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**Christmas Extravaganza**  
**The Homestead Resort**  
**Hot Springs, VA**  
**December 8-11, 2009**  
**4 days/3 nights**  
**\$897**

*Join members and friends for this Christmas tour that includes one night in Washington, DC and two nights at the elegant Homestead Resort, Virginia. Sightseeing includes a Christmas tour of our nation's capital with the author/historian Anthony Pitch, often seen on CNN, the History Channel and other educational programs. We have also included the beautiful and newly restored mansion **Montpelier**, once owned by James and Dolley Madison, near Charlottesville, VA.*



## *Itinerary*

### **Day 1 - GEORGETOWN/NEWARK/ACADEMY OF LIFELONG LEARNING, WILMINGTON/WASHINGTON, DC**

Morning departure takes us to Washington, DC and the lovely Union Station where you can browse through the many shops and have an independent lunch. Then **Anthony Pitch**, our author/historian will join us for a Christmas tour of the city including the National Christmas tree beside the White House, the decorated trees donated by all 50 states and the Christmas tree on the US Capitol grounds. Check-in at our new hotel for an independent dinner and to check out the shops. Afterward we will board our motorcoach to tour around Washington to see the Christmas lights.

### **GAYLORD NATIONAL HOTEL**



### **Day 2 - MONTPELIER/HOMESTEAD RESORT**

Enjoy a delicious breakfast before driving south to the great estate that was the home of President James Madison and his charming, gracious wife, Dolley. Nestled in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains, it has been completely

restored to its original splendor. It was at Montpelier that James Madison conceived of the system of government that became our republic. William and Annie duPont purchased Montpelier in the early 1900's and Annie is well-known for the formal garden she established. We begin at the Visitor's Center to view a video and the duPont Gallery. A guided tour of the home follows. Lunch at the Michie Tavern before continuing to the Homestead Resort and Spa, your home for two nights. Afternoon tea upon arrival (depending on traffic) followed by a delicious dinner and dancing this evening. [Meals BLD](#)

### **HOMESTEAD RESORT HOTEL AND SPA**

#### **Day 3 - THE HOMESTEAD**

The Homestead Resort is not only elegant but well-known for its **genuine** southern hospitality and rich traditions. People return again and again to enjoy the warm hot spring pools, indoor pool, lovely shops, and to dine and dance in the evenings at dinner. The cuisine is outstanding and impeccably presented. The hotel will be beautifully decorated for the holiday season and there are activities to enjoy. [Meals BD](#)

### **HOMESTEAD RESORT HOTEL AND SPA**

#### **Day 4 - HOT SPRINGS/HOME**

Relax and enjoy another delicious breakfast before our 9:30 am departure for Wilmington, stopping enroute for an included lunch and appropriate rest stops. Arrival in Wilmington at approximately 6:00 pm; 8 pm Georgetown. [Meals BL](#)

#### **Tour inclusions:**

Roundtrip motorcoach transportation \* Accommodations for 3 nights in deluxe hotels based on double occupancy \* Admission to sightseeing as per itinerary \* Guided tour of Washington, DC with Anthony Pitch \* Meals include 3 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 2 dinners \* Taxes and gratuities for hotels, included meals, and guides \* Luggage handling \* Services of a Tour Director from 4 Season Tours and Travel.

#### **Not included:**

Items of a personal nature such as phone calls, faxes, alcoholic beverages, driver gratuity.

#### **Conditions:**

- **Reservation deposit \$100 due with each reservation.**
- **Balance due October 3, 2009.**
- **Cancellations: No refunds after October 3, 2009 unless replaced by another passenger.**
- **Trip cancellation/interruption insurance is recommended and available through 4 Seasons Tours and Travel.**