

ANNAPOLIS & ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY 250 ITINERARY



Day 1: At the Head of the Class: Sea, Sky, Spies, and Space

Spend the day at the [U.S. Naval Academy](#) and learn about this iconic American military institution. Begin your visit at the **Halsey Field House** and learn about the mission of the Academy, student life, and how its graduates serve America. The [Armel-Leftwich Visitor Center](#) has interactive exhibits and videos where you can learn about the incredible technology used by the Navy and hear about the achievements of the Academy's graduates, from admirals and generals to moon-walking astronauts. There are all sorts of lunch options on the Yard ranging from casual food trucks to coffee and pastries at [1845 Coffee](#), to **the Alley** in the lower level of the Naval Academy Club. Nearby in **Dahlgren Hall**, see the **Wright Flyer** – a replica of a plane used by naval pilots in 1911. Be sure to visit the **Crypt of John Paul Jones**, the man considered to be the “Father of the U.S. Navy.” End your day with a reflective visit to the **Triton Light**, a monument and active navigational point on the water’s edge dedicated to the safe return of all submariners and honoring those lost at sea.



U.S. Naval Academy



1845 Coffee House

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Day 2: At the Head of the Class: Sea, Sky, Spies, and Space

Morning

Leave the sea behind and take to the skies! Begin the day at the **College Park Aviation Museum**, an interactive museum dedicated to the world's oldest continually operated airfield (since 1909!) where Wilbur Wright himself taught the first military pilots to fly. Hear the stories of those who longed to fly, from those earliest dreamers to the modern-day aviators who continuously aim to push the boundaries of possibility.

Lunch

Stop along the way at [Mission BBQ](#) for classic American BBQ in a patriotic venue serving fresh ingredients while honoring our nation's heroes or Iron Roster at The Hotel, College Park for southern food served with legendary hospitality.

Afternoon

Spend the afternoon at the **NASA Goddard Visitor's Center** and learn about the incredible and exciting work that takes us further and further into space. Experience the new heliophysics exhibit and follow the journey of a solar particle; explore the new Beyond exhibit and learn about all of the ways that curiosity and the thirst for knowledge drives the mission of NASA's exploration of the universe.

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Day 3: At the Head of the Class: Sea, Sky, Spies, and Space

Morning

Start your day with a visit to the [National Cryptology Museum](#), adjacent to the National Security Agency (NSA) headquarters at Fort Meade. Explore the vast collection which includes the German Enigma Machine from WWII, as well as the U.S. Army's Sigaba cypher machine—the only machine to remain completely unbroken during the war. Learn about spy rings under Washington, Native American code talkers, modern encryption and more at this unique museum, just a few steps away from where the real action takes place.



National Cryptology Museum

Lunch

[Crabtowne USA](#), an eclectic local haunt providing fresh seafood and steamed crabs in a fun and funky atmosphere.

Afternoon

Spend the afternoon at the [B&O Railroad Museum](#) and take a firsthand look at the legacy of the American railroad and how it drove the creation of technology and industry in Maryland and beyond. Take a train ride along the nation's first mile of commercial railroad or explore the inside of a mail car from the 1930's. Learn about the relationship between the B&O Railroad and the Underground Railroad and hear about the lives of 27 individuals who fought for their freedom from slavery along the railway.



Crabtowne USA

Evening

Head to [Live! Casino & Hotel](#) for world class live entertainment, a selection of fine food and beverages, and high-end casino games of all kinds.



Live! Casino & Hotel