

USS Midway *EXCLUSIVE* BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR, ARMED FORCES DAY, MAY 21, 2016

President Harry S. Truman led the effort to establish a single holiday for citizens to come together and thank our military members for their patriotic service in support of our country. On August 31, 1949, Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson announced the creation of an Armed Forces Day to replace separate Army,



Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force Days. The single day celebration stemmed from the unification of the Armed Forces under the Department of Defense.

And what better way to celebrate our armed forces than to encounter the awesome size and power of the USS Midway and experience what it must have been like to serve on a ship that was once the largest in the world.



Experience the awesome size of the USS Midway and what it must have been like to serve on a ship that was once the largest in the world. Our exclusive all-day tour includes travel from Los Angeles and Orange County Amtrak stations to San Diego and back aboard vintage private railcar Colonial Crafts, and a special rarely given behind-the-scenes tour

of the Midway conducted by Scott McGaugh. Mr. McGaugh, Midway Museum Marketing Director, historian and writer of three books on the USS

Midway will be personally conducting our exclusive tour. We will be exploring fascinating sections of the Midway never seen by the visiting public.

The USS Midway was commissioned September 10, 1945 just a week after the end of WWII. The Midway served in our nation's defense including major roles in Vietnam and Operation Desert Storm. Decommissioned on April 12, 1992 the Midway was stored inactive in Bremerton, Washington. In 2003, the Midway was towed to San Diego in 2003, refurbished and opened to the public as a museum on June 7, 2004.

Aboard the private car you'll be pampered by our professional staff who will pro-vide a selection of meals and hors d'oeuvres and dessert items served at seats and available tables. All meals and hors d'oeuvres are prepared by our chef for you fresh in our kitchen, as well as our complimentary bar that features premium labels of beer, wine and spirits.

We will feature one departure this year on Armed Forces Day, May 21, 2015. Space for this unique tour is limited, so sign up now!

Itinerary:

Our private railcar, Colonial Crafts is on the rear of Amtrak's Surfliner Train 566 leaving Los Angeles at 8:30 AM and arriving in San Diego at 11:25 AM. At our private railcar we are greeted by the Steward and staff, who will assist in boarding.

Once aboard the train we settle into our comfortable seats or our bartender will be happy to make you the drink of your choice followed by breakfast as our train glides out of the depot and begins its journey to San Diego. From the San Diego train station, it is a short two block walk to the Midway. While on the Midway, we will be free to roam the public areas after our behind the scenes tours. We will have plenty of time to tour the displays and contemplate life aboard this huge ship. We will reboard Colonial Crafts for a 6:45 PM departure for Los Angeles and home. All too soon, following dessert and a savored cup of coffee, we see our train approaching Los Angeles and realize this very special day is coming to an end.



Notes:

This behind-the-scenes tour involves a lot of walking, and ascent and descent of flights of stairs and ladders. Guests who require a wheelchair will find some areas on this tour are not accessible. However, the public areas of the Midway are accessible.

May days in San Diego are usually warm and clear, with cool to chilly evenings. It's wise to bring a sweater or light jacket.

The tour package includes breakfast, dinner hors d'oeuvres and bar service aboard Colonial Crafts served by our staff at your seat and the available tables.

This tour will be escorted by a member of Colonial Crafts staff.

Tips are not included, nor are they expected for the train staff. However, if you believe you have received exceptional service (and we think you will), please feel free to offer a gratuity. On the train, tips should go to the Steward, who will divide them among all staff. Reservations will be recorded after payments are received. We will email you with confirmation of receipt, and if payment is by credit card, we will email you a receipt of the transaction.

Payment in full **MUST** be received prior to departure. Deposit will be forfeited if your cancellation is received less than 45 days prior to departure.

If we experience insufficient bookings to profitably operate this tour all moneys paid will be refunded, no withholding. Final decision to operate the trip will occur at the latest between 60 and 45 days prior to departure.

If we do find it necessary to cancel, we will not be responsible for fees or penalties assessed by air or other rail carriers.

All guests must be able to walk, either alone, or with assistance. We can transport collapsible wheelchairs, but they cannot be used on board our historic vintage private cars.

We reserve the right to substitute railcar equipment, as may be needed that is capable of providing the kind of luxury service that we offer on this trip. We cannot honor requests for a specific car.

Seating aboard the private railcar is open; there are no reserved seats.



**PLEASE ENROLL US IN THE MIDWAY BEHIND THE SCENES TOUR,
MAY 21, 2016:**

I will be boarding at _____(if not Los Angeles)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, St, Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ - _____

email: _____

Food Allergies or other diet requirements: _____

Fare: \$249 per person including admission
to the Midway and the Behind-the-Scenes Tour: \$ _____

Total Fare \$ _____

10% deposit, required at booking: \$ _____

Note: Payment in full due for bookings received after April 20.

Credit Card: Amex MasterCard Visa

Card Number: _____

Expiration: ___/___ CVV code: _____

Name on Card: _____

Billing address: Same as above OR (specify) _____

Please make checks payable to Colonial Crafts

Mail this form together with deposit (if paying by check) to:
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This tour has been designed with reasonable allowance for delays that may occur while on the train, however, we cannot be responsible for them, or any other occurrence that is beyond our control, including, but not limited to, the unlikely possibility of mechanical problems with the railcar. Travel by any means involves some risk of delay and we ask your kind understanding should one occur, knowing that we will do all in our power to mitigate its effects and get back on schedule.