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for your trip to Washington D.C.





### 1. U.S. Capitol

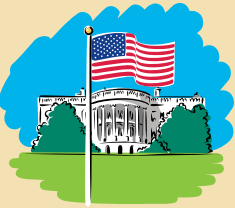
A visit to the historic U.S. Capitol begins at the Capitol Visitor Center, the new main entrance to the U.S. Capitol, which is located below the East Plaza of the Capitol between Constitution and Independence Avenues. The House of Representatives and Senate meet within the Capitol.

The Visitor Center is open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday. It is closed on Thanksgiving

Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, and Inauguration Day. **CONSTITUENTS SHOULD CONTACT CONGRESSMAN LATTI'S OFFICE TO MAKE TOUR ARRANGEMENTS.** Call 202-225-6827 for recorded information on any possible special events.

### 2. White House

Public tours of the White House are available for groups of 10 or more people. Requests must be submitted through one's Member of Congress and are accepted up to six months in advance. These self-guided tours are available from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday (excluding federal holidays), and are scheduled on a first come, first served basis approximately one month in advance of the requested date. All White House tours are free of charge. For the most current tour information, call the 24-hour line at 202-456-7041. Please note that White House tours may be subject to last minute cancellation.



### White House Visitor Center

The White House Visitor Center is located at the southeast corner of 15th and E Streets. The Center is open seven days a week from 7:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and features many aspects of the White House, including its architecture, furnishings, first families, social events, and relations with the press and world leaders, as well as a thirty-minute video.



### 3. Arlington National Cemetery and Changing of the Guard At the Tomb of the Unknowns

Changing of the guard ceremonies are conducted at the Tomb of the Unknowns as indicated below:

April 1 to September 30: The guard is changed every thirty minutes.

October 1 to March 31: The guard is changed every hour, on the hour

The Visitor Center:

The Visitor Center is located just inside the Cemetery gates, on Memorial Drive and just across the Memorial Bridge from Washington, D.C.

Arlington House was the home of Robert E. Lee and his family for 30 years. It is now preserved as a memorial to General Lee, who gained the respect of Americans in both the North and the South.

### 4. Washington Monument

Free. Free tickets are required and distributed at the kiosk on the Washington Monument grounds at 15th Street and Jefferson Drive on a first-come first-served basis. Hours for the ticket kiosk are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. We recommend that visitors arrive early to get tickets, or make reservations.

Hours for the Washington Monument are from 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.; closed December 25. In order to enter the Washington Monument, tickets are required. The ticket system is administered through the National Park Reservation Service (NPRS). Reservations for the Washington Monument may be made between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. EST by calling 1-800-967-2283 or over the internet at <http://reservations.nps.gov>. Those making advance reservations will be charged \$1.50 service fee per ticket, plus a \$.50 handling fee per order. Restrictions: The following items and activities are prohibited within the Washington Monument: Smoking, eating, drinking (except water in a clear plastic container), guns and/or ammunition, knives, aerosol cans or mace, baggage or packages larger than 18" X 16" X 8", strollers and animals.



### 5. Lincoln Memorial

The Lincoln Memorial is open 24 hours a day and is staffed from 8 a.m. to midnight every day except December 25. The memorial is located at the west end of the Mall. Admission is free.

### 6. Smithsonian Museums

Smithsonian museums are open every day of the year except December 25. Most museums are open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Ten of the 19 Smithsonian museums in Washington, D.C., span an area from 3rd to 14th Streets between Constitution Avenue and Independence Avenue.

Admission is free for all Smithsonian museums. Tickets are not required for admission.



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### 7. The Supreme Court

The Supreme Court of the United States is located at One First Street, NE, across First Street from the U. S. Capitol and across East Capitol Street from the Library of Congress. The Court is open from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for federal holidays.



### 8. The National Archives

The National Archives is located between Seventh and Ninth Streets, NW, with entrances on Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues.

Hours are Monday, Tuesday and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

The National Archives Building is closed Thanksgiving Day and December 25. Admission is free.

### 9. National War Memorials



### WWII Memorial

The Memorial opened to the public on April 29, 2004. It is located on 17th Street, between Constitution and Independence Avenues, and is flanked by the Washington Monument to the east and the Lincoln Memorial to the west. The Memorial is open to visitors 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

### Vietnam Memorial

The Vietnam Memorial is located near the Lincoln Memorial at the west end of Constitution Gardens in Washington, DC. It is open daily from 8 a.m. until 11:45 p.m., except Christmas Day.



### Korean War Memorial

The Memorial is located in the West Potomac Park, southeast of the Lincoln Memorial and just south of the Reflecting Pool on the National Mall.

It is open daily from 8 a.m. until midnight, except Christmas Day.



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### 10. Holocaust Memorial Museum

The Museum is located near the National Mall, just south of Independence Ave., SW, between 14th Street and Raoul Wallenberg Place.

It is open 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. every day including weekends. The museum is closed only on Yom Kippur and Christmas Day.

No passes are necessary for entering the Museum building.

Free timed passes for visiting the Permanent Exhibition, The Holocaust, are required March through August.