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Social Story for Visiting George Washington's Ferry Farm

A guide to help prepare for your visit



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I am going to visit George Washington's Ferry Farm.



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When I arrive, I will park in either one of the gravel parking lots beside the visitor center.



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I will walk to the front door of the visitor center. The entrance might be busy, but I can take my time before going inside.



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When I enter, a friendly worker behind the visitor center desk will say hello to me.

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Admission 

Guided Tour
of The Washington House and grounds access

Adult 18+:	\$13
Student:	\$6
Under 6:	Free

Ask about our military and DAR discounts!

Grounds Only
the exterior buildings and trails on site

Adult 18+:	\$9
Student:	\$4
Under 6:	Free

Students 18 and up welcome with a valid ID!

Combo Ticket
Admission to both Ferry Farm and Historic Kenmore

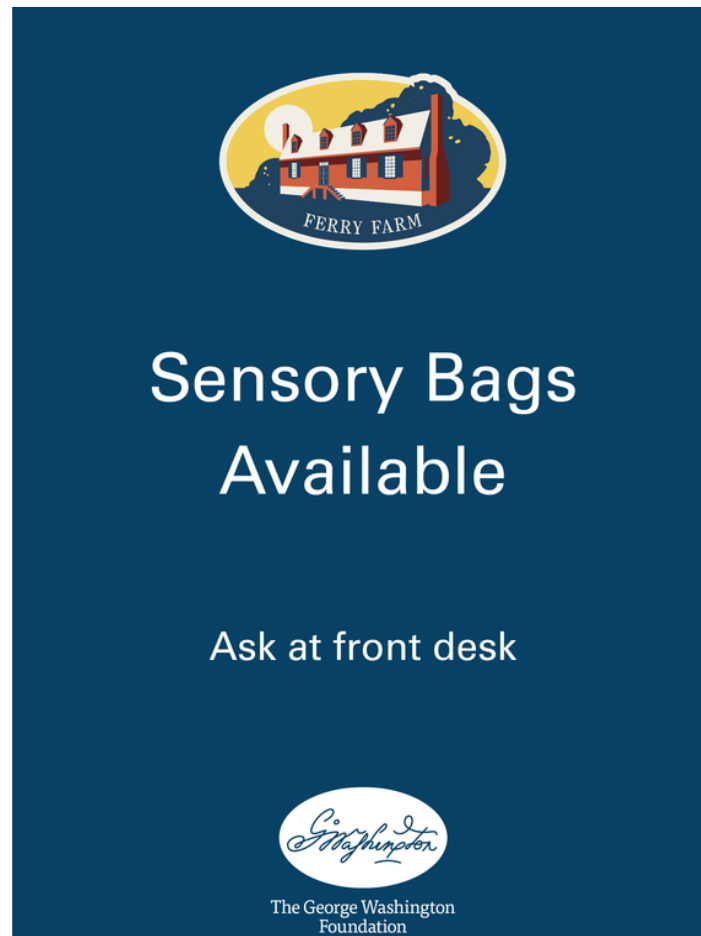
Adult 18+:	\$25
Student:	\$10
Under 6:	Free

Visit both of our historic sites and save \$3!



The worker will ask what I would like to do at George Washington's Ferry Farm. If I am unsure, the worker will help me decide by explaining my options.

After the worker has explained the various visitor-experience options, I will decide which option I would like to choose. I can go visit the visitor center, explore the grounds, and/or go on a house tour.



I can borrow a sensory bag from the front desk if I would like. Inside the sensory bag is a pair of sunglasses, headphones, and fidget toys I can use during my visit. I should return this bag to the front desk before I leave.



If I am visiting the visitor center, I will not need to buy a ticket.

If I am walking around the grounds, I will need to buy a grounds pass. If I buy a grounds pass, I will also be able to visit the visitor center.

If I am touring the Washington House, I will need to buy a house-tour ticket. If I buy a house-tour ticket, I will also be able to visit the visitor center and walk around the grounds.

If I buy a grounds pass or a house-tour ticket, the worker will offer me a grounds map.

If I buy a house-tour ticket, the worker will tell me when the tour will begin and use the map to show me how to get to the Washington house for the tour.



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In the visitor center, I can see an exhibit on archaeology, or the science of digging for history, at Ferry Farm. This exhibit is in a hallway that might feel narrow. From this hallway, I can see through a window into the archaeology lab. I may be able to see people working in the lab. They might also be able to see me, but I do not have to interact with them if I do not want to.



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In the visitor center, I can see an exhibit on the science of history at Ferry Farm. This exhibit is in a large room. There may be other people looking at the exhibit while I am in the room. I should not touch any of the signs or display cases. I can touch and interact with some activities in this room.



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If I buy a grounds pass or a house-tour ticket, I can walk around the Ferry Farm grounds. I should stay out of any roped-off areas while walking.



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If I buy a house-tour ticket, I will meet my tour guide at the Washington House at the time the tour is scheduled to begin.



To get to the Washington House from the visitor center, I will exit through the back door of the visitor center. I will then walk through the garden and follow the path to the Washington House. Depending on how fast I walk, it will probably take me between five and ten minutes to reach the Washington House.



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When I reach the Washington House, my tour guide will welcome me. The tour might have other visitors, but I can stand where I feel comfortable.

The tour will begin outside the house. After the tour guide introduces the house, we will go inside. I can touch most of the objects inside the house, but I should ask my tour guide before doing so. During the tour, I will listen while the tour guide is talking. The tour guide will occasionally ask if I or anyone else has questions. If I have any questions, I can ask them at these points.



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My tour will last for about an hour. If I need a break, I can ask for one.



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Before I leave, I can visit the gift shop in the visitor center. If I want to buy something, I will take it to the worker at the visitor center desk. The shop might have bright lights or different smells, so I can take my time while looking around.



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If I need to use the bathroom, I can go through the back door of the visitor center and turn left. There is a bathroom off the back porch (above left). I can also find bathrooms on the grounds. They are in a large, wooden building (above right), which is on my map.



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When it is time to leave Ferry Farm, I will go back to my car. I can choose to walk through the visitor center and leave via the door I first entered. I can also choose to walk to my car without going back inside.



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I know what to expect, and I am ready to have a great visit! I am going to have a wonderful time at George Washington's Ferry Farm.