Sample Itineraries



JEWELRY CLOTHING AND COSTUMES

This itinerary samples the Smithsonian's holdings of apparel, gems and other objects of beauty.

American Indian Museum

Decorative objects here include elegantly painted hides, intricate beadwork, woven clothing and feather bonnets.

African Art Museum

Begin with The Art of the Personal Object, where you'll find richly detailed costumes, masks and accessories from centuries of African artists.



American History Museum

Head for the ever-popular First Ladies exhibition to see the gowns, then to the Hall of Textiles, where you'll find costume collections, fashion sketches and illustrations. Have lunch at the Main Street Café food court before going next door to Natural History.

Natural History Museum

Among the beautiful array of gemstones on the second floor is the Hope diamond, perhaps the most famous jewel in history, and the 138-carat Rosser Reeves ruby.

Renwick Gallery

Finish up in downtown Washington with a visit to see the Renwick Gallery's crafts and decorative arts. The gift shop sells items by artists represented in the collections.

