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Before you go

Passport and visa.

Valid passport required. Most foreign citizens must have a current visa. These documents have to be shown when checking in for your flight to the U.S.

An Immigration Card and Customs Declaration Form are handed out on board your SAS transatlantic flight before arrival in the U.S.

Duty-free allowances.

Non-American residents are allowed 200 cigarettes or 50 cigars or 1 1/3 kg. (3 lbs.) of tobacco, and 1 liter of liquor or wine. Also US\$100-worth of gift articles (in addition to personal effects – clothes, jewelry, cameras etc.).

Passengers with U.S. passports and U.S. military with travel orders are permitted a personal exemption of up to US\$400 including 200 cigarettes or 50 cigars or 1 1/3 kg. of tobacco, and 1 liter of alcohol.

Restricted imports.

Plants, flowers, meat, vegetables, fruit, birds and animals all require special permits.

Special airport facilities.

Washington National Airport: The airport provides facilities for the handicapped and elderly travelers in accordance with official U.S. standards. A specially equipped courtesy van is available for use by the handicapped, free of charge, for transportation between the terminal buildings and the Metro rail station. Direct-line telephones to obtain the service are located in the vicinity of the USAir baggage claim area, the exit of the North Terminal and the exit of the Commuter Terminal lobby. You may also call 892-2750 or contact a Sky Cap. The service is available between 06.00 and 23.00 hrs. Monday through Friday and between 08.00 and 23.00 hrs. Saturdays.

Other facilities include curb cuts at key rampway locations and special telephones, rest rooms and elevators. Wheelchairs are available by contacting a Sky Cap.

Dulles International Airport: This is a handicap-friendly airport with special parking facilities, ramped paths from the parking area to the entrance, and public elevators large enough for wheelchairs. Car rental agencies at the airport can provide hand-controlled cars, when reservations are made in advance. Accessible rest rooms and toilets are available.

A phone with amplifier is to be found in each bank of telephones and there are also telecommunications devices for deaf people. An escort service is available on request from the airlines or airport authorities.

Baltimore/Washington International Airport: Baltimore/Washington International Airport is fully accessible to travelers with

handicaps. Close-in handicapped parking is available in the premium and general parking lots. Sky Caps have access to elevators in addition to the three public elevators in the terminal and will assist handicapped travelers on request.

All public telephones are at wheelchair height and low, drinking fountains are located throughout the building. All rest rooms have accessible facilities.

For persons with hearing impairments, there is a teletype-writer-telephone connection in the operations center of the State Aviation Administration where incoming calls are handled by Airport information aides. A number of public telephones in the airport have amplifiers for the hard-of-hearing.

Sky Caps will provide wheelchairs at any time of the day or night. Arrangements should be made with the airline.

Currency.

The monetary unit is the American Dollar (US\$ in this booklet, official international code USD).

You will meet the following colloquial terms for monetary units, widely used by locals: penny = 1 cent; nickel = 5 cents; dime = 10 cents; quarter = 25 cents; buck = 1 dollar; a grand = 1,000 dollars.

Major *credit cards* are widely accepted (see page 13).

Climate and clothing.

Like all cities along this stretch of the Atlantic Coast, Washington experiences hot, humid summers, and winters which are damply cold. Both spring and autumn are mild yet variable and, should you come during these seasons, it is wise to bring a choice of light and moderately heavy wear. Summer dress should comprise the coolest possible clothing – always bearing in mind that coats and ties are required for men visiting many of the restaurants and cocktail lounges.

The average monthly temperatures are:

January	2°C (36°F)	May	18°C (65°F)	September	21°C (70°F)
February	3°C (37°F)	June	23°C (73°F)	October	14°C (57°F)
March	7°C (45°F)	July	25°C (77°F)	November	8°C (47°F)
April	12°C (54°F)	August	24°C (75°F)	December	3°C (37°F)

Official holidays and special festivities.

The following list gives the public holidays enjoyed by most Americans perennially, plus a number of special events occurring annually, but not always on the same dates.

New Year's Day, January 1; Lincoln's Birthday, February 12; George Washington's Birthday, 3rd Monday in February; Memorial Day (in honor of the Americans killed during the Wars), last Monday in May; Independence Day, July 4; Labor Day, first Monday in September; Columbus Day, Second Monday in October; Veterans' Day, November 11; Thanksgiving Day, fourth Thursday in November; and Christmas Day, December 25.

Banks and some offices are closed on all of these holidays, while shops are open on all of them, except New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

Cherry Blossom Festival (early April). The Festival commemorates the giving by the City of Tokyo of the lovely cherry trees that fringe Washington's Tidal Basin. Celebrations include a parade of beautiful decorated floats, many receptions, and the selection of a Cherry Blossom Queen.

Summer Events (June 1 to September 1). A special 3-month program of summer celebrations with an emphasis on parades, ceremonies, folk-life festivals, free band performances, summer theater entertainment, and countless sports activities.

Potomac River Events (summer). These events, mainly at Hains Point, include rowing, canoe and sail boat races.

Pageant of Peace (December 23–31), at the Monument grounds. The First National Community Christmas Tree was lighted on the south lawn of the White House in 1924. Today, the ceremony has grown spontaneously to convey the Christmas message of Peace on Earth from the people of America to the rest of the world. The President officiates at the opening ceremonies.



The United States for the business visitor

USA – BASIC DATA

Land area: 9,363,123 sq.km (3,614,165 sq.miles), including 46 per cent agricultural, 31 per cent forests.

Population: 234,200,000 (July 1983)

Main cities: Population in '000, April 1980

New York	9,120	Detroit	4,350
Chicago	7,100	Boston (and suburbs)	3,893
Los Angeles/ Long Beach	7,480	San Francisco/ Oakland	3,250
Philadelphia	4,720	Washington DC	3,060

Language: English

Measures: Imperial (UK) system except

1 US gallon = 0.883 Imperial gallon

1 US bushel = 0.969 Imperial bushel

1 US short ton = 2,000 lb.

Time: Hours behind GMT

Eastern zone	5	Pacific zone	8
Central zone	6	Hawaii	10
Mountain zone	7		

GNP per head: (1983) \$14,137

Government: November 1984, Republican

Member of: UN, OAS, OECD, Nato, Colombo Plan, South Pacific Commission.

The USA.

is the fourth largest country in the world. It is a federal state with 50 member states (Alaska, Texas and California are the largest) and the District of Columbia where the federal capital, Washington, is situated. Topographically from east to west the country is divided into: the Atlantic plain, from the coast to the Appalachian mountains; the fertile Mississippi valley and great central plain, which extends to the Rocky Mountains; the west highlands; and the Pacific slope. It is rich in almost every kind of mineral. About 46 per cent of the country is cultivated, with 31 per cent of forests.

By mid 1984, the USA has undergone a year of economic recovery. *GNP rose by 3.3 per cent in 1983* over the year before – the biggest increase for 5 years. Industrial production is back to record 1979 level and profits and investment are both rising.

Unemployment, after a period of sharp increase and reaching a 'recession peak' of 10.7 per cent in November 1982, fell in the early months of 1984 (7.1 per cent in June) bringing the rate

below the average for the OECD area. While *inflation rates* have been very variable, in response to fluctuations in the price of energy and other raw materials, and of interest rates, the overall increase in 1983 was a modest 3.8 per cent (in 1980, it was running at a year-on-year rate of 13.5 per cent). The *balance of payments' current account* was in small surplus from 1979 to 1981 but thereafter plunged into deficit: the deficit for 1983 was \$40.8 bn and it is still growing. Similarly the *trade deficit* is reaching record levels: export performance has been sluggish and there has been a massive surge in imports (25.9 per cent up in 1983 over the figures for the previous year). The trade deficit for 1984 is expected to be of the order of \$140 bn, twice that of 1983. Both *domestic personal consumption* (boosted by rapid employment growth and earlier tax cuts) and *non-residential investment* were rising strongly in the first half of 1984. Real personal disposable income showed a year-on-year rise of 3.2 per cent in 1983 compared with 0.5 per cent in 1982.

Outlook. Real GNP growth in 1984 should reach between 5 and 6 per cent stimulated by heavy restocking and a modest rise in exports of about 5 per cent. A much faster increase in import expenditure means the trade deficit will spiral, maybe to \$140 bn, and the current account deficit will exceed \$110 bn. High interest rates will persist, curbing economic growth in the longer term: the rise in GNP in 1985 is expected to fall short of 3 per cent. Personal consumption will be driven by further gains in employment and real growth in salaries and is likely to increase by 5.5 per cent during 1984 with the rate of inflation expected to accelerate to 6.5 per cent.

The USA as a market.

The *United States of America* forms an extensive and highly sophisticated, competitive market place. Its attractions for the foreign businessman include a single language, freedom from internal customs barriers and a highly organized, unified and efficient communications system. Additional factors contributing to the high levels of foreign investment in the country have been its growth rate, political and economic stability, and the availability of capital.

Washington DC, the capital of the United States, lies between Virginia and Maryland on the Potomac River: the city is co-extensive with the District of Columbia. It covers just under 173 sq.km (67 sq.miles), and its estimated city population in mid 1983 was 3,060,000. It is the fourth largest city, with the *fourth largest per capita income* (\$14,177 in 1983) in the US and is an *important business and financial center*. Forming with Baltimore the Washington/Baltimore metropolitan region, this is one of the richest and most populous urban areas of the US, with a combined population of 5.4 mn people in 2.0 mn households. Consumer expenditure in the region in 1983 was \$54 bn, and retail sales in the year amounted to \$26 bn.

The Federal Government is the largest employer (37 per cent), followed by services (31 per cent); finance, real estate, insurance, communications and transport account for another 12 per cent, and 10 per cent work in the wholesale and retail trades. The city is the home of Congress, the Executive Office of the Presi-

dent, the Department of State and the Department of Commerce and International Trade. Of the *top American multinationals*, 84 per cent have a corporate presence in Washington, 75 per cent of the world's largest international companies have offices here, and 67 per cent of the largest foreign companies with investment in the States are also represented in the city. Some 140 countries have embassies or legations and there are ten foreign banks. There is a diverse and balanced mix of businesses (16,265 were situated in Washington in 1982), with particular strengths in the legal, accounting, computer and consultancy areas. There is a large pool of labor and technical talent.

As well as providing a huge region and market in its own right, Washington's central location gives it excellent access to other US markets; it has a comprehensive transport system, covering air, rail, water and highways. The mass transport system coordinates rapid rail (one of the best in the country) with the bus system and connects with Union Station. Washington is also well placed for doing *business with international markets*: there are three major airports as well as the flourishing seaport of Baltimore nearby. Washington is a prime tourist center and approximately 17 mn people visit it each year, spending around \$1 bn.

USA - Main commodities traded - Exports.

(\$ bn)	1982	1983
Cereals & products	14,747	15,152
Soya beans	6,240	5,925
Wood & pulp	4,059	4,020
Coke, coal & briquettes	6,072	4,115
Petroleum & products	5,947	4,557
Organic chemicals	5,440	5,326
Other chemicals	14,451	14,425
Paper & manufactures	2,653	2,553
Textile yarn, cloth & manufactures	2,784	2,368
Machinery, incl electric	59,324	54,309
Motor vehicles & parts	13,907	14,463
Aircraft & parts	11,775	12,189
Scientific instruments	7,524	7,312

Main commodities traded - Imports.

(\$ bn)	1982	1983
Food, drink & tobacco	19,397	20,411
Wood & pulp	3,338	4,341
Metalliferous ores & scrap	2,999	2,735
Petroleum & products	61,552	54,357
Gas	6,016	5,748
Chemicals	9,935	11,305
Paper & manufactures	3,954	4,362
Textiles	3,000	3,460
Iron & steel	10,376	7,408
Metal manufactures	4,585	4,807
Machinery, incl. electric	40,564	48,409
Motor vehicles & parts	31,687	37,096
Clothing & footwear	12,374	14,583

Trend of foreign trade.

(\$ bn)	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1983
Exports fob . . .	143.6	181.7	220.5	233.7	212.2	200.75
Imports fob . . .	172.0	206.3	240.8	261.3	244.0	270.01
Balance	-28.4	-24.6	-20.3	-27.6	-31.8	-69.26

Main trading partners.

(% of total)					
Exports to:	1982	1983	Imports from:	1982	1983
EEC	22.6	22.1	Canada	18.3	19.5
of which:			EEC	17.4	17.0
UK	5.0	5.3	of which:		
Canada	15.9	19.1	FR Germany	4.9	4.9
Japan	9.9	10.9	Japan	15.7	16.1
Aladi*)	12.7	9.7	Aladi*)	12.2	12.6
Saudi Arabia	4.3	3.9	Taiwan	3.8	4.5
South Korea	2.6	2.9	South Korea	2.3	2.8
Taiwan	2.1	2.3	Hong Kong	2.3	2.5
Australia	2.1	2.0	Indonesia	1.8	2.1

*) Mexico, Colombia, Venezuela, Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia, Chile, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay, Argentina.

Hints for the first-time business visitor.

Do try to arrange appointments in advance preferably by letter – but do not be afraid to make appointments when you arrive in the States. Americans often bend over backwards to find time to meet a foreign visitor. But to save time be sure to spell out in detail the reason for your visit.

At the initial meeting, it is advisable to hand over your business card, particularly if you have a difficult-to-pronounce name. Nowadays, if you are a smoker, it is best to wait for the host to light up . . . otherwise you'll just have to wait for that cigarette.

Well-illustrated and well-written brochures or folders will help the visiting businessman present his products or services, a slide presentation or even video tape can also provide a good impression of your company. But be sure to check out the compatibility and availability of audio-visual equipment before producing such programs – and ensure that the agency making them for you has experience of the USA.

As in most countries of the world, finding the decision maker is important to the business visitor – but in the USA it is not always necessary to aim for the top man. Many middle management and even junior executives have certain powers of decision.

And talking of top men, remember too, the female executive has come into her own in the USA, a number of them holding chief positions particularly in staff management areas. Do not commit the faux pas of confusing them with secretaries at your first encounter! The one important piece of advice is to treat female executives exactly the same way as you would a male counterpart . . . no special chivalry or courtesies which you would not extend to a man. Having said that most of them have reached their

positions by being better than their male colleagues of similar experience and qualifications – you'll find yourself discussing matters in a highly professional way (be sure to have all the facts available on your company's products – future trends).

Mr., Ms. or Charlie.

While Americans may enjoy a reputation for being casual and informal, it remains good form to address your business contact with Mr. or Ms., until you have become acquainted and are invited to use first names.

People in the U.S. are generally open and friendly in their business relationships and both hospitable and helpful to visitors from other countries. Your business card will make it easy for an American host to remember your name and company, and will prompt an exchange of cards which will also help you recall the spelling and pronunciation of his name.

Americans are usually very forthright about their families, and do not take offense at an honest interest in their spouses and children. However, Americans are not quite so candid about live-in relationships outside of marriage and choose, in the main, to maintain their privacy in this regard.

Punctuality.

While it is not only mannerly, but businesslike, to be punctual for appointments in every country, a certain latitude is sometimes allowed in American cities. You might be given a 10-minute "grace" period for a business meeting, if heavy traffic and long distances make it impossible to arrive precisely on time. It is, however, important to calculate the distances and travel time involved, when you make a business date.

Dining and wining.

The business lunch plays an important part in American life. It is seen as an opportunity to relax formalities and to get to know and understand the person with whom you are doing business. It combines the pleasure of a social ritual with the issues involved in the meeting, which is important to Americans who often live too far away from urban centers to arrange a purely social evening. However, if you are invited to a dinner at home, you will be warmly received and your hostess would welcome a thank you note the following day, or a visit from the florist.

The breakfast meeting is becoming commonplace, either at a convenient hotel, or in some cases coffee and pastries are served to visiting businessmen upon their arrival at the early morning meeting.

Useful business contacts.

Information on the U.S. Government. Visitors wishing to locate specific activities of the Federal Government will receive assistance through the Washington Area Convention and Visitors' Association (E6 and D3), tel. 789-7000.

U.S. Chamber of Commerce, 1615 H Street NW (D4). Tel. 659-6000. Assistance is given to business visitors regarding trade practices and opportunities. Specialized reports and statistics can be obtained on certain domestic trades and industries. In

addition, the building houses the offices of the magazine "Nation's Business".

U.S. Department of Commerce (E6). International Trade Administration, Scandinavian Section: Tel. 377-4414; Export Counseling: Tel. 377-3181.

Greater Washington Board of Trade (B4). 1129 20th St. N.W. Tel. 857-5900.

Washington Convention Center (G5). 900 9th St. N.W. Tel. 789-1600.

Business Service Center.

The SAS Ticket Office at Suite 407, 1725 K Street, N.W., has an area with desk, typewriter, telephone and access to a copier, available to visiting business persons traveling on First Class or First Business Class tickets. Please advise your local SAS office when making reservations if you wish to use this service.

Economic information provided by the Publications Division of the Economist Intelligence Unit, London, England.



Worth knowing

At-a-glance information you might find useful:

Emergencies.

Police: Tel. 911.

Ambulance: For acute medical emergencies call paramedical ambulance service 911 (24-hr. service).

Doctor: Medical Society of D.C. physicians referral service, tel. 223-6333 from 09.00-17.00 hrs. For emergency service, call hotel operator for nearest hospital emergency room service or hotel house doctor.

Dentist: Dental Referral Service, tel. 723-5323 (24-hr. service).

Baby sitters.

Major hotels have listings for approved baby sitter agencies, or contact the Child Care Agency, tel. 783-8573.

Banks.

Among the major banks with branches throughout the city are: First American Bank, National Savings & Trust Bank and Riggs National Bank.

Business hours.

Generally from 09.00 until 17.00 hrs.

Car rental.

All major car rental services operate in the Washington area and most of them have facilities at the airports. All accept major credit cards, offer a commercial discount and have cars available in all categories.

Avis, tel. 467-6588 or (800) 331-1212; Budget Rent A Car, tel. (800) 527-0700; Dollar Rent A Car, tel. (800) 421-6868; Hertz Rent A Car, tel. (800) 654-3131; National Rent A Car, tel. (800) 328-4567.

You may also make arrangements to rent a car through your hotel. Please note, it is very useful to have a well-known credit card when renting a car, otherwise you will be required to make a substantial deposit.

Communications.

Telegrams and telex. By telephone (202) 737-4260 or from any one of the 20 Western Union Telegraph offices throughout the Washington Metropolitan area. Main office is at 700 14th St. N.W., downtown D.C., tel. (202) 624-0100.

Telephones. Public pay telephone booths are operated by 5 and/or 10 cent coins.

Credit cards.

All major credit cards are accepted at most hotels, restaurants, department stores and transportation companies. But note that a number of lunch-restaurants do not accept credit cards. On the

other hand, surprisingly small eating places accept such cards, so it's worth asking.

Electrical current.

110 single phase current. Adapters may be used to convert European appliances to US electrical current.

Guide books.

A Visitor's Guide, published by the Washington Area Convention & Visitor's Association is available free at the Department of Commerce, Great Hall, 14th and Pennsylvania Ave. N.W. Fodor's Guide to Washington is available at bookstores, and many lesser known guides are also available.

Lost property.

Call D.C. Police Department, tel. 727-1000.

Newspapers and magazines.

U.S. and some foreign newspapers and magazines are available at hotels and newsstands.

Pharmacies.

Listed under Pharmacies in the classified telephone directory (Yellow Pages), also located in or near major hotels.

Religious services.

Of the hundreds of churches in Washington, some of the most conveniently located ones are listed here. Should you wish to attend services during your Washington visit, we suggest you telephone to find out the hour. If your faith or denomination is not listed here, please consult the classified "yellow pages" of the Washington telephone directory under "Churches".

Baptist: First Baptist Church of Washington, 1326 16th Street, N.W. (D1).

Episcopal: Washington Cathedral, Mass. and Wisconsin Aves. N.W. (off map).

Judaism: Washington Hebrew Congregation, Mass. Ave. at Macomb. Street NW. (off map).

Lutheran: Luther Place Memorial, 1226 Vermont Ave. N.W. (F1).

Methodist: Mount Vernon Place United Church, 900 Mass. Ave. N.W. (G3).

Presbyterian: National Presbyterian Church, 4101 Nebraska Avenue N.W. (off map).

Roman Catholic: National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Mich. Ave. at 4th Street N.E. (off map).

Secretarial services.

Most major commercial hotels can supply secretarial services. There are also listings under Secretarial Services in the classified telephone directory (Yellow Pages).

Time check.

For a round-the-clock time check, dial 844-2525.

Time difference.

U.S. Eastern Time applies in Washington, which is 5 hours behind GMT. At certain times (during the period April 28 to October 26 in

1985) daylight saving time applies and local time is then 4 hours behind GMT.

Tipping.

A service charge is normally added by *hotels* but not always by *restaurants*. When a service charge is not included on a restaurant bill, it is customary to add about 15% to the amount. These tips are normally left on the table.

Tip *taxi-drivers* approximately 15% of the fare, more if they are helpful with the luggage. *Porters* at airports/railroads expect 50 cents per suitcase, and *hotel bellhops* expect a tip of 50 cents per bag carried to your room. The *shoeshine boy* will expect a total of 50 cents for his services. Tip *barbers* and *hairdressers* 15%.

Note: It is not customary to tip *movie-ushers*, *theater attendants*, *hotel reception clerks* and *hotel chambermaids*.

Tourist information.

The Washington Convention and Visitors' Bureau offers information on hotels, motels, restaurants, shopping, sightseeing and – for summer visitors – details of the special Summer Events program. For special activities during your stay, see also "This Week", a publication available free at most hotels and restaurants. 24-hour recorded event information is available from "Dial-an-Event" 737-8866. For other taped information call the National Park Service 426-6975 and the Smithsonian Institution 357-2020.

The Foreign Students' Service Council, 1623 Belmont Street, N.W. (off map), tel. 232-4979, arranges accommodation, guided tours etc. for transient foreign students.

The International Visitors' Information Service, 801 19th Street N.W. (B4), tel. 872-8747, offers opportunities to meet local families on an informal basis.

Transportation.

Washington possesses a comprehensive intra-city network of bus routes and subway system – "Metro" – (not yet fully completed). A map outlining the subway system is posted at all Metro stations and bus/Metro maps are obtainable at the main sales office at 1422 New York Avenue, NW (E4). For specific routing and schedule information, call 637-2437.

Neighboring towns and states are linked to the Nation's Capital by Metro and buses. The Metro's "blue line" runs to Washington National Airport. Buses bound for Mount Vernon leave Pennsylvania Ave. and 10th Street, NW (F6). For Normandy Farm in Maryland, via River Road, they depart from Du Pont Circle (B1). Remember always to have exact change for the fare on the local buses. You also have the choice of two interstate bus companies, Greyhound Lines and Trailways Bus System.

And if a hired car – self-drive or chauffeur-driven – appeals to you, contact one of the car rental companies listed above.

Weather forecast.

Day-to-day weather forecasts can be obtained by dialing 936-1212.

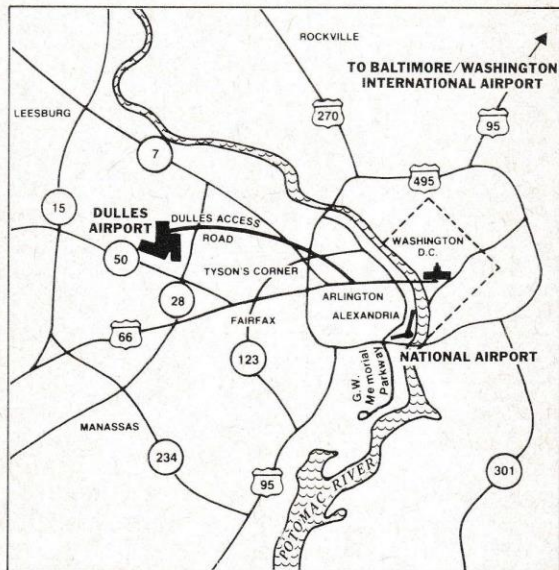


Airport guide

Name: Washington National Airport.

Location: 8 km (5 miles) south of downtown Washington.

Other local airports: Dulles International Airport, located in Virginia 41 km (26 miles) west of the city and Baltimore/Washington International Airport, 48 km (30 miles) northeast of the city.

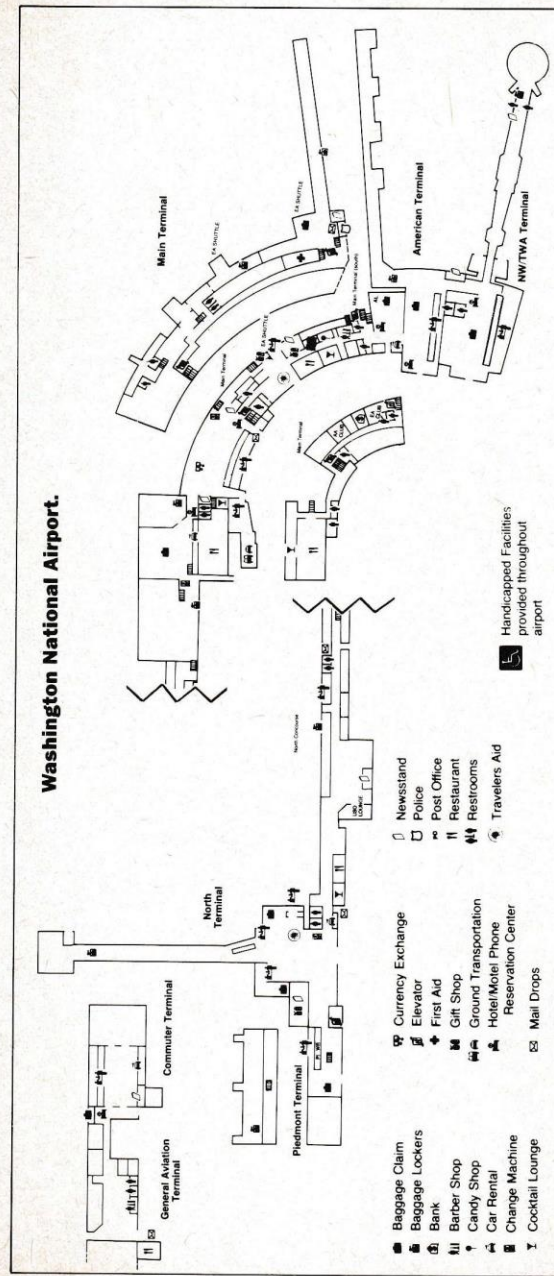


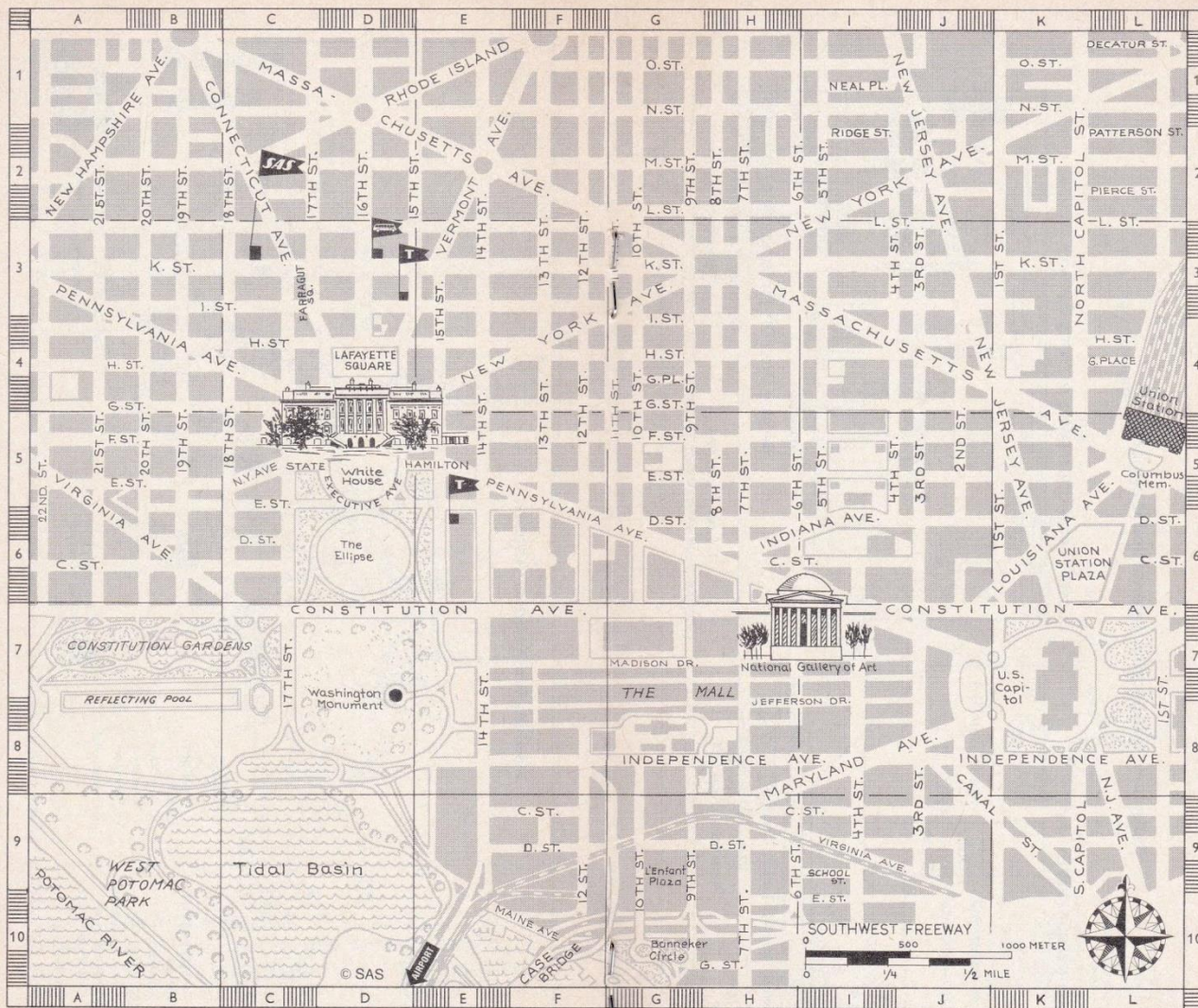
Your arrival in Washington.

Arrival by air at Washington National Airport provides you with an impressive as well as picturesque view of Washington, particularly the Mall area (H7). The city center is reached by road in 15 minutes. With the recent extension of the subway – called “Metro” – Washington may now be reached by rail from Washington National Airport in 12 minutes. The Metro operates Mondays through Fridays, 06.00 to 24.00 hrs.; Saturdays, 08.00 to 24.00 hrs. and Sundays and holidays 10.00 to 18.00 hrs.

You may also arrive at either Dulles Int'l Airport in Virginia or Baltimore/Washington Int'l Airport.

Limousines are available to take you into Washington. Fare US\$4.25 from Washington National Airport; US\$9 from Dulles Int'l Airport. An Amtrak train from Baltimore/Washington Int'l Airport costs US\$8.





Code numbers in this booklet refer to the above map. Thus (C3) is located where lines drawn from "C" and "3" cross each other.

Interesting sights in Washington.

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|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| (D5) White House, | (off D10) Jefferson Memorial. |
| 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue. | (A8) Lincoln Memorial. |
| (H7) National Gallery of Art. | (G7) National Museum of American Art. |
| (G8) The Smithsonian Building. | (G9) L'Enfant Plaza. |
| (K7) The Capitol. | (A/B/C7) Constitution Gardens. |
| (D8) Washington Monument. | (H8) National Air and Space Museum. |

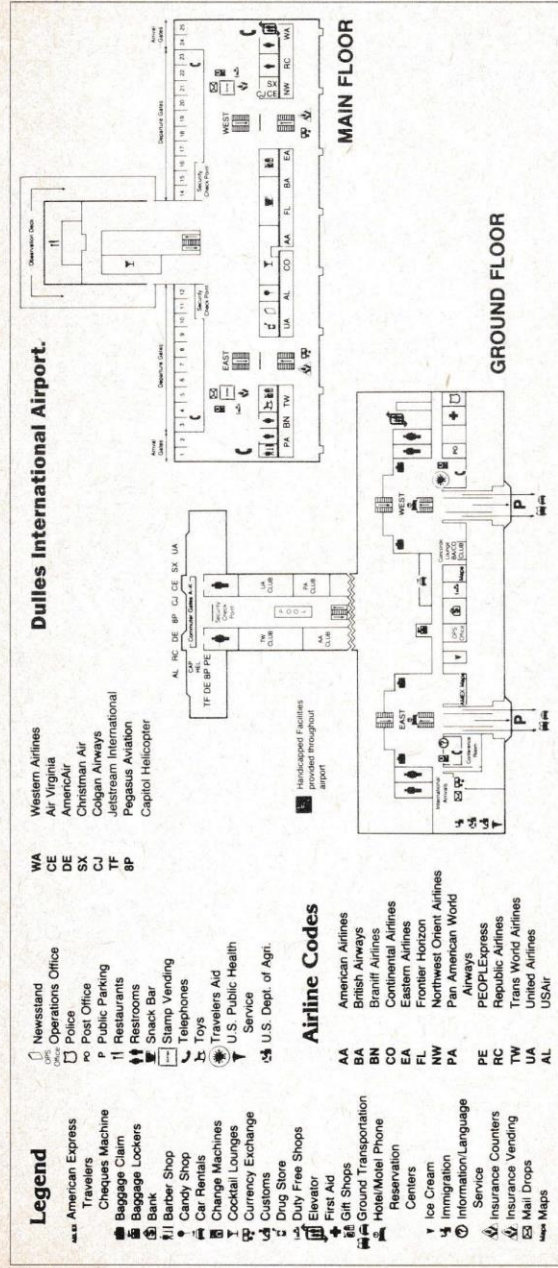
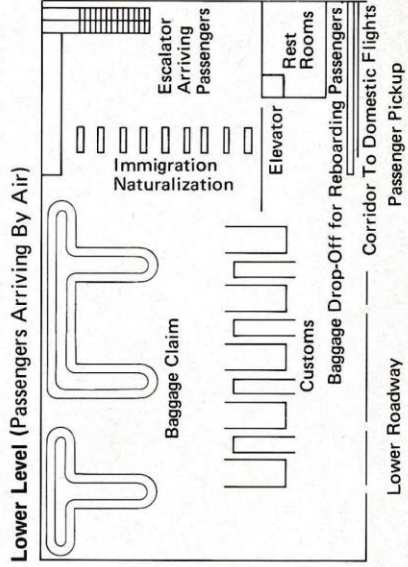
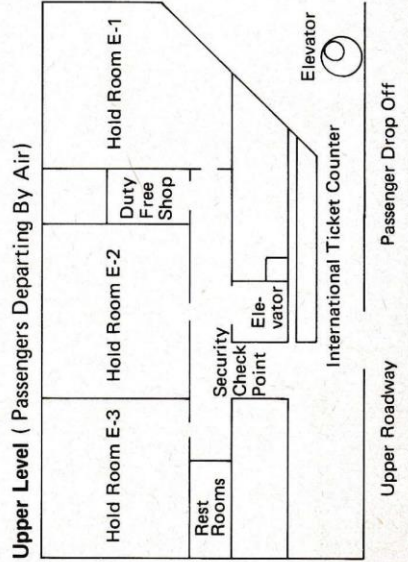
Distance from city center to airport: 8 km (5 miles) to Washington National Airport, 48 km (30 miles) to Baltimore/Washington International Airport, 41.6 km (26 miles) to Dulles International Airport.

SAS SAS Ticket Office: 1725 K Street, N.W. (C3), Suite 407. Tel. 833-2424. Open hours: 09.00 to 17.00 hrs. Mondays to Fridays. Closed Saturdays. When closed: For information please call 800/221-2350.

Public Airport transportation: The "Washington Flyer" bus terminal for Washington National Airport and Dulles International Airport is located at Capital Hilton (D3), 16th & K Streets, N.W. Buses operate to Washington National from 06.00 to 23.00 hrs, every 20 min. during rush hour to Dulles 06.00 to 02.00 hrs, every half hour. For exact departure times and information call 685-1400. Trains to Baltimore/Washington International Airport operate from Union Station (L5) from 06.30 to 19.30 hrs. For further schedule information call (800) 872-7245.

T Washington Convention and Visitors' Association: Tel. 789-7000. Department of Commerce, Great Hall (E6), 14th & Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. or 1575 I (Eye) Street, N.W. (D3). Open hours: 09.00 to 17.00 hrs. daily.

Baltimore/Washington International Airport.





A place to stay

Washington's hotels and motels are among the world's finest. In addition to dining room facilities, most of the establishments provide a cocktail lounge and coffee room, as well as free parking.

It is advisable to book your accommodation in advance and, in this respect, you should see your SAS travel agent. He can offer you detailed information on de luxe, first, and tourist class hotels – with speedy confirmation of accommodation. Should you arrive unaccommodated, however, the local SAS office will be pleased to help you.

There are numerous fine motels and less expensive hotels in the outskirts of the city from where downtown can be reached by bus or Metro.

Below you will find a few suggested hotels in different price categories – all situated within the district of Columbia.

De luxe

Vista International (E2)
1400 M Street N.W.
Tel. 429-1700.

Ritz Carlton
(just off the map)
2100 Mass. Ave., N.W.
Tel. 293-2100.

Embassy Row
(just off the map)
2015 Mass. Ave., N.W.
Tel. 265-1600.

First class

Washington Hilton
(just off the map)
1919 Connecticut Ave., N.W.
Tel. 483-3000.

Capitol Hilton (D3)
16th & K Streets, N.W.
Tel. 393-1000.

Mayflower Hotel (C2)
1127 Connecticut Ave., N.W.
Tel. 347-3000.

Sheraton Carlton (D3)
16th & K Streets, N.W.
Tel. 638-2626.

Standard/Tourist

Ramada Renaissance (A2)
1143 New Hampshire Ave.,
N.W.
Tel. 775-0800.

Hotel Wellington (off map)
2505 Wisconsin Ave., N.W.
Tel. 337-7400.

Prices for accommodation range from US\$55 to US\$125 for a single room; US\$70 to US\$200 for a double room and US\$210 to US\$800 for a suite.

There is also a scattering of guest houses offering comfortable accommodation at inexpensive weekly rates. A telephone call to the SAS Town Office (833-2424) will secure you all the information you need in this respect, and – should you so desire – SAS will gladly assist you further by arranging the hotel booking.



Eating out

American, Mexican, Chinese, French, German, Hungarian, Italian – within little more than an area of 11 sq.km (4 square miles), Washington caters to visitors from six continents with a culinary choice that is top class and universal.

Space, however, permits us to list only a few of the many restaurants. Supplementing this is a selection of the City's cozy cocktail lounges and hotel dining rooms. Many restaurants also have cocktail lounges and bars where one can combine lunch or late supper with cabaret, piano entertainment and, in certain cases, music for dancing.

For those in search of a sandwich or a quick meal, there are the City's numerous drugstores and low-priced restaurant chains like the Hot Shoppes with 30 locations in and around Washington.

Blackie's House of Beef (A2)
22nd & M Streets, N.W.
Tel. 333-1100.

American cuisine. Inexpensive.

Cantina d'Italia (C3)
1214-A 18th Street, N.W.
Tel. 659-1830.

Italian cuisine. Expensive.

Clydes (off map)
3236 M Street, N.W.
Georgetown.
Tel. 333-0294.

Continental café. Moderate.

Dominique Restaurant (B4)
1900 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Tel. 452-1126.

French cuisine. Moderate.

Duke Ziebert's (C3)
1050 Conn. Ave., N.W.
Tel. 466-3730.

American cuisine. Moderate.

Harvey's Restaurant (C3)
1001 18th Street, N.W.
Tel. 833-1858.

American cuisine. Moderate.

House of Hunan (B3)
1900 K Street, N.W.
Tel. 293-9111.

Chinese cuisine. Moderate.

La Chaumiere (off map)
2813 M Street, N.W.
Georgetown.
Tel. 338-1784.

French cuisine. Inexpensive.

Le Lion d'Or (C2)
1150 Connecticut Ave., N.W.
(Entrance on 18th Street.)
Tel. 296-7972.

French cuisine. Expensive.

Sichuan Garden (B2)
1220 19th Street, N.W.
Tel. 296-4550.

Chinese cuisine. Expensive.

The Bread Oven (B2)
1220 19th Street, N.W.
Tel. 466-4264.

French, light fare & bakery.

The Prime Rib (B3)
2020 K Street, N.W.
Tel. 466-8811.

American cuisine.

Tiberio (B3)
1915 K Street, N.W.
Tel. 452-1915.

Italian cuisine

Dining, dancing and entertainment

Alfio's La Trattoria (off map)
5100 Wisconsin Ave., N.W.
(close to D.C./Md. line).
Tel. 966-0091.

Italian cuisine.

Clubs and Discotheques

Blues Alley (off map)
Rear 1073 Wisconsin Ave.,
N.W., Georgetown.
Tel. 337-4141.

Modern jazz.

Charlie's of Georgetown
(off map)
3223 K Street, N.W.,
Georgetown.
Tel. 298-5985.

Disco.

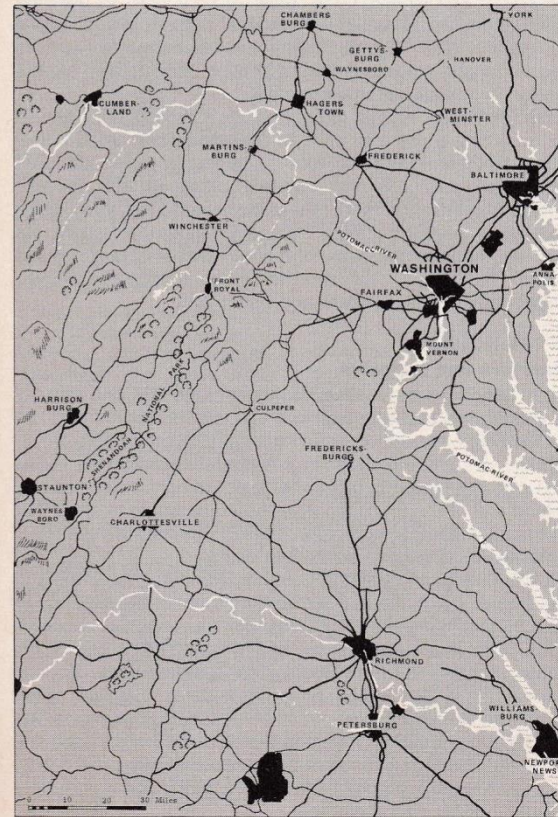
Local regulations permit the serving of alcoholic beverages between 08.00 and 02.00 hrs. Mondays through Thursdays, between 08.00 and 03.00 hrs. Fridays and Saturdays, and between 10.00 and 02.00 hrs. on Sundays. No one under 18 years of age may be served alcoholic beverages and persons must be 21 years old to drink hard liquor.



At leisure in Washington

Washington profile.

In 1791 George Washington selected a 10-mile-square site of the Potomac River as the most suitable spot on which to locate the USA Federal Government . . . thus, Washington City was born. In its beginning, the Nation's Capital housed personnel of 126. Today, the Metropolitan Area of Washington, which includes neighboring territories in Maryland and Virginia, is populated by more than three million people, and the city's boundaries are virtually coextensive with those of the state it resides in: the District of Columbia. In layout, the city fulfills the ambitious plans of a Frenchman, Pierre Charles L'Enfant, a former Major of Engineers recommended by George Washington. Its broad, tree-lined streets radiate spokelike from the Capitol Building.



With characteristic American frankness, the Washingtonian will point out that his city is not a metropolis of endless night life, gaiety and glitter (although it possesses a sufficiency of all these things). Rather, it is a grand and stately city of imposing, national shrines and monuments that testify to some of America's greatest moments in history; of lovely, landscaped parks that stretch the city almost uninterrupted; and of fine art centers, history museums and public buildings. In parts, you will find it varyingly quaint, colorfully colonial, characteristically 18th century English. Visit the shops and streets of old Georgetown, for example, or examine closely the architecture of the Smithsonian Institution, the John F. Kennedy Center and L'Enfant Plaza, the new district for Federal offices and private business with underground shopping center. Washington's main business district lies north of Pennsylvania Avenue, between 7th and 24th Streets, N.W. Here are situated the headquarters of many labor and capital groups, and a large number of research and development associations have recently taken root. Both north and west of the city there is a number of fine universities and ambassadorial residences. The diplomatic corps, drawn from nations all over the world, forms an essential part of Washington's ever-changing society life. After Federal Government business, the District's second largest industry is that of printing. Tourism also plays a large role in Washington's economy.

But, perhaps it is what the city stands for most, that makes it so rewarding a place to visit. To underline Abraham Lincoln's words, this is where government "of, by and for the people" was first conceived and, more important, practiced. And because peoples from every corner of the globe believed this, Washington is, today, a refined melting pot of many nationalities, where one may well be greeted by any of a wide number of languages in addition to English . . . a center to be appreciated and enjoyed immensely by both resident and visitor alike.

AFTER HOURS.

Theaters and concerts.

World famous as the political heartbeat of the USA, and as a city of peaceful parks, historic shrines and impressive art museums . . . Washington has never been similarly hailed in the field of Performing Arts or as a metropolis of lively, glittering night life. Today, however, this matter is rapidly being put to right. You need only attend one of the productions at the Arena Stage to know that this circular theater incorporates some of the most revolutionary advances in stage and auditorium design.

During the exciting, annual Summer Event Program (June 1 to September 1) a number of surrounding summer theaters add to the City's permanent offerings with a wealth of open-air concerts, plays, ballets, musicals and sporting events. (The special events folder, available from the Washington Convention and Visitors' Bureau (E6 or D3), lists the programs in detail.) Any time of the year, there is also a choice of amusement parks and movie theaters – and whether your night club preference leans to jazz, soft lights and muted music, somewhere exclusive to dine and dance, or an extravagant chorus of high-kickers, Washington's northwest quarter obliges wholeheartedly.

The Washington area also offers a wide variety of dinner theaters.

Theaters

Arena Stage (off I10)
6 and M Streets, S.W.
Tel. 488-3300.

The Arena Company has steadily grown in importance since 1950, and the opening of its new revolutionary playhouse gave a boost to the Capital's theatrical arts.

Ford's Theatre (G5)
511 10th Street, N.W.
Tel. 638-2941.

The historic Ford's Theatre presents dynamic entertainment and musicals, one man shows and a charming annual "Christmas Choral".

J. F. Kennedy Center (off map)
2700 F Street, N.W.,
Concert Hall, tel. 254-3600,
Eisenhower Theater,
tel. 254-3670,
Opera House, tel. 254-3770.

The Center houses three acoustically perfect theaters which provide a special intimate communication between artist and audience. The American Ballet Theater is the official dance company of the Center and the National Symphony Orchestra is the resident orchestra.

National Theater (F5)
1321 E Street, N.W.
Tel. 628-6161.

Lovely, completely renovated "Old-World" theater presenting a year-round selection of dramatic and musical entertainment.

Shady Grove Music Fair
Box 128, Gaithersburg,
Maryland, adjacent to Motel
Washington and Shady Grove
Country Club and Resort.
Tel. (Box Office) 948-9075.
First class musical theater featuring
top Broadway and Hollywood stars. 30
minutes from downtown Washington.

Summer

Carter Barron Amphitheater
(off map)
16th Street at Colorado
Avenue, N.W.
Tel. 829-3200.

Magnificent open-air theater located in lovely Rock Creek Park. Seating capacity 4,500; stage capable of containing the most elaborate settings.

Olney Theater
Olney, Maryland.
Tel. (Washington Box Office)
924-3400.

A charming summer theater in suburban Olney, Maryland, open May 29 to September 9.

The Sylvan Theater (D7)
Washington, Monument
Grounds.
Tel. 426-6841.
Summer programs. Admission free.

The Wolf Trap Farm
1551 Trap Rd., Vienna, Va.
Tel. (box office) 938-2404.

A unique outdoor theater in beautiful suburban Virginia surroundings. Anything from lawn picnic-style accommodations to exclusive box seats.

Concerts

Concert Hall
J. F. Kennedy Center (off map)
2700 F Street, N.W.
Tel. 254-3600.

The National Symphony Orchestra is the resident orchestra of this acoustically perfect concert hall, located in the Kennedy Center.

National Gallery (H7)

There is also a number of fine concerts and recitals by guest performers at the National Gallery of Art (H7).

Washington Cathedral
(off map)

Wisconsin & Massachusetts
Avenues, N.W.

Recitals by leading organists are held at 17.00 hrs. the first Sunday of each month throughout the summer.

For further information regarding forthcoming musical events contact:

Ticket Agencies
Talbert, tel. 628-5575.
Ticketron, tel. 659-2601.
Ticketplace, tel. 842-5387.

Amusement Parks

Marshall Hall
Marshall Hall, Maryland.
This 150 hectare (370-acre) site offers large picnic groves, ballroom, beautiful swimming pool overlooking the Potomac, separate wading pool for the children, and athletic fields and recreation areas for sports and games. You can go there day or evening by cruise liner.

Romantic Riverlude

Between March and September, weather permitting, the Washington Boat Line operates cruises down the historic Potomac River to Mount Vernon. Departure from Water Street. For information about cruises call 554-8000.



One hour's walk around Washington.

Turn left outside the SAS Office and cross Connecticut Ave. and K Street into Farragut Square, right into 17th Street and left again on H Street into Lafayette Square, once termed the social and political center of the Nation. At Madison Place, turn right. Continue on as Madison Place becomes East Executive Avenue. Our suggested route – see broken line on the map – skirts the landscaped grounds of the White House, takes you across the verdant park of the Ellipse and into G Street. A left turn into 21st Street and right to Constitution Ave., brings you within breathtaking view of the famous Lincoln Memorial. Circle the monument, and head back through lovely West Potomac Park. En route, you pass the D.C. War Memorial with its backdrop of cherry trees that fringe the Tidal Basin. Follow the park road, closed to traffic, past the world's tallest masonry structure, the Washington Monument (go up to the top if you have time), pause to look at the exciting vista along the Mall, and then enter 15th Street. When you reach K Street turn left and walk back to the SAS Office.

LOOKING AROUND.

Sights and excursions.

"To see is not to forget . . ." So reasons the learned man and no anecdote sums up more fittingly Washington City's grand and beautiful sights. Browse through lists of "Sights" and "Tour possibilities". Whether you plan to sightsee independently or join a

conducted tour or two – the information given will help you arrive at your own list of sightseeing musts.

Sights.

Arlington National Cemetery, Fort Myer, Virginia. Joined to Washington proper by the Arlington Memorial Bridge, the grounds of this National Forces Shrine also contain the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, tribute to members of the Armed Services who died during World War I, II, the Korean and the Vietnam wars. Other interest-points include the Amphitheater, the Curtis-Lee Mansion, and the grave of the late President John F. Kennedy. Near the gates of the cemetery stands the Marine Corps War Memorial, popularly known as "Iwo Jima Memorial", a giant bronze monument dedicated to Marines, who have given their lives in battle since the founding of the Corps. Cemetery open hours October through March 08.00 to 17.00 hrs., April through September 08.00 to 19.00 hrs.

Bureau of Engraving and Printing (E9), 14th and C. Streets SW. A Department of the U.S. Treasury employing some 6,000 persons, the Bureau's prime function is the production of the Nation's paper currency. Value of its daily monetary output exceeds US\$35,000,000. Other activities of the Bureau encompass the production of postage and revenue stamps, Government bonds, etc. Open Mondays to Fridays 08.00 to 14.00 hrs. Closed Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

Capitol (K7). The impressive, domed structure located on Capitol Hill to the east of the Mall, occupies an area of 14,000 sq.m. (3½ acres). The cornerstone was laid by George Washington in 1793, and in 1880 the building was first used as a congressional meeting place. Art works commemorating notable events and personalities in American history are to be found in the Rotunda and in Statuary Hall. Open 09.00 to 16.30 hrs. daily and Sundays. Conducted tours start every 5 and 10 minutes from 09.00 to 15.45 hrs.

Constitution Gardens (A/B/C7). This park features a large lake, gardens, amphitheaters and information center. It is adjacent to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

FBI, Federal Bureau of Investigation (G5), E Street between 9th and 10th Streets, NW 20535, tel. 324-3447. One hour guided tours including explanation of work performed by FBI laboratories, firearms' demonstrations and a brief history of the Bureau. Open Mondays through Fridays 09.00 to 16.15 hrs.

Folger Shakespeare Library (off map), 201 East Capitol Street, S.E. Tel. LI 6-4800. This famed library contains one of the world's finest collections depicting 16th and 17th century English life with an important array of early Shakespearean editions, playbills, costumes and art pieces. The interior, 17th century English in style, includes a realistic reproduction of an Elizabethan courtyard theater. Tours Mondays to Fridays 11.00 to 13.00 hrs. Closed holidays. Tel. 544-7077.

Freer Gallery of Art (F8). Independence Ave. at 12th Street. Presented to the Nation by Charles Freer, a Detroit manufacturer, this gallery houses an interesting collection of Eastern art in addition to the works of several American artists, including the out-

standing Whistler Collection. Open 10.00 to 17.30 hrs. daily and Sundays.

Georgetown (off map – West of NW section of DC). This charming part of Washington, with a “Left Bank” atmosphere, has retained its historic and individually interesting town houses, where many prominent Washingtonians now reside. Around 31st & M Streets you will find numerous street vendors, boutiques and restaurants, and there are plenty of lively night spots.

Jefferson Memorial (off D10). Imposingly set on the bank of the Tidal Basin in West Potomac Park, this beautiful marble edifice stands tribute to Thomas Jefferson – author of the Declaration of Independence, first Secretary of State, and third President of the United States. In spring it is enhanced by the bevy of blossoming cherry trees that fringe the Potomac. Within the monument stands the bronze 6 m (19 ft.) statue of Jefferson on a pedestal 2 m (6 ft.) above the floor. Open daily 08.00 hrs. to midnight.

John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, 2700 F Street, N.W. (off map). In September 1958 President Eisenhower signed legislation authorizing a national cultural center. It became the John F. Kennedy Center in 1964. In September 1971 the Center opened its doors to three acoustically perfect theaters. The Center is beautifully located on the Potomac River and the view from the outer balconies, which run around the whole building, is magnificent. Funds for the Center came from private citizens, foundations and business firms. Several foreign nations donated many of the interesting attractions. Virtually every national flag in the world is displayed in the central hall. Tel. 254-3600. Open daily for visitors 09.00 hrs. to midnight. Daily tours 10.00 to 13.15 hrs.

Library of Congress (L8), 1st Street-Independence Avenue S.E. This is the largest library in the world with over 80 million items including maps, first editions, orchestral scores, documents, art works etc. Free tours are available 09.00 to 16.00 hrs. Mondays to Fridays every hour. For opening hours call 287-6400.

Lincoln Memorial (A8). Situated in West Potomac Park close to the Arlington Memorial Bridge, this majestic memorial in classic, Grecian style possesses 36 columns – one for each State in the Union at the time of the Great Emancipator’s death. The impressive, seated figure of Lincoln, sculptured by Daniel Chester French, presides over the 21 m (69 ft.) main hall on the walls of which is inscribed his famous Gettysburg and second inaugural address. Open 24 hrs. daily.

Mount Vernon (off map), the home, estate, and resting place of George Washington, lies 24 km (15 miles) south of the City. Reached by road (the George Washington Memorial Parkway) or by river (Washington Boat Line tours), the house was built in 1743 by Lawrence Washington, brother of George. Many of the original furnishings, pictures, books and equipment are still to be seen today. Open daily 09.00 to 16.00 hrs.

National Air and Space Museum (H8), 7th Street & Independence Ave., S.W. It houses the Wright brothers’ airplane, the Spirit of St. Louis, Friendship 7 and Apollo II command modules, a special effects theater and spacearium, as well as hundreds of

other aeronautic and astronautical exhibits. Open daily 09.00 to 17.30 hrs.

National Archives (H6), Constitution Ave. at 8th Street, N.W. This is the strong-hold for important documents including the original Declaration of Independence and Constitution. Open Mondays to Saturdays 10.00 to 17.30 hrs. For recorded information on exhibits call 523-3000.

National Gallery of Art (H7), 6th and Constitution Ave., N.W. The two monumental marble structures contain fine collections of Italian masters and masterpieces of the Flemish, Dutch, Spanish, French, British, German and early American schools. Its facilities include free daily tours and lectures, and electronic guide service comprising a radio receiver and earphones through which can be heard non-stop 10-minute lectures expounding the history and significance of the works on view. Photographs may be taken. Open daily 10.00 to 17.00 hrs.; Sundays 12.00 to 21.00 hrs. Extended summer opening hours. Tel. 737-4215.

National Geographic Society (C2), 17th and M Streets, N.W. Explorers Hall displays exciting exhibits from around the world. Open Monday–Friday, 09.00 to 18.00 hrs., Saturdays 09.00 to 17.00 hrs., Sundays 10.00 to 17.00 hrs.

National Museum of American Art (H4), 9th & G Streets, N.W. 26,000 works spanning 250 years of American paintings, sculpture and graphics – including works by Gilbert Stuart and Benjamin West. Open daily 10.00 to 17.30 hrs.

National Museum of Natural History (G7), Constitution Ave. & 10th St., N.W. With more than 60 million items on display, the museum examines man and the natural environment. Highlights include huge dinosaur skeletons, giant meteorites, Egyptian mummies, Ice Age mammals, and the famous 34.5 carat Hope Diamond. Open daily 10.00 to 17.30 hrs.

National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (off map), 4th and Michigan Ave., N.E. Massive, magnificent with its slender tower and perfectly poised dome, it is the largest Catholic church in the United States. Be sure to see the beautiful marble altar and mosaic of Christ. Tel. 526-8300.

National Zoological Park (off map), 3001 Connecticut Avenue N.W. 72 hectares (178 acres) of zoo and parkland, containing close on 3,000 specimens of mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians and fish. The Panda given to the United States by the People’s Republic of China resides here. Grounds are open from 08.00 to 18.00 hrs. Buildings from 10.00 to 16.30 hrs. A cafeteria serves lunches and refreshments.

Old Town Alexandria (off map – south of Washington National Airport in Virginia). Historic Old Town, overlooking the Potomac River, takes you back to the Colonial days. Alexandria was founded by a Scottish merchant in 1749 as a major seaport, and still many quaint rowhouses date from the 18th century. Restored historic buildings and landmarks are located within a few blocks around King Street on the waterfront. The streets in this area are also lined with small specialty and antique shops, art galleries and family as well as first class restaurants – the best known being Gadsby’s Tavern, 128 N. Royal, where George Washington was a frequent visitor. The menu has not changed much since then. Start your walking tour at Ramsay House Visitors’ Center,

221 King. You can reach Old Town Alexandria by Metro to Washington National Airport and from there by bus 11.

Smithsonian Institution Building (G8), 1000 Jefferson Drive, S.W., is the headquarters of the Smithsonian Institution established in 1846 by a bequest of Englishman James Smithson "to found . . . an establishment for the increase of knowledge amongst men". The various buildings on the Mall house numerous exhibits, among others America's first steam engine, telephone, and automobile in the *National Museum of American History*. Open 10.00 to 17.30 hrs. daily and Sundays. Extended hours in summertime. Tel. 357-2700.

Washington National Cathedral (off map), Wisconsin and Massachusetts Avenues, N.W. Officially the Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul – popularly known as the Washington Cathedral. Denomination: Protestant Episcopal. Tel. 537-6200. Tours Monday–Saturday, 10.00 to 15.15 hrs., Sunday 12.30 to 14.00 hrs.

Washington Monument (D8) soars skyward from the Mall, a striking tribute to George Washington. 169 m (554 ft.) of stone, it is the tallest masonry structure in the world, and probably the city's most outstanding landmark. From the top, which you reach via an elevator or a flight of 900 stairs, there is a magnificent view of the City. Open daily April to September, 09.00 hrs. to midnight; the rest of the year, 09.00 to 17.00 hrs.

White House (D5), 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Every American President, with the exception of George Washington, has lived in the White House. Standing in 7 hectares (18 acres) of parkland, this resplendent 18th century Renaissance mansion is the oldest public structure in Washington. Its cornerstone was laid in 1792. Burned by the British in 1812, it was restored by architect James Hoban and, in restoration, painted white. Certain of the rooms are open to visitors, between 10.00 and 12.00 hrs. from Tuesday through Saturday. Closed some holidays. Cameras are permitted in the outside grounds only.

Tour possibilities (see map page 25).

Numerous expertly-conducted tours thread their way both through the City and surroundings. Three of Washington's biggest operators – White House Sightseeing Corporation, the Gray Line, and Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority – offer abundant interesting examples. A typical 4-hour City tour might include viewing of anything up to 10 sights, plus visits to the U.S. Capitol, the White House, the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, and the Smithsonian Institution; the National Gallery of Art, Botanical Gardens, the Jefferson Memorial and the Lincoln Memorial; or the National Gallery of Art, the FBI Exhibition, the Archives' Buildings, the National History Museum and the National Air and Space Museum.

Tourmobile Sightseeing offer inexpensive tours of most of the main points of interest. A Tourmobile leaves frequently from designated stops and you can get on and off as many times as you like at no extra charge. There is also a string of Washington-by-night tours ranging in duration from 2½ to 4 hours.

Tours of Annapolis include Maryland State Capitol, U.S. Naval Academy and Museum, Bancroft Hall, the Chapel, McDonough Hall, Crypt of John Paul Jones, Dahlgreen Hall.

Tours to Arlington include Arlington National Cemetery, Curtis and Lee Mansion, Tomb of the Unknown Soldier (timed to catch the ceremony of the Changing of the Guard), the National Memorial Amphitheater, and the Iwo Jima Memorial.

Tours to Mount Vernon include the home of George Washington, farms, mansions, etc., and the tombs of George and Martha Washington.

Tours to Old Town Alexandria generally include stops at Christ Church, Gadsby's Tavern, Carlyle House, George Washington Masonic Memorial, Old Presbyterian Meeting House, Hallowell School, Ramsey House, and the homes of Lord Fairfax and Light Horse Harry Leigh.

Tours through Residential Washington generally include visits to Washington Cathedral, the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, and the Franciscan Monastery with its catacombs, shrine and grotto – life-size replicas of those in the Holy Land.

Boat tours, too. Between March 30 and October 1, daily excursions to Mt. Vernon and to Marshall Hall Amusement Park (see page 27) are possible by Washington Boat Line or hydrofoil along the beautiful, historic Potomac River.

For fuller details contact Washington Area Convention and Visitors' Association (D3 or E6).

EXPLORING FARTHER AFIELD.

Excursions.

There are any number of places worth visiting in the surrounding areas, north, south, east and west, if you have time to spare. Reference to the area map (page 25) will help you gauge the direction and distance of any of these attractive expeditions.

Charlottesville, Virginia. Visitors may view the homes of Presidents Jefferson and Monroe as well as the University of Virginia. 187 km (116 miles).

Chesapeake Bay. There are many beautiful resorts with recreational sports around the bay. Canoeing, boating and fishing may be enjoyed. Consult the Visitors' Bureau of the Board of Trade or the American Automobile Association for fuller details.

Fredericksburg, Virginia. The birthplaces of Presidents Washington and Robert E. Lee stand close by. So, too, do many historical landmarks of the Revolutionary and Civil Wars. 77 km (48 miles).

Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Famous Civil War battlefield and museum. 125 km (78 miles).

James River Plantations, Virginia. Some of these plantations situated in Tidewater, Virginia, along the James River are open to visitors.

Kings Dominion, Virginia. A fantasy-land full of family entertainment with the fastest, double roller coaster in the world. 128 km (80 miles).

Ocean Beaches. The nearest are Rehoboth, Delaware (208 km – 129 miles), and Ocean City, Maryland (232 km – 144 miles).

Shenandoah National Park, Virginia. One of the most beautiful scenic drives in the United States. Nearby lie two exciting exploration possibilities: The Luray and Skyline Caverns. 120 km (75 miles).

Williamsburg, Virginia. Picturesque, colonial capital of Virginia, Williamsburg has been uniquely preserved and functions today in precisely the same fashion – settings, costumes and working methods – as it did in the 18th century. There is an excellent inn and lodge here and, if time permits, a stay of at least one night is recommended. 176 km (109 miles).

While in this area you may want to visit “*The Old Country*” at the Busch Gardens, an amusement park for the whole family in 16th-century European atmosphere only 8 km (5 miles) east of Williamsburg.

SHOPPING AND SOUVENIR HUNTING.

Where to buy: You should not miss visiting Connecticut Avenue’s exclusive ladies’ shops and the cluster of appealing antique and gift stores on and around the lower end of Wisconsin Avenue, Georgetown, as well as Old Town, Alexandria.

There are a number of large shopping malls in the Maryland and Virginia suburbs.

Special Parking and Shopping Arrangements: Street parking in central Washington, as in most large cities, is becoming increasingly difficult. To counteract this problem many of the larger downtown stores offer their customers free parking facilities. Simply look for the “Downtown Park and Shop” signs.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

Active sports.

Golf: 9- and 18-hole courses are open to visitors at Hain’s Point in East Potomac Park and Rock Creek. East Potomac also has a miniature course.

Swimming: In summer, swimming is possible at the Ocean Beaches, in the Chesapeake Bay and the Marshall Hall Amusement Park pool and all-year round at the indoor pools of the YMCA and YWCA. Many hotels and motels have their own private pools.

Horse-riding: There are excellent stables at Rock Creek Park, and this rugged 89 hectare (220 acre) expanse contains mile upon mile of winding bridle paths.

Tennis: Washington possesses 109 courts in 30 locations which can be played on without charge. Visitors need only acquire a permit from the Department of Recreation (see below).

Boating: Row boats and canoes can be hired from Thompson Boat Center, Potomac River, on a daily or hourly basis. Tel. 333-4861 and Fletcher’s Boat House, tel. 244-0461. March–November daylight hours.

Sailing: Sailboats can be rented from some marinas in Washington and Annapolis, Maryland.

Spectator sports.

American Football: Major league games can be seen at R.F.K. Stadium, 22nd and East Capital Streets from early September to mid-December.

Horse racing: Virtually the year through, there is racing at one or another of the surrounding tracks: Bowie, Laurel, Pimlico and Upper Marlboro, Maryland, and Charles Town, West Virginia. In June and May, there are also trotting races at Rosecroft Raceway

and Laurel Raceway Trotting Track. Night racing is offered at Shenandoah Downs, West Virginia, adjacent to the Charles Town Track.

For recreation information contact the D.C. Recreation Dept., 3149 16th Street, N.W., tel. 673-7660.

Your comments.

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