

NATIONAL HOLIDAYS, SONGS, LANDMARKS, AND SYMBOLS

What are National Holidays?

National Holidays are those days set aside to **honor people or events** important in the history of a country. Some of the holidays celebrated in the United States of America are:

- **Washington's Birthday** is the holiday set aside to honor our first President.
- **Flag Day**, celebrated on June 14, is the day set aside to honor the flag of the United States.
- **Labor Day**, celebrated on the first Monday of September, honors all workers.
- **Colombus Day**, celebrated on October 12, is the day set aside to honor the explorer Christopher Columbus.
- **Thanksgiving**, celebrated on the fourth Thursday of November, is the day set aside to honor the Pilgrims and the Native Americans.

What is the Star-Spangled Banner?

A song that honors the United States flag. It was written in 1796 by Francis and Anna Smith. The lyrics are:

What are National Landmarks?

Our nation has many landmarks.

Landmarks like the **Jefferson Memorial**, the **Lincoln Memorial**, the **Washington Monument**, and the **Statue of Liberty** are owned by all Americans and are symbols of our common values and history.



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