

A Nation Divided

Gettysburg, Antietam, and Harpers' Ferry

highlights

Historical Context. With expert guidance and interpretation from historians and park rangers, gain an in-depth perspective on the War to Preserve the Union.

Exclusive Access. Delve into the archives and vault at the National Museum of The Civil War and enjoy a private tour of the Shriver House depicting the civilian perspective.

at a glance

Prelude to War. Probably best remembered as the site of the 1859 raid by abolitionist John Brown in hopes of arming slaves for a revolt, explore Harper's Ferry, WV. This action is seen by many as a tipping point in American society in advance of the coming war. Contemporary songs and leaflets of the time spurred sentiments on both the Unionist and Secessionist sides.

The Bloodiest Day Fought for Freedom. Visit Antietam National Battlefield and the Pry House Field Hospital Museum to understand the second battle soldiers had to face – disease. Learn about Clara Barton, “the angel of the battlefield” assisted field surgeons in bandaging and cleaning the wounded as the battle raged on around her.

Second Invasion North. Focus our day on Gettysburg, the turning point of the war which tipped the scales in favor of the Union. Visit the key sites of the battles on day one including Seminary Ridge and Herr Ridge Little Round Top, Cemetery Hill, and Pickett's Charge.

High Water Mark of the Rebellion. Enjoy exclusive access to the archives and artifact vault on site at National Civil War Museum as you get a behind the scenes tour with the curatorial staff.

Remembering those Who Served. Journey to the Soldier's National Cemetery From here, in November 1863, President Lincoln delivered his famous Gettysburg Address.

details

- Dedicated expert guides and private transportation throughout the trip.
- The services of a full-time Insider Expeditions tour manager.
- Comprehensive briefing packet for each participant, including destination information, logistical and contact information, reading list, and packing list.

