

Restaurants in Crystal City and Beyond

You will find a plethora of dining options in the neighborhood three blocks north of the conference hotel on Crystal Drive (and on the nearby cross streets), including:

Bar Louie (American), 320 23rd Street South

Highline RxR, (Beer and burgers) 2010 Crystal Drive, \$

Jaleo (Superb Spanish tapas), 2250-A Crystal Drive, \$\$\$

Kora (Italian), 2250-B Crystal Drive, \$\$

Legal Sea Foods, 2301 Jefferson Davis Highway (on the corner of 23rd Street S.), \$\$

McCormick & Schmick's Seafood & Steak Restaurant, 2010 Crystal Drive, \$\$

Morton's The Steakhouse, 1750 Crystal Drive, \$\$\$

Neramitra Thai, 2200-I Crystal Drive, \$\$

Queen Amannisa (Recommended spot for Uyghur cuisine), 320 23rd Street S., \$\$

Ruth's Chris Steakhouse, 2231 Crystal Drive - 11th Floor, \$\$\$

Ted's Montana Grill, (American) 2200-A Crystal Drive, \$\$

In the same general area, there are plenty of places for a fast, casual lunch, including:

Chipotle Mexican Grille (2231 Crystal Drive, #100), **Cosi** (2211 Crystal Drive, #100), **Jimmy Johns** (2450 Crystal Drive), **Mezeh Mediterranean Grill** (2450 Crystal Drive), **Noodles and Co** (2011 Crystal Drive), **Perfect Pita** (2345 Crystal Drive), **Pizza Autentica** (2450 Crystal Drive), **Starbucks** (2231 Crystal Drive, #160), **sweetgreen** (2200 Crystal Drive), and **We, The Pizza** (2100 Crystal Drive).

N.B. Washington food critics are fond of **We, The Pizza**.

There is also a string of restaurants slightly further away on 23rd Street, South. To get there, go north two blocks on Crystal Drive and turn left to go west on 23rd. Cross Route 1 (aka Jefferson Davis Highway), which is a highway with traffic lights. You will find the following options on the other side of the highway:

La Bettola Italiano, 558 23rd Street South, \$\$

Bob & Edith's Diner, 539 23rd Street South, \$\$

Bonsai Grill (Sushi), 553 23rd Street South, \$\$

Café Italia, 519 23rd Street South, \$\$

Cantina Mexicana (Tex-Mex), 515 23rd Street South, \$\$

Enjera (Ethiopian and Eritrean), 549 23rd Street South, \$\$

Freddie's Beach Bar (Gay Bar and Grill), 555 23rd Street South, \$\$

Kabob Palace (The opposite of fancy, but spicy and delicious.), 2315 S. Eads Street, \$

Portofino (Northern Italian), 526 23rd Street South, \$\$

Taj of India, 509 23rd Street South, \$\$

Top Thai, 523 23rd Street South, \$\$

Tortoise & Hare Bar and Grill (Sports Bar), 567 23rd Street South, \$\$

Most of the D.C. area's top restaurants require reservations a month or more in advance. However, there are a few wonderful restaurants that may be accessed by standing on line for an hour or more before opening time (check the web for more details). These include:

2Amys (Neapolitan-style Pizza)

Bad Saint (Filipino)

Etto (Pizza and Italian influenced)

Himitsu (Sushi)

Little Serow (Thai)

Pupatella (Neapolitan-style Pizza)

Rose's Luxury (Eclectic)

The following neighborhoods are full of great restaurants of every description. All are in the district, unless indicated:

14th Street Northwest / U Street Corridor – U Street or Dupont Circle Metro stops. We are partial to **Compass Rose** (worldwide street food), **Le Diplomate** (French, might be tough to get in), and **Etto** (Pizza and Italian influenced).

Adams Morgan – Dupont Circle Metro stop, then walk northeast.

Annandale, VA (especially for Korean food) – No Metro. We are partial to **Gom Ba Woo** (Korean) and **A&J** (Northern Chinese dim sum).

Ballston, VA – Ballston Metro stop. We are partial to **Rus Uz** (Russian/Uzbek cuisine).

Capitol Hill / 8th Street Southeast – Eastern Market Metro stop. Great neighborhood for a stroll, especially north of Pennsylvania Avenue, SE. We are partial to **Ambar** (Balkan) and **Montmartre** (French).

Chinatown – Gallery Place Metro stop. This neighborhood features restaurants of every description, but not that many Chinese restaurants remain. We are partial to **Daikaya Izakaya** (Japanese noodle soup), **Jaleo** (tapas), and **Zatinya** (Greek/Lebanese/Turkish small plates).

Clarendon, VA – Clarendon Metro stop. We are partial to **Ambar Clarendon** (Balkan).

Del Rey, VA – Short taxi ride from the hotel to a lovely, homey neighborhood. We are partial to **Cheesetique**.

Dupont Circle – Dupont Circle Metro stop. We are partial to **DGS Deli** (Montreal style) and **Pizzeria Paradiso**.

Eden Center – No Metro. Vietnamese shopping center teaming with restaurants, bars, and banh mi shops.

Georgetown – Foggy Bottom-GWU Metro stop, then walk west on Pennsylvania to M Street and Wisconsin Avenue.

H Street Northeast - Union Market Metro stop, then take the streetcar east. We are partial to **Dangerously Delicious Pies**, **Ethiopic** (Ethiopian), **Maketto** (Cambodian/Thai), and **Toki Underground** (noodle soup).

Old Town, VA – King Street Metro stop, then walk east on King Street.