

Washington DC Departure Place: **TIME: 2:00PM** NATIONAL AIR AND SPACE MUSEUM 601 INDEPENDENCE AVE SW, WASHINGTON, DC 20024

# Day 1: Washington, D.C. (Fri, 12/24)

Move on to today's most influential political center in the world -Washington D.C. Besides the White House, Capitol Hill, popular museums, Jefferson Memorial, Lincoln Memorial, Vietnam and Korean War Memorials, you are invited to take our exclusive cruise on Potomac River to explore some best kept secrets!

Hotel: Hilton, Sheraton, or equivalent

## Day 2: DC-Hershey's-Corning-Niagara Falls (Sat, 12/25)

We will continue to Hershey's Chocolate World, which features marketplace shops and restaurants. There is the chocolate tour, offering views of the chocolate making process, and concluding with a free sample of a Hershey's chocolate. The visitor's center also boasts a spectacular 3-D Show and chocolate tastings (optional). The tour then continues to the Corning Museum of Glass. The Museum is home to the world's most complete collection of glass. about 4,500 individual pieces. Visitors can explore the science and technology of glass in the exhibit area, watch artisans in glass-making demonstrations, even try their hand at glass-working in short daily workshops. The souvenir shops at the museum offers pretty and delicate gifts fro friends and family. Afterward, the tour will head to Niagara Falls to enjoy its beautiful night views. At night, we are treated to a light show, where every evening the Falls are lit in the colors of the rainbow. The lighting of the Falls, a 140 year old tradition, allow visitors to enjoy the beauty of the mighty Niagara clearly even at night. Hotel: Sheraton/westin or equivalent

## DAY 3: Niagara Falls - Toronto (Sun, 12/26)

We continue our sightseeing in Niagara Falls to see the majestic views of nature up close. Hop on a boat-ride on the Maid of the Mist (seasonal) where you can "soak"in the excitement and see the power of the Falls up close. We will also be heading to the IMAX Theatre Niagara Falls (optional) where you can experience Niagara Falls' incredible stories, and see the most complete collection of barrels that have fallen down the mighty Falls. In the afternoon we depart Niagara Falls for Toronto. We will visit the World's Tallest Tower "CN Tower", Sky-Dome Sports Complex, City Hall, University of Toronto, and Ontario Parliament Building. Dinner in Chinatown.

Hotel: Delta Toronto East or similar

## DAY 4: Toronto-Ottawa-Montreal (Mon, 12/27)

Leaving Toronto in the morning, we head for Thousand Islands. The tour will board a cruise in the CanadianThousandIsland region (seasonal), which features the famous sights and views of Thousand Islands, including the renowned and romantic BoldtCastle. Afterwards, the tour heads for Ottawa, the Canadian Capital. There we will visit the magnificent ParliamentBuilding. The tour then proceeds to Montreal, unofficial capital for French Canadians. The church on our itinerary is St. Joseph's Oratory, a major site of Roman Catholic The dome is the world's second largest, after St. Peter's in Rome, and religious pilgrims sometimes climb the steps in the middle, praying at every step.

#### Hotel: Hotel Gouverneur or similar

# DAY 5: Montreal - Boston (Tue, 12/28)

We will tour the Olympic Tower, part of the Olympic Park built for the 1976 Games, featuring a 30 degree incline as the tower rises! We will cross the American border into Boston. Transfer to hotel. There will alsobe an opportunity to partake in Boston's most famous export - the lobster - during dinner. Hotel: Sheraton/Doubletree or equivalent

DAY 6: Boston – New York (Wed, 12/29)

We continue our tour of campuses of Harvard and MIT. We will also visit prominent sites in Boston such as the State House, on Beacon Hill overlooking the Boston Common, and recently featured in the major Hollywood film "The Departed" There will also be an opportunity for aharbor cruise (optional), where you can view Boston's magnificent skyline and Charles River. Hotel: Sheraton or similar

## Day 7: New York City (Thur, 12/30)

Just a few of the highlights you are going to see with us: Wall Street and its symbolic Charging Bull, Ground Zero construction site, cruise on the Hudson river to take photographs with Stature of Liberty and Brooklyn Bridge, panoramic view of the whole city including Central Park from the observatory deck on EmpireState Building, United Nations, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Times Square, Rockefeller Center with the world's most beautiful Christmas tree, Fifth Avenue with all kinds of holiday decorations in department store windows, and of course, the newly transformed USS Intrepid Sea-Air-Space Museum! Hotel: Crowne Plaza, Renaissance, Sheraton, or equivalent

## Day 8: New Year Count Down (Fri, 12/31)

In the morning we start with Harlem, Columbia University, and Lincoln Center. The Times Square New Year's Eve celebration features star-studded musical performances, balloons, pom-poms, confetti, a colorful pyrotechnic display and about a million of your closest friends. Every year as the clock nears midnight on December 31st, the eyes of the world turn once more to the dazzling lights and bustling energy of Times Square. Anticipation runs high. New Year's Eve at the symbolic center of New York City has become more than just a celebration it's a global tradition.

Hotel: Renaissance or Sheraton near EWR. or equivalent

## Day 9: NYC--Hometown (Sat, 1/1)

With hundreds of pictures stored in your digital camera and wonderful memories in your mind, this should be the perfect ending of your 9-day tour with us. You may have a crazy shopping day at Jersey Garden Outlet Mall nearby our hotel for bargains!

The tour wraps up at 6:00 pm to return to DC (Free transfer service is available from New York to Downtown DC (715 H St NW). There is no tour guide accompanies this ride) or Airport transfers to JFK or LGA can be arranged at a costs of \$100/way per group.

