Wright Brothers Day 2026 Flights and Visit Sheet

Thu., Dec. 17, 2026: four flights and a visit checklist

MARK THE DATE

- [ ] Wright Brothers Day 2026; first powered flights were Dec. 17, 1903 — Thu., Dec. 17
- [ ] Fees waived at Wright Brothers National Memorial only (per person, 16 or older) — Dec. 17

THE FOUR FLIGHTS OF DEC. 17, 1903 (NPS)

- [ ] 12 seconds, 120 feet — Flight 1
- [ ] 12 seconds, 175 feet — Flight 2
- [ ] 15 seconds, 200 feet — Flight 3
- [ ] 59 seconds, 852 feet — Flight 4

BEFORE YOU GO

- [ ] Check the 2026 anniversary program on the park's news page — Before Dec. 17
- [ ] Check the park's hours page; it lists Christmas Day as closed — Before Dec. 17
- [ ] Get a free timed-entry pass for the National Air and Space Museum — Before Dec. 17

WHERE TO GO

- [ ] Memorial: 1401 National Park Drive, Manteo, North Carolina — Dec. 17
- [ ] Museum: Gallery 107, the original 1903 Wright Flyer, 10 am to 5:30 pm — Dec. 17

NEXT DATES

- [ ] Wright Brothers Day 2027 — Fri., Dec. 17, 2027

Where I will mark the first flight on Dec. 17

Source: National Park Service, Four Powered Flights and Wright Brothers National Memorial fees; NASA, 115 Years Ago; Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum.