

spouse/guest tours information

thursday • october 18

US Air Force Memorial/Iwo Jima/Arlington National Cemetery

You will explore three of Arlington's treasures, The new United States Air Force Memorial, Iwo Jima Memorial, and a visit to Arlington National Cemetery.

You will first travel to the country's most revered burial ground and one of the capitol's most poignant sights, Arlington National Cemetery. This vast military cemetery, lined with endless rows of gleaming white headstones, contains the graves of a host of Americans, known and unknown, who participated in every armed conflict since the Revolutionary War.

You will have the opportunity to explore The Women in Military Service Memorial, a unique, living memorial honoring all military women—past, present and future. It is the only major national memorial honoring women who have served in our nation's defense during all eras and in all services.

You will then visit the graves of President John F. Kennedy, and Jacqueline Kennedy, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and will witness the Changing of the Guard, an unforgettable ceremony conducted with full military honors that salutes those nameless soldiers who gave their lives in services to their country.



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Next, you will travel to the nearby Iwo Jima Memorial, also known as The Marine Corps War Memorial, which stands as a symbol of this grateful Nation's esteem for the honored dead of the US Marine Corps. While the statue depicts one of the most famous incidents of World War II, the memorial is dedicated to all Marines who have given their lives in the defense of the United States since 1775. Boxed lunches will be enjoyed aboard the motor coach.

Following lunch, you will visit the newly dedicated United States Air Force Memorial, dedicated in October 2006. The United States Air Force Memorial honors the millions of patriotic men and women who have distinguished themselves in the United States Air Force and its predecessor organizations. You will marvel at the monument's towering three spires representing the three core values of the Air Force—integrity first, service before self, and excellence in you. As you walk down the paved Runway to Glory at the site entrance, you will be met by a bronze Honor Guard statue and have the opportunity to explore two granite inscription walls and the Glass Contemplation Wall depicting the "missing man formation," a final tribute paid to fallen airmen.

All inclusive Fee: \$75

Coach Departure: 9:30 AM

(Please meet at Marriott's 24th Street entrance, near Harry's Pub no later than 9:15 AM)

Return to the Marriott: 3:30 PM

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Abraham Lincoln's Last Hours & Lasting Legacy



You will enjoy a guided tour exploring President Lincoln's last hours and lasting legacy. The tour will begin at Ford's Theatre and Museum where John Wilkes Booth, a popular actor, assassinated President Lincoln in May of 1864. You will have an opportunity to visit the Theatre, the Lincoln Museum, and the Peterson Boarding House during the tour.

Following Ford's Theatre, you will have lunch at the Occidental, located just steps from the White House. Since 1906, the Occidental has been the place to see and be seen. Washington DC's power elite and international celebrities, from poets to pugilists, pepper the restaurant's dining rooms.

Following lunch, you will board the coach for a ride to the Surratt House. Built in 1852, historic Surratt House also served as a tavern and hostelry, a post office, and polling place during the crucial decade before the Civil War. During the war, it was a safe house for the Confederate underground. Surratt House was also the country home of Mary Surratt, the first woman to be executed by the United States government after being found guilty of conspiring with John Wilkes Booth to assassinate President Lincoln.

All inclusive Fee: \$110

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