

Civil War Williamsburg

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Battle of Williamsburg

Williamsburg was the first large battlefield encounter between Union and Confederate forces during the Peninsula Campaign of 1862. Less than two months later the theater of war had shifted to Northern Virginia. Hudson and Glenn Brasher, the importance of Williamsburg is being reexamined and fully realized.

Williamsburg Battle Facts and Summary

As Brasher argues it was clear—the issue of slavery could no longer be ignored.

Pictures: Civil War Williamsburg endures Confederate raids and Union occupation

Nearby Westover, where only the grounds are open to visitors, was Union Fifth Corps headquarters.

Visit Williamsburg Battlefield

Lee broke the tightening Federal noose fighting what became known as the Seven Days battles. While Hooker continued to confront the Confederate forces in front of Fort Magruder, Brig. Google Earth overlay of the Williamsburg battlefield.

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The city of Williamsburg, Riverside Health Systems, and the Virginia War Museum Foundation cooperated to preserve them. A strategy of all out assaults on the North would follow in years to come at places like Antietam and Gettysburg. As the Union position nearest Richmond, Williamsburg suffered from both Yankee occupation and Confederate raids throughout the Civil War, leading to the burning of the Wren Building by angry Pennsylvania cavalrymen on Sept.

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