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JANUARY

Restaurant Week!

Over 350 DC restaurants participate, with special deals and set menus to celebrate restaurants in DC!



MARCH -
APRIL

National Cherry Blossom Festival

Celebrate the cherry blossoms and contributions of Japanese culture to our country!



MAY

Embassy Week

Visit the many embassies of DC and celebrate DC's diplomatic community!



MAY - JULY

Jazz in the Garden

Listen to Jazz every Friday during the summer at the National Gallery of Art Sculpture Garden.



MAY

PBS' National Memorial Concert

A tribute to fallen members of the U.S. military, with special performances and dazzling fireworks!

JUNE

Capital Jazz Fest

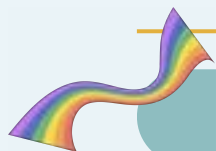
Celebrate Black Music Month and hear more than 30 acts in 3 days



JUNE

DC Pride

Celebrate Pride Month with concerts, parades, and other festivities!



JUNE - AUG

Potomac River Kayaking

Explore the historic waterways that border Georgetown.





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PBS' A Capitol Fourth Concert

Celebrate the country's birthday with a star-studded free concert and firework show on the Capitol's West Lawn!



SEPT - NOV

Rock Creek Park Hiking

Go for a hike in the 2,100-acre national park with vibrant fall foliage!



OCTOBER

Embassy Trick-or-Treating

Go door-to-door on Embassy Row and collect candy from around the world!



OCTOBER

Boo at the Zoo!

Enjoy the decorations and events hosted by the National Zoo during Halloween season. Perfect for kids!



OCTOBER

Oktoberfest at The Wharf

A popular festival with German food and cultural performances!



DECEMBER

National Christmas Tree Lighting

Watch the National Christmas Tree light up at the White House! A tradition dating back to 1923!



DECEMBER

Holiday Market

Explore a curated lineup of more than 100 vendors with festive treats, gifts, and more! Located in downtown DC.



DECEMBER

Ice Skating at the National Gallery of Art Sculpture Garden

Seasonal rink surrounded by classic sculptures and art.





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YEAR-ROUND EVENTS

Kennedy Center

Enjoy the talented showcases hosted at the Kennedy Center, ranging from theater productions, dance performances, orchestra concerts, and more.



Farmers Markets

Visit one of the many D.C. farmers markets to enjoy a taste of local products.



Sports Games

Cheer on D.C. sports teams or maybe catch a game against one of our own!



MUSEUMS

National Portrait Gallery

Home to paintings of great American leaders, including portraits of every American president.

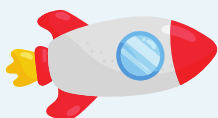
National Gallery of Art

Explore the extensive collection of paintings and sculptures featuring notable American artists like Mary Cassatt, Jackson Pollock, and more.



National Air and Space Museum

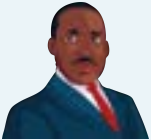
Exhibits on aviation history, including the Wright brothers' plane and Apollo 11 command module.





National Museum of American History

Displays on American innovation, industry, and civil rights movements.



National Museum of African American History and Culture

Artifacts and stories detailing the history of African American contributions to U.S. society.



National Archives Museum

Home to the original Declaration of Independence, Constitution, and Bill of Rights.



The Renwick Gallery

Home to the Smithsonian Museum of American Art's collection of contemporary craft and decorative art and located near the White House.

The People's House

A White House Experience, explore the museum dedicated to telling the story of the Executive Mansion.



U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum

An internationally acclaimed museum that tells the story of the Holocaust through artifacts, films, photos, and oral histories.

MEMORIALS & MONUMENTS

Jefferson Memorial

Honors the third president of the United States and author of the Declaration of Independence. Located by the National Mall's Tidal Basin.





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Arlington National Cemetery



Pay respects at the nation's largest military cemetery. The final resting place for over 400,000 military veterans and their families, President John F. Kennedy, President William Taft, and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Lincoln Memorial

Honors the 16th president of the United States and is located on the western end of the National Mall.



Washington Monument



Honors the United States' first president and features an observation deck 500' above ground with spectacular views of the city.

Navy Memorial

Tells the story of the American Sailor -- past, present, and future -- and honors, recognizes, and celebrates the people in the Sea Services.



Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial

Features inscribed speeches and quotes on civil rights and justice. Located next to the National Mall.



Vietnam Veterans Memorial

Commemorates those who served in one of the most defining conflicts in U.S. history. Located in Constitution Gardens, adjacent to the National Mall.



World War II Memorial

Honors the 16 million Americans who served during World War II. Located at the east end of the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool.



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Iwo Jima Memorial

Depicts the six soldiers who raised the second American flag at the end of the American campaign in the Pacific during World War II.



MISCELLANEOUS

Smithsonian National Zoo

A 163-acre park in the heart of D.C., home to more than 400 species from around the world, and the only place in America to see giant pandas for free!



National Arboretum

Home to over 7,000 plant species, columns of the pre-expanded Capitol Building, and the National Bonsai & Penjing Museum.

President Lincoln's Cottage

See where Abraham Lincoln made some of his most nation-changing decisions and developed the Emancipation Proclamation!



Old Town Alexandria

A nationally-designated historic district across the river in Virginia, known for its many independent businesses and historic architecture!

