

USS *Constellation* Overnight Schedule and Activity Description

Please note, the schedule is subject to changes due to varying factors such as group arrival time and weather.

5:00 PM/1700 Hours – Group will assemble on Pier I in Baltimore’s Inner Harbor and meet the lead educator for the overnight. During inclement weather, meet in the sheltered space between the Ship’s Store entrance and Museum entrance.

5:15 PM/1715 Hours – Lead educator will brief participants about safety aboard ship and will induct them into life aboard *Constellation*. Afterwards, participants will board the ship and stow their gear.

6:00 PM/1800 Hours – Hands-on Activity: *Brace the Yards!*

Overnight participants haul the lines (braces) that move the yards that hold the sails. Through teamwork and a lot of hauling, participants see how 20,000 square feet of canvas are made to catch the wind and propel the ship across the sea.

6:20 PM/1820 Hours – Hands-on Activity: *Anchors Aweigh!*

Participants heave ‘round the ship’s capstan. The capstan was used for lifting and moving most of the heavy objects found on a ship such as the anchors and cargo.

7:00 PM/1900 Hours – Presentation: *All Things Edible and Inedible: Food in the Navy!*

The ship’s cook leads a discussion about Civil War dining. Come and find out the difference between slush, squares, and dandyfunk, and what they each have to do with dining on board a U.S. naval warship.

7:15 PM/1915 Hours – Dinner

8:00 PM/2000 Hours – Fire Drill followed by a full tour of *Constellation*.

9:00 PM/2100 Hours – *Scavenger Hunt!*

An old-fashioned scavenger hunt culminates the learning experience as Ship’s Boys use what they have learned to discover shipboard locations in a race against time.

9:45 PM/2145 Hours – Preparations for Lights Out

10:00 PM/2200 Hours – Lights Out; Begin Night Watch.

6:00 AM/0600 Hours – Reveille

7:15 AM/0715 Hours – Morning Muster and Inspection

7:45 AM/0745 Hours – Breakfast

8:15 AM/0815 Hours – Hands-on Activity: *Gun Drill!*

This hands-on activity provides overnight participants with a first-hand experience at manning a mid-19th century naval cannon. Participants learn by doing the teamwork and skill required to load and fire a 7,500 pound gun.

8:45 AM/0845 Hours – *Commence Firing!*

Each overnight concludes with a live-firing demonstration of one of the ship’s great guns.

9:00 AM/0900 Hours – Debriefing and Departure