

WASHINGTON, D.C. TOUR INFORMATION



United States Capitol:

A member of my staff will gladly request a tour of the Capitol for you. Please contact my Washington, D.C. office at (202) 225-1492 to schedule a tour.

Metro stop: Capitol South on the blue/orange line

White House:

At least one month's notice is required to request a tour of the White House. Tours are offered Tuesday through Saturday (excluding Federal holidays). Please contact my Washington, D.C. office at (202) 225-1492 to place a request.

Metro stop: McPherson Square on the blue/orange line

Supreme Court:

<http://www.supremecourtus.gov/> Building is open 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except on federal holidays. (No tours in August) The information desk, exhibits, portraits of justices, and a 24-minute film are available whenever the building is open. The Supreme Court is in session from October through April and generally hears oral arguments during the last two weeks of each month. When in session, court begins at 10:00 a.m. and is open to the public. In order to get into the Chamber while it is in session, you may line up in one of two lines, one to hear the entire oral argument and one to sit in for 3 minutes. When the Court is not in session, a 30-minute discussion of the Court's history and architecture is available to visitors Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Metro Stop: The Court is located across from the U.S. Capitol near Maryland Avenue and 1st Street, N.E. and is close to the Union Station or Capitol South metro stop.

Bureau of Engraving and Printing:

<http://www.moneyfactory.com/> Tickets for public tours are handed out on a first come, first served basis Monday through Friday starting at 9:00 a.m. Tickets go quickly, so plan to arrive by 7:30 or 8:00 a.m. Located at 14th and C Streets, SW

Metro stop: Smithsonian on the blue/orange line

FBI Building:

Unfortunately, the FBI building is currently closed. At this point there has been no set date for its reopening.

Pentagon:

<http://pentagon.afis.osd.mil/> All guided tours of the Pentagon are free and available by reservation only. Tours are conducted Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Tours are not conducted on weekends or federal holidays.

Metro stop: Pentagon on the blue/yellow line

National Cathedral:

<http://www.cathedral.org/cathedral/visit> Visit the website for tour times throughout the week and weekend. There will be times when the Cathedral is not accessible for touring because of scheduled events or services. To avoid disappointment, please check for posted tour conflicts before your visit.

Metro stop: Tenleytown AU on the red line. From there take Metrobus 30, 32, 34 or 36 to Wisconsin Ave.

John F. Kennedy Center for Performing Arts:

<http://www.kennedy-center.org/visitor/> Free tours are given Monday-Friday from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and from 10am-1pm on Saturday and Sunday. Tours depart from the parking plaza on Level A and feature the Hall of States and Hall of Nations, the Center's main theaters, and dozens of paintings, sculptures, and other artworks given to the Center by foreign countries. Free performances occur every day at 6:00 p.m. on the Millennium Stage in the Kennedy Center's Grand Foyer. No tickets are required for the free show.

Metro stop: Foggy Bottom on the blue/orange line. From there is a free shuttle which goes from the station to the Center and back.

National Archives:

<http://www.archives.gov> The Rotunda of the National Archives Building in downtown Washington, DC, displays the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and the Declaration of Independence. Open every day from 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. It is advised to call or email the location you plan on visiting in advance to make sure the documents you are interested in seeing are at that particular location.

Metro stop: Archives on the yellow/green line

Library of Congress:

<http://www.loc.gov/> Docent-led public tours are offered Monday through Saturday. The hours differ from building to building so log on to the website to check out the specific times. Please call the General Visitor Information line at (202) 707-5000 for more information.

Metro stop: Capitol South on the orange/blue line

Holocaust Museum:

<http://www.ushmm.org/visit/> Open 10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. April through June Tuesday and Thursday hours are extended until 8pm. You must have a timed entry pass for the self-guided tour. They are free and can be obtained from the Museum on the day of your visit or in advance by calling tickets.com at (800) 400-9373. Tickets are distributed on a first come, first served basis.

Metro stop: Smithsonian on the blue/orange line, exit to the 12th and Independence Ave

Spy Museum:

http://www.spymuseum.org/index_tickets.asp TicketMaster now offers International Spy Museum Advance Tickets online at TicketMaster.com; by phone at (202) 432-7328 (toll free: (800) 551-7328) and at all TicketMaster locations. Standard TicketMaster service charges apply. Please note there may be a short wait at Will Call and/or to process your admission. Prices are \$16 for adults, \$15 for senior citizens (65+) and active duty military/intelligence, \$13 for children ages 5-18, and children under 4 are free. Keep in mind that the last admission is accepted 2 hours before close due to the length of this interactive tour.

Metro stop: China Town/Gallery Place on the red and green/yellow lines

Mount Vernon Estate and Grounds:

<http://www.mountvernon.org> Home of George Washington. Open seven days a week 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (April – August). Admission is \$13 for adults, \$12 for senior citizens and \$6 for children ages 6-11. Group rates are available.

Metro stop: Huntington Station (in Virginia) on the green/yellow line. Exit the lower level of the station to catch a Fairfax Connector bus to Mount Vernon

Ford's Theatre and the Lincoln Museum:

<http://www.fordstheatre.org> Tours are free and last about 15 minutes. Open everyday from 9am till 5pm.

Metro stop: Metro Center, accessible from the blue/orange line and red line

Monuments:

*All Monuments and Memorials are free unless noted otherwise

The Jefferson Memorial:

<http://www.nps.gov/thje> South Bank of the Tidal Basin. The memorial is open 24 hours a day with rangers on duty from 9:30am-11:30pm. At the Swan Boathouse you can rent a paddleboat to ride around the basin.

Metro stop: Smithsonian on the blue/orange line

Korean War Veterans Memorial:

<http://www.nps.gov/kowa> The memorial is open to the public 24 hours a day. Park rangers are available to answer questions from 9:30am-11:30pm. It is a close walk from the Lincoln Memorial.

Metro stop: Smithsonian on the blue/orange line

The Lincoln Memorial:

<http://www.nps.gov/linc> Rangers are on duty 9:30 a.m. until 11:30 p.m., but the memorial is open to the public 24 hours a day.

Metro stop: Smithsonian on the blue/orange line

The United States Navy Memorial:

<http://www.lonesailor.org>

Metro stop: Archives-Navy Memorial on the green/yellow line

The FDR Memorial:

<http://nps.gov/fdre> Located near the Jefferson Memorial along the tidal basin. Interpretative ranger staff are on duty 8am-11:30 p.m. daily. The memorial is open to the public 24 hours a day.

Metro stop: Smithsonian on the blue/orange line

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial:

<http://www.nps.gov/vive/> Open daily from 8am till 11:30 pm. No fees.

Metro stop: Smithsonian on the blue/orange line

The World War II Memorial:

Open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. No fees.

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. For more information about visiting the memorial, accessibility, parking, directions, special events and other details, please visit the National Park Service Web site at www.nps.gov/nwwm or call the Park Service at (202) 619-7222. *Metro stop: Smithsonian on the blue/orange line*

The Washington Monument:

Open 9am till 5pm. Free tickets are required and can be picked up at the kiosk at 15th and Jefferson starting at 8:00 a.m. and go quickly. To avoid the line and waiting time, you can call and reserve tickets in advance at 1-800-967-2283 or over the internet at <http://reservations.nps.gov> for a small fee.

Metro stop: Smithsonian on the blue/orange line

Smithsonians:***National Air and Space Museum***

<http://www.nasm.si.edu>/ Highlights are the Wright Flyer, Spirit of St. Louis, Skylab, Apollo 11 Command Module, and the Hubble Space Telescope test vehicle. Open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Metro stop: L'Enfant Plaza on the blue/orange and green/yellow lines

Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center

<http://www.nasm.si.edu>/ It is about a 30 minute drive away at 14390 Air and Space Museum Parkway in Chantilly, VA. Tickets are free, but there is a \$12 parking charge. Open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Information center: (202) 357-2700

National Museum of African Art:

<http://africa.si.edu/voice.html> Highlights are royal Benin art, the Sylvia H. Williams Gallery devoted to modern African art and works of art from the ancient Nubian city of Kerma.

Metro stop: Smithsonian on the blue/orange line

National Museum of American History –

<http://americanhistory.si.edu>/ Highlights are the Star-Spangled Banner, John Bull steam locomotive, the First Ladies gowns, the Presidential china collection, Dorothy's Ruby Slippers from the Wizard of Oz, Cold War-era submarines, the Gunboat Philadelphia, Muhammad Ali's boxing gloves and much more.

Metro stop: Smithsonian or Federal triangle, both on the blue/orange line

National Museum of Natural History

<http://www.mnh.si.edu>/ Highlights are dinosaurs, giant squid, the Hope Diamond, the O. Orkin Insect Zoo, and the Discovery Room.

Metro stop: Federal Triangle or Smithsonian, both on the blue/orange lines

National Postal Museum

<http://www.postalmuseum.si.edu>/ Highlights are three mail planes, an airmail beacon, replicas of a railway car and a mud wagon, displays of letters, more than 55,000 US and foreign-issue stamps, and many more video and computer interactive games for all ages.

Metro stop: Union Station on the red line

National Zoological Park

<http://nationalzoo.si.edu/default.cfm> Highlights are the 3,600 animals that live at the zoo and exhibits such as rare Sumatran tigers, Komodo dragon, the Invertebrate exhibit, the American Prairie featuring bison and prairie dogs and elephant and sea lion training demonstrations. November through March the grounds are open from 6am-6pm. From April through October the hours extend until 8pm.

Metro stop: Woodley Park-Zoo/Adams Morgan on the red line

National Portrait Gallery:

<http://www.npg.si.edu/> The museum is located on Eighth and F Streets, NW and is open daily from 11:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

National Museum of the American Indian:

<http://www.nmai.si.edu/> Hours are 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The museum is located at Fourth Street and Independence Ave. SW.

OTHER DC ATTRACTIONS

The Corcoran Gallery of Art

<http://www.corcoran.org/> Open 10am till 5 pm everyday and extended hours on Thursday till 9pm. Closed on Tuesdays. Suggested contributions for admission are \$5 for adults; \$3 for seniors and students; \$1 for children (13-18); \$8 for family groups with kids under 18; and children under 12 are free. Located at the cross streets of 17th and New York Avenue
Metro stop: four blocks from Farragut West (blue/orange line) or Farragut North (red line)

The Octagon House

<http://www.octagonhouse.org/> Served as James Madison's White House following the destruction of the real White House by the British in 1814. Open Tuesday-Sunday from 10am-4pm. Closed on Mondays. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for students, and \$3 for seniors. Located at the cross streets of 18th and New York Avenue.
Metro stop: Farragut West on the blue/orange line or Farragut North on the red line

Arlington National Cemetery

<http://www.arlingtoncemetery.org> Open daily, October-March, from 8am-5pm and April-September, from 8am-7pm. Attractions include the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, the Amphitheatre, the Curtis-Lee Mansion and the graves of Presidents John F. Kennedy Jr. and William Howard Taft. Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier happens every hour on the hour and every half hour April through September.
Metro stop: Arlington Cemetery on the blue line

The National Aquarium

<http://www.nationalaquarium.com/> Open daily from 9am-5pm, admission ending at 4:30p.m.. Admission is \$5.00 for 11 and up; \$4.00 for seniors and military; \$2.50 for ages 2-10; and children under 2 are free.
Metro stop: Federal Triangle on the blue/orange line

United States Botanic Garden

<http://www.usbg.gov> The US Botanic Garden is a living plant museum with indoor and outdoor areas to explore. Visitors can enjoy the outdoor Bartholdi Park 24 hours a day. The indoor conservatory is open daily from 10am-5pm.
Metro stop: Federal Center SW or Capitol South on the blue/orange line

Daughters of the American Revolution Museum

<http://dar.org/museum/default.cfm> The museum is open for self-guided tours Monday-Friday 9:30am-4pm and Saturdays from 9am-5pm. Docent-led tours are also offered Monday-Saturday from 10-2. Groups of six or more should call to make reservations for a docent-led tour.
Metro stop: Farragut North on the red line or Farragut West on the Orange/Blue

Drug Enforcement Administration Museum

<http://www.deamuseum.org> The museum is open Tuesday-Friday 10am-4pm. Groups of 15 or more should call ahead to make reservations. *Metro stop: Pentagon City on the Blue/Yellow line*

Federal Reserve Building

<http://www.federalreserve.gov> Tour reservations must be made two weeks in advance by calling (202) 452-3324. Open Monday-Friday 9am-4pm.

Metro stop: Foggy Bottom on the Orange/Blue Line

National Building Museum

<http://www.nbm.org> The National Building Museum is open from 10am-5pm Monday-Saturday and 11am-5pm on Sundays. Admission is free, but a \$5 donation is suggested.

Metro stop: Judiciary square on the Red Line.

United States Navy Museum

<http://www.history.navy.mil/branches/nhcorg8.htm> Open Monday through Friday 9am-5pm. Open Saturdays and Sundays 10am-5pm. Visitors should call ahead due to security.

Metro stop: Eastern market stop on the blue/orange line or Navy Yard stop on the green line.