



Education First

Explore America

WASHINGTON, D.C. AND WILLIAMSBURG

5 days | Washington, D.C. | Williamsburg



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 \$15 each.

Arlington National Cemetery

Observe the quiet dignity of Arlington National Cemetery, the final resting place of more than 200,000 veterans and their families. At JFK's gravesite, you'll see the eternal flame that was originally lit by Jacqueline Kennedy at her husband's funeral. You'll also witness the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknowns.

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.

Single Metro Ride

Do as the locals do and hop on the subway for an unforgettable ride underneath Washington, D.C.

Dinner in Washington (Food Court Voucher)

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.

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. You'll also see the reconstructed slave quarters and Washington's tomb, as well as the elegant estate's 500 acres of grounds and gardens.

The Pentagon Memorial

The Pentagon Memorial, located just southwest of The Pentagon in Arlington County, VA, is a permanent outdoor memorial to the 184 people killed in the building and on American Airlines Flight 77 in the September 11, 2001 attacks.

Lunch Included

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Washington National Cathedral

See the beautiful architecture and grounds and enjoy the spectrum of spiritual and cultural activities offered year-round by the Washington National Cathedral.

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.

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Dinner in Washington

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History on Foot

On the night of April 14, 1865, Detective James McDevitt was on duty at the Washington Metropolitan Police headquarters, a half-block from Ford's Theatre. Just before 10:30, frantic witnesses rushed in with horrifying news: President Lincoln had been shot at the theatre. Join Detective McDevitt as he revisits the sites and reexamines the clues from the investigation into the Lincoln Assassination Conspiracy.

Overnight in Washington, D.C. area

Day 3

Breakfast in Washington, D.C.

U.S. Capitol Building & Visitor's Center

Visit the U.S. Capitol, 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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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.

Ford's Theatre

Visit Ford's Theatre, where, on April 14, 1865, John Wilkes Booth shocked the nation by assassinating President Lincoln. The stricken president was carried across the street to the home of tailor William Petersen.

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

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Transfer to Williamsburg

Hotel in Williamsburg

Arrive and check into your hotel.

Overnight in Williamsburg

Day 4**Breakfast in Williamsburg****Guided Sightseeing of Jamestown Settlement**

On your guided visit to Jamestown Settlement, join Captain John Smith and other costumed interpreters that take you back to 1607, when these Englishmen first landed on the banks of the James River. Explore reproductions of the three boats that originally carried the men over to Virginia, wander through a re-creation of a Powhatan village or marvel at a 17th-century colonial fort.

Jamestown Settlement

Even older than Williamsburg, Jamestown-sponsored by King James I, but owned by the Virginia Company- was the first successful English colony in the New World. The settlement was constantly troubled by territorial disputes with the Powhatan Confederacy, who were indigenous to that region. But it was the colonists themselves who sealed the fate of Jamestown when, in 1675, they burned their fort to the ground to protest the lack of protection offered to them by the Crown.

Seated Lunch in Williamsburg**Guided Sightseeing of Colonial Williamsburg**

A licensed guide leads today's tour of Colonial Williamsburg. Touring this working colonial village, you'll visit the Capitol, where Virginia legislators like Thomas Jefferson and Patrick Henry cut their political teeth; Market Square's Courthouse; and the Public Gaol (jail). As you stroll through the town, you'll see tradespeople performing colonial vocations, including construction, blacksmithing, bookbinding, shoemaking and foundry work.

Dinner in Williamsburg

Enjoy your evening meal, provided by EF Explore America.

Evening Activity in Williamsburg

Join us for a special evening activity tonight.

Overnight in Williamsburg

Day 5**Breakfast in Williamsburg****Visit to Yorktown Battlefield and Visitor Center**

An outdoor living history exhibit, films and a museum teach you about the Siege of Yorktown. The battle, which occurred on October 19, 1781, resulted in the British troops surrender and ended the Revolutionary War. The interactive exhibits tell the story of the war through the lives of 10 people.

Travel to Washington, D.C.**Lunch Included**

Tour Director distributes \$15 each.

Depart for home!

Your tour director assists with your return home.