



Tour Name

History in HD

Tour City

Philadelphia

Tour Snapshot

Forget watching History Channel documentaries, why not see the landmarks that shaped America in real life on this Philadelphia tour? From the building where the US Constitution was signed to George Washington's house, and a church where America's founding fathers once sat, this tour even includes a craft beer to help you digest all the history.

Highlights

- Explore a history-drenched neighbourhood and view some of the iconic sights of Philadelphia with a local guide
- Get a whistle-stop tour of all the major Philadelphia sights, as well as a couple of hidden gems, too!
- Absorb the rich historical significance of landmarks like the Betsy Ross House, Franklin Court, Old City Hall, the Second Bank of the US, and more
- Visit local businesses and watering holes such as a local coffee house and a local brewpub, where we treat you to a locally brewed ale or another drink of your choice

Inclusions: Local English-speaking guide, admission to various historic buildings, a beer or beverage at the final stop.

Exclusions: Items of a personal nature, tips and gratuities for your guide.

Schedule details

- Duration: 2 Hours
- Meeting point:
Philly Tour Hub, Arch Street, between 2nd and 3rd Sts. (229 Arch St.)
- Starting time: 11.30 AM, 2.30 PM, 5.30 PM
- Ending point:
A pub in the heart of Old City

Full Itinerary

Visit those unmissable Philly sights on this historical Philadelphia tour that ditches the guidebooks and gives you a dose of history from a local perspective. After all, this is the history that shaped the people of this city, so why not learn about it from them?

Start your Philadelphia tour at the Philly Tour Hub, where you'll meet your guide and see some great local art and photography inside this historic space. Outside, we'll see the Betsy Ross House and hear stories of the birth of the American flag. From there, we weave through the charming back alleys of Old City, and wind up walking down the street famous for being the oldest continuously occupied residential street in the country.

Next, you'll be treated to a visit inside Christ Church, where you'll hear stories of our founding fathers, sit where they sat, and learn about the birth of the Episcopal Church in America.

The next stop on the tour comes at a little local coffee shop, where you can grab a quick snack or a drink and relax with your guide — the perfect opportunity to ask any pressing questions you may have about Philadelphia history. As you walk through Old City, you'll get a taste of this vibrant neighbourhood and pass some of the trendiest pubs, clubs, cafés, and shopping in Philly. You'll also get a chance to see some great art galleries and fantastic historic, industrial architecture along the way.

You'll get some great views of the site of Ben Franklin's home as the tour continues through Philly's Historic District. Past

Franklin Court, you'll be greeted with views of Independence Mall, the National Constitution Center, and the U.S. Mint. Walk across the Mall and into the President's House Site, home to George Washington and John Adams during Philly's tenure as our nation's capital.

From there we pass the Liberty Bell, where we might get a chance to go inside for pictures. We then continue this Philadelphia city tour to a spot where (on weekdays only) we can grab a view of Maxfield Parrish's Dream Garden mosaic mural. Then off to Washington Square for stories of William Penn and possibly visit the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

We continue through Independence National Park and the must-see front yard of Independence Hall, sight of the signing of the Declaration of Independence and the US Constitution. Your guide will also share knowledge of Congress Hall, Old City Hall, the Philosophical Society, the 2nd Bank of the US, and Carpenter's Hall as you make your way through the park. With all these local stories from your guide, you'll get a truly unique perspective on the much-visited spots in Philadelphia.

As this Philadelphia tour winds down, we exit the park and head back into the vibrant Old City neighbourhood. We end the tour at a local brewpub. You'll get a craft beer brewed in-house (or soft drink if you wish) included in the price of the tour, and we'll say a cheers to the beautiful city of Philadelphia!

Need a place to stay?

Heading to Philly without a place to rest your head? Have no fear — the [Sheraton Downtown Philadelphia Hotel](#) is ready to welcome you to the City of Brotherly Love! As our preferred accommodation partner in Philadelphia, we recommend grabbing a room there if you haven't already booked any accommodation. Sleep tight!

Additional information

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Dress standard: A good pair of comfortable walking shoes is advisable. Make sure to check the weather report for rain!

Your Trip: This tour is offered on a "join-in" basis. Maximum group size is 12.

Confirmation of booking: If you have your voucher, your booking is confirmed. We'll see you at the start point. Get in touch if you have any concerns or require more information via the email address or phone number (business hours only) on your voucher.

Closure of sites: Some churches may not be open to us on a Sunday. The Fisher Library hosts students final exams twice a year. We have restricted access (late April to early May and late November to early December) during finals.

Child Policy: This is a child-friendly tour. Children between the ages of 6 and 11 inclusively are permitted on this tour at the rate listed above. Please select 'child' above when booking. Children under the age of 6 are permitted to join this tour free of charge. Please inform us at the time of booking if you'll be bringing a child under the age of 6. You can do so in the special request box on the checkout page.

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