The Mall, Washington D.C.

The national Mall is a long **strip** surrounded by museums and monuments. It is over **2 miles** from the Lincoln Memorial on the Western border to the US Capitol on the east.

<u>The major ones are:</u>

1. US Capitol
2. Ulysses S Grant Memorial
3. National Gallery of Art
4. National Museum of the American Indian
5. National Air and Space Museum
6. National Museum of Natural History
7. Hirshhorn Museum (Modern Art)
8. Smithsonian Castle (Smithsonian institute = group of museums)
9. National Museum of American History
10. Washington Monument
11. World War II Memorial
12. Vietnam Memorial
13. Korean War Veterans Memorial
14. Martin Luther King JR. Memorial
15. Lincoln Memorial

The national Mall is home to popular events like the Fourth of July fireworks



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The monument honouring our first president, George Washington, is the tallest structure in the nation's capital and towers 555 feet above the National Mall. Ride the elevator to the top to see a spectacular view of the city or climb the 897 steps to the top. The monument is open from 8 a.m. until midnight.

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The world-class-art museum displays one of the largest collections of masterpieces in the world including paintings, drawings, prints, photographs, sculpture and decorative arts from the 13th century to the present. Because of its prime location on the National Mall, many people think the National Gallery is a part of the Smithsonian.

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The state-of-the-art indoor garden showcases approximately 4.000 seasonal tropical and subtropical plants. Lush conservatory situated at the foot of Capital Hill.

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Washington's most popular museum. There are over 8 million visitors each year. This fascinating museum commemorates man's aeronautical and astronautical achievements.

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Just off the Mall, holds the nation's documentary treasures – the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution or the Bill of Rights. Completed in 1937.

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Helps visitors to better understand nature and our universe. Vast collection of plants, animals, fossils, rocks and artefacts.

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Just off the Mall. Research complex and museum to commemorate the dead and to educate the living. A special exhibit "Daniel's Story: Remember the Children" is available for young visitors. Focuses on the Nazi extermination of millions of Jews and other victims during World War II.

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The marble likeness of the president stares across the Reflecting Pool to the Washington Monument and to the Capitol beyond.

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Long black walls, a stark contrast to the white buildings of the capital. Inset in a low hill, two walls pointing towards the Washington monument. Reflects the surroundings in their polished surface. Over 58.000 names of those killed or missing are arranged chronologically from 1959 to 1975.

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This building is among the most architecturally impressive and symbolically important buildings in the world. The Senate and the House of Representatives have met here for more than two centuries. Begun in 1973, the Capitol has been built, burnt, rebuilt, extended and restored. Today, it stands as a monument not only to its builders but also to the American people and their government.

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This museum is located on the National Mall between the Smithsonian's National Air and Space Museum and the U.S. Capitol Building. Would you like to know more about Native American histories and cultures? Then it is the right place for you.

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