

CAPITAL EXPLORATION

432 miles

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Starting in the nation's capital this tour visits many historical sites and scenic areas. Washington DC, Philadelphia and Gettysburg bring history to life. Others interesting areas to visit include the Amish Country and the beautiful port city of Annapolis.

Washington D.C.

Washington, DC, the US capital, attracts millions of tourists each year. A patriotic and inspiring symbol of American freedom, Washington DC is a great city to visit with plenty of historic landmarks and one of the best things about visiting Washington D.C is the major attractions are free.



Philadelphia

Philadelphia, the most influential city in the process of the American Revolution. Explore the many historical sites and museums such as Independence Hall where the



Declaration of Independence was adopted on July 4, 1776, see the Liberty Bell, and Franklin Court. For all its historical and cultural significance, it still manages to retain a certain quaintness. Just a few blocks away from downtown are shady cobbled alleys lined with red-brick colonial houses, while the peace and quiet of huge Fairmount Park make it easy to forget you're in a major metropolis.



Amish Country

You will find quaint Amish villages where time stood still. The Amish, also known as "the plain people", are by far the best farmers of this country. Enjoy an afternoon of shopping for pottery, hand-made tile works, and arts & crafts objects that are sure to make great souvenirs.



Gettysburg

The Battle of Gettysburg was a turning point in the Civil War, the Union victory in the summer of 1863 that ended General Robert E. Lee's second and most ambitious invasion of the North. Often referred to as the "High Water Mark of the Confederacy", it was the war's bloodiest battle with 51,000 casualties. It also provided President Abraham Lincoln with the setting for his most famous address.



Baltimore

Baltimore played a key part in events leading to and including the American Revolution. City leaders such as Jonathan Plowman Jr. moved the city to join the resistance to British taxes and merchants signed agreements to not trade with Britain. Congress met in the Henry Fite House from December 1776 to February 1777, effectively making the city the capital of the United States during this period. The city was the site of the Battle of Baltimore during the War of 1812. After burning Washington, D.C., the British attacked Baltimore on the



night of September 13, 1814. United States forces from Fort McHenry successfully defended the city's harbor from the British.

Annapolis

Annapolis, the state capital of Maryland, is a beautiful historical seaport along the Chesapeake Bay. The capital was originally called "Providence" when settled by the Puritans. It was later called "Anne Arundel's Towne" after the wife of Lord Baltimore, who owned the proprietary colony. It wasn't until a Royal Governor, Sir Francis Nicholson, moved the capital here from St. Mary's City that the small seaport received its present name. Sir Francis chose to honor Princess Anne, heir to the throne. In 1708, as Queen, she chartered her colonial namesake as a city. Her royal badge, with a crown over the entwined thistle of Scotland and Tudor rose of England, is depicted on the Annapolis flag. Annapolis is also home to the U.S. Naval Academy.



From Annapolis, it is a short distance back to Washington, D.C.

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