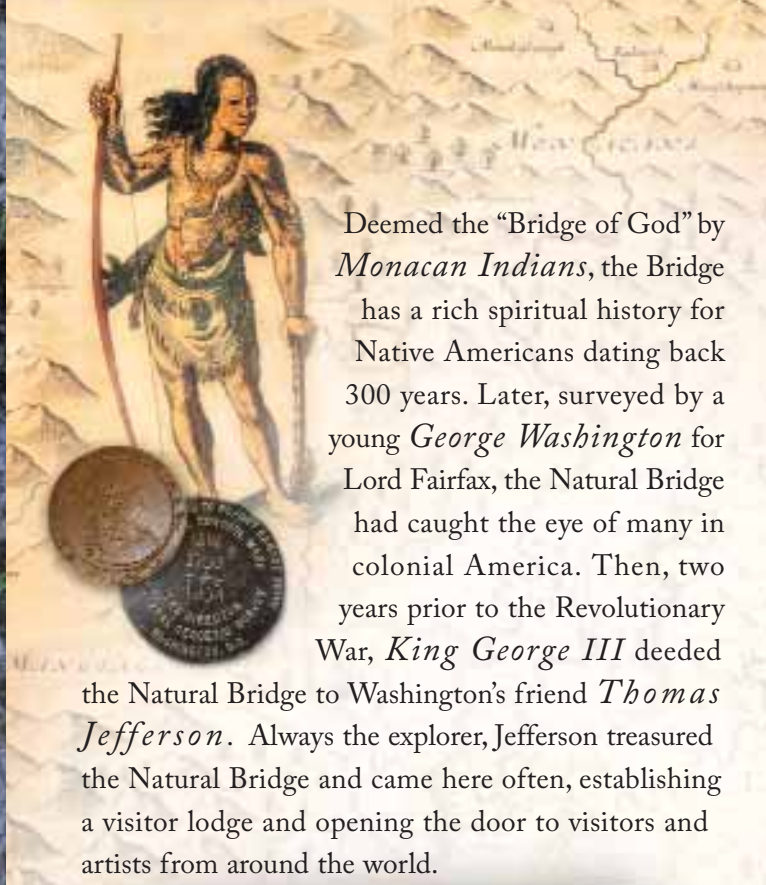


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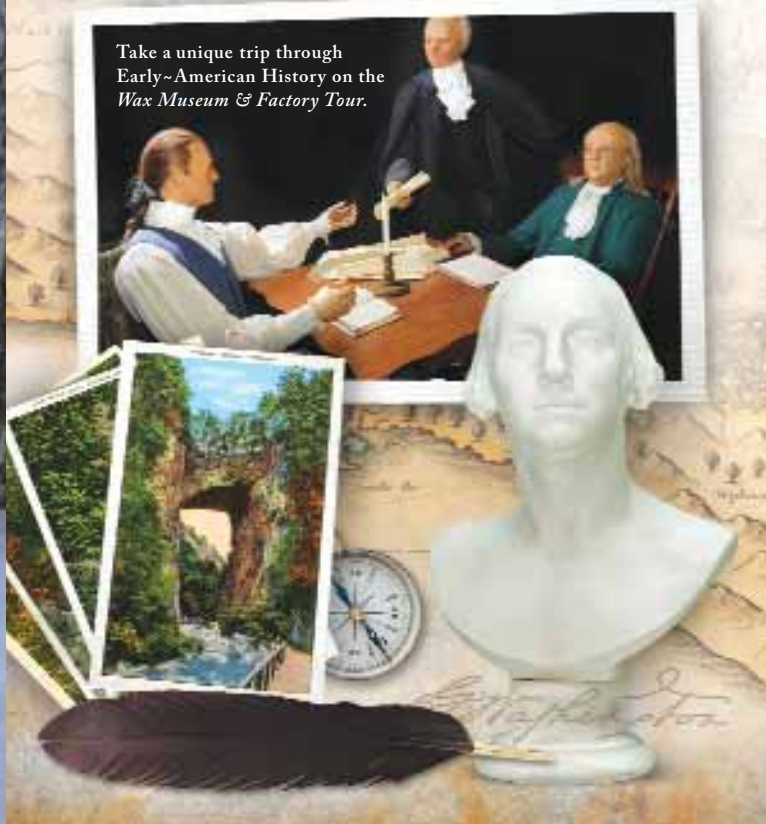
An Ancient
Natural Wonder
in Virginia's
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Deemed the "Bridge of God" by *Monacan Indians*, the Bridge has a rich spiritual history for Native Americans dating back 300 years. Later, surveyed by a young *George Washington* for Lord Fairfax, the Natural Bridge had caught the eye of many in colonial America. Then, two years prior to the Revolutionary War, *King George III* deeded the Natural Bridge to Washington's friend *Thomas Jefferson*. Always the explorer, Jefferson treasured the Natural Bridge and came here often, establishing a visitor lodge and opening the door to visitors and artists from around the world.



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Admission & Operating Hours

The Natural Bridge is open year-round at 9 am. Guides / Interpreters on site May–October.

The Natural Bridge admission includes:

- Natural Bridge
 - Cedar Creek Nature Trail
 - Native American Monacan Village (April–Nov.)
 - Natural Bridge Caverns (March–Nov.)
 - Drama of Creation evening show (seasonal at dusk)
 - Wax Museum & Factory Tour and Toy Museum

The Natural Bridge Caverns operates daily (March–Nov.) 10 am–5 pm. Guided tours of the caverns are 45 minutes and walking shoes are suggested. Museum operating hours may vary.

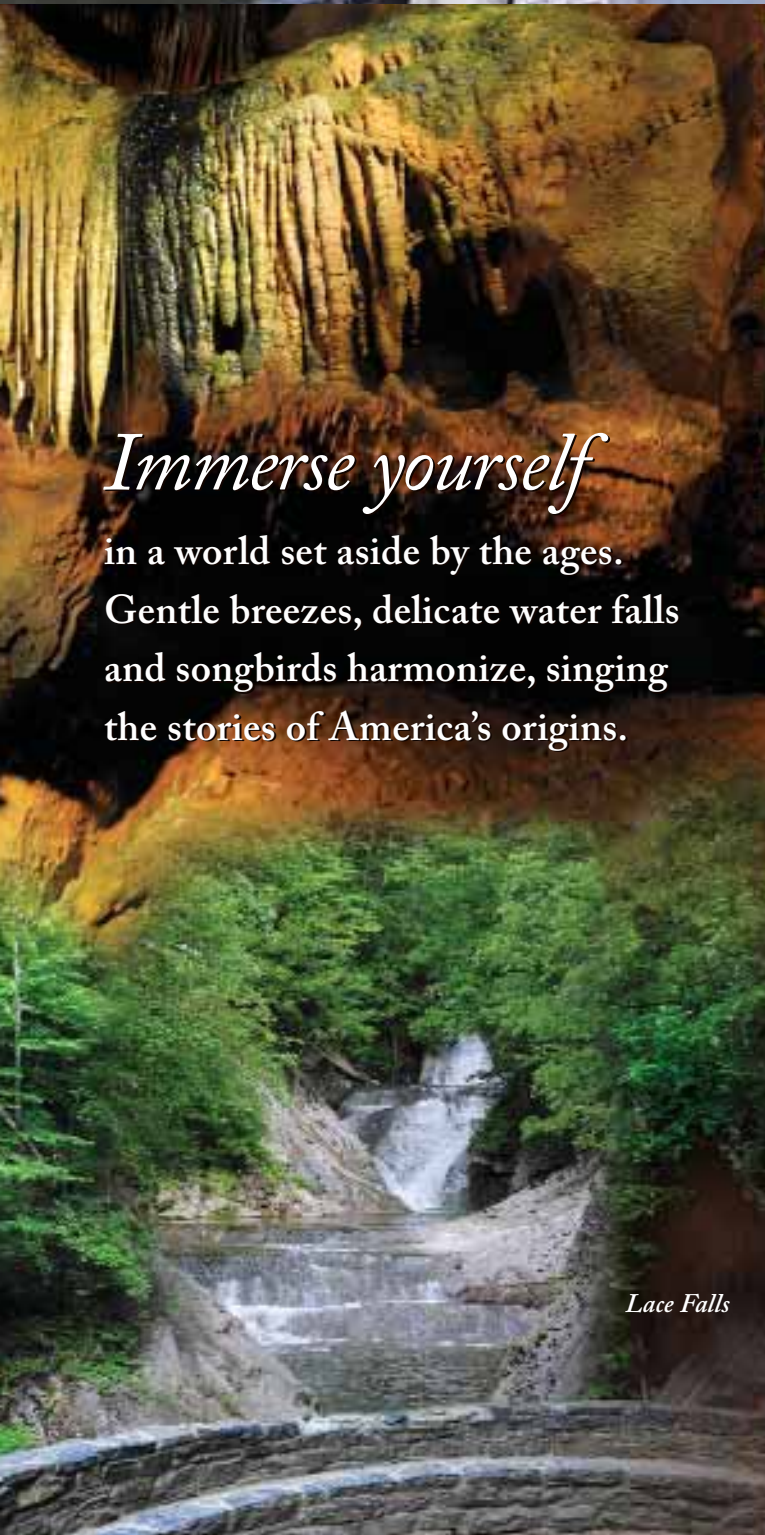


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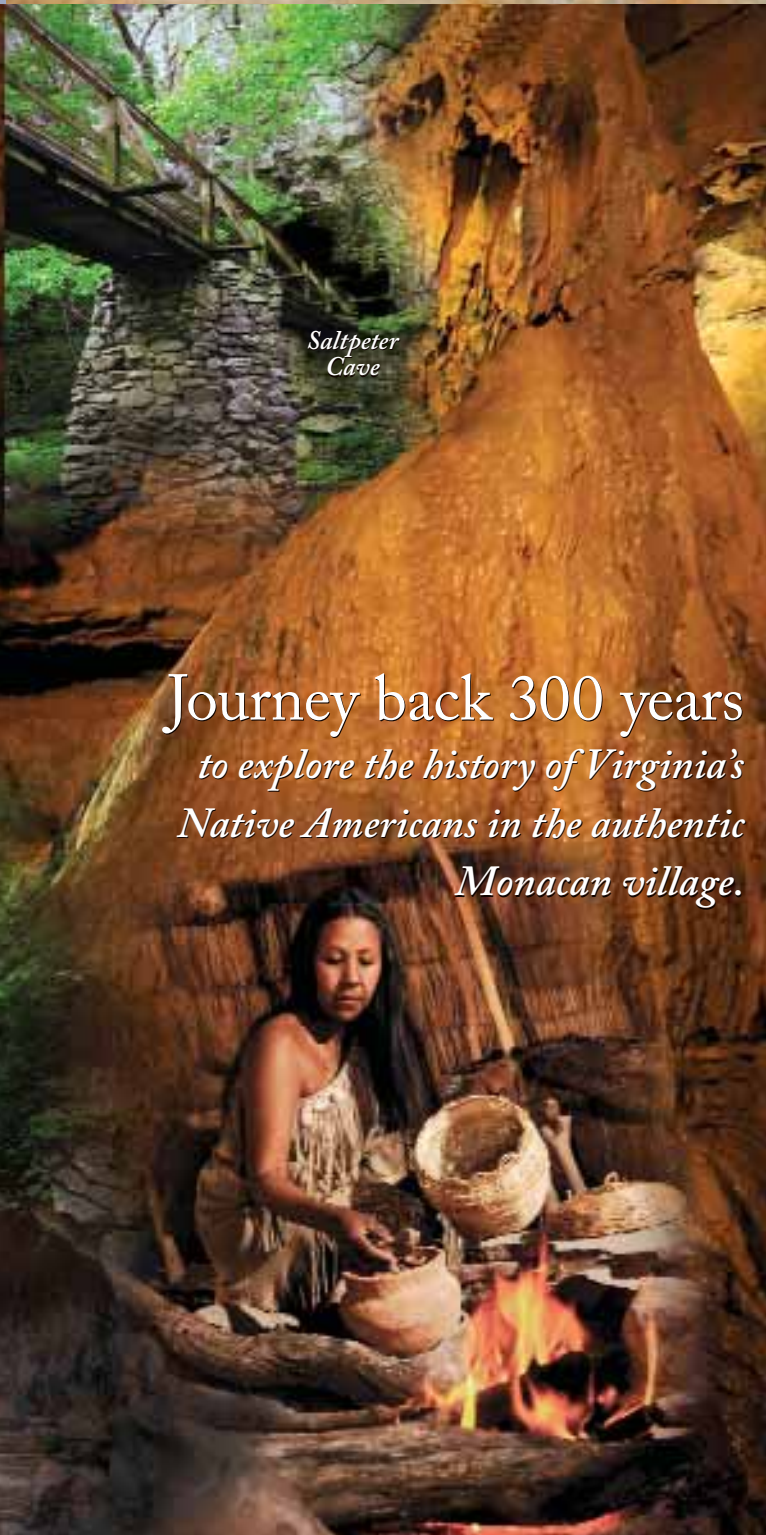
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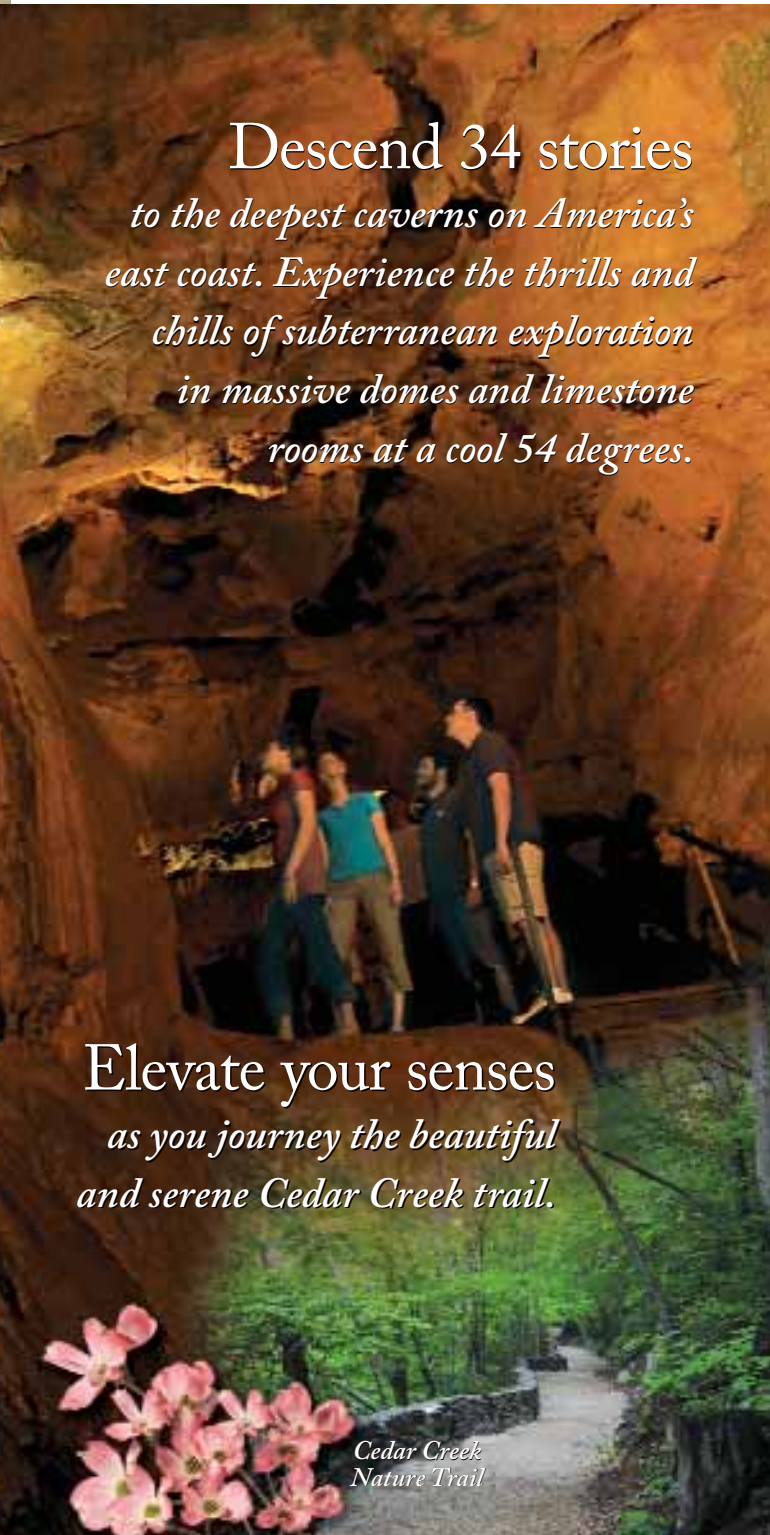
in a world set aside by the ages. Gentle breezes, delicate water falls and songbirds harmonize, singing the stories of America's origins.

Lace Falls



Salt Peter Cave

Journey back 300 years to explore the history of Virginia's Native Americans in the authentic Monacan village.



Descend 34 stories to the deepest caverns on America's east coast. Experience the thrills and chills of subterranean exploration in massive domes and limestone rooms at a cool 54 degrees.

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Cedar Creek Nature Trail

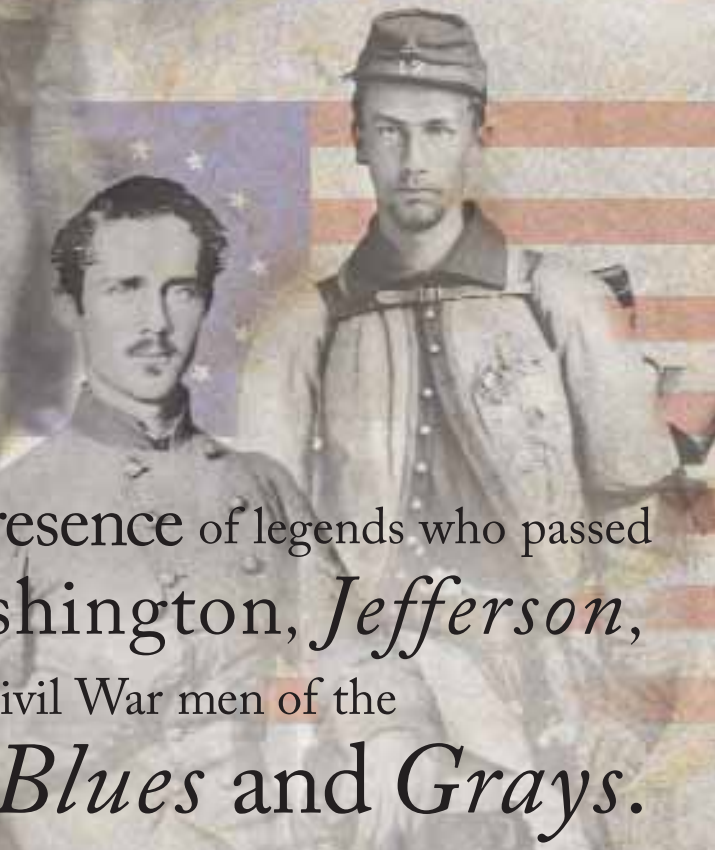
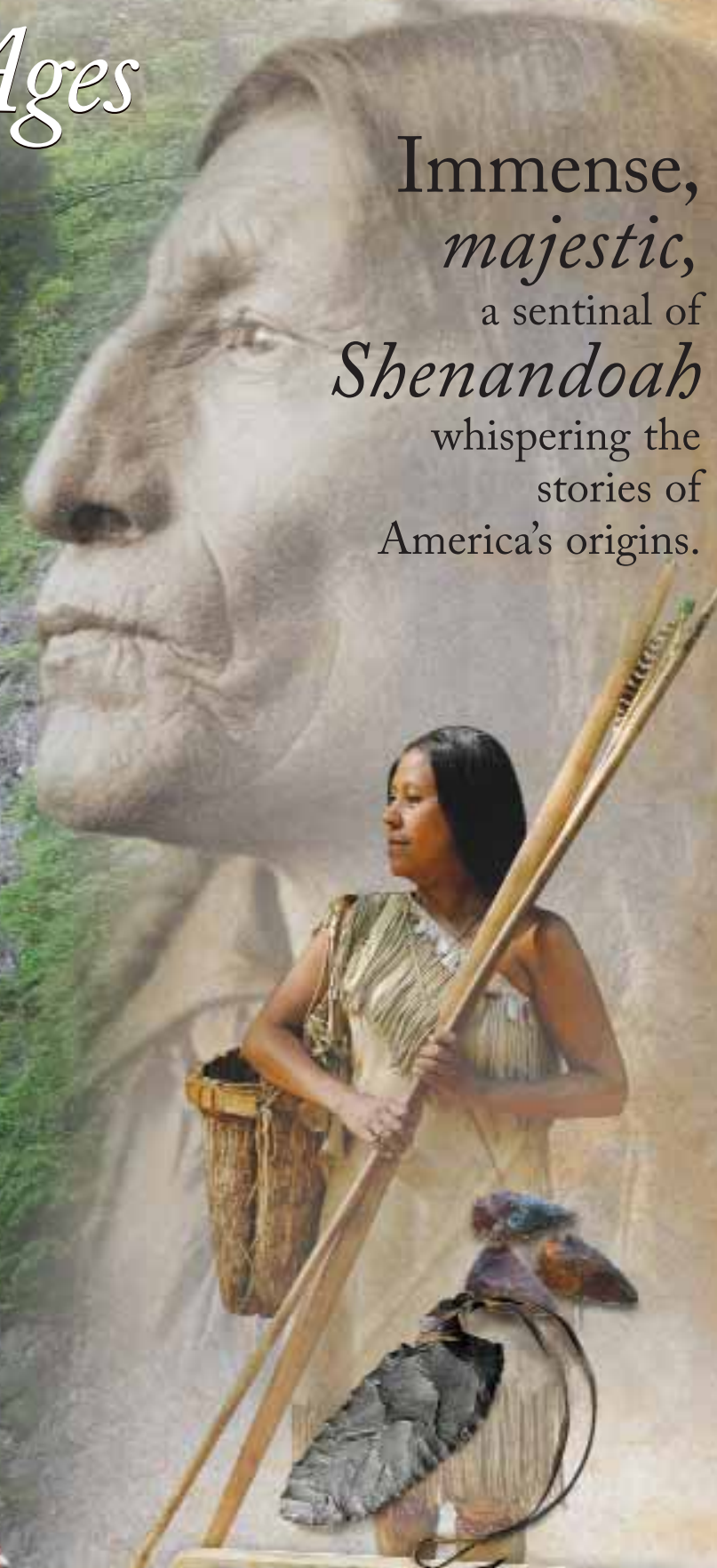
Carved by the Fingers of Nature

Rock of Ages

Immense,
majestic,
a sentinel of
Shenandoah
whispering the
stories of
America's origins.

Nature's CATHEDRAL

Treasured by kings,
purchased by patriots,
this great stone monument is the
looking-glass *of history*.



Feel the presence of legends who passed
this portal ~ Washington, *Jefferson*,
the Civil War men of the
Blues and Grays.



DRAMA of CREATION

As darkness falls, choreographed lighting creates a rainbow canopy as the Natural Bridge transitions to Nature's Theater. The *Drama of Creation* unfolds in words and music ~ a bridge tradition since 1927.

