CIVIL WAR BATTLEGROUNDS

of Fredericksburg, Spotsylvania & Stafford

Wilderness Battlefield

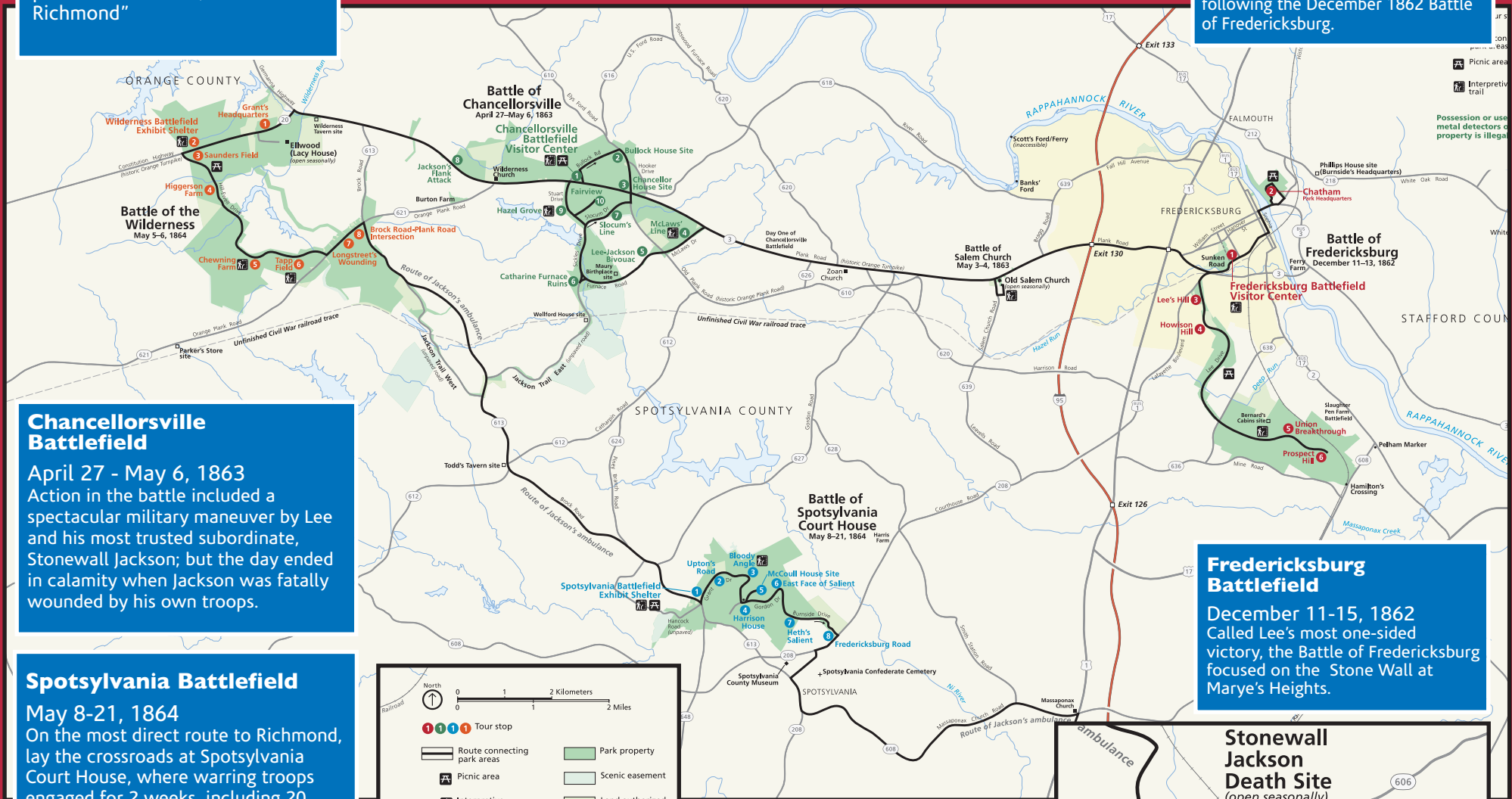
May 5-6, 1864

This conflict introduced Union General, U.S. Grant to Lee in battle. Even though the battle ended in a stalemate, Grant pressed southward, "On to Richmond"

Stafford Civil War Park

400 Mount Hope Church Rd, Stafford
(not shown on map)

Opened in April 2013 and is the site of 1863 winter encampments and fortifications of the Union Army's 11th Corps, 1st and 3rd Divisions, following the December 1862 Battle of Fredericksburg.



Chancellorsville Battlefield

April 27 - May 6, 1863

Action in the battle included a spectacular military maneuver by Lee and his most trusted subordinate, Stonewall Jackson; but the day ended in calamity when Jackson was fatally wounded by his own troops.

Fredericksburg Battlefield

December 11-15, 1862

Called Lee's most one-sided victory, the Battle of Fredericksburg focused on the Stone Wall at Marye's Heights.

Spotsylvania Battlefield

May 8-21, 1864

On the most direct route to Richmond, lay the crossroads at Spotsylvania Court House, where warring troops engaged for 2 weeks, including 20 hours on May 12 in the most intense hand-to-hand fighting of the war at the "Bloody Angle".