



Tour Name

Private Washington: Dupont Circle Drinks & Architecture Tour

Tour City

Washington, D.C.

Tour Snapshot

Beer makes history better, right? Join us for a private tour of Washington DC's historic Dupont Circle and taste your way around some of the city's best bars, discovering the history of beer in the United States, one sip at a time. Some of our stops include a hearty beer snack to keep you going and all of them will give you a generous helping of insider beer and history trivia from your local guide. Beer tours don't get much better than this!

This tour is priced for a minimum group size of two travellers. A solo traveller may still book this private experience but will be charged the base rate for two travellers.

Highlights

- Stroll the historic streets of Dupont Circle and find out why this neighborhood became known for its famed 'Embassy Row'
- Check out some of DC's most famous beer bars, from past to present
- Taste exciting beers lovingly created by local craft breweries as well as some classic international brands

- Learn about the history of beer in the United States and Washington DC in particular
- Gaze at the Gilded Age mansion that once belonged to Christian Heurich, the greatest brewer in DC's history

Inclusions: Local English-speaking guide, craft beer tasting and a snack at each stop (please note food and drink options may vary on each tour, depending on what is in season and what is available).

Exclusions: Additional food and drinks, souvenirs and personal shopping, tips/gratuities for your guide.

Schedule details

- Duration:3 hours
- Meeting point:
Meet at the fountain at the center of the park located in Dupont Circle (which is at the intersection of Connecticut Ave. NW, Massachusetts Ave. NW, P St. NW, New Hampshire Ave. NW and 19th St. NW.

[OnGoogle maps.](#)
- {label-what3words-location}
- Starting time: 4.00 PM
- Ending point:
Dupont Circle Metro Station (South entrance)

Full Itinerary

Don't be a square — meet us at the Dupont Circle Fountain as we begin our private beer-focused adventure! This long-time locale for millionaires and socialites has transformed from remote farmland into the diplomatic epicenter of the District over three eventful centuries. As we stroll along Embassy Row and see examples of the elite's stately homes, we'll chat about this time period and fill you in on the best stories from the area's past.

We'll then discuss how Barack Obama gamely participated in the American craft beer renaissance and carried on the super important legacy of 'presidents who love pints'.

Our next stop will bring us to the Society of Cincinnati, which houses a statue of colonial America's most famous brewer, George Washington (apologies to Sam Adams). His influence — and the influence of English beer — will set the stage for our discussion of beer's evolution in the United States, the District of Columbia and Dupont Circle.

During 1950s, Dupont Circle was home to the most important beer bar in the city. We'll visit the site of this historic pub and possibly sample a beer from their massive list of 500+ bottles too! We'll then bring our story back to the modern-day as we lead you to a beer sampling at one of our favorite local beer destinations. Our chosen stop is noteworthy for its beer list and the people who painstakingly assembled it. Here we'll discuss how beer styles have evolved over time, as American palates have changed.

After we've wet our whistles on the brews of today, we'll pay homage to that trailblazer of DC beer that you've not yet heard of Christian Heurich. His home, Heurich House aka The Brewmaster's Castle, will provide the perfect backdrop as we discuss the influence of German brewers during the 19th century and how they revolutionized the American approach to beer.

The good times couldn't last forever — Prohibition saw to that — so we'll examine the decline in American beer as told through the closure of Heurich's brewery. It would be years before beer would rebound, especially here in DC, but we'll end this story on a positive note by discussing the DC breweries who've revitalized the local beer community.

Our last stops on this private tour will recognize the international beers that continue to tempt our palates. We'll sample a European brew at our last stop and prove that classic, international beer can still hold its own in the modern craft beer scene.

We'll toast to a fantastic discussion of history and beer as we wind things down at our final stop. We'll escort guests back to the nearest Metro station and bid farewell... or stick around for another beer if you want the party to continue. Before you go, don't forget to ask your local guide for more tips on what else to see, do and eat during your stay in DC.

(If you'd prefer to travel as part of a regular group experience, please book our Dupont Circle Drinks & Architecture group tour.)

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Dress standard: Please dress comfortably and appropriate for the weather as much of the tour takes place outside.

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: All sites are public, so we will make every effort to avoid scheduling tours during days when these sites might be closed. We will attempt to contact guests if any unforeseen closures force the total cancellation of the tour.

Child Policy: Travellers under 21 years of age are not permitted to join this tour.

Dietary Notes

We can accommodate vegetarians and potentially some other dietary restrictions. Please notify us in advance if you have any dietary requests. You can do so in the 'Additional information' box at checkout, or by emailing us at info@washingtondurbanadventures.com.

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