



AMERICA'S MOST HALLOWED GROUND

FEATURING GETTYSBURG, ANTIETAM, SHENANDOAH NATIONAL PARK, MONTICELLO, WASHINGTON, D.C.

APRIL 21-27, 2013 ~ 7 DAY TOUR

TOUR PACE Leisurely On the Go ACTIVITY LEVEL Low High



~DAY BY DAY ITINERARY~

150 years after the tragic events of the American Civil War made places like Harpers Ferry, Antietam, Gettysburg, Appomattox, Ford's Theatre and Arlington famous, this new comprehensive journey through Virginia and into Maryland and Pennsylvania chronicles pivotal events and personalities from the Civil War and includes Richmond, Charlottesville and Washington, D.C.. Walk the hallowed ground of our nation's two most significant battlefields, interact with special guests as they assume the identity of historical figures, dine at historic inns and gaze upon the incredible vistas at Shenandoah National Park as you are awed by our nation's history and beauty.



soaring ceiling heights, this deco stunner of a hotel still has all the appeal and ambiance of the Roaring Twenties. Completed in 1924 but recently renovated, the hotel offers old-world charm with all the modern conveniences. (Dinner)

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- During the 150 year commemoration, the Civil War will come alive as licensed guides and costumed reenactors join us as we tour several Civil War Battlefields including Gettysburg and Antietam and visit the Willis House, Harpers Ferry and Appomattox Court House National Historical Park
- Visit Shenandoah National Park with an included lunch at Skyland Lodge
- Tour Monticello – the mountaintop home of Thomas Jefferson, and the University of Virginia – established and designed by Jefferson
- Tour Richmond with a local guide including the capitol building and St. John's Church
- In Washington, D.C. a guided tour of Arlington National Cemetery, Ford's Theatre, the Petersen House, The Smithsonian's National Museum of American History and President Lincoln's Cottage where he and his family resided much of the time during the War



Arlington National Cemetery

◆DAY 1 ~ ARRIVE VIRGINIA◆

Start with optional transfers from home or our departure points this morning to LAX for our for a nonstop flight to Dulles Airport outside Washington, D.C. Upon our arrival a deluxe motorcoach will be waiting to transport us for the next seven days. In addition to the *Good Times Travel* tour director that will be onboard throughout this journey, local guides, most of them costumed and some portraying historic figures, will join us and bring the history of this region alive. This evening the "Gray Ghost" will be onboard as we depart the airport and embark on a tour of **The Life and Times of John Singleton Mosby**. Nicknamed the "Gray Ghost", John S. Mosby was a Confederate commander during the Civil War and was known for leading his *Rangers* or *Raiders* on quick raids and eluding the Union Army. Northern Central Virginia, where Mosby and his battalion operated has been known since as *Mosby's Confederacy*. This evening join your fellow travelers for an included welcome dinner at **The Red Fox Inn** in Middleburg. We'll then travel the short distance to historic **Winchester** and check-in to the *George Washington Wyndam Hotel* for a three-night stay. With marble floors,



Antietam Battlefield

◆DAY 2 ~ HARPERS FERRY, ANTIETAM◆

This morning after an included breakfast we'll be joined by a **local guide** as we set-off for **Harpers Ferry National Historical Park** located at the confluence of the Potomac and Shenandoah Rivers. George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, "Stonewall" Jackson, and Frederick Douglass are just a few of the prominent individuals who left their mark on this place. On a **guided walking tour** we'll hear the story of the shots that were fired at Harpers Ferry during a raid in October 1859 – which many regard as the first of the Civil War. Later, enjoy an included lunch at the **Bavarian Inn**, a romantic country chalet offering European elegance and authentic Bavarian cuisine from its scenic location overlooking the Potomac River. This afternoon we visit the **Antietam Visitor Center** followed by a tour of **Antietam National Battlefield** provided by a **licensed National Park guide**. Antietam was the scene of the Civil War's bloodiest one-day battle on September 17, 1862. We'll visit the **Pry House Field Hospital Museum**, a historic house that was used by the Union high command during the battle, and now houses medical exhibits emphasizing the

FINE HOTELS / GREAT LOCATIONS

- ◆ Nights 1-3 **G. Washington Wyndam** Winchester, VA
- ◆ Nights 4-5 **Courtyard by Marriott** Charlottesville, VA
- ◆ Night 6 **Courtyard by Marriott or similar** Arlington, VA

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- ◆ 6 Nights deluxe hotel accommodations
- ◆ 12 Meals – 3 dinners, 3 lunches, 6 breakfasts
- ◆ Services of a professional Tour Director
- ◆ Comprehensive sightseeing with local guides
- ◆ Admissions per itinerary
- ◆ Roundtrip airport-hotel transfers (with purchase of group air)
- ◆ Transportation on a luxury motorcoach
- ◆ Luggage handling throughout the tour
- ◆ Taxes, fees and most gratuities

PER PERSON LAND PRICES

Double \$1,789 / Single \$2,129 • Deposit \$300
Roundtrip group airfare available from \$595
Travel Protection Plan – see reverse

RESERVATIONS

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PAYMENT INFORMATION

♦ Deposit due at time of booking to the address above (*Good Times Travel* will contact you for the travel protection and air option)

♦ *Good Times Travel* will invoice you for the balance payment 6-8 weeks prior

TRAVEL PROTECTION / CANCELLATION

Travel protection/cancellation insurance is highly recommended for all multi-day tours. If travel protection has not been purchased, only recoverable funds less a cancellation charge of \$50 will be reimbursed once payment has been made. Amount of reimbursement depends on the date of cancellation.

If travel protection has been purchased and you must cancel prior to departure or leave the tour enroute for a reason approved by the insurance company, you will receive a full refund (or partial if enroute), minus the cost of the premium. Other benefits of travel protection include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, and lost/stolen/damaged luggage. Pre-existing medical conditions are only covered if protection is purchased at the time of deposit. See travel protection plan for full details and exclusions.

DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Roundtrip airport transfers are available as follows:

From one of our departure points: \$69 p.p.

Fountain Valley - Good Times Travel office
Long Beach - City College - Lot "O"

From home: \$159 and higher (contact us for quote)

Exact departure times are provided 2 weeks prior

SINGLE SHARE PROGRAM

Should a single traveler wish to take advantage of the double price, tell us when making your reservation that you wish to have a roommate. We will provide the contact information to others requesting a roommate and the two parties can determine if they would be a good fit and the price will be adjusted.

FURTHER INFORMATION / TERMS

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challenges faced on the battlefield. We return to Winchester in the late afternoon allowing for time at leisure to explore the historic downtown and pedestrian mall full of shops and restaurants. (Breakfast, Lunch)

♦ DAY 3 ~ GETTYSBURG ♦

After an included breakfast this morning, we'll head the short distance to **Gettysburg**, the small Pennsylvania town made famous because of the American Civil War. A divided Nation held its breath, and mourned, as the Northern and Southern armies collided here 150 years ago in July, and in three days of battle left 51,000 casualties. Visit the new **Gettysburg Museum of the American Civil War** housing one of the world's largest Civil War collections with thousands of artifacts, photos and interactive exhibits. See the **Cyclorama** featuring a breathtaking panorama of Pickett's charge that vividly brings to life the sights and sounds of the battles that raged here. We are then joined by a **licensed National Park Guide** for a driving tour of **Gettysburg National Military Park** – America's largest battlefield. Over 1,600 monuments and cannons dot the landscape in memory of those who fought and died here. We'll visit the **Willis House** where the President stayed and completed the *Gettysburg Address* the night before the dedication. As we follow General Robert E. Lee's retreat from Gettysburg, a **very special guest** will join us onboard. This evening enjoy an included dinner at the *The Fairfield Inn*. This evening you will be joined at dinner by another **special guest**. We return to our Winchester hotel. (Breakfast, Dinner)

♦ DAY 4 ~ SHENANDOAH, CHARLOTTESVILLE ♦

After an included breakfast this morning we arrive at **Shenandoah National Park** and begin a memorable journey along the crest of the Blue Ridge Mountains via **Skyline Drive**. Spectacular views abound as we pass by rock cliffs, majestic vistas, tunnels of trees, wildflowers, ferns possibly banks of mountain laurel and wildlife. An included lunch at **Skyland Resort** with a **National Park Ranger** on hand and outstanding views of the Shenandoah Valley. This afternoon we arrive in **Charlottesville** and will be joined by a **local guide** for a walking tour of the **University of Virginia**. Thomas Jefferson's architectural talents are evident in the classic beauty here. After arriving at our Charlottesville hotel, enjoy the evening at leisure in historic downtown Charlottesville. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

♦ DAY 5 ~ APPOMATTOX, MONTICELLO ♦

Following an included breakfast a **local guide** will join us as we head south to the **Appomattox Court House National Historical Park and museum**. Visit the **McLean House** and be amazed at how a War marked by such divisiveness and bitter fighting, ended so simply and peacefully here. Enjoy an included buffet

lunch at historic **Michie Tavern**, a 200-year old converted log house featuring servers in 18th-century period attire and hearty colonial period fare. This afternoon you'll feel the presence of author, statesman, scientist and third U.S. President Thomas Jefferson while on a guided tour of **Monticello**, the hilltop house he designed. (Breakfast, Lunch)

♦ DAY 6 ~ RICHMOND, WASHINGTON, D.C. ♦

Following an included breakfast we'll depart the hotel with a local guide and head to **Richmond**, the capital city of Virginia and once the Confederate capital during the Civil War. A guided tour of the **Rotunda** of the **Virginia State Capitol**, where Lee accepted command of the state military forces. Experience Union and Confederate viewpoints at the **American Civil War Center** at Historic Tredegar and the **Tredegar Iron Works**, the Confederacy's industrial heart and now the Visitor Center for the **Richmond National Battlefield Park**. A visit to **St. John's Church** which became famous as a living memorial to American liberty when in 1775 Patrick Henry gave his fiery "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death" speech. This afternoon we continue to **Washington, D.C.** and embark on a guided tour of **Arlington National Cemetery**. We will visit the final resting place of President John F. Kennedy, see the changing of the guards at the **Tomb of the Unknowns**, and visit **Arlington House**, General Robert E. Lee's former home, now a memorial to the Confederate leader. We'll check-in to our Arlington hotel and enjoy dinner at leisure in historic **Old Town Alexandria**. (Breakfast)

♦ DAY 7 ~ WASHINGTON, D.C., FAREWELL ♦

After an included breakfast this morning, we'll be joined by a **local guide** for a driving tour of Washington, D.C. to see the White House, Capitol, Washington Monument and Lincoln Memorial. A visit to **Ford's Theatre National Historic Site** where on the tragic night of April 14, 1865 President Abraham Lincoln was fatally shot by actor John Wilkes Booth. The story of the Abraham Lincoln assassination continues across the street at the **Petersen House** where he eventually died. Then, a tour of **President Lincoln's Cottage**. Located on a picturesque hilltop in Washington, D.C., Lincoln and his family lived here for a quarter of his presidency. This afternoon we visit the Smithsonian Institute's **National Museum of American History** featuring an exhaustive collection of Americana. American Civil War artifacts on exhibit include the hat Lincoln wore to Ford's Theatre and the chairs used by Lee and Grant at Appomattox. Late this afternoon we arrive at Dulles for our nonstop return flight. We return home with countless memories and a new appreciation of America's most hallowed ground. (Breakfast)