

TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING

THE CIRCULATOR BUS

- The Circulator is a cheap and efficient way to get around the National Mall.
- For just \$1, you can take a bus that does a complete loop (a "figure 8" loop) around the Mall, stopping at all the major attractions.
- **DC Metro Rail card** - \$1 fare will last for 2 hours, so you can hop on and off as much as you like.
- The buses come every 15 minutes.

Learn more about the Circulator and see the map of the National Mall route here:

<https://dccirculator.com/>



TAKING THE METRO

- **Skip the day pass.** A regular metro card usually costs less.
- **Stand right on escalators** to avoid blocking commuters and keeping yourself from standing out a tourist
- When visiting the National Mall, the Smithsonian station isn't always the best place to get off. Instead, consider:

- **McPherson Square** - a close station to the north side of the White House.
- **Farragut North** - a good option if you're visiting the north side of the White House or the Renwick Gallery
- **Capitol South** - near the Library of Congress
- **Federal Center** - close to Air and Space Museum and the Capitol Building
- **Federal Triangle** - near the American History Museum and the Natural History Museum.
- **Arlington Cemetery Station** - near Arlington National Cemetery
- **L'Enfant Plaza** - near the Air and Space Museum and the International Spy Museum
- **Metro Center** - equally inconvenient to all locations

WHERE TO PARK ON THE NATIONAL MALL

- **Be careful** to read parking signs on Constitution Avenue, esp. on weekdays (tickets & towing happen!)
- **Consider valet parking** at Willard Intercontinental Hotel. It's \$35 all-day parking and the valet will park your car. Reservations are not required.
- **SpotHero** - app and/or website that consolidates a number of different parking options. Usually cheap.
- **SpotHero height restrictions** - some garages have height limits, so make sure to check before you park.

