

## Sightseeing Ideas:

### MONUMENTS – FREE:

THE BIG U - Walking Tour (takes ~3hrs) starting from Federal Triangle Metro station

- Walk West to [The White House](#),
- then to the [Washington Monument](#),
- [National WWII Memorial](#)
- Walk on right side (north) of [Reflecting Pool](#) to [The Wall](#), which is The Vietnam Veteran's [Memorial](#)
- [Einstein](#) (bigger than life) statue is across (north) Constitution Ave @ 22<sup>nd</sup> St
- [Lincoln Memorial](#) (note there is a lower level museum)
- East and south to [Korean War Veterans Memorial](#) (note: one way in/out)
- Cross Independence Ave to [Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial](#)
- [Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial](#) (this is a very large memorial)
- Follow path along the lake to [Thomas Jefferson Memorial](#) & also the [George Mason Memorial](#)
- Continue on lake path to National Mall – closest Metro @ Smithsonian

### MUSEUMS - FREE:

- SMITHSONIAN MUSEUMS:
  - o [Smithsonian American History Museum](#)
  - o [Smithsonian Natural History Museum](#)
  - o [Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum](#)
  - o [National Gallery of Art](#)
  - o [National Museum of African Art](#)
  - o [Smithsonian Castle](#), the first building of the Smithsonian (with information about all museums)
  - o [National Museum of the American Indian](#)
- [National Pentagon 9/11 Memorial](#)
- [Arlington National Cemetery](#) Tomb of The Unknown Soldier, Changing of the Guard, J.F.K.'s memorial, & [Iwo Jima Memorial](#)
- [U.S. Supreme Court](#) – behind Capitol and next to Library of Congress
- [Library of Congress](#) – national library of the US. Has the Gutenberg and Mainz Bibles
- [National Archives](#) displays the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and the Declaration of Independence
- [United States Botanic Garden](#)

### ADMISSION FEE:

- [International Spy Museum](#): General museum tour and Interactive Spy Mission experience.
  - o \$21 for 12 and up, \$30 for admission plus 1 hour spy experience

### ADVANCE TICKETS SUGGESTED:

- [United States Holocaust Memorial Museum](#)
- [Washington Monument](#)

### ADVANCE TICKETS REQUIRED:

- [White House](#) – Public tour requests must be submitted through one's Member of Congress. These self-guided tours are available from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays
- [US Capitol Building](#) - Public tour requests must be submitted through one's Member of Congress. Monday-Saturday, 8:40 a.m. – 3:20 p.m. Tours of the Capitol begin with a 13-minute orientation film and last approximately one hour
- [Pentagon](#) - must make a reservation at least 14 days in advance through this website

### IDEAS After Mass at the Basilica (in the neighborhood)

- [FRANCISCAN MONASTERY OF THE HOLY LAND](#), (advance reservations needed for 6 or more)
- [St. John Paul II Shrine](#) -