Captain & Chief Engineer Tours - FAQs

What is the Captain's Tour?
Showcasing authority and command operations as the Captain would have experienced on board, guests will walk in the footsteps of 20 great commanding officers who served on the historic battleship. Guests will start in the Wardroom, where the ship's officers dined and then head to Radio Central, highlighting the commanding officer's communication with force commanders while underway. Next, guests will enter the most luxurious space onboard, the Captain's in-port cabin, where distinguished visitors were invited, including President Harry Truman, Bob Hope, and Marilyn Monroe. Stop in the Combat Engagement Center home to the ship's modern weapons system and enjoy a final stop inside of Navigation Conning Tower.

What is the Chief Engineer's Tour?
Showcasing the power and mechanics behind the Mighty Mo that made her one of the biggest and fastest battleships in history. Venture down Broadway, the longest and widest passage on the ship, and learn about the Chief Engineer and the 500 plus Sailors under his command. Stop in Fire Room #4 where you'll get an intimate look at a three-story Babcock & Wilcox boiler then head into Engine Room #4 and see the machinery responsible for propelling the 887-foot battlewagon at top speeds of 30 knots. A stop in the aft plotting room will give guests a chance to fires the big guns! Leave with an appreciation for the men who worked below the water line in the heart of the Missouri.

How does this tour differ from the Mighty Mo tour?
The Mighty Mo Tour is primarily an above deck tour that highlights the historical significance of America's last battleship. Those wanting to learn exactly how a battleship works and the commander's responsibilities will love Captain's & Chief Engineer's Tours. An experienced tour guide takes guests above and below decks into areas unavailable from the tour route.

Are there any safety concerns involved with these tours?
Battleships weren't built for comfort, but we have made these tours as safe as possible without damaging the authenticity of the experience. Both tours are physically strenuous, and they are not recommended for those with mobility constraints. You must be able to climb "ladders," (Navy-talk for steep, narrow stairs), step over high obstacles and navigate through tight doorways and low overheads. Closed toe shoes are recommended and the tour is limited to guests ages 10 and above.

What time should I arrive for the tour?
We ask that all visitors arrive to the Battleship Missouri Memorial 15 minutes ahead of your scheduled tour time. If you are using the complimentary shuttle from the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center, please arrive to the visitor center no less than 1 hour prior to your tour time. Late arrivals to the Battleship Missouri Memorial must be rescheduled.

What are the Battleship Missouri's hours of operation?
The Battleship Missouri Memorial is open daily from 8 a.m.to 4 p.m. General Admission is $44.99 for adults and $24.99 for children (4-12). The pass includes admission and a guided tour. For $34.99 more, guests may upgrade to the Captain's Tour (45 minute tour) or Chief Engineer's Tour (60 minute tour), guided tours that focuses the Commander of the Battleship (Captain's Tour) or the extensive mechanics behind this Iowa-class battleship which was designed for speed and firepower (Chief Engineer's Tour). For visitor information or to reserve a tour, call (808) 454-1434 / (808) 455-1600 or visit ussmissouri.org.