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Pre Convention Program For Washington DC

May 26 – May 29, 2015

WASHINGTON DC

Here, in the capital of the United States, history comes alive. Take in the sights of America's past, and enjoy a deep and rich culture unique to the District – full of incredible restaurants, top-notch entertainment, boutique shopping, some of the greenest parks in the country, beautiful and varied architecture, and international flavor. Tours and recreational activities are always interesting and fun in Washington, DC. Whether you want to enjoy a highlights tour from the comfort of your luxury vehicle, a behind-the-scenes look at one of our unique museums, or you prefer to experience hands-on adventure, DC has it all.







PROGRAM ITINERARY

DAY 1:

Hotel check in

2:00 - 18:00 Welcome to Washington Tour 18:30 - 20:30 Dinner at Zaytinya 21:00 Arrive back at hotel

DAY 2:

8:00 - 9:00 Breakfast at hotel 21:30 - 24:30 Magic of Mount Vernon 13:00 - 14:30 Lunch at Virtue feed & Grain 15:00 Return to the hotel and free time 18:30 Depart for dinner Dinner at Fiolamare 19:00 - 21:30 21:45-23:00 **Blues Alley** 11:30 Arrive back at hotel

DAY 3:

8:30 - 9:30 Breakfast- hotel 10:00 - 13:00 **Smithsonian Exploration** Picnic Lunch at West Potomac Park 13:30 - 14:30 15:00 - 16:00 Paddle the Potomac 16:30 Arrive back at the hotel 6:30 Depart for dinner 19:00 - 21:00 Dinner DC Foodie Experience 22:00 Arrive back at hotel

DAY 4:

AM Breakfast at hotel

Departures from Washington at leisure

GRAND HYATT WASHINGTON



Experience the upscale elegance of Grand Hyatt Washington, a full-service Washington, DC hotel. Centrally located in the trendy Penn Quarter near popular local attractions, Grand Hyatt Washington is ideally situated for leisure travelers. Grand Hyatt Washington is a welcoming destination with a host of world-class services and amenities. Guests enjoy well-appointed hotel rooms and suites, five delicious restaurants and bars, an indoor swimming pool, executive business center, and convenient Metro Center access directly from the lobby.



A rich interior pallet and gorgeous views of the serene atrium and lagoon or the city define our downtown accommodations in Washington DC. Stay productive at an oversized work desk with Herman Miller chair, high-speed Internet access, data port and dual line

phones with voicemail. Refresh in a luxurious marble bath and Portico spa products. Rest on a King Grand Bed™ with ultra-plush pillows, soft sheeting and a thick down blanket piled upon a pillow top mattress. Watch video on demand or cable / satellite TV channels or listen to your favorite music station. Enjoy thoughtful extras such as a daily newspaper, coffee maker and windows that open in the elegant downtown DC accommodations. Video checkout makes departure a breeze.

DAY 1 - WELCOME TO WASHINGTON

Washington, DC, located at the confluence of the Potomac and Anacostia Rivers, is one of only three planned federal capitals. George Washington chose this site in 1790, as it lies at the historic mid-point between the northern and southern colonies. Pierre Charles L'Enfant was selected to design the city as the capital for the new United States. That city plan has evolved into a beautiful and exciting showplace for the federal government, with world-class

museums, gardens and monuments to this nation's notable history.

Guests will be introduced to the history and architecture of DC with stories, facts and trivia as you explore monuments, memorials and notable buildings (by coach), the Inaugural Parade Route, Smithsonian Institution Complex and the Washington Monument.

Next, stop at one of the most visited areas of the city, the National Mall: a treasured park that boasts some of the most recognizable buildings in the world.



Guests will visit the Lincoln Memorial, Vietnam War Veterans Memorial, the Korean War Veterans Memorial, the Reflecting Pool and the World War II Memorial. Guests will enjoy a seated lunch followed by additional



touring that includes a stop outside the White House, at the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial and the Thomas Jefferson Memorial.

After a day of touring, guests will be transferred to a delicious dinner in exciting Downtown DC.



DAY 1 - ZAYTINYA

Under the direction of celebrated chef José Andrés and his ThinkFoodGroup, Zaytinya offers an innovative mezze menu inspired by Turkish, Greek and Lebanese cuisines served up in a sleek and modern setting.

Building on Jose's deep knowledge of Mediterranean cooking and years of research and travel, the menu features shared small plates of authentic and innovative fare, creative cocktails, and unique Mediterranean wines, making

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Zaytinya one of the most exciting restaurants in Washington. Since opening in 2003, Zaytinya ranks consistently as a Top DC Dining Destination.

Please note: Mezzanine does not have ADA accessibility



DAY 2 - MAGIC OF MOUNT VERNON

George Washington wrote of his beloved Mount Vernon, "No estate is more pleasantly situated than this." Today guests will enjoy the same breathtaking view across the Potomac River that enamored President Washington all those years ago.

The buildings and beautiful grounds, part of one of the nation's oldest historic preservation projects, are as meticulously preserved as they were in 1799. These historic grounds reveal Washington's skill as one of the foremost agriculturists of his day, his discerning taste in his home and its furnishings, and his love of the outdoors.

On this special tour guests can pay respects at the tomb of George and Martha Washington, and see the innovative Pioneer Farmer site (a working 4-acre farm and re-creation of Washington's 16 treading sided barn). Visit the inspirational Slave Memorial, interesting outbuildings of the mansion, and the lush gardens and panoramic views. See the \$110 million Ford Orientation Center and Donald W. Reynolds Museum and Education Center, heralded as one of the most comprehensive and spectacular facilities in the nation.

After a day at the Estate guests will be transferred to historic Old Town Alexandria for lunch on the river.







Day 2 - VIRTUE FEED & GRAIN

Restaurateurs Meshelle and Cathal Armstrong, along with partner/mixologist Todd Thrasher, have converted a historic structure located at 106 South Union Street in Old Town, Alexandria into a 21st century American tavern, a casual spot, where the vibe is homey, the drinks excellent and the menu: "modern pub grub" with a wink towards Armstrong's Irish heritage.

Named for a former Feed store that used to be located in this spot, the restaurant is in keeping with the unique history of the building. To preserve the building's authenticity the floors, walls,



hand-crafted tabletops, and bar shelves are all constructed with period wood, each heralding from a unique past, while soaring open windows, exposed brick and giant iron girders frame this urban scene.



DAY 2 - FIOLAMARE

Evoking the seaside dining experience found along the coasts of Italy and the Mediterranean, Fiola Mare specializes

in the freshest, most pristine seafood prepared with elegant simplicity through delicate and subtle additions of color, flavor and texture. Fiola Mare is a place to enjoy the highest quality seafood and wines paired with the finest hospitality and service in the city.

Chef Fabio was born by the sea, along the rugged Marche coast near port city of Ancona. His natural culinary affinity to seafood was the inspiration for his latest restaurant, Fiola Mare. Fabio's professional culinary career has taken him to London, where he received the Carlton Award for Best Young Chef, and to Washington DC, where his restaurant in the Ritz-Carlton Tysons Corner, Maestro, earned him accolades ranging



from Food & Wine's Best New Chef and the James Beard Foundation's Best Chef - Mid Atlantic.



DAY 2 - BLUES ALLEY

Founded in 1965, Blues Alley is the nation's oldest continuing jazz supper club, having showcased internationally renowned concert hall artists such as Dizzy Gillespie, Sarah Vaughan, Nancy Wilson, Grover Washington Jr., Ramsey Lewis, Charlie Byrd, Maynard Ferguson and Eva Cassidy in a small intimate setting.



Located in the heart of historic Georgetown in an 18th century red brick carriage house, Blues Alley offers its patrons a unique ambiance, reminiscent of the jazz clubs of the 1920's and 30's. Open seven days a



week, Blues Alley specializes in authentic Creole cuisine, steak and seafood dishes.



DAY 3 - SMITHSONIAN EXPLORATION

Today your guests will visit two of the most popular museums on the national mall: The National Museum of American History & The National Museum of Air & Space. These museums are part of the Smithsonian Institution, the world's preeminent museum and research complex.

The National Museum of American History collects artifacts of all kinds—from gowns to locomotives—to preserve for the American people an enduring record of their past. The Museum has more than 3 million incredible artifacts in its collection.

The Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum, the most visited museum in the world, chronicles the epic story of the mastery of flight, from Kitty Hawk to outer space. It holds the largest collection of historic aircraft and spacecraft in the world, dramatically displayed in 23 galleries, including the 1903 plane flown by the Wright Brothers at Kitty Hawk, and the Spirit of St. Louis, in which Charles Lindbergh crossed the Atlantic in 1927.

After touring the museums guests will be transferred to West Potomac Park for a picnic lunch.



DAY 3 - WEST POTOMAC PARK: PICNIC LUNCH

Guests will enjoy a picnic lunch along the banks of the Potomac River at West Potomac Park.

Each guest will have their own picnic blanket and will enjoy savory snacks as they take in the beautiful view in the shadow of The Lincoln Memorial.



DAY 3 - PADDLE THE POTOMAC

The Key Bridge Boathouse has a rich history that started with John W. "Jack" Baxter's boathouse in the 1940's offering canoe rentals to his friends and the public. His love of canoeing and the waterfront stays with us today at this amazing boathouse.

This Potomac River kayak tour offers a unique perspective on the city—by water. The group will set off with trained safety guides from the dock and paddle past many amazing sights such as the Georgetown Harbor, Watergate, the Memorial Bridge, Roosevelt Island and Three Sisters Island.

Lifejackets must be worn at all times; however; all paddlers should be comfortable in the water and know how to swim. Liability waivers must be signed by all guests prior to activity



DAY 3 - DC FOODIE EXPERIENCE: DUPONT CIRCLE

Dupont Circle has been known as the district's most cosmopolitan neighborhood for over thirty years. The diversity that can be found throughout this neighborhood is evident especially in its cuisine, as over fifty countries are represented within a few blocks.

Enjoy this progressive dinner and neighborhood tour in one of DC's trendiest neighborhood. Seating and special service is provided at all restaurants throughout this foodie tour. Restaurants are scheduled based on group size and availability. This tour is ever-changing, unique, and very popular.

Your culinary tour may include the following specialties:

- Authentic Japanese dishes
- Specialty cocktails
- Zero-filler crab cakes
- Malaysian street food and drinks
- Handmade desserts
- Locally sourced dishes
- Moroccan holiday cuisine
- Eastern and African Tea







DAY 4

Breakfast at hotel and hotel check out

PER PERSON COST INCLUDES:

- Applicable taxes and service charges
- > Accommodation for 4 nights
- > Breakfast for three days
- > Transportation as described
- Admission and or visit to attractions described
- Services of a tour escort throughout

PER PERSON COSTS DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- > Flights and insurance
- ➤ Airport taxes and porterage
- > Airport transfers
- Excess luggage transfers and personal expenses
- Meals and beverages other than listed above

Per person price double occupancy	\$4,690.00 Canadian
Per person price single occupancy	\$5,173.00 Canadian