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Inside the Embassies and Rooftops of Washington, D.C.

May 13th - 17th, 2022

Day One - May 13th, 2022 - Arrive in Washington, D.C. & Tour Smithsonian's

- Arrive in **Washington, D.C.** and visit your choice of **Smithsonian Institution's Museums** on the National Mall. Choices include: the **National Museum of American History**, the **National Air & Space Museum**, the **National Museum of Natural History**, the **National Museum of the American Indian**, the **National Gallery of Art**, the **Freer & Sackler Galleries**, the **Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden**, and/or the **National Museum of African Art**.
- Later, arrive at **Embassy Row**. Enjoy a **drink and bite to eat** where both commonalities and differences can be celebrated over morning coffee, afternoon tea, or happy-hour cocktails. Soak up the sun or take in the night sky at their **Rooftop Pool and Bar**.
- Enjoy a **Welcome Reception** on the **Rooftop** followed by **Welcome Dinner** at the hotel. (Meals: D)

Day Two - May 14th, 2022 - Inside the Embassies & Arlington National Cemetery

- Enjoy breakfast at the hotel prior to departing with your **GUIDE**.
- Tour **Inside the Embassies**. Bring your passport to collect stamps from the countries you visit today. Line up at your choice of Dupont area Embassies to beat the lines that occur here later in the day. Discover the secrets and unique cultural traditions inside **DC's Embassies**. Your **GUIDE** will escort the group through the streets of the Capital and expertly navigate quickly and effectively to exploring the unique offerings of each individual Embassy – who routinely try to out-do each other, year after year, with impressive spectacles reminiscent of their homeland! For many Embassies, this is the only time they make themselves open and available for public touring during the entire year. Experience just how small our world truly is with **Live Musicals, Dance Performances, Fashion Shows**, and more **food & drink offerings** than can be imagined!
- Enjoy **lunch on own** prior to a visit to **Arlington National Cemetery**. No land in American is more sacred than this square mile. It is America's shrine to valor and sacrifice. This is the final resting place for President John F. Kennedy, Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, Robert F. Kennedy, Edward Moore (Ted) Kennedy, Audie Murphy, prizefighter Joe Louis, and thousands of soldiers from every major U.S. war. There are Six (6) stops: **President John F. Kennedy gravesite, U.S. Coast Guard Memorial, U.S. Army Gen. John J. Pershing's gravesite, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Memorial Amphitheater, Arlington House, and the Ord & Weitzel Walking Gate** to see the **U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial (Iwo Jima)**.
- Return to your hotel & rest prior to **dinner included** at a **Seafood Restaurant**.
- Depart on an **Illuminated Monument Driving Tour**. Drive by the **Marine Corps Memorial (Iwo Jima Statue)**, the **Air Force Memorial**, the **Washington Monument**, the **National World War II Memorial**, **The Kennedy Center for Performing Arts**, & other memorials and monuments as time permits. Return to the hotel. (Meals: B, L, D)



Day Three - May 15th, 2022 - White House Visitor's Center, FUTURE's Exhibit, & Hillwood Estate

- Enjoy **breakfast included** at the hotel this morning.
- Visit the **White House Visitor's Center**, stop for a **photo opportunity of the White House**, and stop at the **NEW National World War I Memorial**.
- Experience **FUTURE's Exhibit** at the **Smithsonian Arts and Industries Building**. The Arts and Industries Building (AIB) is the Smithsonian's second oldest building and a national hub for creative exchange between ideas and objects from our past and our future. AIB opened in 1881 as the country's first U.S. National Museum, an architectural icon in the heart of the National Mall. Now, for





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the first time in 140 years, they are reimagining the building in its entirety to renew its original purpose: to be an incubator for thinking about, and even solving, some of the biggest challenges we face today. To celebrate the Smithsonian's 175th Anniversary in 2021, they are reopening AIB for the first time in two decades with a groundbreaking new experience that looks forward.

- Depart with your **GUIDE** and **Drive Embassy Row**. After the Civil War, the powerful and socially elite built large mansions along Massachusetts Ave. After the Great Depression, many of the families who built these homes went broke. Today, the area is known as Embassy Row. Embassies, associations, foundations, and clubs have claimed and restored these lovely homes.
- Visit the **Hillwood Estate, Museum and Gardens**, the mansion is the former home of cereal heiress Marjorie Merriweather Post and features one of the most comprehensive collections of eighteenth and nineteenth-century Russian Imperial art outside of Russia, as well as an extensive collection of eighteenth-century French decorative arts. Enjoy **lunch included** at the **Hillwood House**. The greenhouse and formal gardens are set among 25 acres of wooded hillsides located in the heart of Washington, D.C.
- Return to hotel and enjoy the evening on own. (**Meals: B, L**)

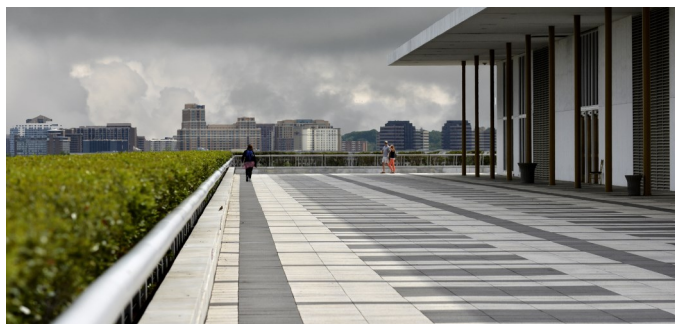
Day Four - May 16th, 2022 - Guided Tours, Mount Vernon, & Water

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- Enjoy **breakfast** at the hotel prior to departing with **GUIDE**. Arrive at the **Old U.S. Post Office** built in 1892 and ride the elevator 315-foot high to the **Clock Tour**. Continue to **The Kennedy Center of Performing Arts** for a **Guided Tour** and incredible views of Washington, DC, the Potomac River, and Georgetown's waterfront.
- Arrive at the **Pentagon City Mall** and have **lunch on own**. The skylit Food Court features international specialties from the familiar to the exotic. A scenic glass elevator ride to the Third Level reveals more than 170 fascinating stores and restaurants.
- Depart for **Mount Vernon**, the estate of George Washington. Visit the **Ford Orientation Center & Donald W. Reynolds Museum and Education Center** at Mount Vernon. The center contain sculptures, paintings, portraits, models, photos, films, documents, and diverse artifacts, with succinct descriptions and pithy quotations describing the life, times, and accomplishments of our nation's first president. With 25 state-of-the-art galleries the museum displays many objects shown at Mount Vernon for the first time.
- Depart for **Alexandria, VA**, and enjoy a **driving tour** through the **Old Town**.
- Drive by **Christ Church**, **Robert E. Lee's Boyhood Home**, and **The George Washington Masonic National Memorial**. Enjoy **dinner included** at **local seafood restaurant**. Located in the heart of Alexandria's waterfront district offering the best and freshest seafood in Northern Virginia!
- Walk to the **Wharf** and board a **Water Taxi** to the **National Harbor**.
- Enjoy a **Ride with Champagne on The Capital Wheel**. Depart and return to hotel for the evening. (**Meals: B, L, D**)

Day Five - May 17th, 2022 - Farewell Rooftop Lunch

- Enjoy **breakfast** at the hotel prior to checking out.
- Depart for **The Phillips Collection** and visit **America's First Museum of Modern Art**.
- Depart on foot for the **Heurich House Museum and Mansion**, take a **Brewmaster Tour** with a **tasting included**. The event will include an hour-long guided tour of the museum with beer tastings along the way.
- Enjoy **Farewell Rooftop Lunch included**.
- Depart and visit your choice of the **Smithsonian Institution's Museums** on the National Mall then depart for home. (**Meals: B, L**)



Inclusions:

Round-trip ground transportation upon arrival, 4 nights' accommodation, 4 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 3 dinners, admissions, and guide service as stated in the itinerary, plus all applicable taxes and gratuity; except gratuity for guide/s and driver is NOT included.

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