



3 DAYS*

Program Fee includes:

- Round-trip transportation
- Air-conditioned motorcoach while on tour
- 3 overnight stays in hotels
- Breakfast and dinner daily
- Full-time Smithsonian Student Travel Tour Director
- Sightseeing tour led by a licensed guide
- Visits to special attractions as per itinerary
- Evening activities
- Overnight security
- Educational materials developed by the Smithsonian
- Medical and accident coverage
- Travel ID Badges and student backpacks
- Gratuities

Options

- Downtown hotel
- Lunches

WASHINGTON, D.C.: NATIONAL SCOUT 2013 JAMBOREE

DAY 1: JULY 12, WASHINGTON, D.C.

Welcome to Washington, D.C. • Travel by airplane or motorcoach to Washington, D.C.. Planned by Pierre L'Enfant, Washington, D.C., has served as the seat of Congress since 1800. Explore our nation's capital; then, it's off to 2013 Jamboree at The Summit Bechtel Family National Scouting Reserve! Upon arrival in Washington, D.C., you are greeted by your Smithsonian Student Travel Tour Director, who will accompany you throughout your stay.

Introduction to the Smithsonian • The Smithsonian Institution is the world's largest museum and research complex, endowed by James Smithson and created by an act of Congress in 1846. Dedicated to the increase and diffusion of knowledge, the Smithsonian Institution houses over 136.5 million objects and comprises 17 museums and the National Zoo in Washington, D.C., two museums in New York City and nine research centers around the world. It extends its global outreach through more than 165 Smithsonian Affiliate museums. The Smithsonian Institution remains committed to discovery, exploration and learning.

The Smithsonian museums • Explore all that the Smithsonian museums have to offer. Check out the *Wright 1903 Flyer* at the National Air and Space Museum. You can also see the Apollo 11 command module, *Columbia*, which orbited the moon while Neil Armstrong and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin first walked on the surface in 1969. The National Museum of Natural History reveals objects as varied as the 45.52-carat Hope Diamond and dinosaur skeletons. And to satisfy your artistic side, the Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden offers modern masterpieces by Andy Warhol, Willem de Kooning and Pablo Picasso.

Washington, D.C., by night • Experience the magic of seeing Washington, D.C.'s, most impressive sights illuminated during your scenic evening tour. You are assured a view of the Washington Monument from nearly every part of the city thanks to the capital's original urban planners who imposed height restrictions on downtown buildings. Other points of interest on our tour include the Lincoln Memorial, the World War II Memorial, the Korean War Veterans Memorial and the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

DAY 2: JULY 13, WASHINGTON, D.C. ★ MOUNT VERNON

Guided sightseeing of Washington, D.C. • A licensed guide introduces you to the must-see Washington, D.C., landmarks. You'll observe the quiet dignity of Arlington National Cemetery, the final resting place of veterans from every war involving our nation and other distinguished Americans. See the eternal flame at JFK's gravesite, which was originally lit by Jacqueline Kennedy at her husband's funeral. Honor Americans who gave their lives in combat and witness the changing of the guard at the Tomb of the Unknowns. Next, visit the United States Marine Corps War Memorial depicting U.S. Marines raising the American flag at Iwo Jima. On

the verdant National Mall, which extends from the Capitol to the Potomac River, get a daytime view of the Washington Monument. Visit the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial and finish your sightseeing with a photo stop at the White House, home of every U.S. president except George Washington.

The Boy Scout Memorial • Stand at the site of the first Boy Scout Jamboree, held in 1937. Here you'll find a memorial to the Boy Scouts of America, made possible by money raised by Scouts throughout the United States. The bronze statue depicts three figures, including a Boy Scout who represents the goals and dreams of all past, present and future Scouts; a male figure who carries a helmet and represents virtues including loyalty, honor and courage; and a female figure who symbolizes ideals including justice, freedom and democracy.

Excursion to Mount Vernon** • Travel through the Virginia countryside to Mount Vernon, the lovely retreat overlooking the Potomac. George and Martha Washington lived here from 1754 to 1799, aside from Washington's stay in Philadelphia during his presidency. As you tour the restored Georgian mansion, you'll see many symbols of the owner's significance, including Washington's presidential chair. Also visit the reconstructed slave quarters and Washington's tomb, as well as the elegant estate's 500 acres of grounds and gardens. Be sure to explore the Ford Orientation Center and Donald W. Reynolds Museum and Education Center. You'll find high-tech immersive exhibits to experience this distinguished life from modest beginnings as a land surveyor to Revolutionary War hero to the first president of the United States of America.

Evening activity • Join us for a special activity tonight. You may take a one-hour Legends of Alexandria tour in Old Town, where an 18th-century costumed guide shows you the way through the streets by lantern and shares ghost stories, legends and folklore about the area.

DAY 3: JULY 14, WASHINGTON, D.C.

Walking tour of Capitol Hill • Learn about the epicenter of American politics on your walking tour of Capitol Hill. See the U.S. Capitol, the seat of the federal legislature where the laws that govern our nation are forged. George Washington laid the first cornerstone for the building in 1793. Experience the Capitol Visitor Center, the newest addition to the Capitol complex. Through interactive exhibits, artifacts and more, the Center gives visitors an in-depth look at how Congress works, its history and its members. Next, see the impressive white-marble U.S. Supreme Court building. Here, the nine justices of the nation's highest court decide landmark cases. Continue on and marvel at the green-domed Library of Congress, whose collection of 113 million items makes it the largest library in the world.

Daniel's Story at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum • During your visit to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, experience the somber and powerful exhibit, "Remember the Children: Daniel's Story." This exhibit, designed for young people, offers a historical account of the Holocaust from the perspective of a young boy in Nazi Germany. The museum's main program for students, the exhibit tells the story of the Holocaust in a way that young people can relate to and understand.

Potomac River cruise • Enjoy dinner and evening views of the city on an optional boat cruise down the historic Potomac River, a waterway that was explored by Captain John Smith in 1608.

DAYS 4-13: JULY 15-24, NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE

Transfer to The Summit Bechtel Family National Scouting Reserve • The rugged Appalachian landscape and the rushing waters of the New River Gorge make The Summit Bechtel Family National Scouting Reserve a prime spot nature enthusiasts and outdoor adventurers. Located on more than 10,000 acres The Summit will be the fourth BSA High Adventure Base as well as a National Center for Scouting Excellence. And it will take on the important role as the new, permanent home to the National Scout Jamboree.

National Scout Jamboree (July 15-24) • Take part in this once-in-a-lifetime event—the inaugural Jamboree at The Summit. More than 50,000 Scouts and leaders will come together for this exciting, invigorating event. Since its inception in 1937, more than 654,000 Scouts and leaders have shared the Jamboree experience at 16 National Scout Jamborees. The Jamboree program focuses on the core skills of Scouting—physical fitness, environmental conservation, our national heritage and the spirit of Scouting. You won't want to miss the fun and adventure—whitewater rafting, zip-lining, rappelling, mountain biking, hiking, and more. And you won't want to miss being part of this history-making Jamboree at its new home at The Summit!

DAY 13: JULY 24, WASHINGTON, D.C. ★ DEPARTURE

Transfer to Washington, D.C. (if flying) • Return to Washington, D.C.

Free time in Washington • Depending on your return schedule, you may enjoy free time to explore the capital city on your own.

Return home • Your tour director assists with your departure.

Itinerary subject to change. For complete financial and registration details, please refer to the Booking Conditions.

*Number of days does not include National Scout Jamboree

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