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First Ladies

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Based on the popular Smithsonian's exhibition of the same name, *First Ladies* examines the duties of the presidential partner. It explores how the role created by Martha Washington and Abigail Adams has developed into one of celebrity and power. Through the clothing, collectibles, and portraits of **forty-two First Families**, visitors experience the campaign trails, diplomatic missions, and social causes championed by presidents' wives throughout our nation's history.

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