# FSB's Connect Club presents...

# Discover Washington, D.C.

September 3 – 8, 2020



### SPECIAL TRAVEL PRESENTATION

Date: Tuesday, October 1, 2019 Time: 2:00 PM FSB's Connect Club, 1240 8th Ave, Marion, Iowa, 52302



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6 Days • 8 Meals: 5 Breakfasts, 3 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... U.S. Capitol Building Tour, World War II Memorial, White House Visitor Center, Smithsonian Institution, Choice on Tour, Arlington National Cemetery, Mount Vernon, Old Town Alexandria, Gadsby's Tavern, Washington National Cathedral, Ford's Theatre

#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Days 1 – 5 Renaissance Washington, DC Downtown, Washington D.C.

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

**Single-hotel Stays:** Unpack just once and explore the world's most iconic cities during Spotlights' single-hotel stays. The leisurely pace offers you the chance to get to know these destinations like a local. Must-see cultural highlights are always included, plus there's plenty of time to explore independently, creating your own unique adventure.

Day 1: Thursday, September 3, 2020 Washington, D.C. - Tour Begins Explore America's heritage and history during your stay in the capital city of the United States – Washington, D.C.

Day 2: Friday, September 4, 2020 Washington, D.C. Your day begins at the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center with a guided tour of this historic and storied building. Then, discover the celebrated history of America's capital on a tour with a local expert. Delight in wonderful views of the White House, National Mall and many monuments and museums. We continue with stops at the moving World War II Memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial and the Korean War Memorial. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (B. D)

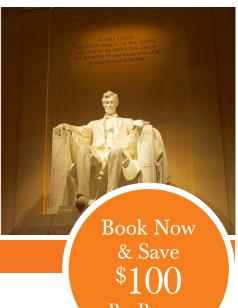
Day 3: Saturday, September 5, 2020 Washington, D.C. This morning we visit the White House Visitor Center. Explore the history of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue and see artifacts from the White House collection. Then, it's your choice! Step into the pages of history and uncover some of the treasures of the Smithsonian Institution with a visit to the National Air and Space Museum •OR- the National Museum of American History. Among the National Air and Space Museum's collection in their location on the National Mall are the famous Wright 1903 Flyer, the Spirit of St. Louis, and the Apollo 11 command module. The National Museum of American History houses an array of American touchstones, including many gowns worn by America's First Ladies and the Star-Spangled Banner. This afternoon, enjoy free time to continue exploring on your own. Tonight, you may choose to join an optional twilight tour of D.C. including dinner. (B)

Day 4: Sunday, September 6, 2020 Arlington National Cemetery - Mount Vernon, Virginia - Alexandria Visit Arlington National Cemetery for a narrated tour that takes you to the Tomb of the Unknowns and the Kennedy gravesites. This afternoon, we call on Mount Vernon, the beloved home of the first U.S. president, George Washington. Wander the beautiful plantation grounds he adored and tour the home, filled with 18th-century artifacts. Next, arrive in Old Town Alexandria, a charming community nestled along the Potomac. Enjoy some time to stroll the cobblestone streets, view the historic Colonial architecture, and stop at some of the trendy boutiques. This evening we dine at Gadsby's Tavern, located in the heart of Old Town Alexandria and famous for hosting George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and other founding fathers. (B, D)

Day 5: Monday, September 7, 2020 Washington, D.C. This morning, visit the Washington National Cathedral. This magnificent church took 83 years to complete and has been host to many poignant moments in America's history such as state funerals, Presidential inaugural masses and Martin Luther King, Jr.'s last sermon. Admire the beautiful craftsmanship of the cathedral as you learn more about its history during a docent-led tour. This afternoon, visit Ford's Theatre\* where President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated on that fateful night in 1865. Tour the theatre and hear about the timeline of events that transpired as John Wilkes Booth's plan unfolded. Finish your tour with a visit to the neighboring Petersen House, the boarding house to which the fatally injured Lincoln was carried. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner commemorating the end of your historical journey. (B, D)

**Day 6: Tuesday, September 8, 2020 Washington, D.C. - Tour Ends** Your tour comes to a close in Washington, D.C. this morning. (*B*)





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### For bookings made after Apr 03, 2020 call for rates.

**Included in Price:** Round Trip Air from Cedar Rapids Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers and Gratuities for the Tour Manager and Driver

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$299 per person

\* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from CID

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund. (See registration form for consent.)

#### PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Apr 03, 2020, valid on air inclusive packages only. IDENTIFICATION

Travel within USA

For travel completed by September 30, 2020, all airlines will ask for identification when you check in. It is recommended that you carry a passport if you have one. A driver's license (with a photo I.D.) is also acceptable for domestic flights.

Effective for travel October 1, 2020 forward, the REAL ID Act standards for identification while travelling will be in effect. This means a standard issued driver's license used as a form of identification will no longer be accepted for domestic air travel within the United States. Instead, a Real ID compliant form of identification must be presented both at the time of booking air travel with Collette and upon checking in at the airport to board any flight. Any fees associated with changing a reservation resulting from a non-compliant identification will be the responsibility of the guest. For more information on Real ID, please visit the Department of Homeland Security website: https://www.dhs.gov/real-id

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis

The days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilize your time on tour.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to

provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

The National Cherry Blossom Festival is planned to coincide as near as possible with the blooming of the trees. "Peak Bloom Date" is defined as the day on which 70 percent of the blossoms of the Yoshino cherry trees are open. The date when the Yoshino cherry blossoms reach peak bloom varies from year-to-year, depending upon weather conditions. The mean date of blooming is April 4, but nature is not always cooperative and the National Park Service horticulturists cannot make an accurate prediction much more than 10 days prior. The blooming period starts several days before the Peak Bloom Date and can last as long as 14 days; however, frost or high temperatures combined with wind and/or rain can shorten this period.

\*Ford's Theatre is a working, professional theatre and there may be occasions when access is restricted or not available.

This tour includes moderate physical activity. The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs or on uneven walking surfaces, should be expected.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

### **Experience It! Washington National Cathedral**

The Cathedral Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, better known as the Washington National Cathedral, has had a prominent place in Washington events since Congress granted its charter in 1893. The construction of the current building began in September 1907, with President Theodore Roosevelt in attendance for the ceremony. Since then, the cathedral has been host to state funerals, inauguration masses, national memorial services, and countless other national commemorations and celebrations. Construction of the church was finally completed in 1990, taking an incredible 83 years to finish – making it the longest running construction project in Washington, D.C.

Today, visitors marvel at the beautiful Indiana limestone facades and carvings, as well as the magnificent Great Organ that has been redesigned and expanded through the years to meet the needs of the active congregation and its breathtaking cathedral.

For more information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/984658