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Tours & Travel

# Capital Christmas

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## GAYLORD

### NATIONAL HARBOR

#### Day 1 - Arrival Day

Arrive in Washington, DC, and be enveloped in the festive holiday spirit with a visit to the stunning Poinsettia Show at the U.S. National Botanic Garden. Check-in at the luxurious Gaylord Resort National Harbor and enjoy free time to explore the dazzling holiday lights both at National Harbor & within the Gaylord's expansive atrium including a Fountain Show and indoor snow fall! Cap off the evening with an included cocktail at the resort and a ticket to ride on the Capital Wheel National Harbor, offering breathtaking views of the District glowing with holiday lights and the festive National Harbor Christmas Tree.

#### Day 2 - Christmas Present

Begin with breakfast at the resort via voucher each day. Start your morning with a visit to ICE! at the Gaylord, a spectacular, cartoon-themed wonderland carved from over two million pounds of ice. After a free morning to shop, explore the boardwalk, and lunch on your own at National Harbor, meet your Guide for a City Tour of DC, including Embassy Row and a visit to the opulent Hillwood Estate, decorated top to bottom with custom and antique Christmas décor. Enjoy dinner at a beautiful waterfront restaurant, followed by an Illuminated Monument Tour with a special stop to experience the National Christmas Tree, showcasing the Nation's Capital in its festive nighttime splendor.

#### Day 3 - Christmases Past

Travel to Mount Vernon to explore George Washington's beautifully decorated estate on the Potomac River featuring costumed Christmas-time characters and historic exhibits during this special time of year. Spend time shopping, lunching, and strolling along the cobblestone streets in charming Old Town Alexandria. Afterwards, experience the delightful DC Christmas Marketplace bustling with activity and showcasing local artisans and holiday treats. Visit Woodrow Wilson House, elegantly adorned for the holidays prior to exploring the fun Winter Festival at Watkins Park, decorated with 3 miles and 2.5 million miles of whimsical lights. Now in its 39th year, the festival is a staple in local holiday traditions and is the biggest of its kind in the DC Metro area. The rest of the evening is free for you to enjoy dinner on your own and explore the holiday festivities at the National Harbor or the Gaylord.

#### Day 4 - Departure

Visit the stunning Shrine of the Immaculate Conception or the historic National Cathedral. Head to The Wharf for Christmas shopping and lunch on your own. Depart for home with memories of your magical holiday adventure!

## Highlights

- Gaylord Resort National Harbor lodging
- Ride on the Capital Wheel
- Admission to ICE! at the Gaylord Resort
- Guided City Tour
- Hillwood Estate
- Illuminated Monuments & Memorials Tour
- The National Christmas Tree
- Mount Vernon Estate
- Old Town Alexandria
- DC Christmas Marketplace
- Woodrow Wilson House
- Winter Festival at Watkins Park
- Shrine of the Immaculate Reception or the historic National Cathedral

## Inclusions

- 3 nights' resort accommodations
- Roundtrip baggage handling
- 3 Breakfast Vouchers for use at Potomac District Café & Diner
- 1 Waterfront Dinner
- Gaylord Resort Cocktail
- Ticket to ride the Capital Wheel
- Admissions and Guide Services
- Taxes, Fees, & Gratuity

