



Education First

Explore America

WASHINGTON, D.C. & NEW YORK

6 days | Washington, D.C. | New York City



Your itinerary

Day 1

Welcome to Washington, D.C.!

Planned by Charles L'Enfant, Washington, D.C. has served as the seat of Congress since 1800. Upon arrival, meet your EF Explore America Tour Director, who will accompany you throughout your stay.

Guided Sightseeing of Washington, D.C.

Your Tour Director, a licensed Washington, D.C. guide, introduces you to the sites where national policies and political reputations are formed and reformed daily. Take a photo in front of the White House, home of every U.S. president except George Washington. View the iconic Washington Monument from the grassy National Mall, and look for your home state at the National WWII Memorial, the first national memorial dedicated to all who served during World War II,

Lunch Included

Tour Director distributes \$20 each.

The Smithsonian Museums

Explore all that the Smithsonian's museums have to offer during a self-guided visit. The Smithsonian Institution is the world's largest museum and research complex, endowed by James Smithson and created by an act of Congress in 1846.

Dinner in Washington

Enjoy your evening meal, provided by EF Explore America.

Guided Evening Sightseeing of Washington, D.C.

Experience the magic of seeing Washington's most impressive sights illuminated during your evening scenic tour downtown. Points of interest on your tour include the Lincoln Memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, and the Korean War Memorial.

Hotel in Washington, D.C. area

Arrive and check into your hotel.

Overnight in Washington, D.C. area

Day 2

Breakfast in Washington, D.C.

U.S. Capitol Building & Visitor Center

Visit the U.S. Capitol Building, the city's epicenter and the heart of the American legislature. Tour subject to availability.

Photo Stop at the Library of Congress and U.S. Supreme Court

Make a photo stop at the green-domed Library of Congress and the imposing white-marble Supreme Court building.

Lunch Included

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Excursion to Mount Vernon

Travel through the Virginia countryside to Mount Vernon, the lovely retreat overlooking the Potomac River where George and Martha Washington lived from 1754 to 1799. Explore the elegant estate's 500 acres of grounds and gardens, including the reconstructed slave quarters, Slave Memorial, and Washington's tomb.

Dinner in Alexandria, VA

Enjoy your evening meal, provided by EF Explore America.

Evening Activity in Alexandria

Explore the history and legends of Alexandria as you make your way through the streets of the Old Town on a guided adventure.

Overnight in Washington, D.C. area

Day 3

Breakfast in Washington, D.C.

Smithsonian National Air & Space Museum: Udvar-Hazy Center

The Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center is the companion facility to the Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum on the National Mall, showcasing the largest collection of aviation and space artifacts in the world. Examine exciting aircraft from the early days of aviation to the space shuttle program while learning about changes in technology over time.

Lunch Included

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U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum Permanent Exhibition

The Permanent Exhibition presents a narrative history using more than 900 artifacts, 70 video monitors, and four theaters that include historic film footage and eyewitness testimonies. Subject to availability.

Dinner in Washington

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Explore the Tidal Basin

Continue your exploration of Washington, D.C. with a walk around the Tidal Basin for some of the most impressive memorials in D.C.: the Jefferson Memorial, the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial, and the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial.

Overnight in Washington, D.C. area

Day 4

Breakfast in Washington, D.C.

Arlington National Cemetery

Observe the quiet dignity of Arlington National Cemetery, the final resting place of more than 200,000 veterans and their families. As you enter the Cemetery, you'll see the Women in Military Service for America Memorial, the only major national memorial honoring women who have served in the US Armed Forces. You'll also witness the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

The United States Marine Corps Memorial

The cast bronze depiction of Marines raising the flag at Iwo Jima honors all those who have served in the Marine Corps since its inception in 1775.

Lunch Included

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Travel to New York City

Guided Sightseeing of Midtown

A licensed guide leads your sightseeing tour of Midtown. Begin your tour at the United Nations Headquarters, where more than 190 member-nations engage in international diplomacy. Pass through the soaring Main Concourse of Grand Central Terminal as you head towards Bryant Park and the New York Public Library, whose twin marble lions guard the second-largest collection in the country. Stroll down glamorous Fifth Avenue and marvel at the grandeur of St. Patrick's Cathedral, with its 26-foot-wide rose window and soaring Gothic spires. Finish your tour at the iconic Rockefeller Center.

Dinner Included

Tour Director distributes \$20 each.

NYC Skyscraper Experience

Enjoy views of New York City from one of its iconic skyscrapers: the Empire State Building Observatory, Top of the Rock, Edge at Hudson Yards, or One World Observatory.

Hotel in New Jersey

Arrive and check into your hotel.

Overnight in New Jersey

Day 5

Breakfast in New Jersey

Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island

Ferry to Liberty Island to marvel at the Statue of Liberty, a gift from France in honor of the French-U.S. alliance. Continue on to Ellis Island, which welcomed millions of immigrants to the New World around the turn of the century. Ellis Island is now the site of a museum chronicling the history of immigration.

Lunch Included

Tour Director distributes \$20 each.

Visit the 9/11 Memorial and Museum

Explore the global implications of the events of September 11, 2001 at the National September 11 Memorial Museum, which displays artifacts associated with the events of 9/11 while presenting stories of loss and recovery. Afterwards, visit the Memorial's twin reflecting pools, which sit within the footprints where the Twin Towers once stood.

New York City One-Way Subway Ride

Do as the locals do and hop on the subway for an unforgettable ride underneath Manhattan.

Dinner in New York City

Enjoy your evening meal, provided by EF Explore America.

Times Square

Be dazzled by a dizzying array of towering electronic billboards, sounds of street performers and the buzz of the crowds that make this intersection a one-of-a-kind spectacle.

Broadway Show

Enjoy your Broadway show, sure to be an unforgettable theater experience!

Overnight in New Jersey

Day 6

Breakfast in New Jersey

Madame Tussauds Wax Museum

View over 200 celebrity wax figures, including world leaders, historic figures and celebrities from the music & film industries.

Lunch Included

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Depart for Home!

Your tour director assists with your return home.