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# WASHINGTON, D.C. AND NEW YORK

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



## Your itinerary

### Day 1

#### Welcome to Washington, D.C.!

##### 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 at Reagan International Trade Center

Local meal voucher included.

##### 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, D.C.

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.*

### Day 2

#### 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 at Pentagon City Mall

Local meal voucher included.

##### Walking Tour of Capitol Hill

See the heart of our government on this walking tour of the U.S. Capitol Building (Grounds), the Library of Congress, and the Supreme Court.

##### Albert Einstein Memorial

Situated in an elm and holly grove on the grounds of the National Academy of Sciences, the Albert Einstein Memorial stands as a tribute to the Nobel Prize-winning physicist.

##### 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.

##### Dinner in Washington, D.C.

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##### Evening Activity in Washington, D.C.

Join us for a special activity tonight in Washington, D.C.

*Overnight in Washington, D.C. area*

### Day 3

#### Breakfast in Washington, D.C.

##### Travel to New York City

##### Lunch Included

Tour Director distributes \$20 each.

##### 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.

##### Dinner Included

Your Tour Director distributes \$20 each.

##### Empire State Building and Observatory

View the city from the Empire State Building's observation deck. Once the world's tallest building, the Empire State Building remains one of Manhattan's most elegant symbols.

##### Hotel in New Jersey

Arrive and check into your hotel.

*Overnight in New Jersey*

### Day 4

#### 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.

**Photo Stop at Washington Square Park**

This 9.75 acre public park, located in the neighborhood of Greenwich Village, welcomes visitors and locals. The Washington Square Arch is located at the park's northern gateway.

**Dinner in New York City**

Enjoy your evening meal, provided by EF Explore America.

**Broadway Show**

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

*Overnight in New Jersey*

**Day 5****Breakfast in New Jersey****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.

**Central Park**

Make a stop in 843-acre Central Park, an idyllic oasis in the concrete jungle. Join the more than 35 million annual visitors that make Central Park the most visited urban park in the United States.

**Lunch Included**

Tour Director distributes \$20 each.

**Metropolitan Museum of Art**

With more than 3 million objects in its collection, the Metropolitan Museum of Art is home to one of the most extensive art collections in the world. The galleries include works from the Paleolithic era to the contemporary avant-garde. Among the museum's most popular exhibits are Egyptian artifacts, Oriental sculpture, ancient glasswork, African art, early European musical instruments, and American decorative art.

**Dinner Included**

Tour Director distributes \$20 each.

**Depart for home!**

Your tour director assists with your return home.