





Washington DC, Maryland & Delaware Trips

**AMERICA IS CONDENSED INTO HER
CAPITAL AND THE REGION THAT
SURROUNDS IT.**

Maryland's unofficial motto is 'America in Miniature,' and since Delaware is basically an extension of Maryland, you could say the 42nd- and 49th-largest states in the union encapsulate said Republic.

Culturally, Delaware balances the gritty northeast edge of Philly with a certain laid-back charm. Maryland's tougher to pin down. Green mountains in the panhandle to aristocratic horse country in the center, Chesapeake Bay running throughout, a north-south intermarriage of cultures and the cross-pollination of immigrant groups create a state that mixes small towns and wealthy estates with sharp cliffs and soft, tide-kissed wetlands.

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15 Maryland's National Historic Road 2 days

Drive from Baltimore's docks to the tiny villages of the Catoctin Mountains. (p185)

16 Along the C&O Canal 2 days

Ferries, bike paths and mountain valleys all line this old canal path. (p195)

Classic Trip

17 Maritime Maryland 4 days

Get into seaside towns, miles of marsh and sweaty Chesapeake crab shacks. (p203)

18 Southern Maryland Triangle 2 days

Historical trails, preserved colonial towns and pine-studded beaches converge south of DC. (p217)

19 Delmarva 3 days

Miles of beach and boardwalks abut barrier islands and summer resort towns. (p227)

20 Eastern Shore Odyssey 3 days

Fishing villages and farm towns await on this isolated wetland peninsula. (p237)



DON'T MISS

Urban Exploration

Cities like Baltimore and Frederick are steeped in history, good eats and hot nightlife. See them on Trip **15**

River Runs

The Potomac River snakes by Maryland, West Virginia and Virginia, framed by mountains and cultural hotspots. Follow the river path on Trip **16**

Isolated Adventures

Southern Maryland lays off the beaten path, and there are miles of lonely back roads to stomp down. Get romantically lost on Trip **18**

Get Tanned

There are beach resorts a-plenty and even more quiet parks and nature reserves near the Atlantic. Swim ashore or sun away on Trip **19**

Eat Crabs

Enjoy Maryland's favorite pastime of tucking into crabs, beer and corn. Get spicy with these crustaceans on Trip **17**



Baltimore Inner Harbour