

# In Freedom's Footsteps: Philadelphia to Washington, DC

Experience historic places where American democracy was born and fought over

11 DAYS FROM \$4,990 | KEN BURNS AMERICAN JOURNEYS | SMALL GROUP DEPARTURES AVAILABLE

## 1. Arrive Philadelphia

Tour begins: 6:00 PM, Sofitel Philadelphia. A transfer is included from Philadelphia International Airport to the Sofitel Philadelphia, located in the city center near the Rodin Museum, City Hall, Liberty Place, and other landmarks. America's first capital city is rich with history; tomorrow you'll explore famous sites from the earliest days of the US. Join us tonight for a welcome dinner. Meals D

# 2. Historic Philadelphia

The Museum of the American Revolution opens early this morning exclusively for Tauck! Enjoy a guided visit to its immersive galleries and interactive exhibits, followed by free



# **Uniquely Tauck**

- KEN BURNS AMERICAN JOURNEYS Filmed narratives, produced exclusively for Tauck by filmmakers Ken Burns & Dayton Duncan, offer compelling stories of the Civil War and insights into our democracy as a never-ending work-in-progress
- Enjoy early admission and a behind-the-scenes experience at the National Archives, including a private viewing of America's founding documents; you'll also get early entry to the new Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia
- Visit the pivotal Civil War battlegrounds of Gettysburg and explore exhibits that chronicle the sights and sounds of the historic battles fought here
- Attend an exclusive presentation on plantation life by scholar and living history expert Dr. Leni Sorensen

time to explore the museum as you please. A horse-drawn carriage ride takes you through the historic district, lined with cobbled streets and 18th-century townhouses. Tour Independence Hall, where the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution were debated and signed, and view the iconic Liberty Bell. The rest of the day is free to spend discovering Philadelphia as you choose. Meals B

### 3. Gettysburg Battlefields

Travel through rolling Pennsylvania farmland where the Amish can often be seen driving their motorless vehicles to Gettysburg National Military Park where the Battle of Gettysburg was fought, considered one of the most important engagements and crucial turning points of the American Civil War. Stopping first at the interpretive center, you can watch the film *A New Birth of Freedom*, narrated by Morgan Freeman; a massive Cyclorama painting surrounds you with a striking visual depiction of the fury of Pickett's Charge and brings vividly to life the sights and sounds of the battles that raged here on July 1-3, 1863. Explore the Gettysburg Museum of the American Civil War, which features 12 exhibit galleries housing artifacts and interactive displays. Enjoy dinner at your hotel tonight at your leisure. Meals BLD



Explore the cobblestoned streets of Philadelphia by horse and carriage, lined by 18th-century townhouses in its historic district

### 4. Harpers Ferry & Blue Ridge Mountains

A drive with a Gettysburg expert explores its historic battlefields - now eerily peaceful - taking in pivotal sites and hearing stories such as the defense of Little Round Top, the "Killer Angels," and Pickett's Charge. More than 50,000 men on both sides were killed, wounded, or missing at Gettysburg; about 6,000 lie in the national cemetery here, dedicated by Lincoln with his famous address later that year. Continue to Harpers Ferry, West Virginia, a village brought to life via a Ken Burns filmed vignette that enhances your visit to this National Historical Park, the site of John Brown's failed 1859 raid on the town's federal arsenal. The Civil War was fought in more than 10,000 places, the majority of them in the South; homes became headquarters and hospitals as foraging armies swept across American towns like those you'll pass through this afternoon en route to Charlottesville, Virginia. Meals BLD

#### 5. Monticello & Charlottesville

Enjoy a guided visit to Monticello, the beloved hilltop home of author, statesman, scientist and US President Thomas Jefferson. He designed his house using the principles





American history comes alive in the places you'll visit on this journey, from a guided tour at the Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia during an early opening visit just for Tauck to a drive through the battlefields in Gettysburg with a local expert who shares insights along the way.

of Renaissance architect Andrea Palladio and continued tinkering with Monticello throughout his lifetime. Tour the house and grounds. Join us for a lunch of colonial fare at the historic Michie Tavern, featuring servers in 18th-century period attire. Throughout the day you will have observed that the realities of life did not always fit comfortably with the principles of equality and liberty that Jefferson espoused as a founding father. Learn more during a Tauck Exclusive private presentation by Dr. Leni Sorensen, scholar, living history interpreter, and African American Research Historian for the Thomas Jefferson Foundation at Monticello. Your evening is free to do as you wish. Meals BL

#### 6. Richmond, Virginia's historic capital

Depart Charlottesville for Richmond, Virginia's state capital and once capital of the Confederate States of America, for a private guided tour of the Virginia State Capitol building, co-designed by Thomas Jefferson; a sightseeing drive through the city; and lunch at a local restaurant. Continue

on to Colonial Williamsburg, where cobblestone streets and buildings have been restored to the way they looked when the city was Virginia's Colonial capital. Step back in time to the early days of America during your exploration of Colonial Williamsburg tomorrow. Meals BLD

#### 7. 18th-century Colonial Williamsburg

Inhabited by interpreters in 18th-century dress – and living its lifestyle – explore Colonial Williamsburg at your leisure today. Discover life in days gone by as you step back in time to encounter local residents, from artisans and tradespeople to militiamen and ordinary citizens. Visit authentically restored buildings like the Governor's Palace, Raleigh Tavern, Bruton Parish Church, and Colonial homes and discover a wide array of activities and demonstrations as you please. If you wish, you may visit nearby Historic Jamestown, the site of the first permanent English settlement in the Americas, on your own today. Meals B



# Early Entry at the National Archives

Tauck guests enter the Rotunda of the National Archives early, before the doors open to the public, for a private viewing of the Founding Documents – the Declaration of Independence, the Bill of Rights, and the Constitution. Then a researcher will take you behind the scenes to show you how documents are preserved using the latest techniques. A very special experience!

#### 8. Mt. Vernon and on to Washington, DC

Travel from Williamsburg to Mount Vernon, the estate of America's first president, George Washington. Overlooking the Potomac River, the setting is spectacular – explore the state-of-the-art interactive museum, the 18th-century mansion, and Mount Vernon's grounds. Arrive at The Willard InterContinental, a historic hotel near the White House in Washington, DC, where you'll spend the next three nights; dine at a choice of restaurants tonight. Meals BLD

#### 9. The nation's capital

Today begins with a guided tour of iconic sites such as the White House, Capitol Hill, the National Mall, the Washington Monument, and the Jefferson Memorial. On a visit to the Lincoln Memorial, you'll have a chance to see the memorials to those who served in World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. Arrive at the Spy Museum early this afternoon; this captivating museum features a large collection of spy artifacts, first person accounts with top intelligence officers and experts and interactive exhibits that take you undercover as a spy to test your skills. The remainder of the day is free in Washington, DC. Meals B

#### 10. The National Archives

First up today, a Tauck Exclusive – early bird admission to the Rotunda of the National Archives for a private viewing of the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, with welcome comments by a National Archives insider. Then go behind the scenes with an archival researcher to learn how modern archival techniques preserve both historic documents and the stories of individual Americans. The afternoon is free; you'll have an opportunity to spend additional time at the National Archives to explore as you please, or perhaps visit one of the many museums on the National Mall or other historic buildings. Join us for a farewell dinner. Meals BD

# 11. Journey Home

**Tour ends: Washington, DC.** Fly home anytime. A transfer is included from The Willard InterContinental to Ronald Reagan National Airport, Dulles International Airport or Union Station; allow two hours for check-in. **Meals B** 

#### **2022 DATES**

Apr 29 May Ø, 20, 30 Sep 9, 19, 30 Oct 3, 10, 14 /= Sold Out!

Go to tauck.com for up-to-the-minute space availability.

#### 2022 PRICE PER PERSON

April - May; September - October 3

Double \$ 5,390 Single \$ 6,833 Triple \$ 4,967 (double with rollaway)

June; October 14

Double \$ 4,990 Single \$ 6,280 Triple \$ 4,620 (double with rollaway)

Dates in **blue** indicate Small Group Departures averaging 24 Tauck guests, from \$5,990 per person double. Special Solo Traveler Savings dates in **red** indicate special departures where you save \$200 on the single room price.

#### **2022 PRICE INCLUSIONS**

21 meals (10 Breakfasts, 5 Lunches & 6 Dinners), airport transfers as noted, service charges, gratuities to local guides and drivers, admission fees, taxes and porterage.

#### **2022 PREMIER ACCOMMODATIONS**

| Night 1,2  | SOFITEL PHILADELPHIA         | Philadelphia, PA    |
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| Night 3    | THE GETTYSBURG HOTEL         | Gettysburg, PA      |
| Night 4,5  | OMNI CHARLOTTESVILLE HOTEL   | Charlottesville, VA |
| Night 6,7  | WILLIAMSBURG LODGE           | Williamsburg, VA    |
| Night 8-10 | THE WILLARD INTERCONTINENTAL | Washington, DC      |

Airfare is additional. For activities marked with an asterisk (\*) in day-by-day descriptions, participation is at your own risk and a signed liability waiver will be required. Certain exceptions may apply (will be advised at time of booking). Itinerary is subject to change. Please go to General Information for additional information, including our Guest Protection Program and

Activity / Pace details.

Activity Level 2 / Pace Level 2

# Upgrade to the Williamsburg Inn in Williamsburg,

Virginia

You have an opportunity to purchase upgraded accommodations at the Williamsburg Inn (nights 6 and 7) in Williamsburg at an additional cost per person (below); please note, limited availability. Ask at booking.

Double \$299 Single \$576

