

RESTAURANTS

Best Bakery
CAKELOVE
Washington, DC
202-588-7100

Best Brunch
CARLYLE
Arlington, VA
703-931-0777

Best Burgers
FIVE GUYS
Locations in
DC, Maryland and Virginia

Best Cheap Eats
CALIFORNIA TORTILLA
Locations in
DC, Maryland and Virginia

Best Coffee Shop
STARBUCKS
Locations in
DC, Maryland and Virginia

Best Crabs
BETHESDA CRAB HOUSE
Bethesda, MD
301-652-3382

Best Italian
MAGGIANO'S LITTLE ITALY
Locations in Maryland
and Virginia

Best Kid-Friendly
GENEROUS GEORGE'S
POSITIVE PIZZA
& PASTA PLACE
Locations in Virginia

Best Pizza
PIZZARIA PARADISO
Locations in DC

Best Romantic
INN AT LITTLE WASHINGTON
Washington, VA
540-675-3800

Best Steaks
RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE
Locations in
DC, Maryland and Virginia

Best Sushi
MEIWAH RESTAURANT
Locations in DC and Maryland

Best Take-Out
MEIWAH RESTAURANT
Locations in DC and Maryland

Best Ice Cream
COLD STONE CREAMERY
Locations in
DC, Maryland and Virginia

Best Thai
TARA THAI
Locations in
Maryland and Virginia

Best Vegetarian
LEBANESE TAVERNA
Locations in
DC, Maryland and Virginia



BARS & CLUBS

Best Bartenders
OLD EBBITT GRILL
Washington, DC
202-347-4800

Best Dance Club
DREAM
Washington, DC
202-347-5255

Best Gay/Lesbian Bar
HALO
Washington, DC
202-797-9730

Best Happy Hour
THE FRONT PAGE
Locations in
DC and Arlington, VA

Best Hotel Bar
SKY TERRACE AT
HOTEL WASHINGTON
Washington, DC
202-638-5900

Best Neighborhood Bar
WHITLOW'S ON WILSON
Arlington, VA
703-276-9693

Best Pick-Up Spot
LOCAL 16
Washington, DC
202-265-2828

Best Place to Talk Politics
OLD EBBITT GRILL
Washington, DC
202-347-4800

Best Pool Hall
BUFFALO BILLIARDS
Washington, DC
202-331-7665

Best Sports Bar
CRYSTAL CITY SPORTS PUB
Arlington, VA
703-521-8215

CITY LIFE

Best Hike/Bike Trails
GREAT FALLS
McLean, VA
703-285-2965

Best First Date Spot
OLD TOWN ALEXANDRIA
Alexandria, VA
703-838-4200

Best Golf Course
CONGRESSIONAL COUNTRY
CLUB
Bethesda, MD
301-469-2032

Best Gym/Health Club
GOLD'S GYM
Locations in
DC, Maryland and Virginia

Best Live Theater
CAPITOL STEPS
800-733-7837

Best Local Band
JUNKFOOD
<http://mp3.washingtonpost.com/bands/junkfood.shtml>

Best Movie Theater
CINEPLEX ODEON UPTOWN
Washington, DC
202-966-5400

Best Museum
NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART
Washington, DC
202-737-4215

Best Place to Hear Live Music
9:30 CLUB
Washington, DC
202-265-0930

Best Yoga Studio
TRANQUIL SPA
Washington, DC
202-233-9642

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you can turn to time and again to make your
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washingtonpost.com readers have spoken.

Best Regional Beach
OUTER BANKS, NC
877-629-4386
Best Area Ski Resort
WINTERGREEN
Wintergreen, VA
434-325-2200
Best Romantic Weekend
Multiple locations in Virginia
VIRGINIA WINERIES
Getaway
Best Day Trip
ANNAPOLIS, MD
410-280-0445
888-302-2852
Best Theme Park
KINGS DOMINION
Doswell, VA
804-876-5561

Best Bookstore
BARNES & NOBLE
Locations in
DC, Maryland and Virginia
Best Day Spa
ELIZABETH ARDEN RED DOOR
Locations in
DC, Maryland and Virginia
Best Hair Salon
PR@PARTNERS
Locations in
DC, Maryland and Virginia
Best Women's Clothing Store
ANNE TAYLOR LOFT
Locations in
DC, Maryland and Virginia
Best Home Furnishings
IKEA
Locations in
Maryland and Virginia

IT'S A TIE FOR BEST FLORIST!
LITTLE SHOP OF FLOWERS
Washington, DC
202-387-7255
UTRAVIOLET
Washington, DC
202-333-3002

ESCAPES

SHOPPING



what moves you

