OLLI at the University of Denver presents...

Spotlight on Washington, D.C.

March 20 - 25, 2025



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6 Days • 8 Meals: 5 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... U.S. Capitol Building Tour, World War II Memorial, Washington National Cathedral, Choice on Tour: International Spy Museum or Lincoln Assassination Tour, Arlington National Cemetery, Mount Vernon, Old Town Alexandria, Vietnam Veterans Memorial, White House Visitor Center, Smithsonian Institution

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Days 1 – 5 Royal Sonesta Dupont Circle, Washington D.C.

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Thursday, March 20, 2025 Washington, D.C. Explore America's heritage and history during your stay in the capital city of the United States – Washington, D.C.

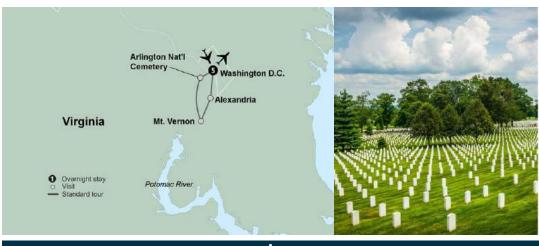
Day 2: Friday, March 21, 2025 Washington, D.C. Your day begins at the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center with a guided tour of this historic and storied building. Discover the celebrated history of America's capital on a city tour. Take in views of the White House, National Mall and other monuments and museums. Pause to reflect at the poignant World War II Memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, and the Korean War Memorial. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. *(B, D)*

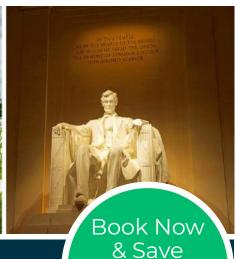
Day 3: Saturday, March 22, 2025 Washington, D.C. Tour the Washington National Cathedral, which hosted state funerals, Presidential inaugural masses, and MLK's last sermon. Decide how you want to see more of D.C. today – it's your choice. Join a walking tour retracing the plots and events leading to the Lincoln Assassination -OR- explore the life of espionage with a visit to the International Spy Museum. This evening after an included dinner, enjoy an illuminated twilight tour of the Jefferson, Martin Luther King, Jr., and Lincoln Memorials before returning to the hotel. (B, D)

Day 4: Sunday, March 23, 2025 Arlington National Cemetery - Mount Vernon, Virginia - Alexandria Visit Arlington National Cemetery for a narrated tour that takes you to the Tomb of the Unknowns and the Kennedy gravesites. Head to Old Town Alexandria, nestled along the Potomac, and enjoy time to stroll the cobblestone streets on your own during a break for lunch. Continue to Mount Vernon, the beloved home of George Washington. After a tour of the home, spend time wandering through the gardens and grounds before visiting the tomb of General Washington and his wife, Martha. This evening is yours to explore the district's culinary scene. (B)

Day 5: Monday, March 24, 2025 Washington, D.C. Spend time in the White House Visitor Center and see artifacts from the White House collection. Then, uncover some of the treasures of the Smithsonian Institution with free time to visit any of the more than 10 museums surrounding the National Mall. This afternoon you can choose to live like a local and take the metro with your Tour Manager to return to the hotel. Gather in the evening for a farewell dinner commemorating the end of your historical journey. (B, D)

Day 6: Tuesday, March 25, 2025 Washington, D.C. - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close in Washington, D.C. this morning. (B)





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The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour, covering up to two miles (with included breaks). You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. There may be 1 to 2 days on this tour when walking tours can cover 3 to 4 miles over uneven terrain. Expect some full days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

Travel with a group size of an average of 37 travelers, up to a maximum of 44 travelers.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

The days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilize your time on tour.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your

own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

IDENTIFICATION

Travel within USA

For travel completed by May 6, 2025, all airlines will ask for identification when you check in. It is recommended that you carry a passport if you have one. A driver's license (with a photo I.D.) is also acceptable for domestic flights.

Effective for travel May 7, 2025 forward, the REAL ID Act standards for identification while travelling will be in effect. This means a standard issued driver's license used as a form of identification will no longer be accepted for domestic air travel within the United States. Instead, a Real ID compliant form of identification must be presented both at the time of booking air travel with Collette and upon checking in at the airport to board any flight. Any fees associated with changing a reservation resulting from a non-compliant identification will be the responsibility of the guest. For more information on Real ID, please visit the Department of Homeland Security website: https://www.dhs.gov/real-id

The National Cherry Blossom Festival is planned to coincide as near as possible with the blooming of the trees. "Peak Bloom Date" is defined as

Experience It! Washington National Cathedral

The Cathedral Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, better known as the Washington National Cathedral, has had a prominent place in Washington events since Congress granted its charter in 1893. The construction of the current building began in September 1907, with President Theodore Roosevelt in attendance for the ceremony. Since then, the cathedral has been host to state funerals, inauguration masses, national memorial services, and countless other national commemorations and celebrations. Construction of the church was finally completed in 1990, taking an incredible 83 years to finish – making it the longest running construction project in Washington, D.C.

Today, visitors marvel at the beautiful Indiana limestone facades and carvings, as well as the magnificent Great Organ that has been redesigned and expanded through the years to meet the needs of the active congregation and its breathtaking cathedral.

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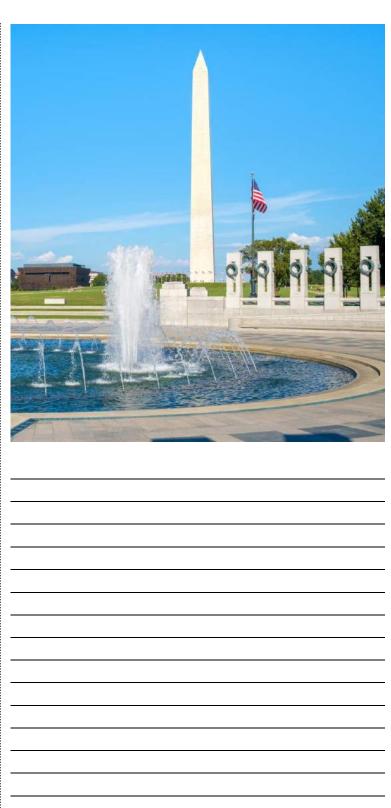
the day on which 70 percent of the blossoms of the Yoshino cherry trees are open. The date when the Yoshino cherry blossoms reach peak bloom varies from year-to-year, depending upon weather conditions. The mean date of blooming is April 4, but nature is not always cooperative and the National Park Service horticulturists cannot make an accurate prediction much more than 10 days prior. The blooming period starts several days before the Peak Bloom Date and can last as long as 14 days; however, frost or high temperatures combined with wind and/or rain can shorten this period.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of September 13, 2024 are based upon availability. Final payment due by December 20, 2024. Deposits are refundable up until September 20, 2024.

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