

# Celebrate America

250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Tour

| OCTOBER 19 -27, 2026 |

In celebration of America's 250th anniversary, embark on a journey through the historic cities that shaped the nation—Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Washington, D.C. Begin in Boston, where the seeds of revolution were sown, and travel to Lexington and Concord, the site of the first shots of independence. Discover New York City's rich past on a panoramic tour and enjoy a meal in a charming 18th-century tavern. In Philadelphia, view the Liberty Bell and explore the nation's founding story at the Museum of the American Revolution. Conclude in Washington, D.C., visiting the U.S. Capitol, powerful monuments and memorials, and George Washington's Mount Vernon. Experience the legacy of a country built on the enduring ideals of "Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness."



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#### **ITINERARY:**

#### DAY 1: MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2026

Boston, Massachusetts

Celebrate the marking of America's 250th anniversary with a journey from "the Cradle of the American Revolution" through the historic hubs of New York and Philadelphia and to the nation's capital, Washington, D.C. Arrive in Boston, a city bursting with character and Revolutionary history. As arrival times will be scattered through the afternoon and evening, there are no scheduled activities today.

#### DAY 2: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2026

Boston - Lexington - Concord - Boston

Today, venture to Lexington and Concord. Begin at Lexington Battle Green, where the first shots of the Revolutionary War were fired on April 19, 1775. With your local guide, continue to Concord on a drive that follows the same path that British troops marched that day. Along the road, learn more about Concord's historical significance. Head to the exact spot where the "shot heard 'round the world" was fired – the Old North Bridge. This evening, celebrate the start of your journey with a welcome dinner in Boston's famed North End. (B, D)

#### DAY 3: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2026

Boston - West Point, New York - New York City

You're off to New York City today. But first, a visit to West Point\* highlights why George Washington considered it the most important military post in America. During your guided tour, learn about the garrisoning of West Point during the Revolutionary War and the present role of the United States Military Academy in training the leaders of tomorrow. Then, arrive in New York, New York! Check into your Times Square hotel and feel the bustle of modern-day New York all around you. This evening is yours to enjoy the Big Apple. (B)

### DAY 4: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2026

New York City

Delve into historic New York on a blended panoramic and walking tour. Glimpse into Central Park, pause beside the poignant 9/11 Memorial, see St. Paul's Chapel, where George Washington prayed following his inauguration, and view Trinity Church, where Alexander Hamilton was laid to rest. Convene for lunch at New York's most historic tavern – a favorite watering hole among several Founding Fathers, where George Washington famously gathered with a group of officers to celebrate after the last British troops left American soil. The rest of the day is yours to spend as you wish. (B, L)

#### DAY 5: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2026

New York City - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

On to Philadelphia! Embark on a tour of the "birthplace of America." Step inside Independence Hall, the location of the signing of the Declaration of Independence and the drafting of the Constitution. See an iconic symbol of freedom, the Liberty Bell. Enjoy free time for lunch . This afternoon, head to the Museum of the American Revolution, where everything you've retraced on the journey so far comes together. Tonight, dinner is on board the legendary Moshulu, the world's oldest and largest square-rigged sailing vessel still afloat. (B, D)

#### DAY 6: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026

Philadelphia - Valley Forge - Washington D.C.

En route to Washington, D.C., make a stop at Valley Forge National Historical Park, the winter encampment of George Washington's Continental Army. Step back in time while visiting Washington's Headquarters with a local park guide. Later, arrive in the United States capital, your home for the next three nights. (B)

#### DAY 7: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026

Washington, D.C. - Arlington, VA - Washington D.C.

Set out to see Washington, D.C. Founded in 1790, this vibrant city is known for its political and historical significance, iconic landmarks, and cultural diversity. Today, enter the iconic and storied U.S. Capitol for a guided tour and fascinating look into American history and government. Then, visit Arlington National Cemetery,\*\*\* Here, a narrated tour takes you to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the Kennedy gravesites. (B)

#### DAY 8: MONDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2026

Washington, D.C. - Mount Vernon - Washington, D.C.

This morning, discover the celebrated history of America's capital on a tour around the city. Take in views of the National Mall, White House, and other monuments and museums. Pause to reflect at the World War II Memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, and the Korean War Memorial. Head to

Old Town Alexandria, nestled along the Potomac, and enjoy time to stroll the cobblestone streets on your own during a quick break for lunch. Then, visit Mount Vernon, the beloved home of George Washington, where you may choose from

two tours. Then, explore the mansion, wander the gardens and grounds, and visit the Washingtons' Tomb. This evening, toast to a fantastic historical journey over a farewell dinner with your fellow travelers. (B, D)

#### DAY 9: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2026

Washington, D.C. - Tour Ends

Your tour ends today. (B)

#### CELEBRATE AMERICA TOUR PACKAGE

Double Occupancy Starting at \$4,999 Single Occupancy Starting at \$6,499

#### **PACKAGE INCLUDES**

- Dedicated Tour Manager
- Hotel accommodations while on tour
- Round Trip Air from O'Hare Intl Airport
- Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges
- Hotel Transfers

- Round Trip Group Transfers Between Bloomington and Chicago
- All meals stated in itinerary
- All excursions stated itinerary
- Direct Travel Host with 30 paid guests



All prices are in US dollars unless otherwise indicated. A non-refundable deposit of \$698.00 per person is required to confirm your booking. Final payment is June 26, 2026. Please see website for full terms & conditions.



