Couples Weekend With Planning Your Escape

We hit the National Mall, paddled around the Tidal Basin, popped into a museum, and finished off our day with great food and theater. Follow along our day in Washington, DC. Learn more about our adventures at http://planningourescape.com.
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9:30 AM
Eastern Standard Time
Departure

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10:00 AM
Eastern Standard Time

Rent Paddle Boats & Cruise the Tidal Basin

http://boatingindc.com/boathouses/tidal-basin/
Walk Back Across the Mall to Lunch Spot
After paddle boating we made our way back to the National Mall. We ended up passing the Washington Monument along the way and checked out the WWII Memorial. We began to get hungry so looked up a few options for lunch.
Lunch at Timgad Cafe
https://www.timgadcafe.com/about_us

New to DC and one of its kind, Timgad Café is an internationally local coffee shop that features quality espressos, sandwiches, and salads.

Tucked into the lower concourse level of the Ronald Reagan Building Plaza beside the Federal Triangle Metro Station's entrance, our customer community consists of the good people from USAID, the EPA, the Woodrow Wilson International Center, tourists from all around the world visiting the nation's capitol, and other downtown DC commuters. With quality ingredients, a commitment to social and environmental justice, and community-oriented loyalty, Timgad is a haven you'll love coming back to.
National Museum Of African American History And Culture
Since this museum is new, it is best to do a free timed entry pass - https://nmaahc.si.edu/visit/passes. We ended up spending 2-3 hours here at this museum.

Walk to Del Campo
It was about a mile to Del Campo from the museum, this took us through downtown so we were able to see more of the city.
Dinner at Del Campo
We wanted to celebrate with an upscale meal. We chose Del Campo.

About...
The lifestyle and food culture celebrated on an estancia, a large South American vineyard estate, is the inspiration for Victor Albisu’s flagship restaurant in the Chinatown neighborhood of Washington, D.C. The airy, 174-seat agrarian space is home to a meat-driven, wine-centric menu that is a product of Albisu’s Latin American roots and travels throughout Argentina, Chile, Peru, and Uruguay.

An extensive selection of steaks and various slow-roasted meats served with vibrant herb sauces, such as chimichurris and fresh salsas is the backbone of Del Campo’s menu. Albisu’s Peruvian heritage shows itself in the form of a Latin raw bar of ceviches, tiraditos and crudos. The wine program leans heavily towards South American varietals, which are decanted in traditional Argentinean carafes.
Walk to Ford's Theater
It is a quick walk from Dinner to Ford's Theater
Show at Ford's Theater
https://www.fords.org/performances/current-and-upcoming/