



Washington, DC

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and the hardest part is over.**

So go!”

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- Zoo
- Other Sight

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- Eating

Drinking & Nightlife

- Drinking & Nightlife
- Cafe

Entertainment

- Entertainment

Shopping

- Shopping

Sleeping

- Sleeping
- Camping

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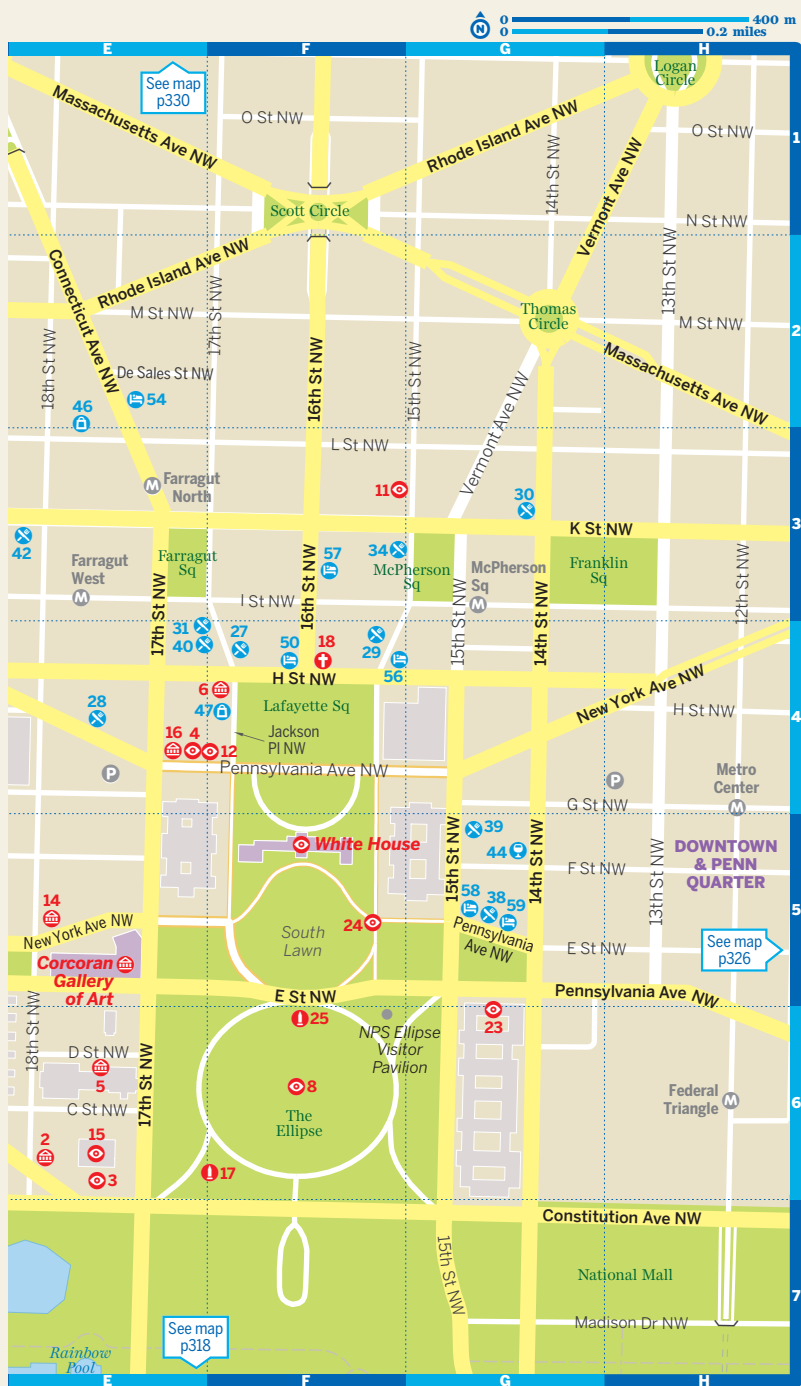
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WHITE HOUSE AREA & FOGGY BOTTOM





WHITE HOUSE AREA & FOGGY BOTTOM *Map on p320*

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4 Blair House (Private House).....	E4
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7 Department of the Interior Museum.....D6	
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9 Federal Reserve.....	D6
10 George Washington University.....	C4
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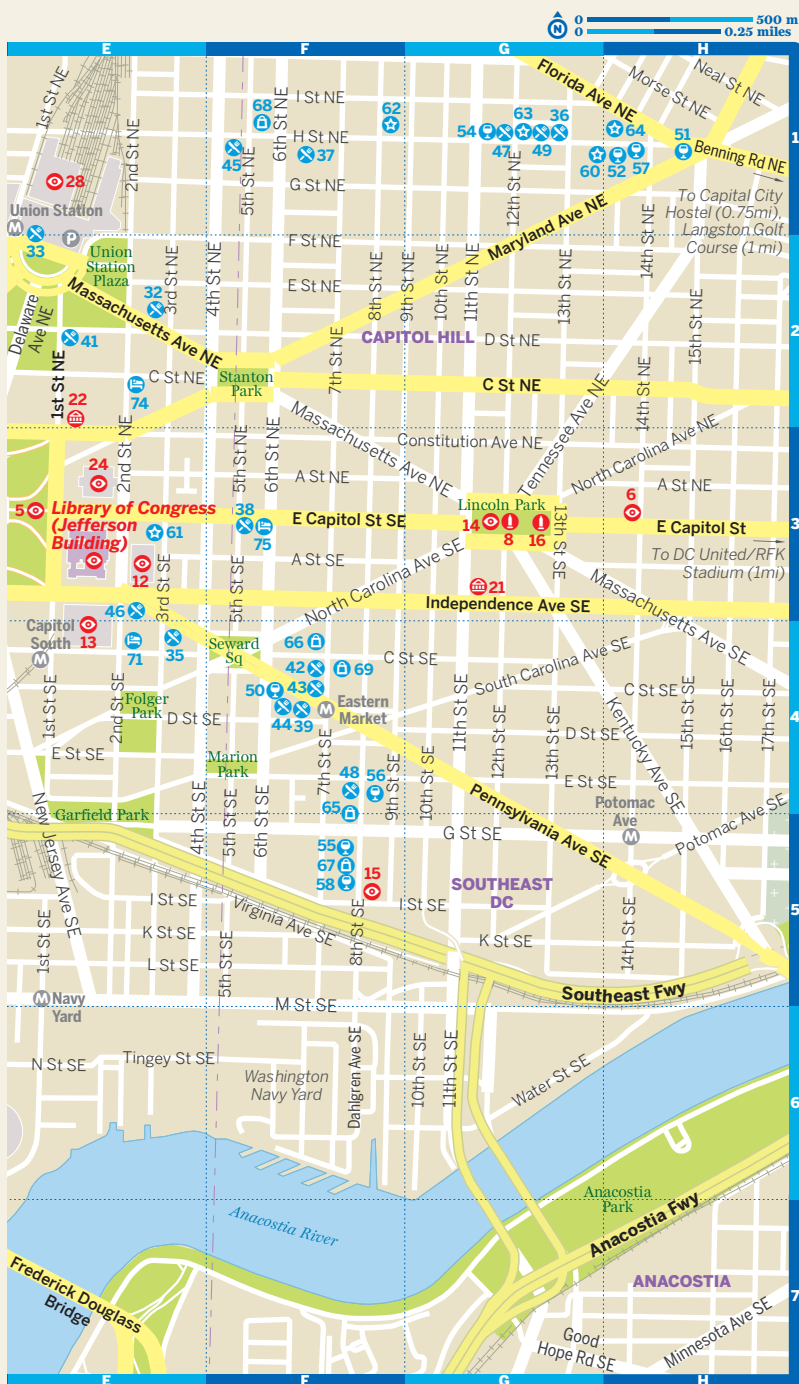
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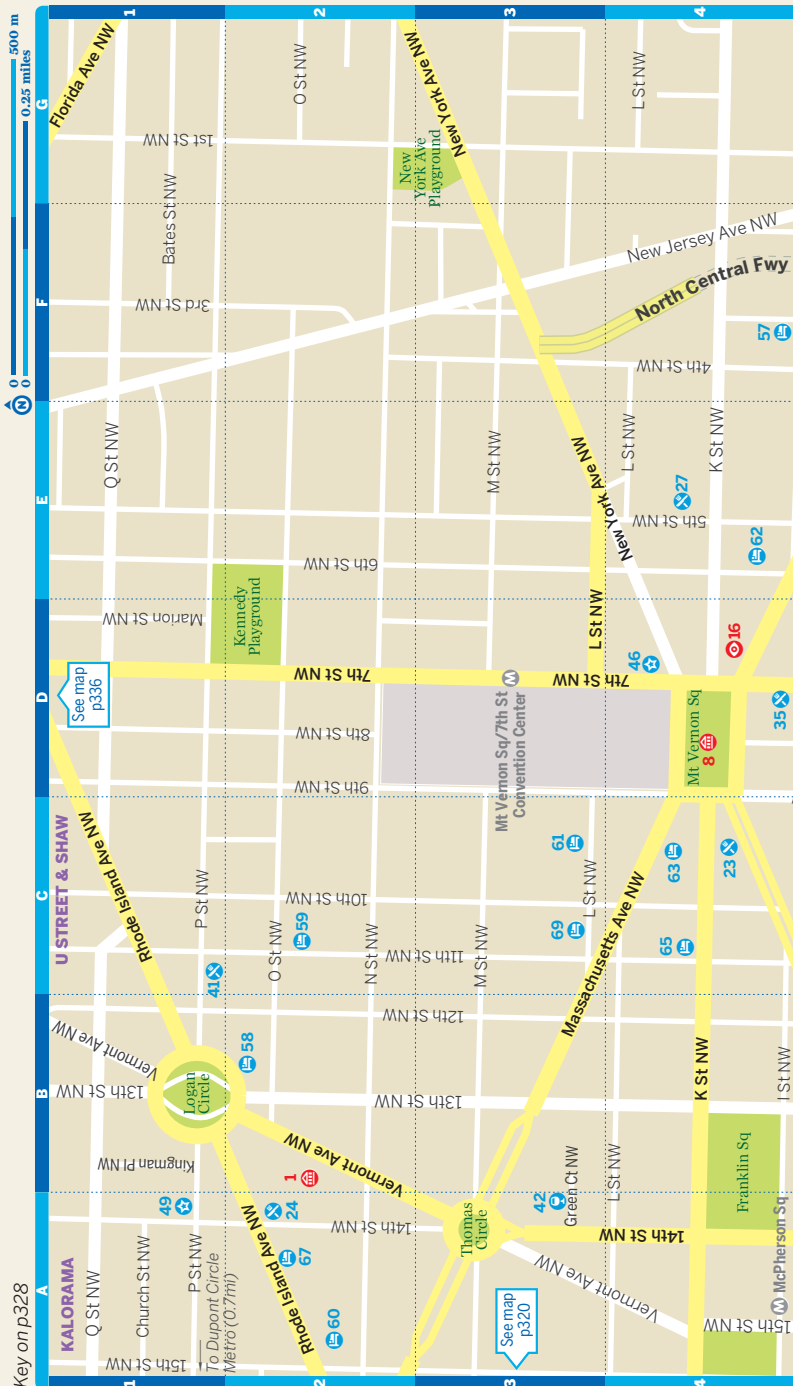
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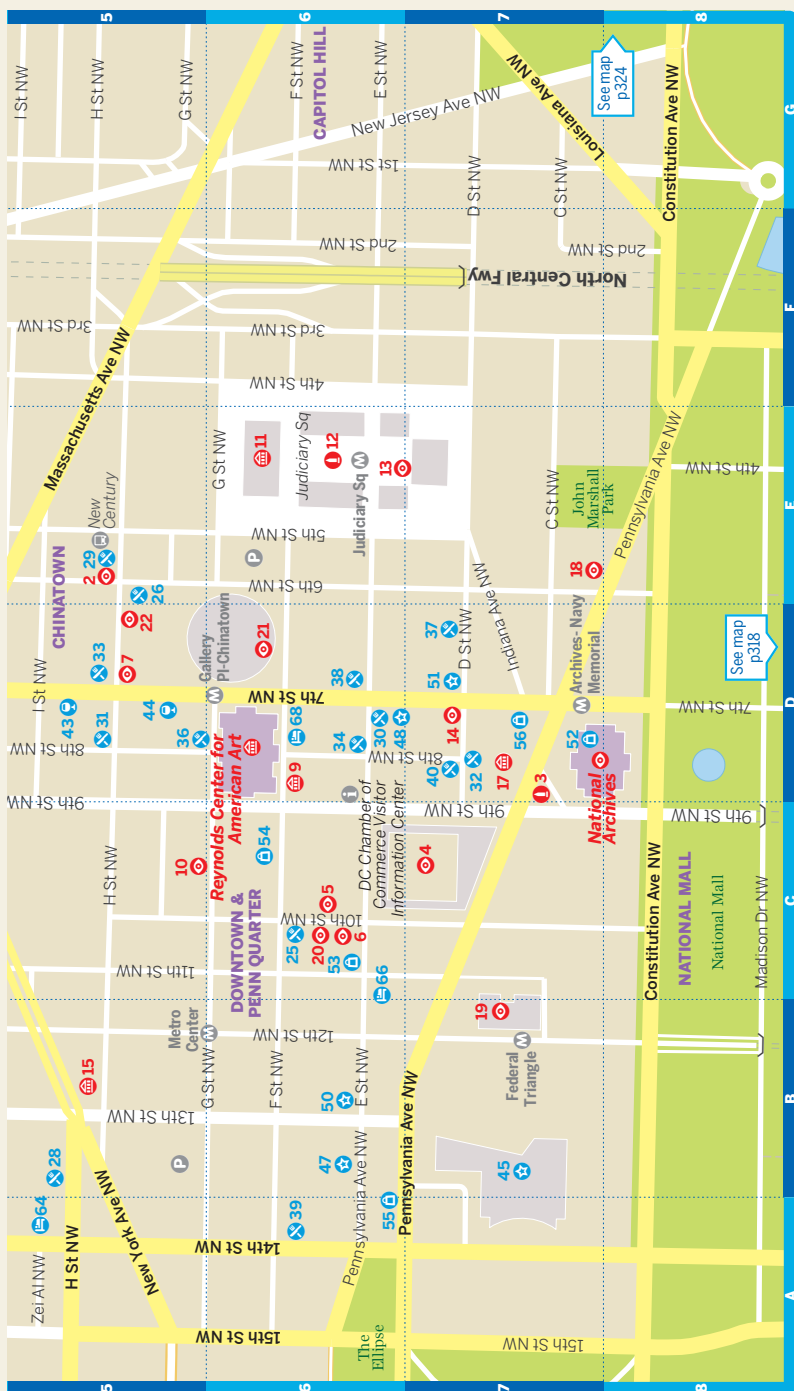


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DOWNTOWN & PENN QUARTER *Map on p326*

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 - 6 Ford's Theatre Center.....C6
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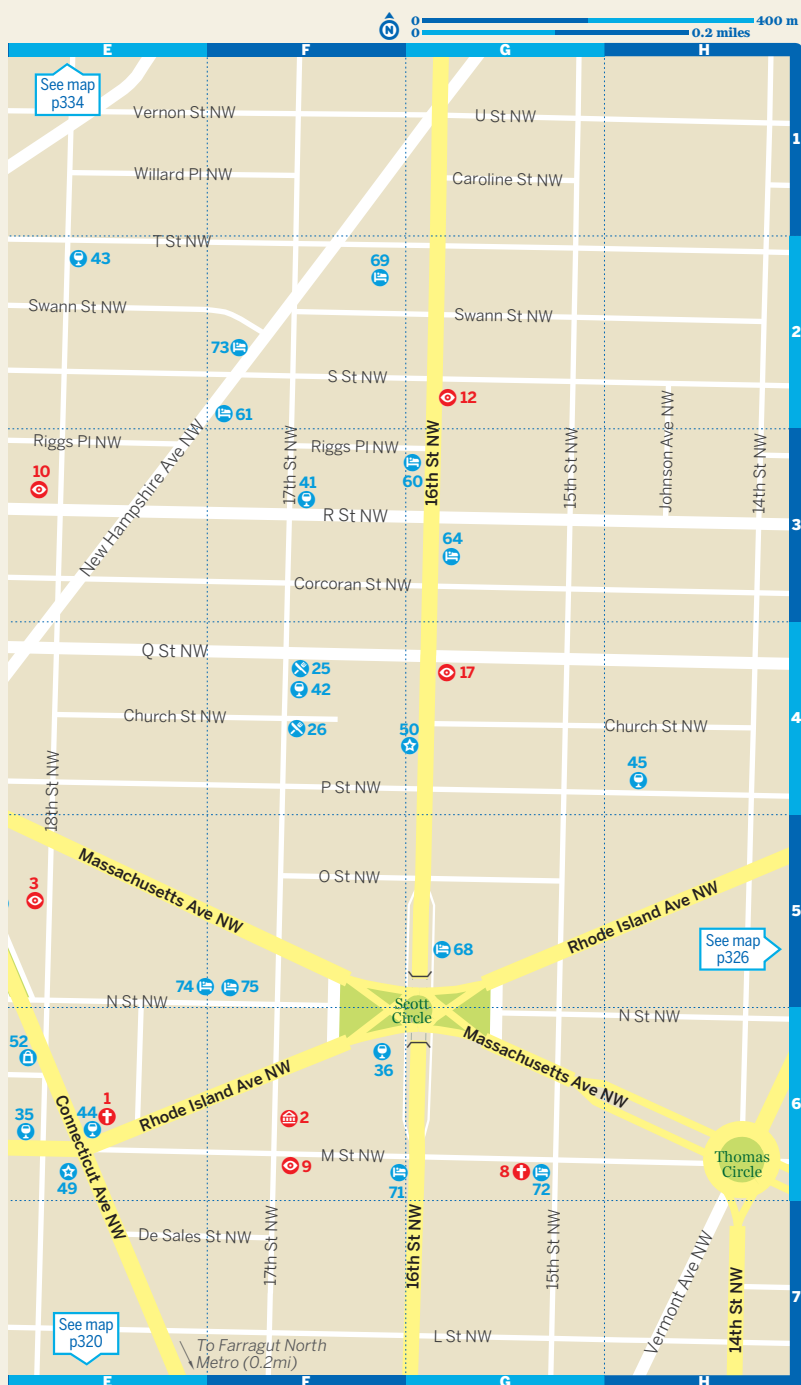
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- 9 National Geographic Museum.....F6
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DUPONT CIRCLE & KALORAMA





GEORGETOWN



GEORGETOWN

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📍 Sights

Daighren Chapel.....F1

1 Dumbarton House.....F1

2 Dumbarton Oaks.....D1

3 Exorcist Stairs.....C3

4 Female Union Band Cemetery.....F1

5 Georgetown University.....B2

6 Georgetown Waterfront Park.....E4

7 Healy Building.....B2

8 Mt Zion Cemetery.....F1

9 Mt Zion United Methodist Church.....E2

10 Oak Hill Cemetery.....E1

11 Old Stone House.....E3

12 Tudor Place.....D1

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13 1789.....B3

14 Baked and Wired.....E3

15 Café Milano.....D3

16 Ching Ching Cha.....D3

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20 Martin's Tavern.....D3

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24 Snap Café.....E3

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30 Rhino Bar & Pump House.....D3

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33 Apple Store.....D3

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45 Capital Crescent Trail (Start).....C3

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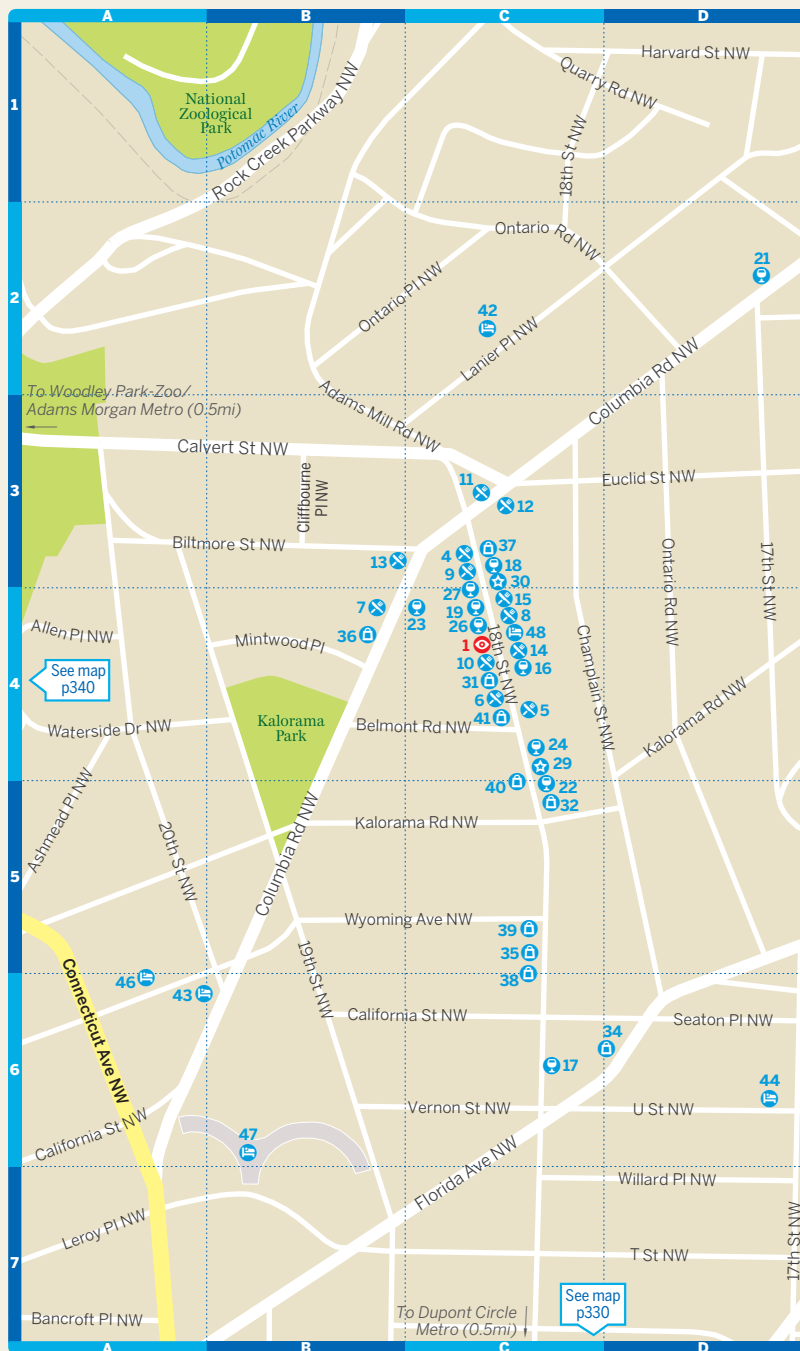
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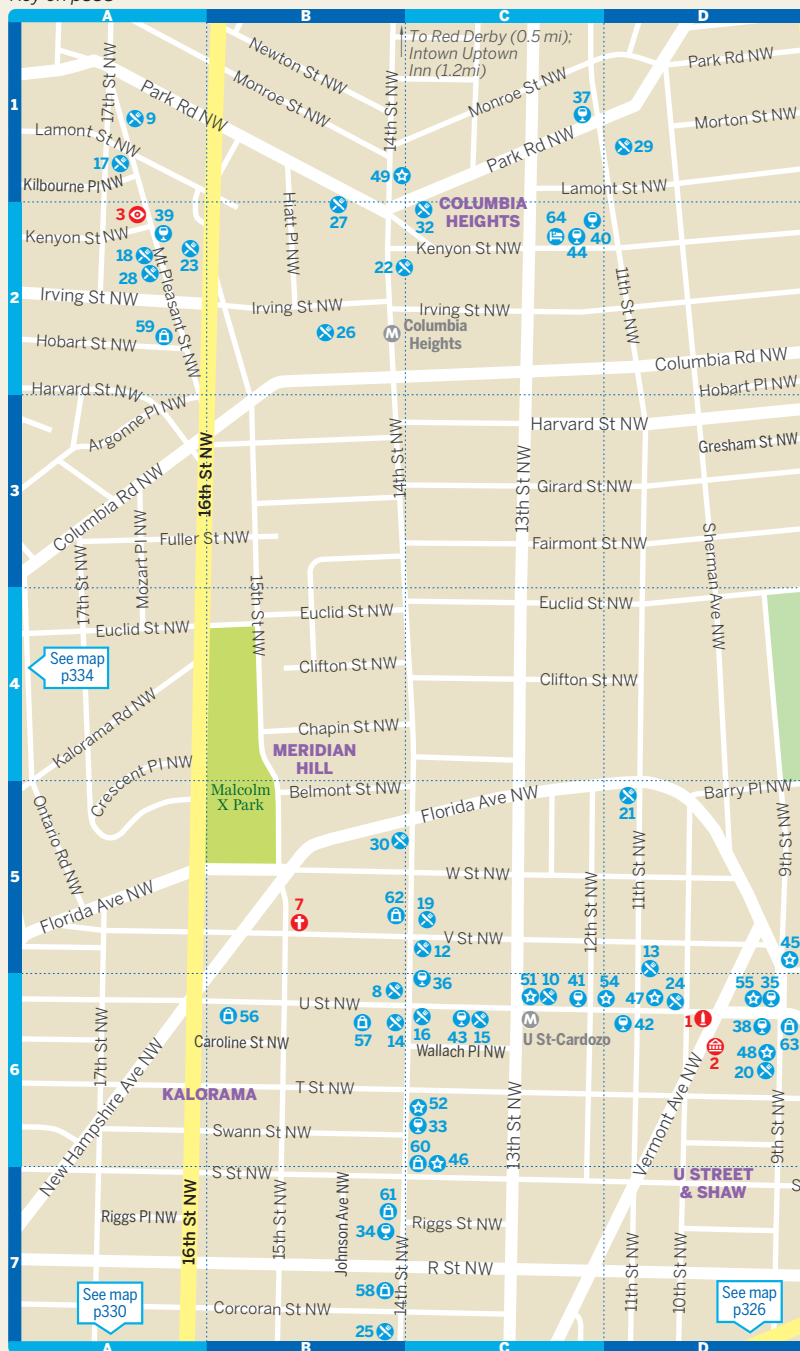
48 Georgetown Suites.....E3

49 Hotel Monticello.....E3

50 Latham Hotel.....E3



U STREET, COLUMBIA HEIGHTS & NORTHEAST



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U STREET, COLUMBIA HEIGHTS & NORTHEAST *Map on p336*

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- 2** African American Civil War Museum.....D6
- 3** El Seven (7-Eleven)A2
- 4** Founders' Library.....E4
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- 5** Howard University.....F4
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- 6** McMillan Reservoir Sand Filtration Plant.....H3
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- 9** Adam ExpressA1
- 10** Ben's Chili Bowl.....C6
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- 11** Bloomingdale Farmers' Market.....G7
- 12** Busboys & Poets.....C5
- 13** Chix.....D5
- 14** Coppi's Organic.....B6
- 15** Crème.....C6
- 16** DesperadosC6
- 17** Don Juan RestaurantA1
- 18** Dos Gringos.....A2
- 19** Eatonville.....C5
- 20** EteteD6
- 21** Florida Avenue GrillD5
- 22** Heights.....B2
- 23** Mt Pleasant Farmers' Market.....A2
- 24** Ooh's & Aahh'sD6
- 25** Pearl Dive Oyster PalaceB7
- 26** Pete's Apizza.....B2
- 27** Pho 14.....B2
- 28** Pupuseria San MiguelA2
- 29** Red Rocks Pizzeria.....D1
- 30** Restaurant Judy.....B5
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- 32** Sticky Fingers.....C2

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- 34** Cork Wine Bar.....B7
- 35** Dickson Wine BarD6
- 36** Marvin.....C6
- 37** Meridian Pint.....C1
- 38** Nellie's.....D6
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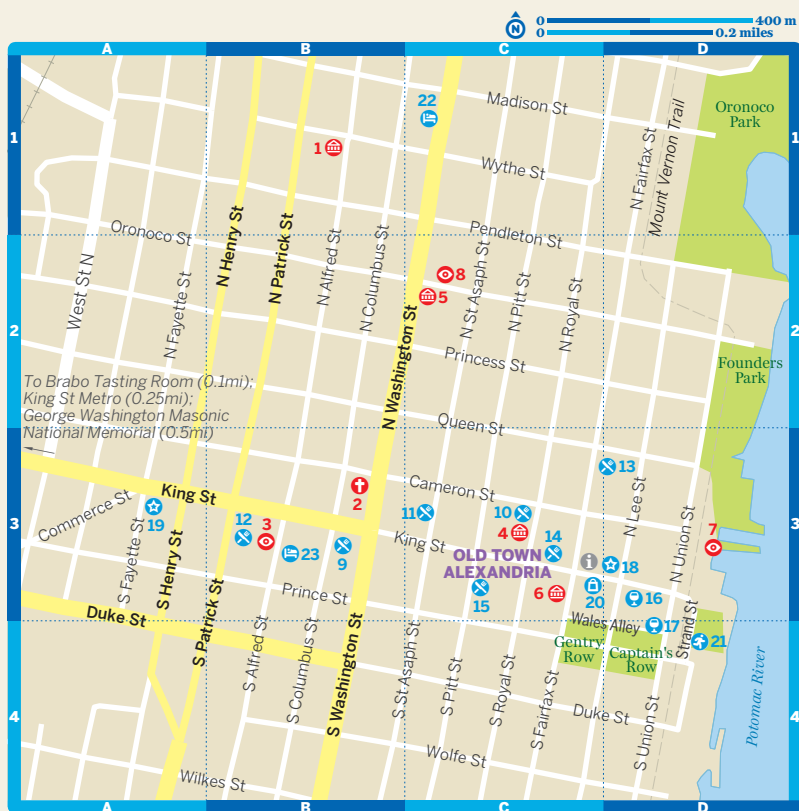
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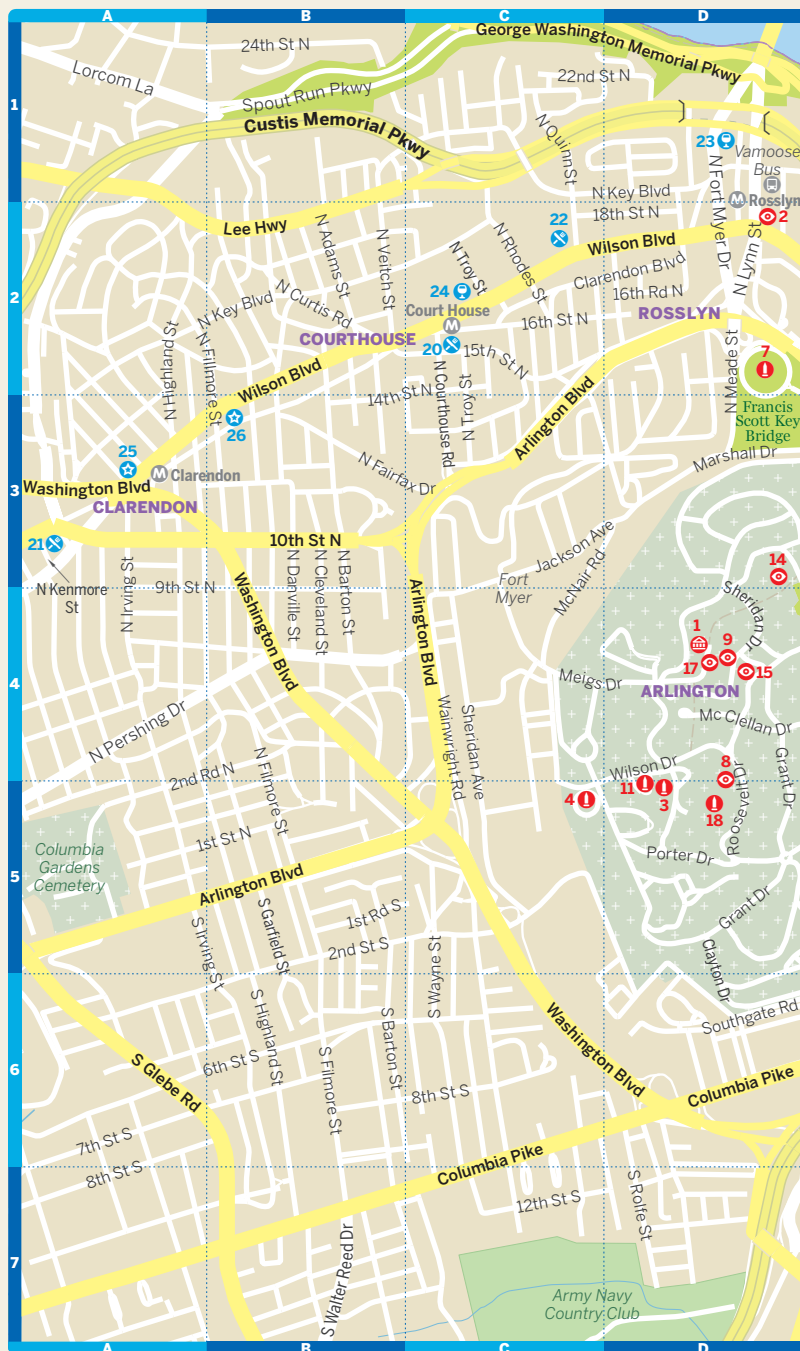


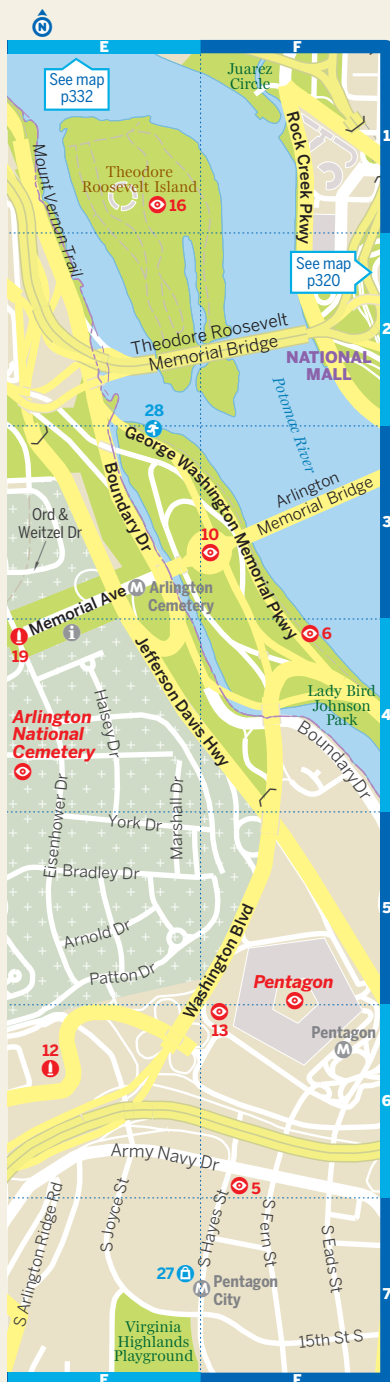
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Our Story

A beat-up old car, a few dollars in the pocket and a sense of adventure. In 1972 that's all Tony and Maureen Wheeler needed for the trip of a lifetime – across Europe and Asia overland to Australia. It took several months, and at the end – broke but inspired – they sat at their kitchen table writing and stapling together their first travel guide, *Across Asia on the Cheap*. Within a week they'd sold 1500 copies. Lonely Planet was born.

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Top Itineraries

Day One

National Mall (p80)

 You might as well dive right into the good stuff, and the **Lincoln Memorial** is about as iconically DC as it gets. It's also a convenient starting point, since Abe sits at the far end of the Mall. Next up as you walk east is the powerful **Vietnam Veterans Memorial**. Then comes the **Washington Monument**, which is pretty hard to miss, being DC's tallest structure and all.



Lunch Munch sandwiches by an artsy waterfall at Cascade Cafe (p96).

National Mall (p80)

 After lunch, it's time to explore the **National Gallery of Art**. Pick a side: East, for modern; or West, for Leonardo da Vinci, impressionists and other classics. Afterward, mosey across the lawn to the **National Air and Space Museum** and gape at the stuff hanging from the ceiling. The missiles and Wright Brothers' original plane are incomparably cool.



Dinner Hop the Metro to Afterwords Cafe (p171) in Dupont Circle.

Dupont (p165)

 Dupont parties in the evening. Lounge-lovin' types can swill vodka at **Russia House**. Casual types can hoist brews at **Bier Baron**.

Day Two

Capitol Hill (p129)

 Do the government thing today. Start in the **Capitol** and tour the statue-cluttered halls. Then walk across the street and up the grand steps to the **Supreme Court**; hopefully you'll get to hear a case argument. The **Library of Congress** and its 500 miles of books blow minds next door.



Lunch Have soup with Congress in the Capitol restaurant (p132).

White House Area (p98)

 Hopefully you planned ahead and booked a **White House** tour. If not, make do at the **White House Visitor Center**. Pop into the **Round Robin** to see if any big wigs and lobbyists are clinking glasses. Zip over to the **Kennedy Center** to watch the free 6pm show.



Dinner Speaking of JFK: he proposed to Jackie at Martin's Tavern (p121).

Georgetown (p115)

 After dinner, sink a pint in a friendly pub like **J Paul's**. On warm nights the outdoor cafes and boating action make **Georgetown Waterfront Park** a hot spot. And check if anyone groovy is playing at **Blues Alley**.

Day Three

Arlington (p214)

 Walking around **Arlington National Cemetery** you can't help but be moved, from the Tomb of the Unknowns' dignified guards to John F. Kennedy's eternal flame. One Metro stop south, the **Pentagon** offers another affecting memorial to those who died in the September 11, 2001, attacks.



Lunch Follow the warm-baked-bread smell to Matchbox Pizza (p158).

Downtown (p151)

 It's an abundance of riches downtown. See the Declaration of Independence at the **National Archives**, and the seat where Lincoln was shot at **Ford's Theatre**. The **Reynolds Center for American Art** hangs sublime portraits. The **Newseum** has the Unabomber's cabin. The **International Spy Museum** has wiretaps and hidden cameras. You'll have to make some hard choices about which sights to visit.



Dinner It's an absolute must: a half-smoke at Ben's Chili Bowl (p195).

U Street (p189)

 Soak up the neighborhood's jazzy vibe at **Bohemian Caverns** or the **Howard Theatre**. Or grab a drink on the outdoor porch at flirty **Marvin**.

Day Four

Upper Northwest DC (p205)

 If you have kids, get to the **National Zoo** now. Even without kids, the zoo entertains thanks to its giant pandas and brainy orangutans. Earmark some quality time for **Washington National Cathedral** and its Darth Vader gargoyle, moon rock and Helen Keller's ashes, among other esoteric offerings.



Lunch The thin-crust pizza at 2 Amys (p210) is a religious experience.

Adams-Morgan (p178)

 Adams-Morgan is Washington's party zone, but during the day **Meeps Vintage Fashionette**, **Idle Time Books** and **Crooked Beat Records** provide plenty to do. Plus you're well situated for happy hour at **Stetson's Famous Bar & Grill**.



Dinner Stroll into the Diner (p180) any time: it's open round the clock.

National Mall (p80)

 End in the 'hood where you began your Washington trip, but experience it from a different perspective this time. Walk along Constitution Ave from east to west. The dramatically lit monuments glow ethereally at night. Climb the **Lincoln Memorial's** steps and turn around for one last, long fantastic view. That'll do it, until you and DC meet again.

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