



American Heritage

featuring Washington, DC, Gettysburg and Philadelphia

Tour Dates: September 25 – October 3, 2025



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Visit Arlington National Cemetery



Enjoy a

DAY 1 Arrive in Washington, DC: Your American Heritage experience starts with a Rochester pickup with a transfer to the MSP airport. Arrive in Washington, DC today and transfer to your hotel. Tonight, meet your fellow traveling companions and Tour Manager at 6:00 p.m. for welcome dinner. **Meal: D**

DAY 2 Scottish Rite House of the Temple and George Washington Masonic National Memorial: Begin the day with a visit to the Scottish Rite House of the Temple. Completed in 1915, the House of the Temple is a testament to the Masonic Rite. Then, visit the George Washington Masonic National Memorial to learn the ways of Freemasonry helped mold George Washington into a world leader. The afternoon is free for those would wish to visit the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum. **Meal: B**

DAY 3 Arlington National Cemetery and National Mall: Begin at Arlington National Cemetery* and the John F. Kennedy Memorial. View the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the Women in Military Service Memorial. Then, a local guide joins conducts a narrated tour of Washington, DC's National Mall where you will see the FDR, Vietnam and Lincoln Memorials as well as the National WWII Memorial. After dinner, enjoy a drive through the Mall area to see the many memorials and monuments bathed in flood lights, including the U.S. Capitol and the White House. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 4 Quantico Flag Ceremony, National Museum of the Marine Corps and Mount Vernon: This morning, stop at Quantico National Cemetery to honor the nation's heroes at a special flag-placing ceremony, then visit the National Museum

of the Marine Corps which honors the Marines through the various galleries of artifacts, vignettes, testimonials and images. Then, enjoy lunch at the Mount Vernon Inn before visiting Mount Vernon, the expansive estate of George and Martha Washington. Visit the Ford Orientation Center and the Donald W. Reynolds Museum and explore the mansion filled with 18th-century treasures. Stroll the gardens of this 45-acre estate and take in the views of the Potomac River from the mansion's piazza. **Meals: B, L**

DAY 5 Manassas Battlefield, Ben Lomond Historic Site and Shriver House: Start with a visit to Manassas National Battlefield, site of the first battle of the American Civil War. Then visit Ben Lomond Historic Site, a private home converted to a Confederate hospital during the Civil War and witness a musket firing demonstration. Later, arrive in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, site of the Union victory which many believe to have been the turning point in the U.S. Civil War. See the Civil War through the eyes of the civilians of Gettysburg at the Shriver House. Tour the home and hear the story of Hettie Shriver who, with her two daughters Sadie and Mollie returned to their home after the battle which had been occupied by Confederate soldiers and was being used as a hospital. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 6 Gettysburg National Military Park and Dobbins House: Enjoy a day filled with history at the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitor Center where you see the Morgan Freeman-narrated feature film *A New Birth of Freedom*. This will orient you to the Battle of Gettysburg and the American Civil War. See the restored Cyclorama painting, the Battle of Gettysburg, and be surrounded by the fury of "Pickett's Charge" in this one-of-a-kind panoramic experience.



day filled with history at the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum and Visitor Center

Lunch today is at the Dobbin House Tavern, the oldest building in Gettysburg, which features historic furnishings and costumed wait staff. There is nothing quite like standing on the actual battlefield at Gettysburg. A licensed Gettysburg guide leads us on an in-depth look at this historic three-day battle. Learn about the “Peach Orchard” and “Roundtop” while passing through the hallowed ground of what became the major turning point of the war. **Meals: B, L**

DAY 7 National Civil War Museum and Chocolate World:

Depart Gettysburg this morning for a visit to the National Civil War Museum, the only museum in the nation that portrays the story of the Civil War with equally balanced presentations without bias. Then, visit the “sweetest place on earth,” Hershey’s Chocolate World and see the process of chocolate making on a factory tour. Take time shop in the Hershey store before coming to Philadelphia. **Meal: B**

DAY 8 Masonic Temple, Philadelphia Touring and National Constitution Center:

Begin the day with a visit to the Masonic Temple, the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania. Then, a local guide joins you for a tour of this historic city to see the Liberty Bell, Congress Hall, Benjamin Franklin’s home and Independence Hall. You also visit Betsy Ross’ home for a look into the life of America’s most famous flag-maker followed by the National Constitution Center. Here, see the multimedia theater-in-the-round performance *Freedom Rising* as well as the hands-on exhibit *The Story of We The People*. Tonight, dinner is at Revolution House, a charming multi-story restaurant in Philadelphia’s Old City district. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 9 Travel Home:

Your adventure ends with a group transfer to Philadelphia’s International Airport for flights out after 11:00 a.m.

Meal: B



Tour Highlights

- 14 Meals: 8 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 4 dinners
- Round trip airport transfers
- Spend two nights in the Washington, DC area, visit Arlington National Cemetery* and see the FDR, WWII and Lincoln Memorials
- Visit the Scottish Rite House of the Temple and George Washington Masonic Memorial
- Participate in a flag-placing ceremony at Quantico National Cemetery and visit the National Museum of the Marine Corps
- Visit Mount Vernon, George and Martha Washington’s estate and have lunch at the Mount Vernon Inn
- Narrated tour of the Manassas National Battlefield and visit Ben Lomond Historic Site for a live musket firing
- Gettysburg touring including the Gettysburg National Military Park Museum, a battlefield tour and visit Shriver House
- Included lunch at the historic Dobbin House Tavern
- Tour the National Civil War Museum and stop at Hershey’s Chocolate World
- Visit the Masonic Temple of Philadelphia, enjoy a city tour to see the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall
- Tour the National Constitution Center and enjoy a special farewell dinner at Revolution House

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Tour Independence Hall in Philadelphia

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Days 1 through 4 – Hilton Garden Inn, Arlington, Virginia

Days 5 and 6 – Hampton Inn, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania

Days 7 and 8 – Wyndham Hotel Historic District, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Rooms for the night before and after the tour are available. Cost for a room in Arlington is \$389 and in Philadelphia is \$389, tax and breakfast included.

Sept 25 - Oct 3, 2025	Per Person Twin	Single Room add
45-50 pax	\$3,399	\$1,449
40-44 pax	\$3,519	\$1,449
35-39 pax	\$3,669	\$1,449
30-34 pax	\$3,859	\$1,449

Land only rate, please contact Miranda for flight rates.

Includes: 9 day land package, hotel baggage handling, 14 meals, and professional tour manager.

Transportation To/From MSP Airport - \$75 per person

Deposit \$200 per person for land portion.

Insurance, transportation to/from airport, & flights not included in deposit total.

Final payment date: July 15, 2025

**Valid U.S. state or federal government-issued photo identification required for entry to Arlington National Cemetery.*

Travel Protection Highly Recommended.*

*Insurance options available from \$340-\$460 per person, depending on plan.

Cancel for any reason available.

Please ask Miranda for details.

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