's Quarterly
  - Virginia Magazine of History and Biography
  - William and Mary Quarterly
- Photographs, Lithographs, and printed images
- Special Collections & Archives of Virginia in universities and other libraries
- Check the Virginia Heritage Database: www.vaheritage.org
- Virginia State Records
- Vertical Files
- Virginia Colonial Records:
  - Acts of Assembly (1776 – Present) Call # 345 VIR
  - Calendar of Virginia State Papers (1652 – 1869) Call # 353 VIR
  - Hening’s Statutes (1619 – 1750) Call # 345 VIR
  - Journals of the House of Burgesses (1659 – 1776) Call # 975.5 VIR
  - The Records of the Virginia Company of London (1606 - 1626) Call # 975.5 VIR

Websites:

- Werowocomoco Research Project: http://powhatan.wm.edu/
- Virginia’s First People: Past and Present http://virginiaindians.pwnet.org/
- Virtual Jamestown: www.virtualjamestown.org
- College of William and Mary – American Indian Resource Center: http://www.wm.edu/as/anthropology/research/airc/

Tribes:

- Chickahominy: www.chickahominytribe.org
- Chickahominy Indians Eastern Division: www.cied.org
- Monacan: www.monacannation.com
- Nansemond: www.nansemond.org
- Cheroenhaka (Nottoway): www.cheroenhaka-nottoway.org
- Nottoway: www.nottowayindians.org
- Pamunkey: www.pamunkey.net
- Patawomeck: www.patawomeckindiantribeofvirginia.org
- Rappahannock: www.rappahannocktribe.org
- Upper Mattaponi: www.uppermattaponi.org

Native Virginians Gathered Around Fire – Abt. 1587