



# A\*\* Kicking Event # 8

Corn Maze in The Plains

and

Piedmont Vineyards &  
Winery

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What on EARTH is a "corn maze"? Is it just another term for corn, like "maize"? Is it a pick-your-own-corn scenario? Is it a mysterious rural phenomenon suspected to have been created by aliens? Some crazy American autumnal tradition?

Well, the brave and adventurous members of the A\*\* Kicking Outdoor Club are about to find out!!

If you guessed option D - another crazy American autumnal tradition - you're right! The maze-makers (humans, not aliens) cut an elaborate labyrinthine path through their cornfield, and city slickers like us drive to the country and pay perfectly good money to get themselves lost! Fun fun fun!

The Corn Maze in The Plains, Virginia, is shaped like a Monarch Butterfly.



Annie the spotty dog looks ready to go!

First things first - the distribution of the Freakin' Hiker Program stickers! First one to attend enough events to earn 9 stickers gets a secret prize!!!



Megan sez: "Careful application of the sticker is a MUST."





"Can we eat these? Why is the corn brown?"



"Four legs good, two legs baaaaad..."

We get warmed up for the maze by oohing and aahing over the cute animals in the petting zoo, and examining the cool local seasonal produce on offer.



But which way to the MAZE, Stephanie???

Team Yee  
(Megan, Lee,  
Nini and Annie -  
see us?) waves  
from amid the  
stalks.



Up on the  
bridge, Team Ha  
(Roman, Steph,  
Camilla, and  
Martha)  
confidently  
surveys the  
maze from  
above the fray.

Team Yee prevailed in the race through the maze, deftly navigating the complex twists and turns, braving treacherous muddy paths and puddles, and quickly locating all 8 checkpoint stations within the labyrinth. Hooray for Team Yee! Team Ha finished some time later with only minor mud casualties.



**Behold the aftermath of the Maze:**

Muddy feet! Muddy paws!

Sodden, crumpled maps!

Smiling faces!



## **Stain Guide Directions: Mud on clothing**

### **Immediately**

**Brush or scrape off excess mud. Place fabric face down under the hottest running water safe for fabric.**

### **Next, Pretreat**

**Pretreat stain with prewash stain stick, spray according to package instructions, or rub the stained area with a paste of granular detergent and water. (Use rubber gloves to protect your hands.) Soak extra heavy stains 30 minutes in a heavy-duty detergent/water solution made with 2 tablespoons laundry detergent dissolved in a gallon of warm water.**

### **Then, Launder/Wash**

**Use detergent and the hottest water the care label recommends.**



# Now it's off to the Winery! Yee-ha!



I don't know these people

Let's get the mud off our shoes!

Hip hop hip hop





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Vintner John was a great sport!

Bottoms up!



“Um, excuse me – don’t dogs get wine?”



Cozy by the roaring fire..



"My cell phone's going to detonate,"  
announced Stephanie.



**That's all, folks! See  
you on the next  
AKOC Adventure! 😊**

