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AMERICA HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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Celebrate America's birthday with MARS!

This epic patriotic tour has it all - waterfront dining, VIP upgrades, historic reenactments, and exclusive events.

Walk Boston's Freedom Trail, revel at DC's monuments, and go back in time at Colonial Williamsburg.

Celebrate America throughout this landmark year at special events like the Yorktown Victory Parade, Virginia International Tattoo, and Fourth of July celebrations in Boston, DC, or Baltimore.

Fully customizable to fit your group — create your perfect patriotic adventure today with MARS!

MARS Special 250th Event Dates:

- **Virginia International Tattoo Festival Norfolk** – April 16 - 19, 2026; "A Revolutionary Tattoo"
- **Sail250® America Norfolk, VA** – June 19 - 24, 2026; *MARS is offering hard to find waterfront dining locations & cruise for the fireworks!*
- **Independence Day Special Events**— July 4, 2026; *Baltimore, Boston, and Washington, DC*
- **Sail250® America New York City** – July 4 - 8, 2026
- **Sail250® America Boston, MA** – July 11 - 16, 2026
- **Yorktown Victory Parade & George Washington's Rock & Roll Celebration Bash** – October 19-20, 2026

All Tours Include:

- Professional Custom Travel Tour Planner
- Dedicated Operations Manager
- Comfortable accommodations at a MARS Partner Property
- 2-3 Meals each day
- Admission to all attractions listed in your custom itinerary
- Comfortable accommodations at a MARS Partner Property
- Licensed tour director & local guides as stated in itinerary
- 250th Special Edition Revolutionary Programming
- Hotel Taxes and fees
- 24 / 7 Emergency Line while your group is on tour

The bottom of the page features a photograph of a group of people in Revolutionary War-era clothing, including tricorn hats and red coats, some holding drums. A semi-transparent banner is overlaid at the bottom.

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Days 1-3 | Boston, MA - Where the Revolution Began

Kick off your journey in Boston, where revolutionary spirit fills the air. Explore Quincy Market and enjoy a Brewery Tour before a lively Welcome Dinner. Walk the historic grounds of Lexington and Concord where the “shot heard ‘round the world” was fired, visit Minute Man National Park, and savor a classic lobster dinner. Follow the Freedom Trail past Paul Revere’s House, Old North Church, and the USS Constitution, then say farewell to Boston as you travel southward, enriched and inspired.

Days 4-5 | New York City, NY - Liberty & Legacy

Experience the powerful stories of liberty and immigration at Liberty and Ellis Islands. Dive into Revolutionary-era Manhattan with visits to Bowling Green Park and Brooklyn battle sites. A guided walking tour traces Alexander Hamilton’s New York, bringing to life his impact on our young nation. Cap off your New York stay with a thrilling Broadway performance of the award winning show *Hamilton*, a vibrant dinner in electric Times Square, and memories lasting a lifetime.



Days 6-8 | Philadelphia, PA - Cradle of Independence

Visit the sacred ground of Valley Forge and explore the perseverance of Washington’s troops. Then head to Philadelphia for a deep dive into Revolutionary history. See the Liberty Bell, Independence Hall, Betsy Ross House, and Benjamin Franklin’s grave, with lunch at Reading Terminal Market. Explore the acclaimed Museum of the American Revolution, stand at iconic Washington Crossing, and enjoy dinner aboard the historic sailing ship Moshulu, docked along the Delaware River.

Days 9-10 | Baltimore to Washington, DC - Symbols of Strength

Begin with a stirring visit to Fort Mifflin and Fort McHenry, where the defense of freedom inspired our national anthem. Travel to Washington, DC, and settle in for a two-day exploration of the capital’s enduring ideals. Visit the U.S. Capitol, the Library of Congress, National Archives, and DAR Constitution Hall, with stops at iconic memorials honoring those who have shaped and defended our freedoms. Exceptional dining, famous monuments, and rich culture and history accompany each step.

Days 11-13 | Washington, DC & Alexandria, VA - American Ideals Come Alive

Witness the solemn Changing of the Guard at Arlington National Cemetery and honor national heroes. Discover Ford’s Theatre and explore world-class Smithsonian Museums. Stroll the cobblestone streets of Old Town Alexandria and dine at Gadsby’s Tavern — once frequented by George Washington. Enjoy a rare opportunity to explore a Tall Ship and visit both Mount Vernon and Gunston Hall to gain insight into Washington’s leadership and George Mason’s legacy in crafting our nation's principles.

Days 14-16 | Williamsburg, Jamestown & Yorktown, VA - Historic Triangle

Journey to Colonial Williamsburg for an immersive experience in a town frozen in time. Walk beside costumed interpreters, shop local wares, and dine on colonial favorites. Then, travel to Jamestown Settlement to explore the challenges of the early colonists and continue to Yorktown, where the final victory of the Revolutionary War unfolded. Tour battlefield sites, see live musket demonstrations, and reflect on the powerful turning points of American independence.

Days 17-19 | Norfolk & Virginia Beach, VA - Sail250 Celebration

Celebrate the future of freedom as you witness the awe-inspiring Sail250 tall ship arrival from the grounds of Fort Monroe. Tour Nauticus and the USS Wisconsin, then join in the festivities across Norfolk and Portsmouth — enjoying live music, epic international maritime exhibits, food vendors, and more. Your journey concludes with a festive dinner cruise aboard the Spirit of Norfolk, set to music and fireworks lighting up the sky — a perfect finale to your epic American adventure.