

The Aerospace & Defense Forum

Special Guided Tour of the F/A-18 Super Hornet Manufacturing and Assembly Line

Orange County Chapter
October 3, 2013 Meeting

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You must register **BEFORE SEPT 5**

Both members and non-members must register to attend. No "walk-ins" are permitted on this tour.

When registering, you will be asked for the full name of the attendee, the attendee's e-mail address, date of birth and drivers' license number. Because this is a secured facility, everyone attending must be cleared in advance. On September 5 the list of attendee names will be given to Northrop. No one can register after this date.

After September 5, each attendee will be sent via e-mail a Clearance Form by Northrop. This must be filled out completely and returned to Northrop by the time specified in the e-mail.

Registration Fees:

Free - A&D Forum member price -
Members have exclusive
access

to registration until August 22
\$.30 - Non-member Early Bird after

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Special Guided Tour of
Navy and Marine
F/A-18 Super Hornet
Manufacturing and Assembly Line

August 22 and until August 29
\$40 - Non-member after August 29

A&D Forum members get first chance to register, until August 22. Thereafter the registration for the tour is open to all.

A&D Forum tours tend to "sell out", so do not delay your registration.

If the tour "sells out", a wait list will be established.

Anyone who RSVPs, and does not show up without notifying [Ivan](#) in advance will not be permitted to sign up for A&D Forum tours for a year.

You will receive multiple invitations, regardless of whether you have registered. Please do not register more than once.

Become an A&D Forum Member

A&D Forum members attend any chapter meeting for free, receive a monthly Newsletter, have first call on tours, and can access the website member areas, such as the Calendar, presentation recordings, articles, and What's New pages, among other benefits. One year Individual Memberships are \$250 and Corporate Memberships (3 Individual Memberships) are \$500.

Join through the A&D Forum website:
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Please join us on Thursday, October 3, for very special presentations and a tour of the F/A-18 Super Hornet manufacturing and assembly line in El Segundo.

Meeting

7:00 am: Check in begins. All attendees MUST bring a photo

ID. All foreign nationals MUST bring either their ACTIVE residency card OR passport with them on

the day of the tour.

7:30 am: Participants escorted to briefing room and breakfast.

7:50 am: Program begins, welcome, company overview

8:10 am: Approximately, tours begin. We will see:

-- Composite manufacturing center: Where the company's state-of-the-art composite components

are produced.

-- F/A-18 assembly line

9:00 am: Tours end and adjournment

9:15 am: All participants will have exited the facility.

The F/A-18 Super Hornet

The **F/A-18E/F Super Hornet** is a twin-engine carrier-based multirole fighter aircraft variant based on the McDonnell Douglas F/A-18 Hornet. The F/A-18E single-seat and F/A-18F tandem-seat variants are larger and more advanced derivatives of the F/A-18C and D Hornet. The Super Hornet has an internal 20 mm gun and can carry air-to-air missiles and air-to-surface weapons. Additional fuel can be carried in up to five external fuel tanks and the aircraft can be configured as an airborne tanker by adding an external air refueling system.

The Super Hornet first flew in 1995. Full-rate production began in September 1997.

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A&D Forum Website

AerospaceDefenseForum.org

(above descriptions drawn from Wikipedia)

October 3, 2013 Meeting

- [Click here](#) for a map showing you the meeting location and where to go after you park (Lobby of Building 203).
- Everyone must be escorted on and off the property. We cannot promise you will be able to join the meeting if you arrive after 7:30am. Once the tour starts, you will not be able to leave until the tour is complete.
- Photo id's (driver's license or passport) are required at check-in.
- Non-US citizens are welcome. All foreign nationals HAVE to bring either their ACTIVE residency card OR passport with them on the day of the tour.
- Because this is a secured facility, no pictures can be taken, cellphones used, or any recordings made inside the facility, including where networking will take place. Please leave all cameras, personal computer devices, AND CELLPHONES in your car..
- The meeting will consist of a presentation and a 45-minute tour.
- The tour is limited to 40 people. We will be splitting into 2 groups and will take the 2 portions of the tour separately. Each group will start at the same time and then switch to the other portion of the tour half way through. Tour guides will be provided for each tour who can answer questions along the way. The tours will include about 45 minutes of walking.
- Comfortable clothes and shoes highly recommended.
- Please let us know in advance of any attendee with mobility issues so arrangements may be made.
- Parking is free.
- A light continental breakfast will be available starting at 7:30AM.
- Bring a business card - they will be duplicated and everyone will get a copy of all attendees' cards. .
- Because of the large number expected to attend, introductions will be minimal - your name, company, industry, and a 5 word "elevator speech". We encourage you to be creative!

Event Info

Thursday, October 3, 2013
7:30AM-9:00AM

Northrop Grumman Aerospace Systems
Building 203,
813 Hornet Way
Ft. Belvoir, CA 90245

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