



Cell Phone Tour Scripts
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GENERAL GREETING

Welcome to the Flight 93 National Memorial Cell Phone Tour. Tour stops are indicated by signs throughout the park. Stops range from under a minute to approximately 5 minutes. If you have a smart phone, you can explore the memorial's mobile website by scanning QR (Quick Response) codes on these signs. To leave feedback, press *0. Thank you again for visiting Flight 93 National Memorial.

A COMMON FIELD - Orientation Tour Stop 102

Welcome to Flight 93 National Memorial. From your current location, it is a 3 ½ mile drive down the Approach Road and Ring Road to the Memorial Plaza at the crash site. This land you will travel through has been transformed several times. This area was first settled in the late 1700s. For a century and a half, much of the area was wooded, with cultivated fields and pastures surrounding a few scattered farmhouses and barns. Beginning in the 1950s, mining reshaped the landscape. Huge machines scraped away layers of soil and rock to reveal long, black seams of coal. A deep mine was bored under what is now the northern portion of the memorial. Enormous trucks traveled this road, hauling away coal to steel mills and power plants. By the mid-1990s, the surface mining was finished, though deep mining continued until 2002. Now this land is undergoing restoration. As you travel through the memorial, remnants of the mining process are still visible in the form of treatment ponds, trace roads, and altered land contours. A long-term reforestation effort is also currently underway. Wildlife such as hawk, turkey, deer, bear, pheasant, groundhog, snake, and many other species abound in the lands of the memorial. Please be aware of wildlife as you travel along the park roads to the Memorial Plaza at the crash site.