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GO EAT

BOCCATO GELATO & ESPRESSO

2719 Wilson Blvd • 703-869-6522

www.bocatto.net

Coffee lovers have spilled the beans, so to speak, about this Clarendon gelateria: It features coffee from renowned Portland roasters Stumptown. Visit now for perfectly pulled espresso. \$

SOMETHING SWEET

3706 Macomb St NW • 202-364-2525

www.somethingsweetdc.com

With rack upon rack of moist, spongy cupcakes, along with sundaes, milkshakes and chipwiches (any flavor of ice cream sandwiched between two cookies), this shop is always a great idea. \$

KORA

2250-B Crystal Dr • 571-431-7090

www.korarestaurant.com

In a spacious dining room cast in warm neutrals, a team led by Chef Morou Ouattara coordinates the production of handmade pastas, rustic Italian entrées and pizzas baked in a wood-burning oven. \$\$

LILIT CAFE

7921 Old Georgetown Rd • 301-654-5454

www.lilitcafe.com

This market features a Mediterranean-inspired menu of panini, pizza and gelato. But what really sets it apart for many locals is the extensive selection of gluten-free alternatives, including a case of desserts. \$

JACKSON'S ROASTING & CARVING CO.

933 N Quincy St • 703-312-1073

www.jacksonsfamous.com

Slow roasted and beer-braised hunks of turkey, ham or brisket are carved to order, and served in thick stacks on every sandwich. \$

GO PARTY

ROOM 11

3234 11th St NW • 202-332-3234

www.room11dc.com

This intimate wine bar offers two dozen wines for under \$12 a glass, including eight dessert varieties to go with the pastry selection from bakery Paisley Fig.

PIZZERIA PARADISO

2003 P St NW • 202-223-1245

www.eatyourpizza.com

As part of a move to a larger location, the Dupont Circle branch of this pizzeria has expanded its bar to more closely mirror its

Georgetown's Birreria Paradiso. What this means is that it now offers 12 rotating craft drafts, English-style cask ale and at least 150 bottled varieties.

THE ST. REGIS BAR

923 16th St NW • 202-638-2626

www.stregis.com/washingtondc

Adorned in plush purple velvet and Kenya black marble, this cocktail lounge for sensualists serves luxurious libations, like the St. Regis, with rum, tequila, orange juice and cranberry juice and champagne.

POV

515 15th Street NW • 202-661-2400

www.starwoodhotels.com

The freshly christened W Hotel Washington offers striking views of the monuments and White House from its new lounge and terrace, which feature seasonal craft cocktails conceived by New York's legendary Sasha Petraske.

LITTLE MISS WHISKEY'S

GOLDEN DOLLAR

1104 H St NE

A two-story bar from the fine folks behind Jimmy Valentine's Lonely Hearts Club, this unmarked, unlisted Atlas District townhouse is nondescript from the outside, but harbors a bordello-like interior, in which hip socialites sip craft beers and dance to DJed tracks.

RELIC

4936 Fairmont Ave • 301-656-1209

www.relicinbethesda.com

If a rodeo afterparty hosted by Louis XV sounds like your kind of thing, then this tapas lounge may be where you want to hold court. Plates and cocktails are served in rooms filled with ornate chandeliers, photos of royalty and bar stools topped with saddles.

GO DAY-TRIPPING

EASTON, MD

70 miles east of Washington, DC

www.eastonmd.org

This charming small town is a year-round destination for fans of Colonial and Victorian architecture, but the winter months host several arts events, including this month's First Night Talbot, an alcohol-free art festival. (Dec. 31).

FUN FACT!

Before succumbing to the elements in 2002, Maryland's Wye Oak was the largest living example of a white oak tree in the nation. At its end, the 460-some-year-old tree had a crown spread that covered a third of an acre.

GO SHOP

FUN TO FINE JEWELRY

460 S Rosemary Ave • 561-805-9998

www.funtofinejewelry.com

This jewelry boutique caters to both sexes. Women will love the line of interchangeable beaded bracelets from Tedora of Italy, and men will go for Edward Mirell's line of titanium and cable dog tags.

COTTAGE CACHE

12000 SE Dixie Hwy, Hobe Sound

772-285-5045

www.cottagecache.com

At this spot, you'll find home accessories, garden décor, shabby chic items, vintage furniture and custom-made objets d'art, as well as kids' clothes and gift items.

MYSTIQUE CREATED GEMS

250 Worth Ave, Palm Beach • 800-778-0080

www.mystiquegems.com

This store specializes in beautiful and inexpensive gold and platinum jewelry fitted with the finest cubic zirconium stones. There are more than 1,000 styles from which to choose.

GO SEE

FESTIVAL OF TREES

At Ann Norton Sculpture Gardens

253 Barcelona Rd • 561-832-5328

www.ansg.org

On select weekends, this enchanting sculpture garden is filled with more than 25 evergreens adorned with various themes from around the world. The purchase of food and cocktails benefits garden and community outreach programs. Dec. 4-6 and 10-13.

CHRISTMAS WITH THE CHIMPS

2003 Lion Country Safari Rd • 561-793-1084

www.lioncountrysafari.com

This safari-style zoo has one of the coolest holiday traditions around: Every year, the chimps receive and unwrap holiday gifts while visitors watch. It's a nice way to spend the day with the family and see how animals can enjoy the holidays, too. Dec. 17.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF POLO AND HALL OF FAME

9011 Lake Worth Rd, Lake Worth

561-969-3210

www.polo-museum.com

Winter is polo season in Florida, so now's the best time to stop into the museum dedicated to this 2,600-year-old sport. It's home to an extensive collection of images, trophies, videos and memorabilia.

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