

You're Welcome in Hagerstown-Washington County, MD



Weverton Overlook of Potomac River on the Appalachian Trail



Just over an hour from
Washington, D.C. & Baltimore!

One County. Five National Parks.

Washington County, Maryland is located at the interchange of Interstate 70 and Interstate 81. Hagerstown is central to popular destinations such as Washington, D.C. and Gettysburg, PA, Offering easy access to:

- Antietam National Battlefield
- Appalachian Trail
- C&O Canal
- Maryland Heights of Harper's Ferry National Park
- Potomac Heritage National Scenic Trail



History and Adventure - They're in our Nature!

Washington County, in Western Maryland, is a rich blend of American history, rural charm and scenic beauty. Established in 1776, it was named after George Washington. History buffs flock to Antietam National Battlefield, where the bloodiest day of American combat unfolded.

Our national parks and trails serve up iconic views and opportunities for hiking, biking, and fishing. Visitors will find recreational adventures, quaint historic towns, award-winning arts & entertainment, shopping, palate pleasing dining options, award winning craft beverages, and a number of highly acclaimed annual events to enjoy!

Epic Road Trips!

Hagerstown & Washington County's beautiful roads offer a taste of Maryland's scenic beauty, history and culture. A journey along our ribbons of roadway on the first federally funded highway in the United States offers a romance between scenic brilliance and stunning history. Shop, dine and discover the diverse experiences this Great American Treasure has to offer.

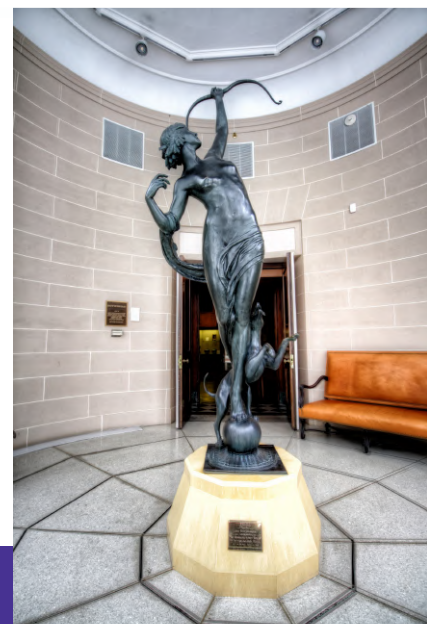


Top Annual Events

- Fort Frederick Market Faire, April
- Maryland International Film Festival, March
- Salute to Independence, July
- Augustoberfest, August
- Quad State Beer Fest, September
- Illumination at Antietam, December

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Story Ideas



Meritus Park Baseball Stadium & Event Center

America's Newest and Most Innovative Ball Park has revitalized our downtown core. Offering places to connect, numerous food options, family play area, and more - there's a whole new vibe in Hagerstown!

An Arts Destination

Anchored by the Maryland Theatre, the A&E district in Downtown Hagerstown is home to several arts organizations. Visit the Maryland Theatre and see the Maryland Symphony Orchestra. Dine at the Schmankerl Stube, Bulls & Bears and 28 South. Stop in at the Washington County Arts Council to see works by local artisans. Then, venture to our Museum of Fine Arts, where you'll find an array of items from the Old Masters, to American Impressionists, and special exhibits.

Best Cellars

Historic Boonsboro is where Nora Roberts, New York Times Best Selling Author, and her Inn Boonsboro Trilogy come alive! Inn Boonsboro is Western Maryland's newest Inn which served as Roberts inspiration for the Inn Boonsboro Trilogy. Shop at Turn the Page Bookstore & Gifts Inn BoonsBoro, Visit Boonsboro Trolley Museum and Boonsborough Museum



Crossroads of the Civil War


Walk in the footsteps of legendary generals Stonewall Jackson, George Armstrong Custer and Robert E. Lee during a visit to Antietam National Battlefield. Picnic with lunch from the nearby Battleview Market or Bonnies at the Red Byrd. Review the Maryland Campaign by visiting the South Mountain Battlefield, the National War Correspondent's Arch, and the Washington Monument.


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Hike or bike the C&O Canal; Washington County has the largest section of it, with beautiful dams, and refurbished pathways. Cycle away the day through small towns and our area's National Parks! Hike the canal, or get on the Appalachian Trail to the overlooks at Maryland Heights, Washington Monument, or Annapolis Rock. Plan a canoe, kayak, tubing or whitewater rafting excursion with River and Trail Outfitters on the Potomac River or Antietam Creek!


Artisans at Work on Our Pottery Trail

Dotting the landscape of the Appalachian foothills in Washington County our Pottery Trail includes ten local potters who make the South Mountain Corridor home. The Pottery Trail celebrates our rich agricultural history and cultural vitality of the area, as well as the longstanding connection between pottery, nature and food. The artisans are creating pieces that range from elegance to the everyday. When an artist creates in collaboration with the spirit of their location, it becomes a treasure of a lifetime.

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