

# WASHINGTON, D.C.: THE CAPITAL TOUR

3 days



Washington, D.C.

## Day 1: Washington, D.C.

- Arrive in Washington, D.C. and check in to your centrally located hotel
- Explore Washington, D.C. highlights: Photo stops at the White House; Lafayette Square, and Black Lives Matter Plaza; Washington Monument; WWII Memorial
- Explore the Smithsonian, which may include visits to: National Museum of Natural History; National Museum of American History
- [Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum](#)
- Visit the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum Permanent Exhibition (*subject to availability*)
- Take a night tour of Washington, D.C.: Lincoln Memorial; Korean War Veterans Memorial; Vietnam Veterans Memorial

## Day 2: Washington, D.C. • Mount Vernon

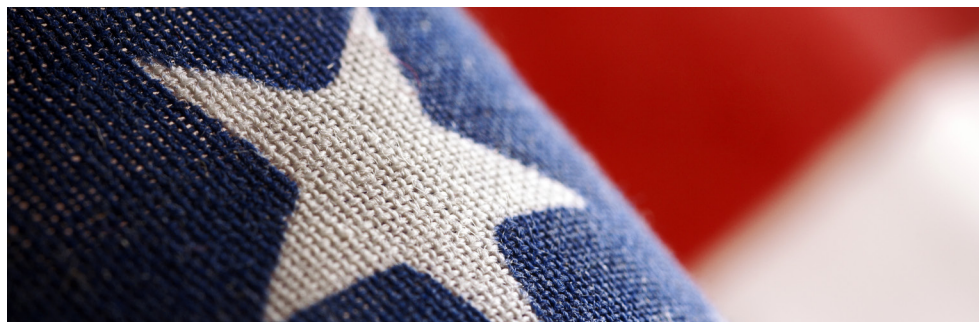
- Visit Arlington National Cemetery: Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier; Kennedy gravesites; Women in Military Service for America Memorial
- Enjoy photo stops at the Marine Corps War Memorial and Pentagon Memorial
- Visit Mount Vernon: Mansion (*subject to availability*) and grounds, museum, and education center; the Slave Memorial; George Washington's tomb
- [The Enslaved People of Mount Vernon Tour](#)
- Enjoy an evening activity

## LINCOLN MEMORIAL

*Building the Lincoln Memorial was a big controversy back in the day. Half the country wanted to make a humble log cabin that represented Lincoln's simpler roots, while half the country wanted to build the most impressive monument in Washington, D.C. because Lincoln held our country together during its most difficult time. I always ask the kids, 'Which one would you have wanted? Would you have wanted the log cabin, representing the fact that he was like you and me? Or would you have wanted the temple that exists there today?' – Mitch B., Tour Director*







## THE FLAG IS STILL THERE

*The actual American flag that inspired Francis Scott Key to write “The Star Spangled Banner” is on display at the Smithsonian’s National Museum of American History. During the War of 1812, Key was on a British ship trying to negotiate the release of some hostages. When he looked out and saw the American flag still flying over Fort McHenry, he was so inspired that he wrote a poem called “The Star Spangled Banner.” The rest is national anthem history.*

### Day 3: Washington, D.C. • Return home

- Tour the U.S. Capitol and Visitor Center (subject to availability)
- Take a photo stop at the U.S. Supreme Court and the Library of Congress
- Enjoy free time for lunch
- Explore the Tidal Basin: FDR Memorial; Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial; Jefferson Memorial
- Depart for home






**Itinerary subject to change.** For complete financial and registration details, please refer to the Booking Conditions.






## THE PEOPLE’S HOUSE

*Since it was first built, the White House has always remained open to the people. These days, of course, not just anybody can walk right through the front door, but in centuries past it was quite a different story. President Jackson used to leave a block of cheese out for people to come by and grab a bite if they were in the neighborhood, and during the Civil War, Abraham Lincoln housed Union soldiers on the ground floor.*



### Your experience includes

-  Round-trip and on-tour transportation
-  Full-time licensed Tour Director
-  4 nights centrally-located hotel accommodations
-  Breakfast and dinner daily
-  Comprehensive sightseeing tours

-  Visits to special attractions
-  Overnight security at your hotel
-  Illness and accident coverage
-  Travel ID badges and backpacks
-  All gratuities

### Options

- Lunches
- Earned credit for Group Leaders and students