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# New Artwise Washington, DC, Laminated Museum Map (Streetwise Maps)



## Synopsis

Artwise Washington DC Museum Map - Laminated Museum Map of Washington, DC - Streetwise Maps

This map covers the following areas:

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- Washington DC Museum Index

About the only thing you can have people agree on concerning Washington DC is that museums are plentiful and admission is free. Washington DC is the museum showplace of America offering a diverse range of art collections to satisfy the interests of all types of visitors. The Smithsonian, affectionately referred to as America's Attic, alone has 16 museums. The ARTWISE® Washington DC Museum Map helps to clarify and organize your efforts to visit and absorb as much art and culture as your time allows.

A brief listing of museums featured in the index of ARTWISE® Washington DC Map is:

- The National Gallery of Art, created with a major donation from Andrew Mellon, contains paintings and sculpture from the Mellon collection and other large private art collections. You'll find Jackson Pollack's famous drip painting *Lavendar Mist* here.
- The International Spy Museum looks at the history and methods of espionage over the years. Exhibits include gadgets used in spying, the people involved including Mata Hari and Julia Child, and a look at the spy versus spy conflict from the cold war. A visit here will confirm that there's a lot more to being a secret agent than cool cars and a shaken martini.
- The circular Hirshhorn Museum & Sculpture Garden is known for its important contemporary art collection including the works of Matisse, Picasso, Warhol, O'Keefe and Rodin. The Hirshhorn has one of the world's major collections of modern sculpture.
- The National Museum of American Art contains over 37,000 paintings, sculpture, graphics and photography in a historic building shared with the National Portrait Gallery and the Archives of American Art.
- The Arthur M Sackler Gallery has permanent and changing exhibitions of Asian art. The Sackler is renowned for its Chinese bronzes and jades. The Sackler connects with the Freer Gallery of Art which houses 19th and 20th century American art, as well as Asian art.
- The National Air & Space Museum is perhaps the most famous and most popular of the Smithsonian Museums. Displays include artifacts of aviation and space exploration. See Lindbergh's Spirit of St Louis and John Glenn's Mercury Spacecraft.
- The Corcoran Gallery is the largest nonfederal museum in Washington DC. Its popularity stems from its stellar list of artists represented like Renoir, de Kooning, Picasso, Calder, Whistler, and Sargent.

In addition to seeing art, any trip to the Mid-Atlantic and Washington DC should include a visit to the great memorials and monuments on the National Mall. The US Capitol and Lincoln Memorial are at either end of the Mall; in between them are the great memorials to Washington and Jefferson. They are impressive architecturally and laid out in a way to inspire pride and patriotism.

The ARTWISE® Washington DC Museum Map is a detailed

map of central Washington DC culturally speaking. The index lists and describes museums and other cultural sites with the address, map reference, hours, telephone, admission charge information and a brief description of the highlights of that location. A separate inset map of the Washington DC metro system is included to facilitate your travels. Of course, the map will identify the museums along the Washington Mall which are within easy walking distance to one another.

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Wow, the print on this thing is so tiny you'd need magnifying glasses! Pretty much a waste of money, sad to say. Nice idea.

Great guide that made our trip a lot easier.

I bought this map for my trip recently to Washington D.C. I wanted to visit some of the Museums. This

map is great. It shows the location of many of the museums and historical sites---thus making navigation much easier. All the areas around the Smithsonian...Arlington Cemetery, Washington Monument and the areas downtown around the near by hotels are shown...as are Metro Stops. I do highly recommend this map to all travelers to the sites in D.C.

This is a very handy laminated pocket guide to museums and attractions in DC. We used it for reference when presenting options to friends from out of town - it gives an overview of things to do plus how far apart they are from each other and from the Metro. I hope they continue to update this map.

Of all the maps/guides we used on a recent trip to Washington D.C., this was our go-to. We will look for similar guides for other cities. Well worth the price.

Sturdy laminated street map. Legible. I have used many maps in this series and have found them to be helpful and outlast the trips.

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