



Guests selecting the Tours & Social Events package may select one full-day and one half-day tour on Monday and Tuesday. All full-day tours include lunch. Tours are subject to availability.

MONDAY

TOUR #1

WASHINGTON'S BEST KEPT SECRET: THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOMS & EMBASSY ROW DRIVING TOUR

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TOUR #2

EXPLORING THE NEWSEUM

Monday, February 23, half-day tour, lunch provided, 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

More than six years in the making and costing \$435 million, the exciting **Newseum** is one of the most ambitious and exciting new additions to the D.C. landscape. Located on prominent Pennsylvania Avenue, between the Capitol and the White House, the Newseum is not easy to miss! The building's transparent exterior is meant to convey the idea of a free press and an open society. A mammoth rectangle frames the facade, suggesting a television or computer screen that provides what the museum calls a "window on the world." You enter through a **Great Hall of News**, where you can see breaking stories on a giant digital "zipper" before setting out on an exciting array of displays and interactive kiosks. The building has seven floors, featuring 600 artifacts on display. From the **absorbing Pulitzer Prize Gallery**, to the **September 11 exhibit** to seeing remaining elements of the **Berlin Wall** – there is something for everyone at the Newseum. You will have the opportunity to explore on your own or with a guide. **Lunch is included**, with delicious café style provisions from **Wolfgang Puck**. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. (Minimum of 40 guests.)

TOUR #3

HANDS ON AT THE TEXTILE MUSEUM

Monday, February 23, half-day hour, lunch not included, 1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

The **Textile Museum** is a hidden gem in D.C. dedicated to furthering the understanding of mankind's creative achievements in the textile arts. It is committed to its role as a center of excellence in the scholarly research, conservation, interpretation, and exhibition of textiles, with particular concern for the artistic, technical, and cultural significance of its collections. The Textile Learning Center's Activity Gallery provides opportunities for Museum visitors of all ages to learn about how textiles are made and the ways in which cultural traditions, the environment, and even the economy influence the character of handmade textiles. You are encouraged to learn by touching, looking, and doing. Touchable textiles ranging from a pile carpet to bark cloth illustrate the structures, techniques, and processes used to create traditional textiles. Samples of fibers in various stages of processing (from silk worm cocoons to silk thread) and examples of dyestuffs (including crushed bugs!) are used to explain how natural fibers are prepared for weaving and how color has been imparted to fiber for thousands of years. A visit to the Textile Museum is a great way to "get in touch" with different cultural traditions, from the USA and around the world. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. (Minimum of 40 guests.)

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TOUR #4

AMERICA'S LEADING WOMEN

Monday, February 23, full-day tour, lunch provided, 9:15 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Begin at the **National Museum of Women in the Arts**, where you will view over 1,500 works by women – paintings, sculptures, graphics arts, and photography from the 16th-century to the present. Continue on to the **National Museum of American History** (*newly renovated*), which houses the First Ladies' Collection of Gowns. The collection also displays memorabilia reflecting life as the First Lady from Martha Washington to Hillary Clinton. You will see everything from Nancy Reagan's china to Mary Todd Lincoln's stationery. To conclude our day of America's leading women you will stop at the **Women in Military Service for America Memorial**. Located at the Ceremonial entrance to Arlington National Cemetery across the Memorial Bridge, it is a memorial dedicated to all the women who have served in our nation's armed forces and those who have served in direct support of our armed forces, particularly during times of war or conflict. The Memorial was dedicated in 1997 after 11 years of work and includes permanent exhibits including World War II and the Korean War. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. (Minimum of 40 guests.)

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TOUR #5

ANNAPOLIS – JEWEL OF THE CHESAPEAKE

Monday, February 23, full-day tour, lunch provided, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Experience a true jewel of a city, Annapolis, the charming waterfront capital of the state of Maryland. With your guide, you'll walk past Annapolis' exquisitely designed buildings, many of which pre-date 1800. You will see the **Maryland State House**, the oldest Capitol building still in use in America today, followed by a stop at **St. John's College**, one of the oldest colleges in the U.S. From here, it's on to a guided tour of the **United States Naval Academy**, a beautiful campus built on the site of Fort Severn in 1845. You will visit the boarding quarters, chapel, crypt, and the Naval Academy's museum. After the academy, you will be taken past the **Government House**, **Hammond-Harwood House**, and the **Chase-Lloyd House**. Following lunch, you can browse through the unique shops along Annapolis' cobblestone streets or join the guide for a walking tour along the waterfront. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Please dress appropriately for the weather. (Minimum of 40 guests.)

Special considerations:

Access to the Naval Academy is upon request and can be cancelled due to security considerations/world events.

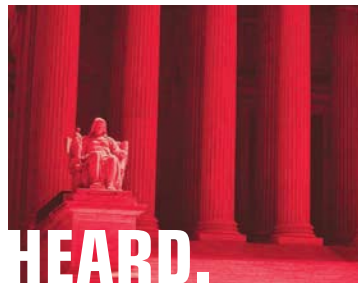
TOUR #6

D.C. UNDERCOVER – EXPLORING THE "DARK SIDE" OF D.C.

Monday, February 23, full-day tour, lunch provided, 9:45 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Enjoy a range of shared discoveries, tales, and interactive exploration. First stop – **The International Spy Museum**. With a variety of new and interactive exhibits, state-of-the-art audiovisual effects, film, and hands-on components, the International Spy Museum traces the evolution of espionage through the people who practiced the profession. **A stop for lunch** will be followed by a visit to one of D.C.'s newest attractions, the **Crime and Punishment Museum**. Emerge from movie fantasy and enter into the fascinating reality of historical artifacts, dynamic interaction, and current information. Everything from pirates, Wild West outlaws, serial killers and gangsters, to white-collar criminals hiding behind computer technology are represented. You'll have close-up experience of how crime-fighting has evolved and how crime-solving techniques are used today, as well as the consequences of committing a crime.

Interact with a realistic forensics lab, see how to create I.D. cards and fingerprinting, and use a lie detector test. Not to be missed artifacts include J. Edgar Hoover's badge and boxing gloves given to him by James Braddock ("Cinderella Man"), the 1967 Hollywood film "Death Car" of Bonnie and Clyde, and the collections of Poncho Villa and Jesse James. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. (Minimum of 40 guests.)



TUESDAY

TOUR #7 WASHINGTON'S BEST KEPT SECRET: THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOMS & EMBASSY ROW DRIVING TOUR

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TOUR #8 RIDING TOUR OF PRESIDENTIAL HOMES

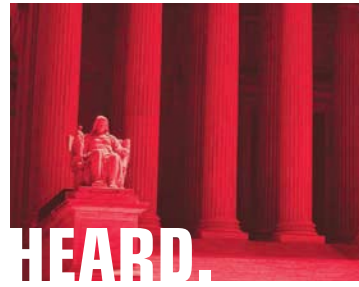
Tuesday, February 24, half-day tour, lunch not included, 9:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.

See the modest homes and grand mansions in Washington's tree-lined neighborhoods where 20th Century Presidents lived before and after the White House. Pass by the first home bought by **Senator Richard Nixon**, the one-room apartment rented by newlyweds **Lyndon and Lady Bird Johnson**, and the fashionable building in which ensign John F. Kennedy rented a room during World War II. See where **Dwight and Mamie Eisenhower** lived frugally, where a budget-conscious Harry Truman rented, and where young **Franklin Roosevelt** escaped a terrorist explosion. Drive in front of the plush homes and diplomatic residences once home to **Herbert Hoover, Warren Harding, Woodrow Wilson, and William Howard Taft**. Along the way, see where **Harry Truman and Lyndon Johnson** lived after succeeding to the presidency but before they moved into the White House. As a bonus, glimpse embassies, grand homes of foreign ambassadors, and the residences of famous Washingtonians of the past and present. This is a driving tour. (Minimum of 40 guests.)

TOUR #9 A BOUTIQUE DELIGHT: EXPLORING GEORGETOWN

Tuesday, February 24, half-day tour, lunch not provided, 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Officially formed in 1751, **Georgetown** is a charming neighborhood that flourished long before the founding of Washington, D.C. In the beginning, tobacco was the lifeblood of the community, which soon expanded into shipping. Because of its access to the Potomac, Georgetown soon was a commercial and industrial hub where flour mills and wharves were constructed. Georgetown gained a reputation as the fashionable quarter of the capital and was visited by important people from all over the world. Shoppers, diners, and visitors came to know the area around Potomac Street as a Mecca for extraordinary goods – and good times. They still do, because **today the heart of Georgetown is a thriving shopping and restaurant district**, surrounded by some of the most elegant and expensive homes in Washington, D.C. The town still maintains its rustic charm with cobblestone streets and historic town homes. You will disembark at Georgetown Park and have the option of a **guided Georgetown walking tour or shop on your own** with a designated tour return spot. Georgetown Park alone houses more than 100 shops, boutiques, galleries, and cafés, set in a charming European-style marketplace blending Victorian and Federal architecture. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Please dress appropriately for the weather. (Minimum of 25 guests.)



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TOUR #10

OUR NATION'S HEROES AND EXPLORERS

Tuesday, February 24, full-day tour, lunch provided, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

This tour begins with a stop at **Arlington National Cemetery** at the sight of some 200,000 identical headstones uniformly placed on a hillside of 612 acres overlooking the Potomac River. Tour these hallowed grounds on the tram where your guide will share with you stories of the fallen heroes who were our American casualties of war. View the powerful **Eternal Flame** that illuminates the inspiring and somber gravesites of **President John F. Kennedy, his wife, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, and his brother, Robert Kennedy**. The tour continues to the guarded **Tomb of the Unknown Soldier**, a monument to those fallen American soldiers who remain unidentified. Witness the impressive "Changing of the Guard" (based on availability) ceremony performed hourly with exact precision by a team of Marines. The tour will continue past the **monument honoring the brave astronauts who were aboard the Space Shuttle Challenger**. Your guide will also point out several burial sites of famous Americans, such as the gravesite of our former Commerce Secretary, Ron Brown, who was killed in a plane crash while on an official mission to Bosnia. You'll stop for lunch at one of the Smithsonian's finest new museums, the **American Indian Museum**. Our final stop will be the world famous and most visited museum on the planet, The Smithsonian Institution's **National Air and Space Museum**. This magnificent glass and marble building maintains the largest collection of historic air and spacecraft in the world. The museum has hundreds of artifacts on display including the original Wright 1903 "Flyer," Charles Lindbergh's "Spirit of St. Louis," the Apollo 11 command module, "The Voyager," which flew around the world on one tank of gas, and a lunar rock display that visitors can touch. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Please dress appropriately for the weather. (Minimum of 40 guests.)

TOUR #11

HISTORIC MOUNT VERNON

Tuesday, February 24, full-day tour, lunch provided, 9:15 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

You will travel back in time to the 18th Century – to the life and times of The Father of our Country, George Washington. Your trip will take you over the Potomac River to **Mount Vernon, America's most visited historic house**, which sits on a grassy, shaded slope overlooking the Potomac River. Mount Vernon is truly a testament to the life and times of George and Martha Washington – but much more. Walk along the garden pathway where you will be presented with an authentic look at the life of George and Martha Washington in their home. The estate tour will take you through the bright and colorful rooms where docents will describe historical events that took place. From there, you will tour the plantation's outbuildings. **The Donald W. Reynolds Museum and Education Center and the Ford Orientation Center include 25 new theaters and galleries** – just opened in 2007 that tell the detailed story of George Washington's life. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Please dress appropriately for the weather. (Minimum of 40 guests.)

TOUR #12

ANTIQUÉ CAPITAL AND SHOPPING GEMS OF MARYLAND

Tuesday, February 24, full-day tour, lunch provided, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Nestled in the rolling hills of Maryland, lies a perfectly quaint community called **New Market**. Referred to by Baltimoreans as the **antique capital of Maryland**, browsing and shopping in this cozy town is the perfect way to spend your time! During your ride a tour guide will be on-hand to give an overview of this **200-year-old village** and talk about the **30-some odd antique shops which line the town's charming Main Street**. The dealers handle a wide variety of quality antiques including formal and country furnishings, teddy bears, glass, china, porcelain, metal-ware, toys, tools, lighting, quilts, rugs, prints, paintings, clocks, books, steins, and accessories to suit every style and taste! Next, travel to the opposite side of the spectrum to **Arundel Mills Mall** a value-shopping destination with **17 anchors and over 225 specialty stores** that feature **outlet, discount and specialty retailers**, themed restaurants, and entertainment. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended. Please dress appropriately for the weather. (Minimum of 40 guests.)