

Stars & Stripes 250

Sample Itinerary

Day 1 - THU, July 2, 2026 - Welcome to Washington, DC

Arrive in the nation's capital and jump right into the celebration with free time at the annual Smithsonian Folklife Festival's Special 250th Anniversary Edition. Cap off your first evening with a festive Welcome Dinner at a local favorite before settling into your comfortable hotel.

Day 2 - FRI, July 3, 2026 - History & Heritage

Pay tribute at Arlington National Cemetery, America's most sacred square mile, and witness the Changing of the Guard before stepping back into the 18th century at George Washington's Mount Vernon. In Old Town Alexandria, enjoy dinner followed by Tall Tales & Cocktails with Providence, a lively dockside docent plus live entertainment with Chanteymen Singers beside the historic tall ship Providence.

Day 3 - SAT, July 4, 2026 - America's 250th Birthday

Celebrate Independence Day how it all began: with a live reading of the Declaration of Independence at the National Archives, followed by the grand July 4th Parade with boxed luncheon included. After dinner on the waterfront, the celebration soars with a Private Evening Cruise on the Potomac aboard your group's Exclusive Party Boat – featuring 360° views of the city skyline and the spectacular National Fireworks Show.

Day 4 - SUN, July 5, 2026 - People's House & Lincoln's Legacy

Step inside The People's House, honoring the White House, then enjoy a Guided City Tour with highlights from Lafayette Park to the National Archives and the Hall of Presidents at the National Portrait Gallery. Tour the iconic Ford's Theatre, dine along the waterfront, and end the night with a visit to the WWII Memorial and Kennedy Center.

Day 5 - MON, July 6, 2026 - Democracy & Dedication

Experience Capitol Hill with tours of the Library of Congress & Capitol Visitor Center before exploring Washington, DC's most powerful memorials to presidents, civil rights leaders, and fallen heroes. A festive Farewell Dinner at one of DC's finest restaurants wraps up your day with celebration and camaraderie.

Day 6 - TUES, July 7, 2026 - Fond Farewell

Conclude your journey with a visit to Gunston Hall, home of George Mason, before enjoying a final lunch and free time to shop in charming historic Occoquan. Depart for home carrying unforgettable memories of America's 250th birthday and your exclusive private fireworks cruise.

Celebrate America's 250th in Style!

Exclusive Events, VIP Experiences, and a Private Fireworks Cruise on July 4th - this once-in-a-lifetime tour *is limited to only one group!*

Be part of history in Washington, DC, during the 250th Anniversary of the American Revolution.

Highlights

- Smithsonian Folklife Festival
- Arlington National Cemetery & Tram
- George Washington's Mount Vernon
- Tall Tales & Cocktails with Providence
- Declaration of Independence Ceremony on the steps of The National Archives
- 4th of July Annual Parade & Boxed Lunch
- Susquehanna Santee Private Party Boat ~ VIP Fireworks Experience
- The People's House
- City/Monuments & Memorials Tour
- National Portrait Gallery
- Ford's Theatre Tour
- Illuminated Monument Tour
- Capitol Building / Visitors Center
- Library of Congress
- George Mason's Gunston Hall

Inclusions

- 5 nights' hotel accommodations
- Fulltime Tour Escort / Tour Guide
- 5 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 5 Dinners
- Private Party Boat Cruise for the 4th
- Admissions and Guide Services
- Taxes & Hotel Fees