

## Thank you for choosing the DC Explorer Pass!

Welcome to Washington, D.C., a fun and exciting place to explore U.S. history of the past and present. From museums and national monuments to the beautiful parks and landscape of D.C.—it's easy to plan a fun-packed and patriotic trip to the nation's capital.

Choose attractions as you go and take your time. Once you activate your pass by visiting your first attraction, your pass is good for 30 days. Choose from lots of popular attractions, including a Hop-On Hop-Off Bus Tour, the Newseum, International Spy Museum, Madame Tussauds DC and more.

# Washington DC Explorer Pass®



### This packet contains your admission pass(es)

Your pass is required for admission at each attraction. Please print it out, carry it with you and retain it after each visit.



### How to use your admission pass

Every pass has a unique code. A representative at the attraction will scan the code on each traveler's pass, granting you admission. For special offers at shops and restaurants, show your pass to your server or cashier.



### Be aware of admission policies

Please read attraction information for hours, closings, and special admission instructions. Attractions with the **R** symbol require reservations. Attractions displaying **T** require you to pick up tickets at a separate location.



### Pass expiration

Visiting your first attraction activates your pass. You have 30 calendar days to use your pass. You may visit each attraction once with the exception of shows at the V Theater; each show counts as one attraction. You have one year from the purchase date to use your pass.



### Need help?

If you need assistance with your pass please call us at 866-628-9036. If you lose your pass, reprint it at any time from your order confirmation email, or by using Order Lookup at [smartdestinations.com](http://smartdestinations.com).

# Washington DC Explorer Pass Guidebook

## Included Attractions

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### 1 City Sights 24-hour Monuments Express Tour

**Getting in:** Present your DC Pass at the CitySights DC ticket desk in the main lobby of Union Station - 50 Massachusetts Ave NE, Washington DC. Your 24-hour ticket begins when your Pass is redeemed.

**Open:** 9:00am-5:00pm

**Notes:** Children 3 and older must have a DC Pass or paid ticket. Child tickets are available for purchase at the Union Station ticket desk. Multilingual tours available. Ask on board. Your DC Pass must be redeemed at Union Station for a 24-hour ticket prior to boarding a bus.

[Union Station - 50 Massachusetts Ave NE](#)  
[Washington DC](#)

(202) 650-5444

<http://www.citysightsdc.com>

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### 2 Madame Tussauds DC

**Getting in:** Present your Pass at the desk for admission.

**Open:** April 21 – Labor Day: Sunday – Friday, 10:00am - 6:00pm, Saturday, 10:00am – 8:00pm. Seasonal hours subject to change. Madame Tussauds may be occasionally closed due to private events. Please consult website for updated hours and closures.

**Notes:** Children ages 4 and older must have a DC Pass or paid ticket for entry.

[1001 F Street NW](#)  
[Washington, DC 20004](#)

(202) 942-7300

<http://www.madametussaudsdc.com>

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### 3 Newseum - 2 Day Admission

**Getting in:** Present your Pass at admissions desk for admission. You will receive a 2-Day ticket.

**Open:** Daily, 9:00am-5:00pm.

**Closed:** Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Inauguration Day

**Notes:** DC Pass admission includes a second consecutive day for free! Children ages 6 and under are always free. July 1 through Labor Day, the Newseum waives admission for youth ages 18 and younger accompanied by an Adult or Senior admission.

[555 Pennsylvania Ave, NW](#)  
[Washington D.C 20001](#)

(202) 292-6100

<http://www.newseum.org>

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### 4 International Spy Museum

**Getting in:** Present your Pass at the front desk for a timed general admission ticket.

**Open:** Spring & Summer: 9:00am–7:00pm;; Fall & Winter: 10:00am-6:00pm. ; Hours subject to change. Please check website for updated hours.

**Closed:** Closed Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

**Notes:** Self-guided tour. During peak touring seasons (such as Spring Break and major holidays), guests may experience a wait to enter the general exhibition. It is recommend that you visit early or late to avoid lines. Children ages 6 and under are admitted free.

[800 F Street NW](#)  
[Washington DC 20004](#)

(202) 393-7798

<http://www.spymuseum.org>

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### 5 George Washington's Mount Vernon

**Getting in:** Present your DC Pass at the ticket window, where you will be given a ticket with a mansion tour time. Tour time is subject to availability based on the volume of visitation. The remainder of your visit is self-guided at your leisure.

**Open:**

- April-August, 8:00am - 5:00pm;
- March, September, and October, 9:00am - 5:00pm;
- November - February, 9:00am - 4:00pm

**Closed:** Open 365 Days a year.

**Notes:** Admission includes a Mansion tour, and access to the grounds, Donald W. Reynolds Museum and Education Center, George Washington's Distillery & Gristmill (April – October) and other buildings. Programming and access vary by month and season. During peak times, Mansion tours may be abbreviated. Please see website for programming schedule and more details. Children ages 6 and older must have a DC Pass or paid ticket to Mount Vernon.

[3200 Mount Vernon Memorial Highway](#)  
[Mount Vernon VA 22121](#)

(703) 780-2000

<http://www.mountvernon.org>

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### 6 Bike and Roll DC

**Getting in:** Present your Pass to Bike and Roll DC staff to set up your rental.

**Open:** Mid-March – November: 9:00 am – 6:00 pm.; Closed December through Mid-March. May be open for extended hours in June - August. Please call or see Bike and Roll DC staff on site.

**Closed:** Seasonal. Closed December - Mid March.

**Notes:** Your Pass includes a 3-Hour Trek hybrid bike rental with small handlebar bag & rack, helmet, u-lock & city map. Additional fees apply after 3 hours; please speak with a Bike and Roll DC team member for more details. A credit card is required, Bikes subject to availability. Kids bikes and trailer attachments are available for an additional fee.

[955 L'Enfant Plaza](#)  
[Washington, DC](#)

(202) 842-2453

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## 7 The Crime Museum

**Getting in:** Please present your DC Pass at the front desk for admission to the Museum.

**Open:**

**Mid-March - Late August:** Monday - Thursday: 9:00am-7:00pm; Friday - Saturday: 9:00am-8:00pm; Sunday: 10:00am-7:00pm;

**Late August-Mid March:** Sunday-Thursday: 10:00am-7:00pm; Friday-Saturday: 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Seasonal hours subject to change. Please consult website for seasonal and/or special events and closures.

**Closed:** Thansgiving Day, Christmas Day

**Notes:** Last entry one hour prior to closing. Children ages 5 and older must have a DC Pass or paid ticket for admission.

[575 7th Street NW](#)  
[Washington DC 20004](#)

(202) 393-1099

<http://www.CrimeMuseum.org>

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## 8 National Geographic Museum

**Getting in:** Present your Pass at the ticket desk for admission.

**Open:** Daily, 10:00am – 6:00pm. Last entry at 5:15pm.

**Closed:** Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day

**Notes:**

The museum features changing exhibits. Please see website for current exhibition details. Children ages 5 and older require a DC Explorer Pass or paid ticket for admission. An accessible entrance is located on M Street.

[1145 17th Street, NW](#)  
[Washington, DC 20038](#)

(202) 857-7700

<http://www.ngmuseum.org>

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## 9 Boating in DC

**Getting in:** Present your Pass to Boating in DC staff to set up your rental.

**Open:**

**Key Bridge Boathouse;** Monday - Friday 10:00am - 7:00pm; Saturday - Sunday: 8:00am - 7:00pm

**Ballpark Boathouse, Navy Yard:** Closed Monday - Wednesday.; Thursday - Friday: 12:00pm - 7:00pm; Saturday - Sunday: 9:00am - 7:00pm

**National Harbor;** Daily: 11:00am - 7:00pm

**Closed:** Seasonal, April-October.

**Notes:**

Your pass includes a two-hour single kayak, double kayak or stand up paddleboard rental. Available boats vary by location. Closing time varies seasonally. Please check [www.BoatingInDC.com](http://www.BoatingInDC.com) for up to date information for each location. Children under 8 years of age must ride with parent.

There are three locations:

**Key Bridge Boathouse, Georgetown:**

3500 Water St NW, Washington, DC, 20007

Single Kayak Rental, Double Kayak Rental, SUP, and 2-Person Canoe.

**Ballpark Boathouse, Navy Yard:**

Potomac Ave SE & First St SE,

Washington, DC, 20003

Single Kayak Rental, Double Kayak Rental, and 2-Person Canoe.

**National Harbor:**

165 Waterfront St, National Harbor, MD 20745

Single Kayak Rental, Double Kayak Rental, SUP, and Pedal Boat.

**Georgetown Key Bridge**

(202) 337-9642

**Boathouse:**

3500 Water St NW, Washington, DC,  
20007

Single Kayak Rental

<http://www.boatingindc.com>

**Ballpark Boathouse:** Potomac Ave

SE & First St SE,

Washington, DC, 20003

Double Kayak Rental

**National Harbor:** 165 Waterfront St,

National Harbor, MD 20745

Stand Up Paddleboard

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## 10 Washington Monuments Cruise by Potomac Riverboat Company

**Getting in:** Present your DC Pass at the Potomac Riverboat Company ticketing cart at the Georgetown dock at The Washington Harbour. In spring and fall, please go directly to the boat if the cart is not present.

**Open:**

DC Explorer Pass is valid for these departures: Memorial Day – Labor Day: Monday – Friday, 12:30pm, 2:30pm, 4:30pm, 6:30pm; Saturday – Sunday, 12:30pm, 1:30pm

September 8 – October 12: Tuesday – Friday, 12:30pm, 2:30pm, 4:30pm, 6:30pm;  
Saturday - Sunday, 12:30pm, 1:30pm; Columbus Day, Monday, Oct. 12: 12:30pm, 1:30pm;  
October 13 – November 1: Saturday – Sunday, 12:30pm

**Closed:** Seasonal. See Hours for specific seasonal hours and closures.

**Notes:**

- Your DC Pass is valid for select cruises only (see Hours for times.) Capacity is very limited and seating is subject to availability on a first-come, first-served basis only. Please arrive at least 30 minutes prior to departure time for your best chance to cruise. On holidays and summer weekends, please plan to arrive at least an hour prior to cruise time for your best opportunity to be ticketed.
- Your ticket is a round-trip, continuous tour that includes a stop in Alexandria. Please stay on the boat to continue your tour. If you get off in Alexandria, your return trip is not guaranteed.
- The US Coast Guard requires all passengers to have a ticket. Children ages 2 and older must have a DC Pass or paid Potomac Riverboat Company ticket to cruise. Infants up to age 24 months will be provided a ticket at no charge at the ticket cart. Please notify the agent you have an infant when redeeming your passes.


[Georgetown Dock](#)  
[31st Street & K Street NW](#)  
[Washington DC 20007](#)

(703) 684-0580

<http://www.potomacriverboatco.com>



## ATTRACTION

- 1** CITYSIGHTS HOP-ON HOP-OFF BUS TOUR 
- 2** MADAME TUSSAUDS DC
- 3** NEWSEUM
- 4** INTERNATIONAL SPY MUSEUM
- 5** GEORGE WASHINGTON'S MOUNT VERNON  
*(Not shown on map)*
- 6** POTOMAC RIVERBOAT COMPANY—  
WASHINGTON MONUMENTS CRUISE
- 7** BIKE AND ROLL DC BIKE RENTAL
- 8** THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF  
CRIME AND PUNISHMENT

- 9** NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC MUSEUM



- 10** BOATING IN DC BOAT RENTAL

**10a. Georgetown Key Bridge Boathouse:**  
3500 Water St NW, Washington, DC

**10b. Ballpark Boathouse:**  
Potomac Ave SE & First St SE, Washington, DC

**10c. National Harbor:** *(Not shown on map)*  
165 Waterfront St, National Harbor, MD

## LEGEND

-  Included Attractions
-  Pick up tickets here before  
proceeding to the attraction

