ITINERARY

Washington D.C. + Niagara Falls 3-Day Tour from New York/ New Jersey (Dates with a designated guide)

DEPARTURE	DESTINATION	DURATION
New York	New York	3 Days / 2 Nights

DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

Day 1

New York Bus Philadelphia Bus Washington D.C.

ALL DAY

Today, we'll drive to Philadelphia, the City of Brotherly Love, to visit Independence Historical Park and witness the history of American independence. We'll then travel to Washington, D.C., the political center of the United States. Home to the White House and Congress, it's also home to numerous museums and is a renowned tourist destination.

Itinerary:

New York ? Philadelphia ? Independence National Historical Park (30 mins) ? Washington D.C. ? U.S. Capitol In-depth Tour + The National Archives (Optional, inside visit U.S. Capitol & The National Archives + outside visit Supreme Court of the United States & Library of Congress, 120 mins) ? White House (Outside visit, 30 mins) ? Lincoln Memorial + Vietnam Veterans Memorial (45 mins) ? Hotel

Special Notes:

1. If unable to enter U.S. Capitol, the attraction will be replaced with the Washington D.C. In-depth Tour (optional). Washington D.C. In-depth Tour itinerary: Air Force Memorial (20 mins)? Thomas Jefferson Memorial(20 mins) ? World War II Memorial (20 mins)

MORNING

Transportation: Drive from New York to Philadelphia

Distance: 100 mi · Time: 1h40m

MORNING

Independence National Historical Park

Philadelphia is a land that witnessed the independence and birth of the United States. The National Independence Historical Park, built in the spirit of the American War of Independence, contains some historical buildings related to the American Revolution and the founding of the country. It is known as "the most historic square mile in the United States." In the park, you can see the Independence Square surrounded by green trees, the towering milky white clock tower, and the bronze statues of the founding heroes standing on the lawn. The overall atmosphere here makes people feel solemn and dignified.

MORNING

Transportation: Drive from Independence National Historical Park to Washington D.C.

Distance: 140 mi · Time: 2h30m

MORNING

U.S. Capitol

As the political center of the United States, Washington has many iconic political and cultural landscapes, such as the Capitol Building and the U.S. Supreme Court. We will enter the Capitol Building, the geometric center of Washington, DC, walk along the gorgeous and exquisite congressional corridors, listen to the stories behind each mural and each statue, and deeply understand why this is the highest symbol of a government owned by the people, governed by the people, and for the people.

The National Archives

The National Archives houses precious documents, photographs, and video footage from various periods of American history. Among its most notable collections are the original parchment manuscripts of the founding documents, drafted at the founding of the nation in 1776. These documents include the Declaration of Independence, the U.S. Constitution, and the Bill of Rights. Other collections include the Emancipation Proclamation of 1863, issued by Lincoln during the Civil War to free slaves, the surrender of Nazi Germany at the end of World War II, and the Watergate tapes that exposed Richard Nixon's corruption and ultimately brought him down.

Washington D.C. In-depth Tour

First, we'll visit the Air Force Memorial, composed of three curved steel columns over 80 meters long. Its design was inspired by the three white smoke trails left in the sky by the U.S. Air Force Thunderbirds during their aerobatic performances. We'll then visit the Jefferson Memorial, which commemorates the ideal that "all men are created equal," in front of Taidou Lake. We'll then visit the World War II Memorial, which honors the 16 million American service members who served during World War II.

The White House

The White House is a white neoclassical sandstone building covering an area of more than 73,000 square meters. It consists of the main building and the east and west wings. The White House is the office and residence of successive US presidents and is also synonymous with the US government. Many important US decision-making bills are signed and announced by the president in the White House. George Washington, the founding father of the United States, once expressed his views on the construction of the US President's residence: it must not be a palace, and it must not be luxurious, because the masters working here are servants of the state.

Lincoln Memorial

The Lincoln Memorial is a white ancient Greek temple-style building built to commemorate the 16th President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln. It is regarded as an eternal statue of the United States and a symbol of Washington. It is also the most famous rally for the pursuit of peace and democracy. Martin Luther King delivered his speech "I Have a Dream" here.

Vietnam Veterans Memorial

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial is located north of the Lincoln Memorial. It is a 500-foot-long V-shaped monument made of black granite. It is used to commemorate the American soldiers and generals who died while serving in Vietnam during the Vietnam War. The glittering black marble wall is engraved with the names of more than 57,000 US soldiers who died in the Vietnam War between 1959 and 1975, in chronological order of the date of each person's death.

NIGHT

Transportation: Drive from Washington D.C. to Gaithersburg hotel

Distance: 25 mi · Time: 0h40m

Hotel: **Springhill Suites Gaithersburg / Comfort Inn Shady Grove - Gaithersburg - Rockville / Holiday Inn Gaithersburg by IHG / Spark by Hilton Germantown / Best Western Historic Frederick / Sonesta Select Greenbelt College Park / Comfort Inn College Park**

Day 2

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Corning Bus Niagara Falls

ALL DAY

Go to the headquarters of Corning, a Fortune 500 company, visit the world's largest glass collection museum, and enjoy the live glass production performance technology. After lunch, go to the famous Watkins Glen. Then arrive at Niagara Falls, visit the Falls National Park, and overlook the "American Falls", "Horseshoe Falls" and "Bridal Veil Falls". The water rushes down and thunders, and you can experience the majestic momentum in person, just like a thousand horses galloping.

Itinerary :

Corning Museum of Glass (Optional, 90 mins) ? Watkins Glen State Park + Finger Lake (Optional, 90 mins, This optional activity is only available when Watkins Glen State Park is open.) ? Niagara Falls Night View Tour (Mandatory, 90mins)

Notes:

1. Watkins Glen State Park + Finger Lakes is a seasonal summer itinerary. We will visit after the state park officially opens (generally from May to October each year). Please refer to the park's official website for the exact opening date. Once the park is closed, Watkins Glen State Park + Finger Lakes will no longer be available.
2. In order to ensure a better experience for guests, it is guaranteed that guests can watch the fireworks show at the waterfall on that day (except when there is no fireworks show on that day).

MORNING

Transportation: Drive from the hotel to The Corning Museum of Glass

Distance: 275 mi · Time: 5h

AFTERNOON

The Corning Museum of Glass

The world-renowned Corning Glass Center is located in Corning, a small town with unique style and quaint flavor in upstate New York. Although it is a small city, it is the center of the American glass industry. The status of Corning's glassand porcelain in the United States is just like the status of Jingdezhen porcelain in China, and it is also well-known in the world. Corning Glass Center can be said to be a magical glass world. Corning Glass Center has about 100,000 pieces of glass boutiques and artistic sculptures on display. These exquisite glass products are either colorful or crystal clear, dazzling and overwhelming. The Glass Center is not only a glass museum, but also a factory for the production of glass strengthening, glassware and handicrafts, and a store that sells glass and crystal products such as sunglasses, necklaces, pins, etc.

Watkins Glen State Park

Watkins Glen is located in the Finger Lakes region of New York State, USA. It is a stratified rock geology, which has been eroded by glaciers and streams, forming a unique landform. There are more than a dozen waterfalls along the approximately two-mile canyon trail. There are excellent canyon trails, waterfalls that can be admired up close, and pleasing natural scenery, providing tourists with an excellent photo spot, and it is known as the "Millennium Valley".

Finger Lake

The Finger Lakes are located in the northwest of New York State. They are a scenic spot consisting of 14 long and narrow lakes. They are named because they are arranged vertically from south to north and look like fingers. Many Hollywood stars have vacation villas or estates here.

AFTERNOON

Transportation: Drive from Finger Lake to Niagara Falls

Distance: 135 mi · Time: 2h30m

NIGHT

Niagara Falls Night View Tour

During the trip, we will go to [One Park, Two Islands, Three Falls], go deep into Niagara Falls Park, and see a wide variety of exotic flowers and trees up close; stand on two islands - Goat Island and Lunar Island, and appreciate the magnificence of the Water of Thor from multiple angles in the dark; see the three major waterfalls - Horseshoe Falls, Bridal Veil Falls, and American Falls, and feel the majestic momentum of nature presented by the different faces of the waterfalls under the illumination of colorful neon lights. At this time, don't forget to pick up your camera and take a photo with them.

NIGHT

Transportation: Drive from Niagara Falls to the hotel

Distance: 20 mi · Time: 0h30m

Hotel: Crowne Plaza Niagara Falls NY - Riverside by IHG / Buffalo Marriott Niagara / Aloft Buffalo Airport / The Garden Place Hotel

Day 3

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Niagara Falls□Bus□New York

ALL DAY

Niagara Falls is a group of three waterfalls at the southern end of Niagara Gorge, spanning the border between the province of Ontario in Canada and the state of New York in the United States. Formed by the Niagara River, which drains Lake Erie into Lake Ontario before going out to Atlantic by the Gulf of Saint Lawrence, the combined falls have the highest flow rate of any waterfall in North America that has a vertical drop of more than 50 m (160 ft).

Summer Itinerary: (Applied when Maid of the Mist opens)
Niagara Falls Classic Tour (Optional, 2.5 hours, including Whirlpool Park + Cave of the Winds + Maid of the Mist) ? New York

Winter Itinerary: (Applied when Maid of the Mist closes)
Niagara Falls Classic Tour (Optional, 2.5 hours, including Whirlpool Park + Cave of the Winds + Old Fort Niagara State Park) ? New York

Kindly Reminder:

1. Maid of the Mist Niagara Falls Boat usually closed in winter season, it will not be visited based on attraction closure.

ALL DAY

Niagara Whirlpool State Park

The Niagara Whirlpool is 125 feet deep and was formed by water erosion 7,500 years ago. It is located where the Niagara River suddenly turns northeast from the northwest. The rapid river water flows back after the change of direction, forming a huge whirlpool. The park is very quiet, with barbecue pits and picnic tables. Standing on them, you can overlook the whirlpool below, which is very spectacular.

Maid of The Mist

The Maid of the Mist is the most monumental boat trip in the United States since 1846. There is no better way to experience Niagara Falls in the United States. Put on a blue raincoat and take aboard the dreamy Maid of the Mist boat to experience the refreshing mist, surging waves, and roaring waterfalls produced by more than 2 million liters of water per second. As a unique fleet of yachts, under the skilled command of captains, they have been sailing safely in the waves of the Niagara Gorge for more than 100 years and have carried tens of millions of tourists directly into the depths of the misty water.

Old Fort Niagara State Park

The War Fort is a tourist attraction of great historical value. It existed at the mouth of the Niagara River leading from Lake Ontario to Lake Erie before the independence of the United States. Therefore, it played a very important role in the Indian-French War, the American War of Independence, and the Anglo-American War at that time. Behind it is the vast Lake Ontario, one of the five Great Lakes of the United States.

Cave of the Winds

The entrance to the Cave of the Winds is on Goat Island, where there is a small museum and a small cinema. You can then take an elevator down 53 meters in the Niagara Gorge cave to the bottom of the valley. Standing at the foot of the falls, looking up, you will see the falls rushing down with overwhelming momentum, which can't help but make people feel passionate and resonate with nature.

AFTERNOON

Transportation: Drive back to New York from Niagara Falls

Distance: 400 mi · Time: 7h30m

WHAT'S INCLUDED & EXCLUDED

COST INCLUDES

- ✓ Transportation (The type of vehicle used will base on the number of guests on the day.).
- ✓ Hotel (Nights is less a day of tour days).
- ✓ Bilingual tour guide or driver-guide.

COST EXCLUDES

- ✗ Food and beverage (Tour guide will arrange. About breakfast: usually guests can prepare in advance or have breakfast at the first attraction/the nearest store from the hotel).
- ✗ Air ticket, ferry, and shuttle transfer in some attraction area/national parks.
- ✗ Attraction admission fee (Prices are subject to change without prior notice; Tickets should be purchased from the tour guide).
- ✗ Service fee (minimum US$15/person/day, any child and Infant reserving a seat have to pay the service fees as well).
- ✗ Personal room fees: such as laundry or valet services, telephone calls, or alcoholic beverages/mini bar items, unless they are otherwise specified.
- ✗ Any personal expenses that are not listed in Fee Included.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS CHECKLIST

- **Valid Passport** — must be valid for at least 6 months beyond the return date
- **Required Visas** — verify visa requirements for your destination and nationality before travel
- **Travel Insurance Certificate** — trip cancellation and out-of-country medical coverage (strongly recommended)
- **Credit Card & Cash** — for personal expenses and emergencies
- **Medications** — in original packaging with prescriptions, plus a copy stored separately

IMPORTANT TRAVEL ADVISORIES

Entry Requirements: Entry to another country may be refused even if the required information and travel documents are complete. It is the traveller's responsibility to ensure all documents are valid and in order.

Local Conditions: Living standards and practices at the destination, and the standards and conditions with respect to utilities, services, and accommodation, may differ from those found in Canada.

Airport Arrival: Please arrive at the airport at least **3 hours before** international departures and **2 hours before** domestic departures. Reconfirm onward flights with the airline at least 72 hours in advance.

Government Travel Advice: Check Global Affairs Canada at **travel.gc.ca** for the latest travel advisories for your destination.