



Historic Spaces Find New Life in Shenandoah County

Shenandoah County, Virginia (February 5, 2026) – In Shenandoah County, the future isn't built from scratch. Instead, it's often found right inside historic walls. Across the county, beloved old buildings have been thoughtfully reimaged into vibrant new businesses that blend the area's small-town charm with fresh ideas. These sites prove that progress doesn't have to erase the past; instead, it can build directly onto it.

In the county seat of Woodstock, the [Woodstock Brewhouse](#) now occupies a former Casey Jones work-clothes factory. Today, instead of sewing machines, you'll find craft beer served in a lively gathering space that keeps the building's character front and center. From the high ceilings to the worn wood flooring, the brewhouse ensured that the structure remained as authentic as possible during the transition to the building's new life.

Also in Woodstock, visitors will find [Vaulted Cards](#), which gives new meaning to "vaulted treasures." Located in the basement of a historic building that used to be a bank, this collectibles shop plays on its unique location by offering trading cards and other treasures to enthusiasts. The business name is a wink to the building's past and the old bank vault that's located right above the shop.

In Strasburg, [Box Office Brewery](#) brings history and craft beer together inside what was the first fully developed theater in Shenandoah County, dating to 1918. Once a hub for silent films, the building now welcomes guests with its original marquee, box office and other theater-inspired details, including window board posters from the 1930s and the oldest known murals in the county gracing the walls. The brewery still feels cinematic, but now the main attraction is locally brewed beer instead of a feature film. If you're feeling nostalgic, though, beer flights here are served in old movie reels.



Perhaps the most iconic transformation of all is Edinburg Mill, a landmark that once powered the town's economy and now serves as a museum (Edinburg Mill Visitor Center and Museum), restaurant (Edinburg Mill Restaurant) and wine shop (Heritage Mill Wines 1848). Visitors can explore exhibits that tell the story of Shenandoah County's roots and then sit down for a meal before heading back out to the parking lot, from where you can see the same waters that turned the mill wheel so many years ago.

As America celebrates its 250th anniversary, Shenandoah County offers countless examples of how communities can honor their past while also embracing the future. These revitalized spaces don't just preserve history, they also invite visitors to sip, shop and dine inside places that once served entirely different purposes.

To explore more of Shenandoah County's revitalized downtowns and local businesses, head to <http://visitshenandoahcounty.com/>.

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