

# FOURTH<sup>of</sup> JULY



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Arlington

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# FIREWORKS TRANSIT MOBILITY MAPS APPS

## PRO TIP:

Watch the fireworks from several scenic locations in Arlington to beat the crowds on Metro.

In town for the Fourth of July weekend and fireworks? You are in for a special treat —there's possibly no better place to celebrate the nation's birth than in the seat of government. Surrounded by monuments and museums, Washington, DC can inspire visitors and stir pride. Fireworks, concerts, the Independence Day parade, the Smithsonian Folklife Festival, and a special Fourth of July event at the National Archives offer activities for everyone.

But while you are contemplating the Founding Fathers, you need to find ways to get around easily and without worrying about parking, traffic, crowds, or road closures. If you decide to head to the National Mall, it is strongly suggested that you walk, bike, bus, or take Metro.

If you are looking for a place to watch the fireworks, there are plenty of excellent locations within Arlington, all more easily accessible than the National Mall. Discover our favorites in this toolkit.





# Metro Stations & Times

The National Mall is accessible from the following stations: Smithsonian, L'Enfant Plaza, Federal Triangle, Archives-Navy Memorial-Penn Quarter, Gallery Place Chinatown, and Judiciary Square.

**Metro will end service at 11:30 p.m.** on the Fourth of July. After 9 p.m., the Smithsonian Metro will become entrance only. Fireworks end around 9:30 p.m. Anticipate crowding before/after along these lines.





# Consider Your Options

Metro rail will be crowded on the Fourth of July as residents and visitors alike flood to special events throughout the day. Crowds and wait times on Metro rail will likely be excessive. There are many other ways to get into Washington, DC. Below are a few of our favorites.

## Metrobus 38B

Consider taking the 38B Metrobus from Ballston or walking across one of the bridges. This "Orange Line with a View" runs from Ballston to Rosslyn, then across the Key Bridge through Georgetown and terminates at Farragut Square. From there it's an easy walk past the White House to the National Mall.

**Pro Tip:** Use wayfinding signs posted in Arlington and DC to help navigate to the National Mall.

## Capital Bikeshare

Using Capital Bikeshare is another option as well. Download the Capital Bikeshare app to find available bikes and docking stations near you and at your fireworks destination. Take advantage of a Bikeshare corral at 10th and Constitution; no need to worry about finding a dock, just drop off your bike at the intersection.





**"TRANSIT APPS HAVE MADE WALKING,  
TAKING THE BUS, METRO, AND CAPITAL  
BIKESHARE EASIER. YOU CAN PLAN YOUR  
TRIP BEFORE YOU EVEN LEAVE THE HOUSE."**

*- Arlington Commuter*

## APPS TO HELP YOU GET AROUND

The prevalence of smartphones in everyday life has made it easy to access thousands of apps providing useful information. See below for a list of great apps to simplify your transit options in the area and to help you get to the National Mall.

Capital Bikeshare



car2go



Citymapper



Lyft



Transit



Uber



# Arlington Fireworks Viewing Map



National Mall

1

Iwo Jima Memorial

2

Arlington Memorial Bridge

3

Lady Bird Johnson Park

4

Long Bridge Park

5

Mount Vernon Trail

6

Gravelly Point

7

Air Force Memorial

