

Getting to the 2024 National Memorial Day Parade Metro Subway Option

SAR Compatriots, consider Metro as a travel option for the upcoming National Memorial Day Parade!

If you are unfamiliar with the Metro subway system, here is a brief summary to get you started.

Please note that although availability cannot be reserved or guaranteed,

Metro Station parking is FREE, Memorial Day.

The 2024 pre-parade Assembly/Muster area and time have not been received from the 2024 Parade Organizer as of this writing. However, we believe that the forthcoming information is likely to be the same as in 2023:

Assembly/Muster Area:

7th Street, NW, between Madison Drive, NW and Jefferson Drive, SW

Assembly/Muster Area Arrive By Time: 1 p.m.

Anticipated Parade Step Off Time: 2 p.m.

Link to Metro's Trip Planner:

<https://wmata.com/schedules/trip-planner>

Example:

1. Once on the Trip Planner webpage, enter the From and To information. (Ex. From "Springfield Metro Station" To "Archives Metro Station".
2. Click on More Options:
3. Click the Down Arrow in the first box to change "Leave At" to "Arrive By" (if desired).
4. Enter 12:30PM as your Arrive By time (Giving yourself a little extra time).
5. Change the Date to May 27.
6. Change the "I Can Walk Up To" setting to "1/4 Mile"
7. Click the Travel By "Rail" radio button to select the Metro subway only.
8. Click the "Plan My Trip" button...
9. You should receive your "**Trip Planner Results**" suggested departure time from your selected Metro Station and arrival time at the Archives Metro Station.
10. **For more specific assistance, call Metro customer service at: (202) 637-7000.**

The screenshot shows the Metro Trip Planner interface. The 'FROM' field is set to 'FRANCONIA SPRINGFIELD METRO STATION' and the 'TO' field is 'Archives Metro Station'. The 'Travel by' section has 'Rail' selected. The 'Arrive By' section is set to '12:30 PM ON May 27'. The 'Show me the route that' dropdown is set to 'Gets me there first'. The 'I can walk up to' dropdown is set to '1/4 mile'. There is a 'FEWER OPTIONS ↑' link and a 'PLAN MY TRIP' button.

The screenshot shows the 'Trip Planner Results' page. It displays the trip details: 'From FRANCONIA SPRINGFIELD METRO STATION | To Archives Metro Station' and 'Arriving by 12:30 PM | On May 27'. There are 'MODIFY MY TRIP' and 'PLAN RETURN TRIP' buttons. The main content is 'ITINERARY 1 - 39 MINS'. It shows a departure at 11:50am and arrival at 12:27pm. The itinerary consists of: 1) BLUE LINE - 24 mins (Departing from FRANCONIA SPRINGFIELD METRO, boarding at 11:53am, arriving at PENTAGON METRO STATION at 12:17pm); 2) YELLOW LINE - 7 mins (Departing from PENTAGON METRO STATION, boarding at 12:20pm, arriving at ARCHIVES METRO STATION at 12:27pm); 3) Walk - 0 min (Exit station at ARCHIVES METRO STATION to destination). The fare is \$6.00 (with a \$3.00 discount for seniors/disabled/Metro Lift) and it saves 8 lbs of CO2. There is an 'Email itinerary 1' button and a 'SEND' button.

We expect the Muster Point to be a 2.5 blocks walk south on 7th Street after exiting the Archives Metro Station. ***'See you there!'***