

# ARLINGTON CHERRY BLOSSOMS ON FOOT

When cherry blossom season comes around each spring, throngs descend on the Tidal Basin, yet there are bountiful beautiful blooms to behold right here in Arlington. Why not avoid the crowds and stay west of the Potomac to get your puffy pink fix by exploring Arlington's blossoms on foot?

## TERRAIN

Mostly flat, paved trails with marked crossings at streets, bridges, and access points



**Arlington National Cemetery**  
Open daily, Arlington National Cemetery welcomes visitors to explore the rich history found within its hallowed grounds. In spring, colorful cherry blossoms dot the Cemetery's 639 acres and can also be seen across the Potomac.

**Navy-Merchant Marine Memorial**  
A crashing wave with seven seagulls flying above calls attention to this monument honoring members of the US Navy and Marines who lost their lives at sea, as well as those who died in storms, shipwrecks, and other maritime disasters while serving their country. When conditions are fair, the Tidal Basin cherry blossoms across the Potomac River are easy to spot from here.

**Gravelly Point**  
Just north of Reagan National Airport, off George Washington Memorial Parkway, and along the Mount Vernon Trail, this spit of land attracts in-the-know cherry blossom hunters each spring, picnickers in summer, and plane-spotters year-round.