

TOUR DATE: April 8 – 16, 2026

Celebrate America: 250 Years of History in Washington D.C., Williamsburg, & Jamestown Experience the Birthplace of a Nation Like Never Before

As America marks its 250th anniversary, there's no better time to embark on a journey through the past, present, and future of the United States. Next spring, trace the steps of revolutionaries, lawmakers, and everyday citizens who helped shape the nation by visiting three iconic destinations: **Washington D.C.**, **Williamsburg**, and **Jamestown**.

Begin your patriotic pilgrimage in the heart of the nation's capital. In **Washington D.C.** marvel at the grandeur of the Capitol, stroll beneath the cherry blossoms along the Tidal Basin, all in honor of 250 years of independence. Explore the Smithsonian museums, the monuments to past presidents and wars, and newly curated exhibits dedicated to the semiquincentennial celebration.

Next, step back in time in **Colonial Williamsburg**, where costumed interpreters bring the 18th century to life. Walk cobblestone streets, engage with artisans, and take part in reenactments that explore the challenges and triumphs of America's early days. It's not just a visit – it's an immersion into the birth of American democracy.

Finally, go to the very beginning in **Jamestown**—the first permanent English settlement in North America. Here, archaeology meets storytelling, revealing tales of survival, cultural exchange, and the roots of a new nation.

Whether you're a history buff, a person looking for a meaningful getaway, or simply curious about the nation's journey, this three-stop tour offers an unforgettable way to "Celebrate America: 250 Years." Book your trip today, pack your stars and stripes, and get ready to walk through the pages of history.







TOUR INCLUSIONS:

- 8 Nights of Hotel Lodging 4 Nights in Washington DC, 1 Night in Alexandria, VA, 1 Night in Richmond, VA, 2 Nights in Williamsburg
- 18 Meals 8 Breakfasts; 2 Lunches; 8 Dinners
- All Entrance Fees and Excursions You will receive access to all attractions and experiences without any additional costs
- Airfare from Houston to Washington Dulles and Richmond, VA back to Houston
- Airport Shuttle to and from George Bush International Airport with pick-up points in Silsbee & Liberty, TX
- Deluxe Modern Motorcoach for Land Portion of the Tour

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS:

Your tour begins with a flight from Houston International Airport to Washington Dulles Airport where our motorcoach will pick us up.

Full Day Guided Tour of DC

Our guide will lead us to the visit the U.S. Capitol Visitors Center where you will enjoy a narrated walk on Capitol Hill with commentary about the Library of Congress, Supreme Court and the U.S. Capitol Building. Also, you will visit memorials like FDR Memorial, Iwo Jima, WWII, Vietnam, Korean War, Air Force Memorial and others.





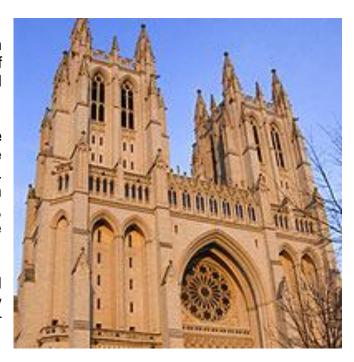
Tour the White House Visitors Center where you will gain an understanding of how the White House works and operates as you stroll around the exterior past the OEOB (old Executive Office Building) to the opposite side of Lafayette Park. Hopefully, we will get our Congressman to get us entrance into the White House for a tour there.

National Cathedral Tour

Rising high above the tree-lined streets of northwest Washington D.C., the **Washington National Cathedral** is a masterpiece of Gothic architecture and a symbol of spiritual reflection, national unity, and historical legacy.

As one of the largest cathedrals in the world, this towering structure invites visitors to explore its soaring vaulted ceilings, intricate stained-glass windows, and centuries-old stone craftsmanship. From the whimsical gargoyles and the Space Window, featuring a piece of lunar rock, to the dramatic nave where presidents, heroes, and cultural icons have been honored, every corner of the Cathedral tells a story.

The Cathedral is a spiritual resource for our nation: a great and beautiful edifice in the city of Washington, an indispensable ministry for people of all faiths and perspectives, and a sacred place for our country in times of celebration, crisis, and sorrow.



Evening Illuminated Monuments & Memorials Tour



Always one of the highlights of visiting Washington D.C. is doing an evening illumination tour of various monuments and memorials.

As the sun sets over Washington D.C. the city takes on a majestic glow – and there's no better time to experience its most iconic landmarks than on an evening illumination tour. Bathed in soft, golden light and

framed by the night sky, the capital's monuments and war memorials offer a solemn, inspiring, and unforgettable perspective after dark.



From the steps of the Lincoln Memorial to the reflecting pool shimmering beneath the Washington Monument, each stop reveals new layers of meaning. The evening quiet adds a sense of reverence to the World War II Memorial, while the Vietnam Veterans and Korean War Memorials evoke powerful emotions in their stillness and symbolism under the stars.

Our evening tour will be narrated by our expert guide who will share stories, struggles, and triumphs behind these national treasures, often adding personal insights and little-known facts that deepen the experience.





Arlington National Cemetery and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

Just across the Potomac River from Washington D.C. lies one of the most hallowed grounds in the United States – **Arlington National Cemetery.** Spread across 600 acres of rolling green hills, shaded by towering trees and lined with rows of white marble headstones, Arlington is a solemn tribute to the men and women who gave their lives in service to the nation.

A visit to the cemetery is a powerful, moving experience. As you walk the grounds, you'll encounter monuments and memorials dedicated to generations of American heroes, from Civil War soldiers to modern-day



service members. Among the most revered sites is the **Tomb of the Unknown Soldier**, a monument that honors unidentified service members who died in combat. Guarded 24/7 by the elite sentinels of the 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment, known as "The Old Guard." the tomb symbolizes the sacrifice of all who have served.

One of the highlights of any visit is witnessing the **Changing of the Guard** ceremony, a precisely choreographed ritual performed every half hour. The silent discipline and dignity of the ceremony reflects the nation's deep respect for its fallen and unknown.

You will also visit the gravesites of President John F. Kennedy, marked by the Eternal Flame, and the Challenger and Columbia astronauts. This tour is not just a visit – it's a moment of reflection and gratitude. It reminds us that the freedoms we enjoy today were secured by the courage and sacrifice of countless individuals whose stories live on in this sacred place.



Washington D.C.'s **Museum of the Bible** is a striking journey through 4,000 years of sacred storytelling—an immersive experience that both enlightens and entertains. Your visit begins beneath a 40-foot bronze replica of Gutenberg's printing press – the "Gutenberg Gates" – ushering you into a lobby alive with LED-ceiling displays, marble stairs, and Tiffany art glass – all foreshadowing the museum's blend of classic elegance and modern design.

Explore 600+ artifacts from Dead Sea Scroll fragments to a replica Gutenberg Bible – while films and interactive tables guide you

through centuries of translation, preservation, and influence. Engage with biblical narratives via high-tech visuals: Noah's flood, Exodus plagues, David vs Goliath – and step into a full-scale ancient village complete with costumed docents, olive presses, mikveh pools, and real-world insight into Jesus' era. Bottom line is you will experience a place where history meets high tech, storytelling meets scholarship, and ancient texts resonate with the modern world. You'll step out feeling deeply informed and creatively uplifted.

Old Town Alexandria Tour

You will have an afternoon guided tour through Old Town Alexandria. Old Town Alexandria delivers a perfect blend of past and present. It's a welcoming destination that invites visitors to slow down and soak in its timeless charm.

Smithsonian Museum

On Sunday morning, April 12th, the morning is yours to visit the Smithsonian Museum of your choice. You may want to visit the NEW National Museum of African American History and Culture, the National Museum of American History, the National Air & Space Museum, National Museum of Natural History, the National Museum of the American Indian, or the Hirshhom Museum and Sculpture Gardens. Whichever museum you choose to visit it will be a wonderful experience.

Tall Ship Providence

Step back in time into the shoes of a sailor fighting the American Revolution. A sailor straight out of the 18th Century will assign you your role among the crew, show you the ropes, and give a short briefing on your duties and the mission assigned to *Providence* by the higher ups of the Continental Navy. When you're ready, you will board *Providence* and present yourself to her esteemed captain – the legendary John Paul Jones, Father of the American Navy. From there you will visit the quarterdeck, the main deck, the captain's cabin, and the hold to see where you'll be spending the next several months during your time at sea. You may even learn to load a cannon! After disembarking, you will head to the Naval History Theater for an exclusive



showing of the short film: *Providence: Dawn of the US Navy* produced especially for Tall Ship *Providence* and featuring four subject matter experts and many beautiful shots of the ship at sea.

Mount Vernon Estate

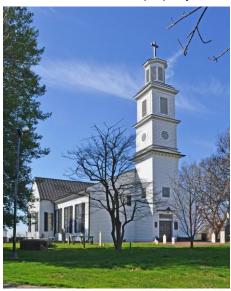


Step back in time at George Washington's Mount Vernon. Just 15 miles south of Washington DC, nestled along the banks of the Potomac River, George Washington's Mount Vernon estate offers a captivating glimpse into early American life. More than just a presidential home, the estate is a fully immersive historical experience, making it a must-visit destination.

The centerpiece of the estate is the meticulously preserved 18th-century mansion where Washington lived, worked, and entertained. The tour leads visitors through the elegant rooms, original furnishings, and personal items of the first president. The sprawling front porch offers panoramic views

of the river—one of Washington's favorite spots to reflect on the nation's future.

Beyond the mansion, the 500-acre estate features lush gardens, reconstructed slave quarters, outbuilding, and working farms that showcase daily life in colonial Virginia. Visitors can also pay respects at Washington's tomb and walk the scenic forest trails that crisscross the property.



Reenactment at Historic St. John's Church

Professional actors in 1770's attire portray nine delegates, including such prominent Virginians as Richard Henry Lee, Benjamin Harrison, Thomas Jefferson and George Washington. Witness the democratic process at work through the animated reenactment of the Second Virginia Convention, which culminates in Patrick Henry's "Give me liberty or give me death!" speech.

St. John's Church is one of America's most important historic sites, where swayed by Patrick Henry's powerful argument – the delegates made a decision that changed the course of history, lighting the spark of the War for Independence.

Historic Hanover Tavern & Courthouse

You will have a unique opportunity to walk in the footsteps of American history. Dating back to the 18th century, these two historic landmarks stand side by side as powerful reminders of colonial life, Revolutionaryera politics, and the early American legal system.

Hanover Tavern for nearly three centuries has been a part of events that transformed America from English colony to independent nation. Where rebellion threatened that new nation and Civil War tore it asunder. The owners, guests and inhabitants of the Tavern have shaped the History of Hanover County, the Commonwealth and, indeed, the United States of America.



The Hanover Courthouse, built in 1735, is one of the oldest still in use in the United States. It's most famously associated with Patrick Henry, who practiced law there and argued the landmark *Parson's Cause* case in 1763 – a pivotal moment in the colonies' path toward independence.

A Journey Through Time: Colonial Williamsburg Guided Tour

Step into the 18th century with a visit to **Colonial Williamsburg.** America's largest living history museum and a true time capsule of the Revolutionary era. Located in the heart of Virginia's Historic Triangle, this meticulously restored town immerses visitors in the sights, sounds, and spirit of colonial America.

Stroll along **Duke of Gloucester Street**, where costumed interpreters—blacksmiths, merchants, soldiers, and townspeople—bring history to life with vivid storytelling and hands-on demonstrations. From open-hearth cooking to musket drills, every corner offers an authentic glimpse into daily life before and during the American Revolution.



Historic homes, government buildings, and workshops are open to explore, including the **Capitol**, the **Governor's Palace**, and the **Courthouse**, where landmark debates about liberty and justice once took place. Visitors can engage with reenactments of real historical events and even converse with figures like Thomas Jefferson or Martha Washington.

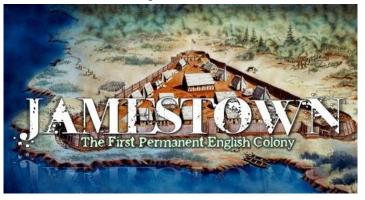
The experience extends beyond history lessons. Enjoy horse-drawn carriage rides, traditional tavern fare, artisan shopping, and much more. This will be an unforgettable journey into the birth of a nation.

American Revolution Museum at Yorktown

You will visit the new American Revolution Museum at Yorktown. The American Revolution Museum at Yorktown will be among America's foremost sites that tell the story of the nation's founding.

Through comprehensive, immersive indoor exhibits and outdoor living history, the new museum will offer a truly national perspective, conveying a sense of the transformational nature and epic scale of the Revolution and the richness and complexity of the country's Revolutionary heritage.

Discover America's Origins at Jamestown Settlement



Jamestown Settlement offers a powerful, hands-on introduction to the nation's roots. Located near the banks of the James River in Virginia, this living history museum brings to life the story of the first permanent English colony, founded in 1607.

Visitors begin their journey in the expansive indoor galleries, where immersive exhibits, rare artifacts, and engaging films trace the stories of the English colonists, the Powhatan people, and the first Africans who arrived in Virginia in 1619. The museum provides a balanced and compelling view of the

cultural exchange, conflict, and survival that shaped early America.

Outside, history springs to life. Costumed interpreters lead demonstrations in a recreated Powhatan village, 1607 English fort, and full-sized replicas of the Susan Constant, Godspeed, and Discovery—the ships that brought the first settlers across the Atlantic.

RVA Tuk Tuk Tour of Richmond, VA

The morning of the day we fly back home you will get to do a fun Tuk Tuk Tour of Richmond. A Tuk Tuk is a three-wheeled, 100% electric, open air limo.

On the tour you will discover Monument Avenue, "Rumors of War" by Kehinde Wiley, the Virginia State Capital, St. John's Church, Hollywood Cemetery, the final resting place of many famous people including Presidents James Monroe and John Tyler. On this private tour you will get to see what Richmond is all about. This will be a unique experience that you will long remember.



Initial Deposit - \$850 Per Person of which \$600 is non-refundable **plus** the cost of travel insurance if so elected.

FINAL PYMT DUE – February 20, 2026

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Double, Triple & Quad category

\$368 per person

Single Rate Category \$431

I would always encourage you to purchase travel insurance as you never know what may happen that would prevent you from taking this vacation. Travel insurance gives you peace of mind that if you were to get sick or hospitalized prior to disembarking on your vacation the insurance would allow you to be reimbursed for the monies you have paid on your trip. Please note that this insurance is not a cancel for any reason type of insurance. Meaning if you decide a day or two before the date for the tour that you just don't want to go, it will not cover you. It must be a coverable reason such as sickness, death in the family, etc.



TOUR COST (Land + Air):

\$ 4399 Double (2 people sharing room. Price is per person)

\$ 4199 Triple (3 people sharing room. Price is per person)

\$ 4099 Quad (4 people sharing room. Price is per person)

\$ 5299 Single

BREAKDOWN OF TOUR COST:

Land Portion – D-\$3754; T-\$3554; Q-\$3454; S-\$4654

Airfare Allotment --\$645 (This is an estimation of airfare costs. It could be less which would lower your tour cost or it could be higher which would increase the overall tour cost. We are still a little too far out to get airfare for this tour. If you have United miles you could book your airfare with your miles and then only owe for the Land Portion of the tour.)

DEPOSIT:

\$850 per person <u>plus</u> the cost of travel insurance if so elected. \$600 of the deposit is non-refundable.

FINAL PAYMENT DUE - February 20, 2026

TRAVEL INSURANCE COST: \$431 for Single Category; \$368 for Double, Triple or Quad Category.

CANCELLATION PENALTIES:

If canceling from the day of registration to final payment date of February 20, 2026 you will forfeit \$600 of your initial deposit.

Additionally, if you cancel after the final payment date of February 20, 2026 you lose 100% of total monies paid on trip. If you cancel prior to final payment date of February 20, 2026 the only cancellation penalty is the \$600 non-refundable portion of your deposit.