

**STEP INTO 1940s LOS ANGELES:
AVIATION, ESPIONAGE & THE COLD WAR**

On Sale May 5th

Victory & Vigilance: Exploring WWII and the Cold War

Today we uncover the stories of heroism, resilience, and strategic power that shaped the world from World War II through the Cold War era. This journey will take us aboard a legendary battleship, offer us a waterfront lunch, and conclude with a deep dive into Cold War history at a unique museum. Sit back, relax, and enjoy this immersive historical experience.

Stop 1: USS Iowa Battleship Museum (San Pedro)

Arrival: "Our first stop is the USS Iowa, a battleship that played a critical role in WWII, the Korean War, and the Cold War. Dubbed the 'Battleship of Presidents,' it famously transported President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1943.

For our visit, we've arranged an abbreviated docent-led tour focused exclusively on the main deck. This easy-walking experience highlights the ship's most iconic features while sharing fascinating insights into its history, the lives of the sailors, and its role in major global conflicts." **DIFFICULTY LEVEL 2"**

Stop 2: Terminal Island Memorial

Arrival: "Before heading to lunch, we'll make a special stop at the Terminal Island Memorial, dedicated to the Japanese fishing community that once thrived here before World War II. This solemn yet powerful site commemorates the forced relocation and internment of Japanese Americans, offering a moment of reflection on the human cost of war."

Wrap-Up: "This memorial reminds us of the deep and lasting impacts of war on individuals and communities. Now, let's enjoy lunch before our final stop."

Stop 3: Lunch at Bubba Gump Shrimp Co. (Long Beach)

Arrival: "We'll head to Long Beach for lunch at Bubba Gump Shrimp Co., located right on the waterfront in Shoreline Village. Enjoy fresh seafood and classic American comfort food in a fun, casual setting inspired by the beloved film Forrest Gump. Take in the harbor view while dining at your own pace."

Lunch Menu — Please choose one when signing up:

Coconut Shrimp - Alabama Chicken Linguine- BBQ Ribs Vegetarian meal available upon request.

Stop 4: The Wendt Museum (Culver City)

Art Museum

The Wendt Museum houses one of the most extensive collections of Cold War-era artifacts outside of Europe. Founded in 2002, this museum preserves over 100,000 items, offering an inside look into life behind the Iron Curtain. We'll see everything from Soviet propaganda and East German surveillance technology to personal letters and original Berlin Wall fragments.

The Cold War wasn't just about political tension—it was a battle of ideologies, fought in the shadows through intelligence operations, nuclear deterrence, and cultural influence. As we explore, consider how these past conflicts continue to shape our world today.

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