

## Quick Guide- DC Tour Info

### Arlington National Cemetery

Arlington, VA 22211-5003

(703) 607-8000 [www.arlingtoncemetery.org](http://www.arlingtoncemetery.org)

Metro: Blue Line to Arlington Cemetery

- Changing of the guard occurs every half hour from 8:00 am – 7:00 pm from April until September.
- Changing of the guard occurs every half hour from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm from October until March.
- Tour Mobile leaves every 15 min. for tour of the Cemetery and costs \$7.50/adult, \$6.50/senior, \$3.75/kids.
- Historians available for more personal tours for constituents but must call ahead to (703) 607-8000.

### United States Botanical Gardens

245 First Street SW Washington, DC 20024

(202) 225-8333 [general]

(202) 225-1116 [reservations] [www.usbg.gov](http://www.usbg.gov)

Metro: Federal Center SW then walk 2 blocks north

- Free of charge
- Hours: 10 AM - 5 PM daily, including all weekends & holidays
- 45 minute group tours available Monday through Friday at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. and on weekends when space permits. Please make tour reservations at least four - six weeks in advance
- Walk-ins should see the front desk.

### Bureau of Engraving

14<sup>th</sup> and C Streets SW Washington, DC 20228

(202) 874-8888 [www.moneyfactory.gov](http://www.moneyfactory.gov)

Metro: Smithsonian

- Public Tours: 9:00am-10:45am & 12:30pm-2:00pm (every 15 minutes)
- Extended Summer Hours (APRIL-AUG): 2:00pm-3:45pm (every 15 minutes) & 5:00pm-7:00pm (every 15 minutes)
- School Group Tours (RESERVATIONS REQUIRED): 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. (every 15 minutes) (50 people max per tour)
- Please complete a [Group Reservation Request Form](#) and fax it to 202-874-6331.
- Ticket Booth: 8:00 a.m. until all tickets are gone
- Visitor Center (Enter at 14th & C): 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Visitor Center Extended Summer Hours: 8:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.

PUBLIC TOURS - PEAK SEASON - MARCH THROUGH AUGUST - FREE TICKETS ARE REQUIRED

[Free tickets](#) are required for all tours from the first Monday in March through the last Friday in August, on a first-come, first-served basis. The ticket booth is located on Raoul Wallenberg Place (formerly 15th Street). We offer same day tickets only. The Ticket Booth opens at 8:00 a.m. - Monday through Friday, and closes when all tickets have been distributed. Lines form early (some days as early as 5:30 a.m.) and tickets go quickly, most days' (especially during the first two weeks in April ~ Cherry Blossom/Spring Break) tickets are gone by 8:30 a.m. Please plan accordingly.

#### **PUBLIC TOURS - NON-PEAK SEASON - SEPTEMBER THROUGH FEBRUARY - NO TICKETS REQUIRED**

You may line up at the Visitors' Entrance on 14th Street. Please allow 45 – 50 minutes from the time you enter the building until the end of your tour.

#### **Capitol**

(202) 225-6827      [www.aoc.gov](http://www.aoc.gov)

Metro: Orange or Blue Line to Capitol South

- Hours: 9:00 am – 4:30 pm from Monday through Saturday for guided tours only which depart every 15 minutes.
- Ticket distribution begins at 8:15 am at the Kiosk at First Street and Independence Avenue SW, across from the Botanical Gardens.

#### **Daughters of the American Revolution Museum**

1776 D St. NW Washington, DC 20006

(202) 879-3241      [www.dar.org](http://www.dar.org)

Metro: Orange or Blue Line to Farragut West

- Hours: 9:30am-4:00pm, Monday through Friday; 9:00am-5:00pm, Saturday.
- Public tours are available from 10am-2:30pm, Monday-Friday; 9am-5pm, Saturdays
- Group tours available for \$3/person but must call ahead to (202) 879-3241

#### **DC Visitor Center**

1300 Pennsylvania Ave NW Washington, DC 20004

(866) 324-7386      [www.dcvisit.com](http://www.dcvisit.com)

Metro: Orange or Blue Line to Federal Triangle

- Call and can order Guide books at 1-800-422-8644.
- Hours from 8:30 am -5:30 pm Monday through Friday from March 15 through Labor Day and 9:00 am – 4:00 pm on Saturday.

#### **DEA Museum**

700 Army-Navy Drive Arlington, VA

(202) 307-3463      [www.deamuseum.org](http://www.deamuseum.org)

Metro: Blue or Yellow Line to Pentagon City

- Free of charge
- Hours: 10:00am – 4:00pm Tuesday through Friday.

- For group tour reservations, contact the DEA Museum at (202) 307-3463. Please be sure to indicate the date and time you would like to take your tour. We suggest you schedule at least an hour for the tour of the exhibits in the museum.

### **Federal Reserve**

20th Street and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20551  
(202) 452-3324

Metro: Blue or Orange Line to Foggy Bottom

- Group tours of 10 or more are possible (though may be difficult because situational at Federal Reserve) by emailing Tracy Fox with at least a 2 weeks notice at [secy-visitorservices@fbr.gov](mailto:secy-visitorservices@fbr.gov).

### **Fords Theatre**

511 Tenth St, NW, Washington, DC 20004  
(202) 347-4833

Metro: Red Line to Metro Center

- Visits can include: Ford's Theater, Ford's Museum, and The Peterson House
- Groups of 20 or more can reserve advance tickets by calling the group sales office at Ford's Theatre, which is open Monday- Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Questions can be directed to our group sales line at (202) 638-2367 or by emailing [groups@fords.org](mailto:groups@fords.org).

### **Hillwood House and Gardens**

4155 Linnean Avenue NW Washington, DC 20008  
(202) 686-5807 [www.hillwoodmuseum.org](http://www.hillwoodmuseum.org)

- Hours: 10:00-am-5:00pm, Tuesday-Saturday
- Reservations are recommended and can be made by calling (202) 686-5807
- Suggested donation: Adults, \$12; Seniors (65+), \$10; College Students, \$7; Children (6-18), \$5

### **Holocaust Memorial Museum**

100 Raoul Wallenberg Place, SW Washington, DC 20024-2126  
(202) 488-0400 [www.ushmm.org](http://www.ushmm.org)

Metro: Blue or Orange to Smithsonian

- Free of charge
- Hours: 10am-5:20 pm every day.
- Extended Hours for Spring 2010: 10am-6:20 pm every day.
- Closed on Yom Kippur (October 9, 2009) and Christmas (December 25, 2009)
- The Holocaust Museum is recommended for visitors 11 years and older. The Permanent Exhibition presents a chronological history in a self-guided tour that spans three floors.
- No passes necessary for entering the museum building, special exhibitions, the interactive Wexner Learning Center, and other Museum resources.

- Passes required for Permanent Exhibition during our busy season (March-August). These passes, which are issued for a specific time during the day, can be obtained at the museum on a first-come first-served basis on the day of your visit. For your convenience and assurance, the passes may also be obtained online in advance of your visit from [tickets.com](http://tickets.com) for a small service charge

### **International Spy Museum**

800 F Street NW Washington, DC 20004

(202) 393-7798 [www.spymuseum.org](http://www.spymuseum.org)

Metro: Gallery Place-Chinatown

- Hours vary: approx. 9am-(6pm-8pm)
- Reserve tickets online at [www.spymuseum.org](http://www.spymuseum.org)
- General Admission- Permanent Exhibit: Children (5-11) \$15, Senior (65+ & Military/Intelligence Community) \$17, Adult (12-64) \$18
- For group reservations call 202-654-0980 or 202-654-0944, or make online at <http://www.spymuseum.org/plan/groups.php>
- Tickets for fun workshops for children are also available on the website.

### **Kennedy Center**

2700 F Street NW Washington, DC 20566

(800) 444-1324 or (202) 467-4600 [www.kennedy-center.org](http://www.kennedy-center.org)

Metro: Blue Line to Foggy Bottom. Kennedy Center is a few blocks SW next to the Watergate and Kennedy Bus Shuttle Available at Foggy Bottom Metro.

- Free of charge
- Public Tours: 10:00am-5:00pm, Monday-Friday; 10:00am-1:00pm, Saturday and Sunday. Tours begin approximately every 10 minutes. Walk-ins are welcome.
- Group Tours (20 or more) can book a private tour by calling the Visitors Center at (202) 416-8340, 10am – 9pm daily. Group tours are scheduled every half hour until 4:30 PM weekdays and 12:30 PM weekends.

### **Library of Congress**

101 Independence Avenue SE Washington, DC 20540

(202) 707-9779 [www.loc.gov](http://www.loc.gov)

Metro: Orange or Blue Line to Capitol South

- Tours are conducted Monday through Friday at 10:30, 11:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30 and on Saturday from 10:30, 11:30, 1:30, 2:30.
- Visitors should arrive at the Jefferson Building's Horse Shoe Entrance at First Street (opposite of the Capitol).
- Email [cong tours@loc.gov](mailto:cong tours@loc.gov) for Congressional tours. Tours at 8:30, 1:45, or 3:45pm In December, January, and February only the 1:45 is offered

### **Mount Vernon**

3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway, Mount Vernon, VA 22121

(703) 780-2000 [www.mountvernon.org](http://www.mountvernon.org)

Metro: Metrorail Yellow Line to Huntington Ave, then board Fairfax Connector Bus 151 or 152 towards Huntington Station. Exit at Mount Vernon/George Washington's Home.

- Open seven days a week (including holidays and Christmas).
- Hours: April through August from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm.  
March, September, October from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm.  
November through February from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.

### **National Arboretum**

3501 New York Avenue NE Washington, DC 20002-1958  
(202) 245-2726 [www.usna.usda.gov](http://www.usna.usda.gov)

Directions: Located in Northeast Washington, DC, 2.2 miles from the Capitol. It is bordered on the west by Bladensburg Rd., on the north by New York Avenue, and on the south by M Street. Visitor entrances are located on New York Avenue and on R Street.

- Open every day of the year (except Christmas) from 8:00 am – 5:00 pm;  
Administration Building is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 am – 4:30 pm.

### **National Archives**

700 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20408-0001  
(202) 501-5000 [www.nara.gov](http://www.nara.gov)

Metro: Green or Yellow Lines to Archives-Navy Memorial

- Open daily from 10:00 am – 9:00 pm except from after Labor Day through March 31 when it closes at 5:30 pm.
- Offers 1 tour a day at 9:45 am and can call to make reservations at (202) 357-5450. One month notice.

### **National Building Museum**

401 F Street NW Washington, DC 20001  
(202) 272-2448

Metro: Gallery Place-Chinatown

- Free daily tours of the museum are offered at 11:30 am, 12:30 pm, 1:30 pm and on Sunday at 12:30 pm and 1:30pm.
- Exhibition tours are available on Saturday and Sunday at 2:30 pm for free.
- For groups larger than 10 people a \$50 admission fee required.
- Can call for private tour at (202) 272-2448 ext. 3302.
- Easiest way to schedule custom tours is to go to [www.nbm.org](http://www.nbm.org) and click on Custom Tours.

### **National Cathedral**

3101 Wisconsin Avenue NW Washington, DC 20016-5098  
(202) 537-6200 [www.cathedral.org](http://www.cathedral.org)

Metrobus: From Capitol- at Independence Avenue SW and First Street SW, take 34 or 35 bus towards Friendship Heights and exit at Cathedral Avenue NW or from Woodley Park Metro –or– take 90 or 92 bus towards McLean Gardens and get off the bus at the corner of Woodley and Wisconsin Avenues and the Cathedral is on the east side of Wisconsin Avenue.

- No admission, however a donations fee.

- You can also sign up for several other more specialized tours with the National Cathedral tour service:
  - Tour and Tea – call (202) 537-8993 or email [tours@cathedral.org](mailto:tours@cathedral.org).
  - Garden Tour – call (301) 986-1290 or (202) 244-0568.
  - Woods and Bird Walk – call (202) 537 -2319.
  - Close up Tour – held the first Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm (except in June).
  - High Light Tour – held the first Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm (except in June).

### **National Zoo**

3001 Connecticut Avenue NW Washington, DC 20008

(202) 633-4800 [www.nationalzoo.si.edu](http://www.nationalzoo.si.edu)

Metro: Red Line to Woodley Park/Zoo

- Hours: April 1 through October 31 the Grounds are open from 6 am – 8 pm and the Buildings are open from 10 am – 6 pm; from November 1 through March 31 the Grounds are open from 6 am – 6 pm and the Buildings are open 10 am – 4:30 pm.

### **National Park Service Memorials**

FDR Memorial – West Basin Drive; (202) 426-6841; Metro: Smithsonian

Jefferson Memorial – (202) 426-6841; Metro: Smithsonian

Korean War Memorial – French Drive SW; (202) 426-6841; Metro: Foggy Bottom

Lincoln Memorial – 23<sup>rd</sup> Street NW; (202) 426-6841; Metro: Foggy Bottom

### **National Museum of Crime and Punishment**

575 7<sup>th</sup> Street NW Washington, DC 20004

(202) 303-1099 [www.crimemuseum.org](http://www.crimemuseum.org)

Metro: Gallery Place/Chinatown

- Hours: 9:00 am – 9:00 pm during March through August; 10:00 am – 8:00 pm during September through February.
- Ticket sales by phone call (202) 621-5567.
- Special Events contact at: [events@crimemuseum.org](mailto:events@crimemuseum.org)
- Group Ticket Sales contact at: [sales@crimemuseum.org](mailto:sales@crimemuseum.org)

### **Newseum**

555 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20001

(888) 639-7386 [www.newseum.org](http://www.newseum.org)

Metro: Archives/Navy Memorial- Penn Quarter Station

- Admission: \$20/adult, \$18/senior, \$15/child.
- Member: 6621 call Allen at (202) 292-6328 or Linda at (202) 292-6322 for constituent tours.

### **Pentagon**

1400 Defense Pentagon Washington, DC 20301-1400

(703) 697-1776

<http://pentagon.afis.osd.mil/tours?action=viewRequestTimes>

Metro: Pentagon

- Constituents Tours- 2 weeks notice minimum. Fill out website above.
- 9/11 memorial is open 24/7 without a reservation.

### **Supreme Court**

[www.supremecourtus.gov](http://www.supremecourtus.gov)

Metro: Orange or Blue Line to Capitol South

- On days when the court is not in hearing oral arguments the public lectures take place every half hour on the hour beginning at 9:30 am and the last lecture is at 3:30 pm; Seating is limited and available on a first come first seated basis.
- The ground floor of the building, which is the public exhibit, is open from 9 am – 4:30 pm from Monday through Friday.
- Touring information online at [www.supremecourtus.gov/about/courtbuilding.pdf](http://www.supremecourtus.gov/about/courtbuilding.pdf) which includes brief history.

### **US Navy Museum**

Washington Navy Yard Building 76 805 Kidder Breese SE Washington, DC 20374-5060  
(202) 433-4882 [www.history.navy.mil/index.html](http://www.history.navy.mil/index.html)

Metro: Navy Yard (25 minute walk from Navy Yard to metro stop)

- Constituent tours must contact within 24 hours in advance and before 1:30 the previous day and can call (202) 433-6897. Walk-ins are available but more complications and security clearance issues may arise.
- Admission is free.

### **Voice of America**

330 Independence Avenue SW Washington, DC 20237  
(202) 203-4000 [www.voanews.org](http://www.voanews.org)

Metro: Federal Center SW

- Tours are conducted at 10:30 am, 1:30 pm, and 2:30 pm Monday through Friday.
- Reservations are preferred and can contact VOA's Office of External Affairs at VOA which is located inside the building.
- Tours begin at the C street entrance.

### **White House**

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20220  
(202) 456-7041 <https://app2.whitehouse.gov/tours/>

Metro: Red Line to McPherson Square

- All tours are significantly enhanced if visitors to by the White House Visitor Center located at the southeast corner of 15<sup>th</sup> and E Street, before or after their tour. The center is open seven days a week from 7:30 am – 4:00 pm 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 30 minute video.

### **Washington Monument**

(800) 967-2283      [www.nps.gov/wamo/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/wamo/index.htm)

Metro: Orange or Blue Line to Smithsonian

- Hours: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm seven days a week.
- Tickets are distributed at 8:30 am at 15<sup>th</sup> NW and Madison Drive.
- Reservations can be made for a fee at [www.reservations.nps.gov](http://www.reservations.nps.gov).