

# Visitor's Guide: The White House



The White House tour is one of DC's most popular landmarks, offering a look into the life of the President.



**What to Bring:** Printed copies of any confirmation documents emailed to you from our office and valid identification (please see below).

#### Forms of Identification

All guests 18 years of age or older will be required to present a valid, government-issued photo identification. All foreign nationals must present their passports. All other forms of identification will **NOT** be accepted.

The following forms of photo ID are acceptable for presentation to the Secret Service upon entry to the White House complex:

- Valid government-issued United States identification card (driver's license, military ID, etc.).
- Valid United States or other official government-issued passports.
- No other forms of identification will be accepted; photocopies, expired IDs, or other transmissions of these documents are **NOT** valid.



**Location:** 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20500

**Arrival:** The visitor entrance is on the corner of East Executive and Hamilton Place. Upon arrival at the main entrance gates, you will be greeted and directed by the Secret Service Police and National Parks Guides. See Map Below.



#### **Nearest Metro:**

*Federal Triangle*—Orange/Blue Line, located on 12<sup>th</sup> Street NW between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues NW

*Metro Center*—Orange/Blue Line and Red Line, located at 12<sup>th</sup> and G Streets NW

*McPherson Square*—Orange/Blue Line, located at 14<sup>th</sup> and I (pronounced: "Eye") Streets NW



**Duration:** Approximately forty-five minutes to one hour



All persons and items entering the White House will be screened through a security process. Individuals may be requested to consent to an interview or additional security procedures before they are admitted to the White House complex. Prohibited items will be confiscated.

**Prohibited Items:**

- **Cameras or video recorders**
- **Handbags, book bags, backpacks or purses**
- **Food or beverages**
- **Tobacco products**
- **Personal grooming items** (makeup, lotion, etc.)
- **Strollers**
- **Any pointed objects**
- **Aerosol containers**
- **Guns, ammunition, fireworks, electric stun guns, mace, martial arts weapons/devices, or knives of any size**

\*Please note that no storage facilities are available on or around the complex. Individuals who arrive with prohibited items will not be permitted to enter the White House.

**Accepted Items:**

- **Cell phones** (may not be used on the tour)
- **A government-issued ID**
- **Umbrellas**
- **Wallets**
- **Car Keys**



**Dining Options:** None are available at the White House, but there are several restaurants nearby.



**Gift Shop:** There is no gift shop in the White House complex. However, the White House Visitors Center, located two blocks east of the White House at 1450 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, houses a gift shops and exhibits about the history of the White House. The Visitor Center is open daily from 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



**Accessibility:** The White House tour is accessible to individuals with mobility impairments. Visitors who require a wheelchair should notify the officer at the Visitors Entrance upon arrival.

If you have any further questions, please visit <http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/tours-and-events>, or call our office at (202) 224-2651 and ask for the Tour Coordinator.

While in DC if you need immediate help with your White House tour, you can call (202) 456-7041. We also recommend you call this line the day of your tour to make sure that it hasn't been cancelled due to changes in the President's schedule.

