

There is so much to do right here in Fairfax County, but we also have some pretty famous neighbors. Make Fairfax County your base camp to explore some of the region's most memorable sights and attractions.

- **1. George Washington's Mount Vernon** Learn about Washington: the farmer, the soldier, the entrepreneur, and the statesman at the most visited historic home in the United States.
- 2. The Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum Steven F. Udvar-Hazy Center Meet the pioneers of flight in this 10-story building that houses the Space Shuttle *Discovery* along with thousands of air and space artifacts.
- **3. Wolf Trap** The nation's only park dedicated to the performing arts features performing artists ranging from popular music icons to the National Symphony Orchestra in truly unique outdoor and indoor settings.
- **4. Tysons Shopping** The internationally famous Tysons Corner shopping district offers more than 450 stores and restaurants and some of the best shopping on the East Coast.
- **5. The Workhouse Arts Center** This former prison where the Suffragists were incarcerated during their fight for voting rights is now home to 90 artisans and their beautiful work. The Workhouse features a variety of special events and workshops throughout the year.
- **6. Great Falls Park** This gorgeous outdoor wonder that serves as a training ground for Olympic kayakers is a stunningly beautiful part of the National Park system.
- **7. The National Mall in Washington, DC** Smithsonian Museums, Monuments, Memorials, and History all come together on one of the most recognized historic sites in the world.
- **8. The Smithsonian Institution** This world-famous organization seeks to preserve our heritage, discover new knowledge, and share resources with the world through nineteen amazing museums and galleries in DC and VA, along with the National Zoological Park.
- **9. Arlington National Cemetery** This 500-acre site serves as the final resting place for thousands of military heroes as well the eternal flame marking the grave of President John F. Kennedy.
- **10.** The White House An experience not to be missed, the President's home can be visited through tours set up by your local Congressman.
- **11. The U.S. Capitol** Home to the Legislative Branch of the American Government, this gorgeous example of architecture can be visited through free tours on a first-come, first-served basis.
- **12. Old Town Alexandria** With more than 250 years of history and hospitality to its credit, Alexandria, VA offers a variety of historic, dining, and cultural experiences.

- **13. Georgetown** This famous area of Washington, DC and home of Georgetown University shares the vibe of Old Town Alexandria with its shops, restaurants, and row homes.
- **14. Annapolis, MD** The home of the United States Naval Academy and an internationally celebrated maritime community makes a wonderful day trip.
- **15. Baltimore Inner Harbor** Another great day trip, Baltimore's Inner Harbor in MD features shops, restaurants, and Fort McHenry, all surrounded by a beautiful view of the water.
- **16. Virginia's Wine Country** Fairfax County serves as the gateway to Virginia's Wine Country with the first two wineries outside of DC followed by dozens of unique wineries throughout Northern Virginia.
- **17. MGM National Harbor** One of the region's newest attractions, this 23-acre resort and Las Vegas-style casino in VA offers a variety of entertainment and dining options.
- **18. Manassas National Battlefield Park** Scene of two of the American Civil War's major battles, this National Park serves as hallowed ground for the soldiers who died there.
- **19. National Archives** Home to some of the greatest documents ever written: the Constitution of the United States, the Bill of Rights, and the Declaration of Independence.
- **20. Historic Clifton, Herndon, and Fairfax** These quaint and historic towns offer a view of the past along with great shopping and dining.
- **21.** National Museum of the Marine Corps This incredible museum is a lasting tribute to U.S. Marines past, present, and future. Immersive, multi-sensory exhibits using innovative technology convey the 230-year history of the Corps.
- **22. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial** This majestic memorial honors King's life, his legacy, and his fight for civil rights and peace.
- **23. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts** Enjoy an elegant evening at this world-famous performing arts venue with shows ranging from Ballet to Broadway.
- **24. Library of Congress** The world's largest library houses 26 million books, films, documents, and photographs.
- **25.** Mason Neck State Park This beautiful park was established as the nation's first refuge for the Bald Eagle and is home to many of these majestic birds today.

