Top 5 Reasons to Choose Washington DC

1. **The enormous convention facilities are centrally located.**
   Set between Shaw and CityCenter, the **Walter E. Washington Convention Center** is the city’s main meeting hub, with 2.3 million square feet of event space. Within two miles, off-site venue options for dinners and galas include the soaring **Newseum**, the **National Building Museum**, the **Beaux-Arts Union Station**, and the elegant **Carnegie Library**. The **Madison hotel** is within a few blocks’ walk of the convention center, and, in 2019, The **Conrad** will bring 360 rooms to CityCenter.

2. **It has a stellar multicultural dining scene.**
   The D.C. food scene is booming and it champions food from a wealth of different cultures. In Shaw, enjoy Michelin-starred Mid-Atlantic fare at The **Dabney** and modern French-American at **Convivial**, both of which have private rooms for groups. Multi-use development **CityCenter** hosts the sleek Italian **Centrolina** – also with a private room – and Japanese-fusion **Momofuku**, which can host groups of up to 65. The adjacent Penn Quarter is home to celebrity chef Jose Andres’ **Zaytinya**, **Jaleo**, **China Chilcano**, and **Oyamel**, all of which can accommodate large groups.

3. **You’ll find art, culture, and history all over the city.**
   It’s hard to go anywhere in D.C. without getting up close with US culture and history. Pre-scheduled, docent-led tours can be arranged at Smithsonian attractions like the **National Gallery of Art** and **National Museum of African American History and Culture**. the **National Portrait Gallery** and **American Art Museum**, and the **Renwick Gallery**. Book group tickets for author and actor talks at **Sixth & I**, comedy at the **Warner Theatre**, new plays at **Theater J**, and musical acts at **The Anthem**.

4. **Getting around D.C. is a breeze.**
   Washington Reagan National (DCA) is five miles south of downtown, while both **Baltimore-Washington International** (BWI) and **Washington Dulles International** (IAD) are roughly one hour from the National Mall. Metro offers direct service to DCA, and both BWI and IAD are accessible by a combination of Metro and shuttle-bus service. BWI is also connected to D.C.’s Union Station via Amtrak. You’ll find additional downtown routes on the **Southwest Shuttle** and $1-to-ride **Circulator bus**.

5. **You’ll be staying in style.**
   Book your group at a **Hilton hotel** and experience DC’s eclectic neighborhoods.