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Civil War to Civil Rights

From Gettysburg to Washington DC, join us on a journey through a tumultuous period of our Nation's history, that made us the country we are today!

Featuring:



NATIONAL MUSEUM
of AFRICAN AMERICAN
HISTORY & CULTURE

Gettysburg National Military Park, Antietam, Harpers Ferry, the Manassas Battlefields, Clara Barton Museum, the National Archives, Capitol Hill, Arlington National Cemetery and Cedar Hill.

7 Days - 6 Nights

Day One

Arrive in **Gettysburg** and check into your local hotel. Visit the **Gettysburg National Military Park** featuring the **Battle of Gettysburg Cyclorama**. This 360 degree, three-dimensional artwork, puts viewers right in the middle of the final Confederate assault on July 3, 1863. Following the museum, meet your **guide** for a **battlefield tour**. You'll have dinner this evening at a local restaurant along **Lee's Retreat from Gettysburg** and stop along the way at what was once a secret location for the **Underground Railroad**. Additionally, you'll meet "**Abraham Lincoln**" and hear his famous 'Gettysburg Address' speech before returning to your hotel. (D)

Day Two

Enjoy **breakfast** at your hotel before departing for **Sharpsburg and Harpers Ferry**, both battle locations on Confederate General Robert E. Lee's Maryland Campaign in September 1862. You'll tour the **Antietam Battlefield** and visit the **Pry House Field Hospital**, followed by **lunch** at the **Bavarian Inn**, a romantic country inn offering European elegance and world class service from its scenic location perched on a bluff overlooking the Potomac River. After lunch you will depart on a walking tour of **Harpers Ferry** itself, full of historical facts and information and uniquely positioned at the point of three connecting states: Virginia, West Virginia, and Maryland. Later, depart for **Washington, DC** and check in to your local hotel and enjoy an included dinner. (B, L, D)

Day Three

Have **breakfast** at your hotel. Depart for **Manassas Battlefield Park** where the Confederate army reached the height of its power during its second victory here in August 1862. **Lunch is on own at Union Station**, before Union Station opened, in 1903, each of the major railroads operated out of two separate stations in DC and had tracks running directly through the **National Mall**, once opened Union Station allowed the Mall to become the pedestrian haven that it is today. Following lunch you will visit **Lincoln's Cottage**, the seasonal residence

of President Lincoln, now a historic landmark, and the location where he wrote his first draft of the Emancipation Proclamation. Tour the **National Portrait Gallery**, featuring Presidential Portraits, as well as the **Clara Barton Missing Soldiers Museum**. Walk in the founder of the American Red Cross' footsteps and discover the incredible true story of the Missing Soldiers Office. Enjoy an included **dinner** before an after-dark **Illuminated Monuments Tour** featuring the memorials for **Lincoln, MLK, FDR, and Iwo Jima**. (B, L, D)

Day Four

Breakfast will be at the hotel followed by a tour of the **US Capitol building**, the **Supreme Court**, and the **Library of Congress**. Visit **Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation Monument** and participate in a discussion period. Proceed on to the **Smithsonian Museum of American History** and discover hands on opportunities to expand your understanding of our nation's history. Enjoy an included **dinner** at a local favorite before touring the monuments of **WWII, 9/11 and the Air Force Memorial**. (B, D)

Day Five

Enjoy **breakfast** at your hotel before touring the **National Archives** in Washington DC where you can explore our nation's history through documents, photos, and records. Lunch is included this afternoon prior to visiting the new **Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History and Culture (NMAAHC)**, a ground-breaking insight into the creation of our country as it exists today. Afterwards, tour a second Smithsonian museum of your choice. For your evening activities, your group can choose from: dinner and bowling, taking in a performance at the historic **Kennedy Center of the Performing Arts**, or a **Spirit Dinner Cruise** along the Potomac River! (B, L, D)

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Day Six

Have **breakfast** at your hotel before a visit to **Arlington National Cemetery** to pay your respects and witness the **Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier**. Visit the **Arlington House, and The Robert E. Lee Memorial**. The memorial honors Lee's military and public leadership in pre- and post-Civil War America. Congress designated the memorial to recognize that "*the desire and hope of Robert E. Lee for peace and unity within our Nation has come to pass.*" From the portico you can contemplate our nation's fate as you gaze across the river that once divided us. Afterwards, depart for Cedar Hill, the home of the famed abolitionist, **Frederick Douglass**. Born into slavery, Douglass escaped to spend his life fighting for justice and

equality for all people. Enjoy an included lunch then depart for the **Surratt House** for a tour & discussion. The museum provides resources for research into the impact of a tumultuous period of our national history, from 1840 to 1865, with special emphasis on the study of the people and events surrounding the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln. Enjoy **dinner** at a local favorite. (B, L, D)

Day Seven

Enjoy **breakfast** at your hotel before checking out and departing for home. (B)

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Tour includes: 6 nights accommodation, baggage handling, 6 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 6 dinners, admissions and guide service as stated in the itinerary, gratuity for Guide Service is NOT included.

Artists and performers using noted celebrity names will be tribute performers, unless otherwise indicated in the itinerary that the actual artist/entertainer will be present. Local and regional entertainers will perform as themselves.

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