

## Washington, D.C.



From the White House to the Lincoln Memorial, the many iconic buildings of Washington D.C. act as a visual shorthand for the language of governance. Proud boulevards and avenues find interplay with gently shaded lanes, while the Potomac winds its way to the Atlantic. A deeply traditional elegance personified by 19th century rowhouses, cobbled alleys and gracious parks has come to embrace a fast-paced, sophisticated modernity. Cultural treasures are held in trust while the present thrives every day in the streets. It is a city imbued with history yet dashing contemporary, welcoming both residents and international citizens, ever-changing, moving to the rhythm of power and influence.

### Memorable Experiences

#### Spring Gift

Walk enveloped amongst the cherry trees of the Tidal Basin.

#### Smoky Blue

Enjoy the blues, a music with deep roots in the region, at local nightclubs.

#### National Grandeur

Visit the breathtaking monuments and memorials of the National Mall.

#### Honor & Tradition

Reflect on history in the serenity of Arlington National Cemetery.

### Distinctive Details

Rising high above the city, the unmistakable colonnaded dome of the United States Capitol shimmers in its reflecting pool and dominates all views of Capitol Hill, a formidable monument of democracy.

### Starwood Preferred Guest Recommends

#### Dumbarton Oaks

Grassy slopes graced with weeping cherry trees and the spreading branches of oak and maple host brick footpaths for leisurely strolls. Flagstone terraces and numerous enclosed gardens lend a graceful formality and invite exploration.

### Destination Information

**Country** United States  
**Elevation** 0-409 Feet  
**Population** 591,833 (City) 5.3 million (Area)  
**Language** English



**Area Code:** 202  
**Country Code:** 1



**Reagan National Airport (DCA)**  
**Dulles International Airport (IAD)**  
**Baltimore-Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BWI)**



**Transportation:** Car, Taxi, T (Subway)



**US Dollar (USD)**

### Nearby Luxury Collection Hotels and Resorts



#### The Fairfax at Embassy Row

2100 Massachusetts Avenue  
N.W. Washington, DC 20008  
Phone: (202) 293-2100



## Culture

A stunning panoply of resources is brought together in a feast for all the senses.

### Highly Recommended



#### Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts

Its reflection sparkling in the Potomac River, the Center's iconic modern lines rise above an emerald greensward. A breathtaking calendar of performances occur throughout the entire year, with evocative music filling the hall and the powerful grace of dancers moving across the storied stage. The National Symphony Orchestra welcomes world-renowned guest artist while acclaimed international companies like the Bolshoi Ballet complement the Center's own ensemble, the Suzanne Farrell Ballet. Jazz, theater, and contemporary dance round out the sumptuous offerings.

**Address: 2700 F Street NW**  
**Phone: (202) 467-4600**



#### Newseum

An eloquent statement of purpose, a seventy-four foot high marble engraving of the First Amendment, dominates the facade of the Newseum. It complements the immense front wall of glass, an apt metaphor of transparency, providing a view into the seven levels of galleries. Headlines chase around displays in real time and a full-scale newsroom offers a realistic experience of preparing broadcast news reports. A myriad of exhibits and interactive features explore five centuries of news history and the role of press and media in the lives of every citizen.

**Address: 555 Pennsylvania Avenue NW**  
**Phone: (888) 639-7386**



#### Museums of the Smithsonian Institution

A distinctive red sandstone edifice with a Gothic grandeur, the Smithsonian Castle hosts the beginning point for a journey of discovery. An extraordinary institution encompassing the entire spectrum of human cultural and scientific endeavor, the nineteen museums and nine research centers of the Smithsonian represent an awe-inspiring bequest. Proudly lining the National Mall, the museums' location at the heart of the Capitol is emblematic of the vision of the Institution's founding, that it be an instrument of "the increase and diffusion of knowledge.

**Address: 1000 Jefferson Drive SW**  
**Phone: (202) 633-1000**

### Local Specialty



#### Corcoran Gallery

Palm trees and lush tropical foliage fringe the shores of a placid lake under a sultry sky, a dreamy evocation of an exotic land. Tamaca Palms, by Frederic Church, is part of the Corcoran's permanent collection of nineteenth century American art, among the finest in the world. Strong, too, are contemporary works by the likes of Richard Diebenkorn, Sean Scully, and Ellsworth Kelly. European masterworks by Corot, Degas, and Vigee-Lebrun, and prints and drawings by James Whistler, Mary Cassat, and Charles Demuth are among other notable holdings.

**Address: 500 17th Street NW**  
**Phone: (202) 639-1700**



## Shopping

The discerning eye finds much to please in the city's boutiques and districts.

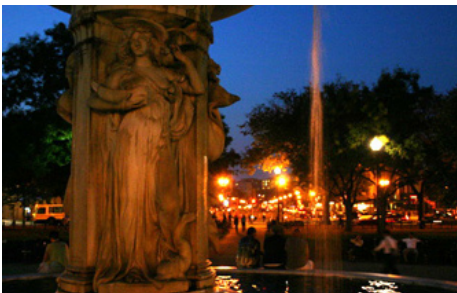
### Neighborhoods



#### Georgetown

Passing boats on the Potomac and quiet tree-shaded walkways along the C&O Canal lend an idyllic feel to the district. Lively pedestrian street life meets a cosmopolitan mix of signature local boutiques interspersed with international lines in Georgetown. Appalachian Spring offers traditional American crafts while sparkling jewelry at Celine de Paris is presented with panache. High style for the home can be found at Ligne Roset, Boffi, and fine antique galleries, while riverfront cafes invite for memorable dining.

**Address: The Georgetown Historic District is roughly bounded by Reservoir Road NW, and Dumbarton Oaks Park on the north; Rock Creek Park on the east; the Potomac River on the south; and Glover-Archbold Parkway on the west**



#### Dupont Circle

A grand neoclassical fountain, its bowl resting upon a massive pedestal graced with allegorical carvings of the sea, sky and stars, anchors a grassy park at the heart of this vibrant district. Galleries, museums, bookstores, theaters, and ample nightlife draw visitors from throughout the city. A Sunday farmers market brings fresh fare to the heart of the metropolis. Fine wines can be found at Best Cellars, handcrafted letterpress stationery at Written Word, and functional pieces for the home at Tabletop DC.

**Address: The intersection of Massachusetts Avenue, Connecticut Avenue, New Hampshire Avenue, P Street and 19th Street**

### Shops & Boutiques



#### Apartment Zero

From sleekly rounded chairs in jewel-toned transparent polycarbonate to whisper-soft Danish-crafted alpaca throws and low-slung console cabinets in streamlined, warm wood, Apartment Zero is an oasis of contemporary design. Set against the shop's bright cherry walls, all the wares are defined by the mantra of beautiful and functional, possessing iconic and sleek qualities. Pieces from the Netherlands, Denmark, Italy, Canada, and the US are introduced by a superbly expert and welcoming staff.

**Address: 406 7th Street NW**

**Phone: (202) 628-4067**



#### Carbon

On stepped displays that span the length of the store, shoes command the spotlight at Carbon. Inside this Woodley Park boutique, lines for men and women are selected for their directional design and city-perfect comfort. A playful attitude characterizes the shop, which also stocks a well-edited collection of clothing, accessories, clean-lined modern furniture, and Gidigio handbags, with their impeccable construction and graceful practicality.

**Address: 2643 Connecticut Ave NW**

**Phone: (202) 232-6645**



## Cuisine

High-profile dining showcases refreshing takes on classic culinary traditions.

## Acclaimed



### The Jockey Club

With its bold plaid walls, plush seating and equestrian paintings, The Jockey Club has long been a favored destination of the city's insiders, visiting diplomats and Hollywood royalty. Its décor reveals an atmosphere respectful of tradition, yet eminently comfortable. Mid-Atlantic ingredients shine in such dishes as Chesapeake crab and avocado timbale, east coast oysters splashed with shallot-infused sweet potato vinegar, and Long Island duck rillettes on toasted black pepper brioche.

**Address: The Fairfax at Embassy Row**

**Phone: (202) 835-2100**



### Jaleo

Rich woods and bright turquoise tiles convey the lively warmth of Spain at Jaleo, a contemporary celebration of the traditional small plates style of Spanish cuisine. Chilled gazpacho offers bright clean notes, while varietal sheep's milk cheeses evoke nuanced tastes of sweet, tangy, nutty, and smoked. Classic tapas such as shrimp sautéed with garlic and guindilla pepper are juxtaposed with the modern renderings of warm green bean salad with apricots and Serrano ham. Expertly chosen wines and sherries complement the spectrum of dishes.

**Address: 480 7th Street NW**

**Phone: (202) 628-7949**



### Central Michel Richard

Pale caramel leather, wood and granite set a mood that is modern and welcoming. In this chic bistro, classic American dishes are lent a French touch. Gougeres, cheese puffs, delight as a starter, a burger here is crafted of lobster and layered with scallop mousse, while macaroni and cheese is enlivened with sour cream. Mussel chowder pleases, ribeye steak is a perennial favorite and the French fries are delicately dusted with herbs. Apple pan dowdy provides a sweet finish.

**Address: 1001 Pennsylvania Avenue NW**

**Phone: (202) 626-0015**



### Charlie Palmer Steak

An elegant interior juxtaposes intimacy with expansiveness, and reinvents the steakhouse with a progressive approach to American cuisine driven by artisanal ingredients. That focus extends to the wine inventory, with thousands of selections representing every state. Slow-braised wagyu short ribs are paired with divers scallops, while roasted pork loin chop is glazed with confit and orange juniper marmalade. Meats enjoy a starring role, but seafood also shines, with thoughtful starters and accompaniments providing balancing notes.

**Address: 101 Constitution Avenue NW**

**Phone: (202) 547-8100**



## Noteworthy

Historic and contemporary locales serve as the backdrop for enriching adventures.

### Adventure

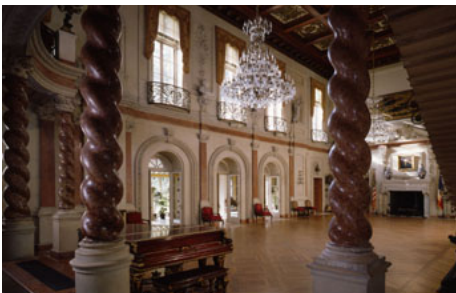


#### International Spy Museum

Deceptively small and simple, the Enigma ciphering machine resembles a modified typewriter. Yet this electro-mechanical device generated the long-impenetrable Enigma code used by Germany in World War II. It took the world's first computing machine, Colossus I, to crack the code. Dedicated to the art, science and history of espionage, the Museum explores the strategy and techniques of spycraft. Fascinating displays and exhibits, including such iconic artifacts as the lipstick pistol, are augmented by special events and lectures by practitioners of espionage.

**Address: 800 F Street NW**  
**Phone: (202) 393-7798**

### Local Charms



#### The Anderson House

Intricately patterned marble floors in hues of ivory and malachite, exquisite painted murals and ornate iron staircases display English and Italianate influences. Adorned with Flemish tapestries, Asian decorative arts and French furniture, Anderson House was the home of prominent diplomat Larz Anderson and his wife Isabel. A devoted member of the Society of the Cincinnati, the diplomat and his wife gifted the opulent Beaux Arts masterpiece to the Society, where today it welcomes guests to explore the magnificent interiors.

**Address: 2118 Massachusetts Avenue NW**  
**Phone: (202) 785-2040**



#### Eighteenth Street Lounge

Richly patterned cerise and gold wallpaper alternate with luminous celadon walls that frame welcoming fireplaces. Ornate turn-of-the-century details like gilded sconces, brocade settees and honeyed woodwork cultivate a lush mood. Occupying the top three floors of an historic mansion, The Lounge features a suave, wide ranging soundtrack including Italian bossa, Middle Eastern melodies and Indian rhythms provided by eclectic international DJs and musicians. The elegant space is a favorite escape for cognoscenti and lovers of a relaxed, polished atmosphere.

**Address: 1212 18th Street NW**  
**Phone: (202) 466-3922**



#### Eastern Market

Lively stalls filled with colorful wares nestle against the red brick walls of South Hall during the Saturday Arts & Crafts Fair. Vibrant fruit overflows baskets in the weekend Farmers Markets, while a freewheeling Flea Market draws crowds on Sundays. Built in 1873, the Market, with South Hall at its heart, is the sole remaining 19th century market still in operation in the city. Designed to anchor the Capitol Hill neighborhood and provide a town center, it continues to do so, offering the freshest bread, seafood, meats, flowers and produce available.

**Address: 7th Street & North Carolina Avenue SE**  
**Phone: (202) 478-2429**