

# Visiting Washington, DC



## LOCAL INFORMATION

With its ideal mid-Atlantic location and comprehensive air and rail service, it's easy to get to Washington, DC. And, thanks to a quick and efficient Metrorail subway system, friendly tour guides and broad, welcoming streets, it's also easy to navigate the nation's capital once you're here.

Visitors can fly into one of Washington, DC's three airports, ride a train into magnificent Union Station or navigate the region's network of major highways for a speedy arrival and easy conveyance downtown.

Once in town, hop aboard a site-seeing trolley, travel across town on Metro or on the DC Circulator or take to the scenic Potomac River to experience the cityscape from a different angle. Either way, you will be delighted...and inspired.

## AREA TRANSPORTATION

### Metro:

Metrorail and Metrobus are the safest, cleanest and most efficient ways to get around Washington, DC. For a comprehensive map of our Metrorail subway system and hours of operation go to: [www.washington.org](http://www.washington.org) and click on *Getting Around*.



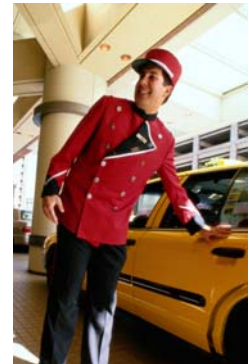
### DC Circulator:

As mentioned above, another easy and economical way to get around our city is by riding the DC Circulator! The Circulator's buses are unlike any other public transit around town- with low floors, big windows, and multiple doors for easy on-and-off service. For complete information on this convenient way to get around the city- please go to: [www.dccirculator.com](http://www.dccirculator.com)



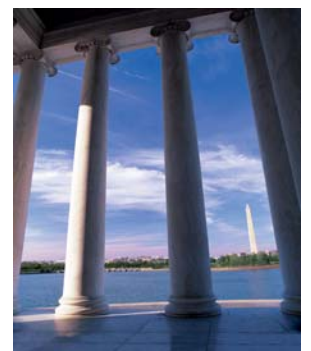
### Taxi:

Taxi cabs in the District are equipped with meters.



## WEATHER

Experience the glory of all four seasons here in Washington, DC. The average temperature in August is highs in the 80s and lows in the 60s.





## WHAT TO SEE AND DO

Never before has Washington, DC provided so much to do in so many places. Culture, heritage, nationally-acclaimed theatre, FREE musical concerts, festivals, world-renowned shopping and all the inspiring monuments and museums you expect, offer ideal touring choices. Start at the National Mall and take in one of the 11 free museums or take a moonlight tour of the Monuments. For a complete listing of attractions-go to [www.washington.org](http://www.washington.org) click on *What to Do*, then *Attractions*.

But Washington, DC is much more than a city of monuments and museums. It is a thriving cultural capital where opera, jazz and classical music lovers can find a tempting lineup of performances. For a complete listing of Performing Arts- go to [www.washington.org](http://www.washington.org) click on *What to Do*, then *Performing Arts & Entertainment*.



## REGULARLY SCHEDULED TOURS

Experience one of the nation's most tour-friendly cities in a new way. The choices are yours, ranging from a bike ride through historic neighborhoods or a dinner cruise on the Potomac River to an on-foot photography safari or a breathtaking nighttime tour of the monuments and memorials. For a complete listing of regularly scheduled tours-go to [www.washington.org](http://www.washington.org) click on *Visitor Information* then *Tour Ideas & Itineraries*.



## WHERE TO SHOP

Washington, DC is a shopper's paradise! Four upscale shopping malls are located within the city and are accessible via subway or bus. During your visit stop-by The Shops at Georgetown, [www.shopsatgeorgetownpark.com](http://www.shopsatgeorgetownpark.com); Union Station [www.unionstationdc.com](http://www.unionstationdc.com); Mazza Gallerie Mall [www.mazzagallerie.com](http://www.mazzagallerie.com); or Chevy Chase Pavilion [www.ccpavilion.com](http://www.ccpavilion.com). Also 10 minutes outside of Washington is the Fashion Center at Pentagon City [www.fashioncentrepentagon.com](http://www.fashioncentrepentagon.com) with over 200 stores.

## WHERE TO EAT

Washington, DC has become a true culinary capital thanks to neighborhood revitalization, ingenious chefs and serious foodies, including the millions of visitors who dine alongside lobbyists, politicians, journalists and celebrities in the District's top dining rooms. In recent years, a dizzying number of new eateries have opened up alongside perennial favorites. Go to [www.washington.org](http://www.washington.org), click on *Visitor Information* then *Where to Eat*.



## NIGHTLIFE



From high-energy clubs showcasing top-ranked DJs to modern lounges and casual bars, DC is packed with nightlife options sure to entertain. Stop-by one of the following bars or clubs for an evening of drinks and dancing. The Park at 14<sup>th</sup> [www.parkat14th.com](http://www.parkat14th.com) ; Oya [www.oyadc.com](http://www.oyadc.com); Posh [www.poshdc.com](http://www.poshdc.com) ; Lima [www.limarestaurant.com](http://www.limarestaurant.com).



## AIRPORT INFORMATION



Washington, DC is serviced by three airports. Almost all major domestic and international airlines can be found at one of the three airports below:

### **Dulles International Airport (IAD)**

Located approximately 26 miles west of DC (35 - 45 minutes)

Taxi: approximately \$50.00 to downtown DC

Shared transportation: Super Shuttle

Travelers can take the Washington Flyer Coach bus to the West Falls Church Metro station for \$9.00. Buses run every 30 minutes.

For more info visit:

<http://www.metwashairports.com/Dulles/>

### **Ronald Reagan National Airport (DCA)**

Located approximately 4 miles south of DC (10 – 15 minutes)

Taxi: approximately \$12.00 to downtown DC

Shared transportation: Super Shuttle

Reagan National Airport has its own Metro station\* on the Yellow and Blue Line.

For more info visit: <http://www.mwaa.com/national/>

### **Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshal Airport (BWI)**

Located approximately 30 miles north of DC (40 – 50 minutes)

Taxi: approximately \$60.00 to downtown DC

Shared transportation: Super Shuttle and

Travelers can take the BWI Express Bus to the Greenbelt Metro station for \$4.25. Buses run every 40 minutes.

Travelers can also take the MARC Train from the BWI Rail Station to Union Station in Washington, DC – also a Metro station and Amtrak station – for \$6.00.

For more info visit: <http://www.bwiairport.com/>

## **AIRLINES**

### **Ronald Reagan National Airport (DCA)**

Air Canada, AirTran, Alaska Airlines, American Airlines, American Eagle & Connection, ATA, Continental, Delta, Delta Connection & Shuttle, Frontier, Midwest Airlines, Northwest Airlines, Spirit Airlines, United Airlines, US Airways, US Airways Shuttle & Express

### **Dulles International Airport (IAD)**

Aeroflot, Aer Lingus, Air Canada, Air France, AirTran, ANA, American Airlines, Austrian, British Airways, Copa Airlines, Delta, Delta Connection, Ethiopian, Iberia, Jet Blue, KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, Korean Air, Lufthansa, Max Jet, Northwest Airlines, Qatar Airways, Saudi Arabian Airlines, South African Airlines, Southwest, SAS, Sun Country Airlines, Grupo Taca, Ted, United Airlines United Express, US Airways, US Airways Express, Virgin Atlantic

### **Baltimore Washington International Airport (BWI)**

Air Canada, Air Greenland, Air Jamaica, AirTran, American, America West, British Airways, Continental, Delta, Icelandair, Midwest Airlines, North American Airlines, Northwest, Southwest, United, USA 3000, US Airways