



FACTS

Luxury Travel at National Harbor

A Waterfront City, Luxury Tourism Destination in 10 Years:

- In just 10 short years, a major luxury tourism destination has risen on the banks of the Potomac. National Harbor has quickly become one of the top tourism destinations in the Mid-Atlantic and northeast with more than 12 million visitors annually including many international travelers.
- Visitors include independent travelers, groups and families looking for luxury and unique activities.
- Visitors to National Harbor includes those visiting D.C. (National Harbor is the perfect place to stay, as it is much easier to navigate and access things to do), as well as “bleisure” travelers—those combining business and leisure.
- Located just 15 minutes from Washington, D.C., on the Potomac River, National Harbor provides the ideal location to get to D.C., Old Town Alexandria or Mount Vernon—all available via water taxi as well.
- National Harbor started 10 years ago (next spring) with the Gaylord National Resort (a nearly 2,000 room hotel). Now, the 350-acre destination has grown to include seven hotels with 3,300 hotel rooms, including the \$1.4 billion resort—MGM National Harbor; 40 restaurants and 160 retail outlets and specialty boutiques. And fifty percent of the destination is still in development.
- National Harbor includes the region’s largest number of hotel suites (184 suites combined between the 24-floor MGM National Harbor and 19-story Gaylord National Resort), with up to 3,210 sq. ft. suites. Many offer breathtaking views of the Potomac, and others include ornate furnishings, marble baths, outdoor hot tubs and other amenities. Some suites even have views of Washington, D.C. monuments.
- MGM National Harbor features an extensive collection (Heritage Collection) of high-quality art with larger-than-life works by Alice Aycock, Sam Gilliam, John Dreyfuss, John Safer, Margaret Boozer, Liao Yibac and more. Legendary folk artist Bob Dylan created the 26-ft. iron archway for the resort’s west entrance, “Portal.”
- Artwork in downtown National Harbor includes works by J. Seward Johnson, Albert Paley and many local artists.
- MGM National Harbor and Gaylord National Resort have two of the largest signature spas in the region. Gaylord National’s spa, Relâche Spa, has 20,000 sq. ft. with 12 treatment rooms, a river view relaxation room and couple’s suite. MGM National Harbor’s spa and salon is more than 26,500 sq. ft.

- Gaylord National Resort is known for its 1.5 acre, 19-story glass atrium with an indoor garden including tree-lined river walk promenade, indoor fountain and evening laser light shows.
- MGM National Harbor has been ranked as one of MGM's most luxurious resorts along with Aria, Bellagio and others. With the largest gaming floor outside of Las Vegas, it has been hailed as one of "the most glamorous casinos in the country."
- The more than 40 restaurants at National Harbor are represented by some of the top chefs in the nation: five-time James Beard award winner Marcus Samuelsson; the Voltaggio brothers, winner and finalist of Top Chef and James Beard nominee; James Beard winner José Andrés; and James Beard nominee Edward Lee—all have restaurants at National Harbor.
- With two 700-ft. piers and a 62-slip marina managed by IGY Marinas, known for their management of luxury yacht destinations, visitors can BYOY (bring your own yacht). Concierge, power and fuel are available. Rentals also available.
- National Harbor is easily accessible from three regional airports and Amtrak. Smaller airports throughout the region are available for private planes and helicopters. National Harbor just opened the first Tesla Supercharging Station in the Washington, D.C. area.
- National Harbor is unique in that it is a designed, master-planned micro-city, overseen by one company—Peterson Companies, one of Washington D.C.'s oldest family-owned commercial real estate companies. National Harbor was the vision of Milt Peterson, founder of Peterson Companies, and he remains involved in overseeing development. Because of its artful planning, National Harbor has maximized river views and oriented the entire property towards the water.
- The master planning of National Harbor includes carefully thought-through designs such as easily navigable, walkable streets with easy parking; entertainment districts (Fleet Street) where bars and night life are grouped together; and waterfront orientation of restaurants, retail, hotels, office buildings, condominiums and apartments (when completed there will be 2500 residential units at National Harbor). This development is the first project of its kind in the Washington, D.C. region to fully maximize the waterfront footage. The destination hosts a wide array of programs and events on the waterfront and also holds the iconic Capital Wheel (180' high observation wheel with views of Virginia, Maryland and D.C. monuments), a carousel, pedal boats, paddle boarding and Urban Pirates (fun pirate ship adventure on the Potomac River).