

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2023 – 9/11 MUSEUM & MEMORIAL IN NEW YORK CITY

- 7:15 AM - leave Kohl's, Westminster (Rt. 140 & Market Street)
- 7:30 AM - leave Chartley Park Shopping Center, Reisterstown
- travel plaza stop en route
- 12:00-6:00 - Self-guided visit at the **9/11 Museum & Memorial in New York City** – The 9/11 Memorial Museum which was dedicated on May 15, 2014, honors the memory of those killed in the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001 and the February 26, 1993 World Trade Center bombing. The museum serves as the country's principal institution concerned with exploring the implications of the events of 9/11, documenting the impact of those events and exploring 9/11's continuing significance. Visitors will see the remnants of structural columns that now delineate the footprints of the original Twin Towers including the 36-foot high Last Column along with artifacts of intimate to monumental scale—from a wide range of personal items donated by victims' families in memory of their loved ones to multiple objects salvaged from the wreckage of the World Trade Center in addition to FDNY fire trucks, an ambulance, and much more. A historical exhibition tells the story of what happened on 9/11, including the events at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and the story of Flight 93, and explores the background leading up to the events and examines their aftermath and continuing implications. Through the museum's collection of more than 74,000 artifacts, photographs and films, digital images, oral histories, video, first-person testimony, and real-time audio recordings from 9/11, the exhibition provides insight into the human drama underway within the hijacked airplanes, the Twin Towers, and the Pentagon, as well as the courageous actions of first responders and civilians assisting one another. The memorial exhibition honors the victims of the attacks with portraits of the nearly 3,000 men, women, and children who were killed in the attacks conveying the scope and scale of loss. See the first new exhibition since the pandemic's onset: ***Towers Rising: Envisioning the World Trade Center Before and After 9/11***, which will remain on view until October 2024. The exhibition enlists works of art and design from the collection to commemorate the planning and building of the original World Trade Center and its iconic Twin Towers, soaring a quarter of a mile into the sky. Featured works also capture the collective determination — and vision — to repair lower Manhattan's skyline after 9/11, redrawing it with a new, permanent memorial honoring the victims of the attacks. *Towers Rising* tells the story of the intense urban renewal that took place in lower Manhattan in two chapters. First, we explore the original construction of the Twin Towers and how its architecture redefined the city's skyline and contributed to contemporary New York's economic vitality. We then transition to lower Manhattan's renewal after 9/11, chronicling key milestones in Ground Zero's transition to a regenerated World Trade Center.

The 9/11 Memorial, which was dedicated on September 11, 2011, is a tribute of remembrance and honor to the nearly 3,000 people killed in the terror attacks of September 11, 2001 and in the World Trade Center bombing in February 1993. The Memorial's twin reflecting pools, which sit within the footprints where the Twin Towers once stood, are each nearly an acre in size and feature the largest manmade waterfalls in the North America. The names of every person who died

in the 2001 and 1993 attacks are inscribed into bronze panels edging the Memorial pools, a powerful reminder of the largest loss of life resulting from a foreign attack on American soil and the greatest single loss of rescue personnel in American history.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Security screening is mandatory for all visitors that enter the Memorial Museum, and will include screening of all bags, equipment, and belongings. Permissible baggage, handbags, backpacks, shopping bags, equipment, and belongings for visitors is limited to 8" x 17" x 19" per item. The following are some items that are prohibited: alcohol, glass bottles, weapons and tools including knives & cutting tools, any type of marking instrument such as paint & markers, powdered substances & liquid soap. Cell phones must be silenced, and not used for placing calls, while visitors are in the museum's exhibition spaces. Personal photography is permitted in certain areas of the museum, but no flash photography is allowed at all inside the museum. The historical exhibition may not be appropriate for visitors younger than 10 years of age.

(Since the length of time spent visiting the museum may vary with passengers, lunch/early dinner will be on your own in the area. There are a number of restaurants & fast-food eateries within a few blocks of the museum. You may also take a bagged lunch onboard the bus to eat before arriving at the museum.)

- travel plaza stop en route

10:30 PM - return to Reisterstown

10:45 PM - return to Westminster



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**PRICES:**

ADULTS	\$132.00
SENIORS 65+	\$126.00
TEEN (ages 13-17)	\$126.00
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(PRICE INCLUDES: motorcoach transportation & admission)

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