



Restaurants & Activities

While we know this visit to Washington, D.C is always packed and busy, we hope you find time to enjoy some favorite restaurants of your grassroots team. Our recommendations are the following.

Senate Side

- [Art & Soul](#) – Great comfort food in an upscale location a block away from the NAR building. (Union Station Metro stop)
- [Clyde's](#) – with multiple locations around town, this place has something for everyone from crab cakes to burgers and can accommodate large parties without too much of a wait. We recommend the one near the NAR offices (Gallery Place/Chinatown metro stop).
- [Zaytinya](#) – This hopping Mediterranean bistro is one of Jose Andres' most acclaimed restaurants in town and where Top Chef icon Mike Isabella got his start. Great outdoor patio and close to the NAR office building (Gallery Place Metro stop).
- [Hill Country BBQ](#) – Best BBQ in D.C. (Gallery Place/Chinatown metro stop)

House Side

- [Cava](#) – Great for small Greek plates or larger meat options. Nice neighborhood setting. (Eastern Market Metro). There are also quick stop deli versions of this restaurant at many locations around town.
- [Matchbox](#) – artisan pizza restaurant that also serves excellent burgers, salads and other dishes. A true crown pleaser in a nice space.
- [Ted's Bulletin](#) – Comfort food. Famous for their malt milkshakes and their homemade pop tart. (Eastern Market Metro stop)

Other Popular Areas of Town

- [Churchkey](#) – This is a nice little bar also along D.C's booming 14th Street Corridor and has about a zillion beers on tap (McPherson Square metro stop).
- [Barcelona](#) – this is a bustling wine bar/tapas place with a nice outdoor patio at the heart of Logan Circle, along 14th Street, the busiest arts and dining scene in the nation's capital (Columbia Heights Metro Stop).
- [Baked and Wired](#) – Great baked goods in the cute Georgetown shopping district.

Near Headquarter Hotel, Gaylord National Harbor

Many National Harbor info (eating, fun, hotels, etc.) can be found here:

<https://www.nationalharbor.com/dine-drink/>

Open/Likely staying open

- Best view because it's right by the Capitol Wheel/water, widest variety of American style cuisine is [Redstone American Grill](#).
- If you like craft beers, traditional bar food, go with [Brass Tap](#). They're also paying employees \$200 to get vaccinated.
- Southern/comfort food (best chicken and waffles IMO), is [Succotash](#). Inside has a cool vibe also.
- Delicious steak, western vibe but has everything on the menu is [Cadillac Ranch](#).
- Italian, seafood, steaks and probably one of the fancier/more pricey restaurants in the Harbor is [Bond45](#).
- Casual, NC style bbq bar food [Brother Jimmys BBQ](#).
- Casual, good pizza, get the mozzarella balls at [Fiorella](#) (dining area isn't huge though so depends on your size group).
- Like every Irish restaurant/bar you've ever been to – [Irish Whisper](#).
- [Bar Harbor](#) (pizza/tacos/bar food)...haven't been there yet, not very big, but has a cute outdoor space with fire pits right now
- The [Walrus](#) oysters/seafood, more casual vibe, decent size
- [McCormick & Schmicks](#) (chain steak, etc.) nice view of the Harbor
- [Rosa Mexicano](#) (chain Mexican restaurant) nice views of the Harbor
- [Sauciety \(at the Westin\)](#), lots of different kinds of dishes with different sauces
- [Public House](#) comfort bar foods
- The MGM has several restaurants that are good which is just up the road. [Diablos Cantina](#) (Mexican), [Ginger](#) (Thai/Korean), [Grace's Mandarin](#) (Sushi), [Memphis Q](#) (BBQ...more fast foody), [Noodle Bar](#) (right off casino floor...legit a bar but unique noodle dishes), [Tap Sports Bar](#) (burgers, nachos, craft beers), [Voltaggio Brothers Steak House](#) (Top Chef)
- [Old Hickory Steakhouse](#) at the Gaylord (fancier, delicious)
- More fast foody type: Crab Cake Café, BurgerFi, Mason's Lobster Roll, Mezeh Mediterranean, PrimoHoagiesShake Shack (MGM), Chipotle,

Unsure if it will stay

Just a fun place to hang...[Replay at Pose Lounge](#) is a pop up bar that's 80s themed at the Gaylord. Not sure if it'll stay or if they'll switch it out. It has old arcade games and looks like Saved by the Bell's The Max color-wise inside.

Desserts

- [Furlough Cheesecake](#)
- [Savannah's Candy Kitchen \(all candies, fudge, gelato/ice cream...ALL THE SWEETS\)](#)
- [Messy Treatz \(cupcakes\)](#)

Fun/Misc.

- [MGM Casino](#)
- [Tanger Outlet Mall](#)

- [Capital Wheel/ Carousel](#)
- [Olli](#) (driverless shuttle that goes from the Harbor to MGM to Tanger in a loop)
- [Water Taxi to Alexandria](#)
- [Boating/ Kayaks/ Paddle Boats/ FloatBoat360](#)
- [Muse Paintbar](#)
- [ZenYoga](#)
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