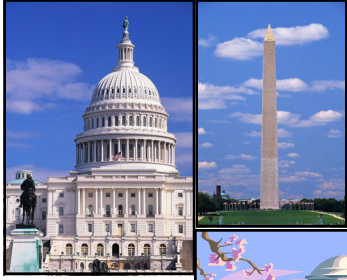




# Washington DC in Detail...



*September 24 - October 2, 2026*

Embark on a captivating tour of Washington, D.C., packed with history, culture, and unforgettable landmarks. Begin with a comprehensive city tour, exploring iconic monuments including the U.S. Capitol, the White House, Lincoln Memorial, and Washington Monument. Marvel at the architecture and historical significance of each site as your local guide provides insightful commentary. Delve into the world-renowned Smithsonian Institution for a complete day, and explore the many museums. An excursion to Gettysburg brings Civil War history to life on the hallowed battlefield. This detailed, enriching journey offers a perfect blend of American history, national pride, and cultural discovery.

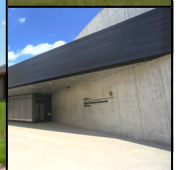
**THURSDAY  
SEPTEMBER 24**

We board our deluxe motorcoach and begin our quest to experience the past, present, and future of America during this fascinating tour. We become acquainted with our fellow travelers as we ride east to the Cleveland area and our hotel for the night. Enjoy dinner as a group. **(D)**



**FRIDAY  
SEPTEMBER 25**

Our route today takes us through the mountainous countryside



of Southern Pennsylvania. We stop at the **Flight 93 National Memorial** in Stonycreek Township near Shanksville, PA. On Tuesday morning, September 11, 2001, the U.S. came under attack when four commercial airliners were hijacked and used to strike targets on the ground. Nearly 3000 people tragically lost their lives. Because of the actions of the 40 passengers and crew aboard

one of the planes, Flight 93, the attack on the U.S. Capitol was thwarted. The **Flight 93 National Memorial** is a permanent memorial to the heroes on that plane. The Visitor Center, Learning Center, and Wetlands Bridge are now completed. Our destination is historic **Gettysburg, PA**. Tonight, we dine in a charming place where we are brought back to the sights, sounds and tastes of two centuries ago. **(B, D)**





**SATURDAY  
SEPTEMBER 26**

We look forward to a day in historic Gettysburg, PA. One of the most important and hotly contested battles of the Civil War



was fought in Gettysburg. Our first stop will be the **Visitor Center** where a film gives us an overview of the battle. There will be time to browse through the exhibits in the **Gettysburg Museum of the Civil War** and enter the **Cyclorama Center** to view the 360-degree circular oil-on-canvas painting. It depicts "Pickett's Charge," the climactic Confederate attack on the Union. Completed and exhibited in 1884, it is one of the last surviving cycloramas in the United States. We feel as if we have been transported back in time and are in the midst of the battle, as a **licensed battlefield guide** boards our coach and takes us through the battlefield. He explains the events of the 3-day battle which completely surrounded and invaded the city on July 1-3, 1863. After lunch we depart for Washington, DC. On our way into the city we visit the **Pentagon Memorial**, honoring the 184 people

whose lives were lost at the Pentagon and on American Airlines flight 77. From there we head to our hotel in Crystal City, just across the river from Washington, DC. This will be our home for 5 nights. As night falls we see the city lights on an **illumination drive of Washington, DC**, featuring the **Lincoln Memorial**, **Thomas Jefferson Memorial**, **Vietnam Veterans Memorial**, and **Korean War Veterans Memorial**. (B, D)

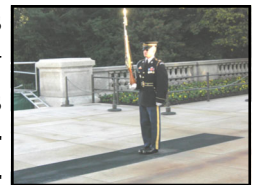


**SUNDAY  
SEPTEMBER 27**

Our favorite local guide takes us on a full-day tour that begins with a visit to **Arlington National Cemetery**. Established in 1864, it is an awe-inspiring sight of seemingly endless rows of simple white headstones



and some imposing monuments that mark the graves of many famous historic individuals and groups. Stops are made at the **Kennedy gravesites** and the **Tomb of the Unknown Soldier**, where we witness the impressive precision of the **Changing of the Guard**. Near Arlington is the **Marine Corps War Memorial (Iwo Jima)**. Other



sights include the **White House**, **Supreme Court Building**, **Washington Monument**, **Thomas Jefferson Memorial**, **National WWII Memorial**, **Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts** and **Embassy Row**. Dinner is included at one of Washington DC's fine restaurants. (B, D)



**MONDAY  
SEPTEMBER 28**

A scenic drive along the Potomac River takes us to **George Washington's Mount Vernon**. Overlooking the river is the estate and final resting place of George and Martha Washington.



Upon entering the grounds we visit the **Orientation Center**. A tour is included through the home, and we have time to check out the slave quarters, gravesite, and out buildings. Then it is time for a delicious luncheon in the colonial dining room of the **Mount Vernon Inn**. The afternoon is spent at the "Mall" area of Washington. Take the opportunity to explore **The Smithsonian Institute**, the world's

largest complex of museums, art galleries, and research facilities. "America's Attic," as it is called, chronicles nearly every facet of human endeavor from the masterful to the mundane. Here you can see it all, from aircraft of WWII to Archie Bunker's chair. This afternoon we concentrate on the southeast side of The Mall. You



may choose to visit the **National Air and Space Museum** and the solemn **United States Holocaust Memorial Museum**. The museum presents the history of and serves as a memorial to the 6 million Jews and millions of others including Gypsies, Poles, and the disabled,



who suffered and died at the hands of the Nazis during the rule of Germany 1933-45. If time permits you may be able to tour the **Bureau of Engraving and Printing**, where the U.S. government designs, engraves, and prints currency, bonds, and other items. The tour will show the various phases of currency production. **(B, L)**

**TUESDAY  
SEPTEMBER 29**



A tour of the **U.S. Capitol** begins our day. Sitting atop Capitol Hill, the building is the meeting place for the United States Congress. The two wings

contain the Senate and House of Representatives Chambers, while the rotunda is found in the center. The afternoon is free to continue your exploration of the **Smithsonian museums and galleries**. The **Museum of the Bible**, documents the



narrative, history, and impact of the Bible. Opened in 2017, it displays 1150 items from the museum's permanent collection and 2000 items on loan from other institutions, amassing one of the largest assemblies of biblical artifacts and texts in the world. You may visit the **National Archives** to see the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights. Our group enjoys an included dinner this evening. **(B, D)**



**WEDNESDAY  
SEPTEMBER 30**

First on our itinerary is a guided tour of the **White House**, America's most famous residence. The home to every president except George Washington, it also contains the President's Oval Office and the offices

of the administration. A trip to Washington is not complete without seeing **Ford's Theatre National Historic Site** and the **Petersen House**. This theatre, in which President Abraham Lincoln was fatally shot, has been restored to its 1860's appearance. National Park Service rangers recount Washington during the Civil War era and the story of the assassination. The Petersen House, across the street, is the boarding house where President Abraham Lincoln was taken after being shot, and later died. *It is presently closed for renovation.* A luncheon today is included



at the popular Hard Rock Café. Driving up Massachusetts Ave., we arrive at the **Washington National Cathedral**. After 83 years under construction, the cathedral is the 6th largest cathedral in the world. **(B, L)**



**THURSDAY  
OCTOBER 1**

This morning we head to the **Supreme Court Building** where we are seated in the courtroom for an explanation of the procedures of the court. After exploring our nation's capital *in detail*, we say "Good-bye" to Washington, DC. Our route takes us northwest through the hills of Maryland and southwestern Pennsylvania to Strongsville, OH, and our overnight accommodations. **(B)**



**FRIDAY  
OCTOBER 2**

After a wonderful breakfast, we board the motorcoach for the final leg of our journey. Our tour director has planned onboard activities, so the fun will continue until it is time to collect our luggage and drive home. **(B)**

\*\*\*The itinerary in Washington, DC is subject to change due to governmental schedules and the visits of foreign dignitaries. Reservations for the White House tour must be requested months in advance. For security reasons, names and information on the individuals visiting must be included. Reserve this tour early, or you may not be included in the White House tour.\*\*\*

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