

Embassy Row/National Cathedral Y0553

Washington D.C.

22k, 11k, 5k Walks

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YRE Description

This event covers an area of Northwest Washington D.C. that is known for its Embassies and Diplomatic Missions. The southern 11k trail is through an older section of Embassies along Massachusetts Ave. and in the streets surrounding it, known as the Embassy Row. As the need to expand has increased, several Embassies that were originally located in this area have moved outwards to other areas. One of these areas is around International Drive in the Van Ness area of Northwest Washington D.C. The northern 11k trail is through this area.

Embassy refers to a diplomatic mission including a residence, office or any combination. Chancery usually refers to a diplomatic office building. Legation refers to a diplomatic mission headed by a minister ranking just below an ambassador.

All trails are mostly on concrete sidewalks.

There are three trails;

- A northern 11k trail that views a newer section of Embassies on International Drive and the National Cathedral.
- A southern 11k trail visits the Embassy Row area. This trail also visits the National Cathedral and goes by the Naval Observatory grounds.
- A 5k trail to see some of the southern section of Embassies.

The northern and southern 11k trails may be combined for the 22k distance.

AVA Special Programs

Trail	Special Program(s)
Embassy Row - North 11k	Little Free Libraries, Mayflower - 400th Anniversary Walk
Embassy Row - South 11k	Little Free Libraries, Mayflower - 400th Anniversary Walk, Rockin' Around the Clock
Embassy Row 5k	Little Free Libraries



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Parallel Registration

The Sugarloafers maintain a physical walk box for this event as well as OSB event registration. AVA permits the use of these parallel registration methods. You may choose to use either the walk box or the OSB but NOT a combination of both.

Registering for the walk

The Seneca Valley Sugarloafers Volksmarch club charges all participants over 12 a \$3 fee. When you register for your walk event, please DO NOT check the "No Credit" checkbox for any participant over 12 years of age. When you register for the walk you can download the PDF file with walk information. The PDF includes directions to the walk start and walk instructions. The fee for the download is \$2. You will be credited for this fee if you complete the walk and pay the walk participant fee within 60 days.

After you have completed the walk

Please remember to log back into the OSB's "Finish Table" after completing the walk. Completion information includes the date the event was walked, the distance walked and applicable special programs

Directions to Trail Start

Address: Woodley Park-Zoo/Adams Morgan Metro Station Entrance, 2700 Connecticut Ave NW, Washington, DC 20008

GPS Coordinates of the Start Point are **38.9246336,-77.0518565**

Plus code is **WWFX+R2 Washington, District of Columbia**

Plus codes are based on latitude and longitude. By using a simpler code system, they are intended to be shorter and easier to use than traditional global coordinates.

Metrorail Directions:

Metrorail Line to use: Red

Destination Station: Woodley Park-Zoo/Adams Morgan

Take the escalator from the station to the surface.

Driving Directions:

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Drive if you must, but we prefer that you use the Metrorail to the walk start!

From Washington Beltway (I-495)

Take Exit 33, MD-185 South (Connecticut Ave.) for 2.7 miles

Enter/Exit traffic circle onto Connecticut Ave. NW for 1.2 miles

Metro station entrance will be on the right.

Free Parking is limited to residential streets on the weekends ONLY!

Paid Parking is available at the OMNI Shoreham Hotel on Calvert St. NW.



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Embassy Row Trail

5k (3.1 miles) AVA rating 1A

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In addition to the Embassies, these instructions also call out the residences of foreign diplomats and other buildings of interesting architecture and history. Also, these instructions call out examples of "Art on Call". These are 1860s-era abandoned police and fire call boxes that have been restored as works of art.

1. From the Metro station exit **RIGHT** on Connecticut Ave.
 - a. Cross Calvert St.
 - b. Cross William Howard Taft Memorial Bridge.

The bridge was built between 1897-1907. It is an excellent example of an artistic monolithic concrete bridge. It was the largest at that time, constructed entirely of concrete with no metal reinforcement.

- c. Cross Kalorama Rd.

This is the Kalorama Heights neighborhood named after a famous mansion which once stood on the hill on your left.

2. **Cross and RIGHT** onto Wyoming Ave.

Art On Call - "Architects and Architecture" at corner.

*Permanent Mission of Paraguay (on left)
Embassy of Macedonia (on right)
Embassy of Algeria -Military (on right)
Embassy of Algeria -Consular Section (on right)
Embassy of Barbados (on left)
Embassy of the Syrian Arab Republic (on right)
Consulate of Poland (on left)*

3. **Cross and RIGHT** on 23rd St., then **Quick LEFT** to continue on Wyoming Ave.

Art On Call - "The Presidents" at the corner.

*Embassy of Yemen (on right)
Embassy of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan (on right)*

- a. Cross 24th St.

4. **LEFT** on Kalorama Rd.

Art On Call - "Women of Influence" at the corner of Tracy Pl.

5. **RIGHT** on Tracy Pl

Embassy of Guyana (on left)

6. **LEFT** on Belmont Rd.

Islamic Center of Washington DC (on right)

Art On Call - "Diplomacy" at the corner of Massachusetts Ave.

7. **LEFT** on Massachusetts Ave.

*Embassy of Belize (on left)
Embassy of Turkey (on left)
Embassy of India (on right)
Embassy of Japan (on right)
Embassy of Lesotho (on left)*

- a. Cross California St.

*Embassy of the Republic of Korea (on right)
Embassy of the Marshall Islands (on left)
Permanent Mission of Mexico to the Organization of American States (on right)
Embassy of Côte d'Ivoire (on right)
Embassy of Chad (on left)*

- b. Cross S St.

In the mini-park formed by intersecting 24th St. is a statue of Robert Emmet, Irish patriot, with his back to the British Embassy looking in the direction of the Irish Embassy further down the Avenue.

Art On Call - This one portrays the history of the Kalorama Mansion.

- c. Cross 24th St.



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Embassy of Malawi (on right)
The United Arab Emirates Cultural Attaché (on right)
Embassy of Cameroon (on left)
The Korean Cultural Center (on right)
Embassy of Croatia (on left). There is a statue of St. Jerome the Priest in front.

d. Cross Decatur Pl.

Embassy of Kyrgyzstan (on right)
Embassy of Haiti (on left)
Embassy of Burkina Faso (on right)

8. **Veer LEFT** to follow R St. (no sign)

Embassy of Kenya (on left)
Embassy of Armenia (on left)
Embajada de Guatemala (on right)
Embassy of Cyprus (on left)
Embassy of the Republic of Niger (on right)
Embassy of Zambia (on right)

Art On Call - "Arts in Sheridan- Kalorama" at the corner of 22nd St and R St.

9. **Cross and RIGHT** onto 22nd St.

Note the statue of Alberto Santos Dumont, considered the "Father of Aviation" in Brazil.

Embassy of Bulgaria (on left)
Embassy of Estonia (on left)

10. **LEFT** onto Florida Ave.

a. Cross R St.

***** **Decision Point** *****

Those with wheels may bypass the Decatur Steps leading up to S St. by crossing Decatur Pl. and CONTINUING on Florida Ave.

11. **LEFT** onto Phelps St.

12. **LEFT** onto S St. to continue with Instruction #15. See Map.

13. **LEFT** onto Decatur Pl. (sign on right).

The Royal Thai Embassy Residence (on right)
Embassy of Dominican Republic (on left)

Art On Call - "police services and the fire services" and an informational sign at the corner of Decatur Pl and 22nd St.

14. **RIGHT** onto 22nd St., climb the steps past the Decatur Fountain, which dates back to 1912.

15. **LEFT** onto S St.

Across S St. is Mitchell Park.

The Little Free Library #10604 is in the park (but the number is not displayed).

Embassy of Laos (on left)

Embassy of Myanmar. Myanmar, formerly known as Burma, has built a new embassy on International Drive along with several other countries including Israel, Malaysia, Pakistan and United Arab Emirates. (on left)

The Woodrow Wilson House. It is Washington's only Presidential Museum. Wilson lived here after leaving the White House. (on left)

Residence of Pakistani Ambassador (on right)

16. **RIGHT** onto 24th St.

a. Cross Bancroft Pl.

Cypriot Ambassador's Residence (on right)

b. Cross California St.

c. Cross Tracy Pl.

Art On Call - "Chief Justices" at the corner of Tracy Pl and 24th St.

d. Cross Wyoming Ave.

Art On Call - "Chief Justices" at the corner of Tracy Pl and 24th St.

Art On Call - "The Lindens" at 24th St. and Kalorama Rd.

17. **RIGHT** on Kalorama Rd.

Consulate Section of the Embassy of Thailand (on right)
Consular Office of the Thai Embassy (on right)

18. **LEFT** to Cross 23rd St. and remain on Kalorama Rd.

Art On Call - "Little Friar".

Across Kalorama is an annex of the Embassy of France. France built a new embassy in upper Georgetown on Reservoir Rd. Further down the street on the left is the Ambassadorial Residence of the Embassy of Portugal.

a. Cross Thornton Pl.

Embassy of Benin (on right)

Embassy of Algeria (on right)

19. **LEFT** onto Connecticut Ave.

At 2311 Connecticut. Ave. is the Spanish Colonial apartment house. It was built prior to World War I for



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Embassy Row - 5k

retailer S. Walter Woodward. The building's most striking feature is the elaborate baroque terra cotta entrance.

- a. Cross William Howard Taft Memorial Bridge.
- b. Cross Calvert St. to our start/finish.

Thank you for walking our Sugarloafer year-round today!

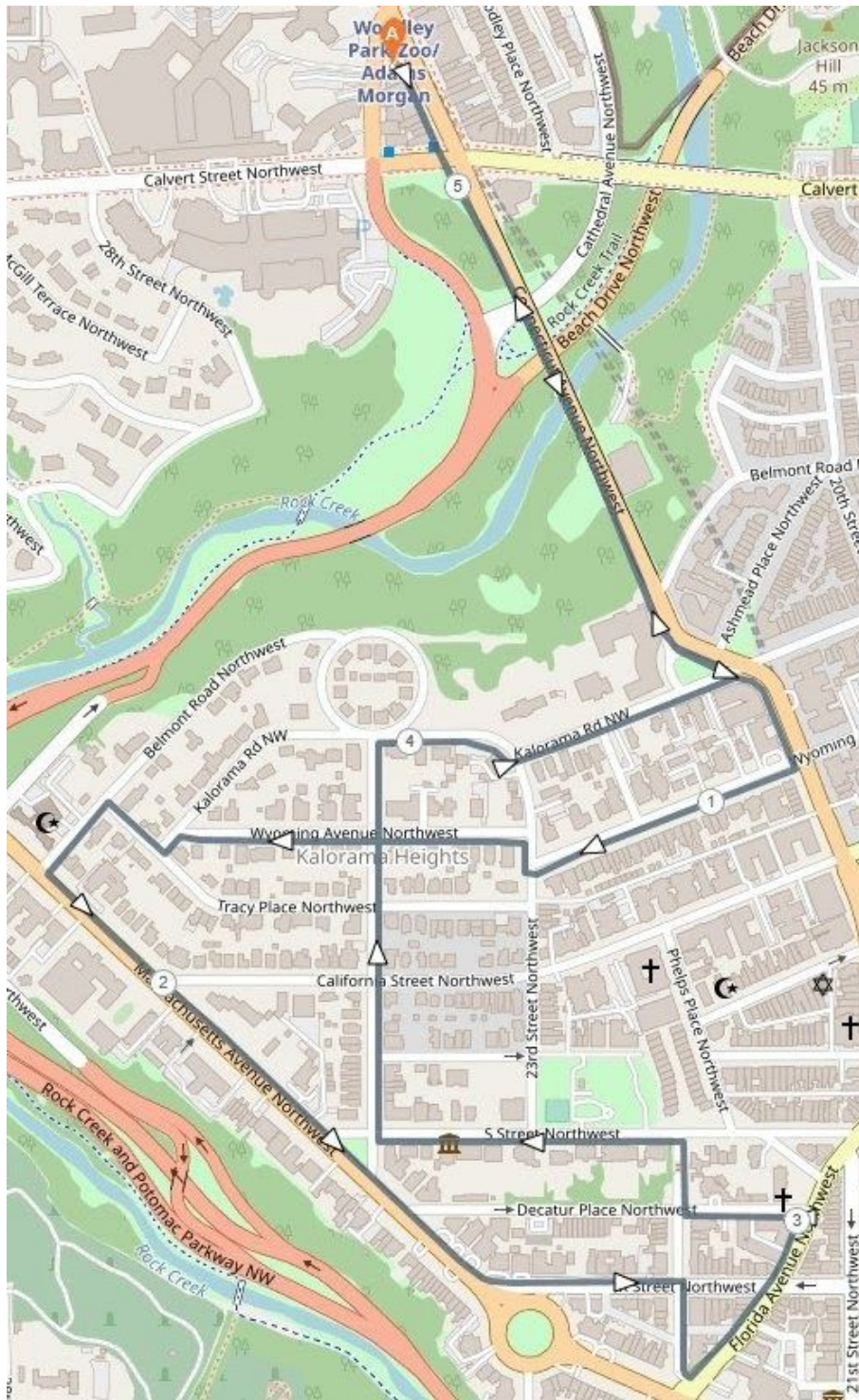
We hope you enjoyed this trail.



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Embassy Row - North Trail 11k (6.8 miles) AVA rating 2A

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In addition to the Embassies, these instructions also call out the residences of foreign diplomats and other buildings of interesting architecture and history.

1. From the Metro station exit **LEFT** on Connecticut Ave.
 - a. Cross 24th St.
 - b. Cross Woodley Rd.
 - c. Cross Garfield St.
 - d. Cross Cathedral Ave.
 - e. Pass National Zoo (on right)
 - f. Cross Devonshire Pl.

Notice the Kennedy-Warren apartment complex on your right with its art deco design. Built in the 1930s, it is one of the first luxury apartment buildings built in Washington, complete with indoor shops and services. (1 km)

The bridge you are crossing was lit with gas lanterns around the turn of the century.

- g. Cross Macomb St.

The Cleveland Park public library (on left) was the site of popular wooden structure during the early part of the century and served not only as a shelter and stop for trolley car patrons, but also as a favorite meeting place for the neighborhood.

You are passing through a section known in the 1920s as the "Commercial Strip."

- h. Cross Newark St.

The Uptown Theater (on left) with its art deco facade joined the 'Strip' in 1936 to provide a new kind of entertainment, movies. It is an historic single screen theater in this Cleveland Park neighborhood.

- i. Cross Ordway St.

At 3522, you pass the Engine Co. No 28, a DC fire station built in 1916. Notice the fancy Georgian Revival

style details of the building. This station was one of the first in the city equipped with motorized fire engines.

- j. Cross Porter St.
 - k. Cross Rodman St.
 - l. Cross Sedgwick St.
 - m. Cross Tilden St.

Notice the futuristic building complex, headquarters of Intelsat, on your left at the corner of Van Ness St.

2. **LEFT** on Van Ness St.

On your right is the University of District of Columbia (UDC).

This area now occupied by UDC and new embassies was the home of the National Bureau of Standards from 1903 to 1968, before the agency moved to Gaithersburg, MD.

3. **Cross and LEFT** on International Dr. (no sign)

You are now entering what is known as Little Embassy Row.

Embassy of Singapore (on right)

- a. Cross International Pl.

MedStart Health Center (on left)

- b. Pass International Park (on right)

Embassy of Kuwait (on left)

Embassy of Bahrain (on left)

- c. Cross International Pl. a second time.

Embassy of Jordan (on left)

Embassy of Ethiopia (on left)

US State Dept, Office of Foreign Missions (on right)

Embassy of Bangladesh (on left)

Embassy of Ghana (on left)

Embassy of the People's Republic of China, designed by



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Embassy Row - North - 11k

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Embassy of Israel (on left)

4. Cross Van Ness St.

***** **Decision Point** *****

To bypass steps, turn **LEFT** on Van Ness St. to Wisconsin Ave. Skip to 14. Check the map.

5. **Cross** to the left side of International Ct.

6. **Bear LEFT** at "T" intersection.

Embassy of Nigeria (on left)

Embassy of Pakistan (on left)

7. **CONTINUE** around cul-de-sac and continue on International Ct.

Embassy of Malaysia (on left)

Embassy of Brunei (on left)

Embassy of United Arab Emirates (on left)

Embassy of Egypt (on right)

Embassy of Austria (on left)

Embassy of Slovakia (on right)

8. **Immediately** after passing the Embassy of Austria, **LEFT** onto the brick walkway and **GO down** the steps.

9. **LEFT** at the intersection (3km) and continue to its end at 36th St. (no sign)

10. **LEFT** onto 36th St.

11. **Bear LEFT** onto Reno Rd.

12. **RIGHT** onto Van Ness St.

Notice the fine examples of English Tudor architecture on the houses along this street.

a. Cross 37th St.

b. Cross 38th St.

13. **LEFT** onto Wisconsin Ave.

Across Wisconsin Ave is a McDonalds (restrooms)

a. Cross Upton St.

The Friendship Station Post Office on your left is notable for offering full service hours on Sunday and for the anthrax scare in October 2001.

On your right is the former headquarters of Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae).

On your left is the private Sidwell Friends School, attended by Chelsea, President Clinton's daughter and by Malia and Sasha, daughters of President Obama.

b. Pass Rodman St.

c. Cross Quebec St.

d. Cross Porter St.

On your left is the Washington School of Ballet.

e. Cross Ordway St./Idaho Ave.

f. Cross Norton Pl.

14. **LEFT** onto Newark St.

15. **Cross and RIGHT** onto 36th St.

The brick house on this corner (3542 Newark St.) sits on the site of President Grover Cleveland's summer home. It was a stone residence with a porch added by Mr. Cleveland just before his wedding in 1886. That house was razed in 1927 to make way for this present brick dwelling.

a. Cross Macomb St.

b. Cross Lowell St.

16. **STRAIGHT** onto North Rd. to enter National Cathedral grounds.

Repairs being done to the National Cathedral are due to the damage from the 5.8 magnitude earthquake on August 23, 2011.

There is a FEE to enter the Cathedral (\$12/adult; \$8/senior or child). Tours may be available.

There is an Organ Demonstration at 12:30 pm on Mon. & Wed.

Restroom (no fee) on the Gift Shop level (B-2) of the underground parking garage. Take the stairs or the elevator outside near the corner of the Cathedral.

17. **CONTINUE** counter-clockwise around the Cathedral past the front entrance.

18. Use the crosswalk to **CROSS** the road (South Rd.) and continue on the sidewalk on the left side of Church House Lane (no sign).

***** **Decision Point** *****

To avoid the steps in the Bishop's Garden, continue on the sidewalk and turn **LEFT** at Pilgrim Rd. going downhill to exit the Cathedral grounds at Garfield St. Turn **LEFT** and skip to instruction 32.



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19. **LEFT** to enter the Bishop's Garden through an arched door in the stone wall.

The Bishop's Garden was planned by Frederick Law Olmsted Jr. It contains two herb gardens, a rose garden, two perennial borders, a Shadow House, and winding stone paths.

20. **Go DOWN steps** and across the lawn to the Stone Gazebo.

The stone gazebo (garden house) at the edge of the lawn in front of you was built in 1927 with stones from President Cleveland's summer home on Newark Street. It is called Shadow House, a place for the bishop to sit in the shade.

21. **Go DOWN steps** on the left side of gazebo on the stone path, and then **immediately turn LEFT**.
22. **RIGHT** to pass an ancient Carolinian baptismal font on your right, surrounded by boxwood. Walk around the font to the brick walk at the rose garden.
23. **CONTINUE** through the rose garden to a "T" with a stone path.
24. **RIGHT** on the stone path and **immediately turn LEFT** to exit the Garden through the gate.
25. **RIGHT** to go down the Pilgrim Steps to Pilgrim Rd.

The steps were laid in 1930, and the sandstone came from a quarry once owned by George Washington in Aquia, Virginia.

26. **CROSS** Pilgrim Rd.

The bronze equestrian statue of George Washington is now in front of you.

27. **RIGHT** on flagstone path to enter woods.

Olmsted Woods is one of few old growth forests still standing in Washington.

28. **Bear LEFT** at "Y," and then **bear LEFT** again at next "Y" in path. Ignore paths on right and left. **CONTINUE** downhill on serpentine path to Pilgrim Rd. (no sign).
29. **RIGHT** onto Pilgrim Rd. to the exit gate at Garfield St. (sign on left).
30. **LEFT** onto Garfield St.

Embassy of Belgium (on right)

31. **Cross and LEFT** onto 34th St.

- a. Cross Cathedral Ave.
- b. Cross Cleveland Ave.
- c. Cross Klinge Rd.
- d. Cross Woodley Rd.
- e. Cross Lowell St.
- f. Cross Macomb St. (7 km)

32. **RIGHT** onto Newark St.

Cleveland Park Historic District - You are entering Cleveland Park where President Cleveland once owned a home.

33. **LEFT** onto 33rd Pl.

You have entered the Highland Section of Cleveland Park known for its fancy turn-of-the-century Georgian Revival and Queen Anne style homes. Many of them have been restored to their former beauty.

34. **RIGHT** onto Highland Pl.

Take time here to admire old homes from a bygone era. At 3225, notice the Queen Anne style house with its fancy lace treatment(on left).

At 3209, is the first brick house built in Cleveland Park. This is now the National Child Research Center Preschool.

At 3209, is Little Free Library #60805.

At 3154, notice the red-tiled roof home (on right) which was restored in 1990.

At 3100, you pass another fine example of a Queen Anne style home (on right).

35. **Cross and LEFT** onto Newark St. (8 km)

At 2960, the house was built in 1899 and was once the home of O.T. Crosby, the founder of Potomac Electric Power Company.

At 2940, the house was once the home of arctic explorer Commodore Robert Peary. In front is Little Free Library #5744 (number is not displayed on the box).

36. **RIGHT** onto Connecticut Ave.

- a. Cross Macomb St. (Cleveland Park Library restrooms)
- b. Cross bridge.

37. **Cross and RIGHT** onto Devonshire Pl.

38. **LEFT** onto Cortland Pl.



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- a. Cross 28th St.

You are now in a quaint neighborhood once known as English Village. Many young Washington professionals made their home here.

- 39. **LEFT** onto 29th St.

At 2913, notice the beautiful treatment of the facade of the home (on left).

Embassy of Switzerland at the corner of Cathedral Ave. and 29th St.

- a. Cross Cathedral Ave.

Old Woodley Park Historic District - You are walking in Woodley Park named after the Woodley Mansion, once the summer home of four 19th century presidents; Van Buren, Tyler, Buchanan, and Cleveland, located on Cathedral Ave.

- b. Cross Garfield St./Woodley Rd.

The Oyster-Adams Bilingual School at the corner of Calvert St.

- 40. **LEFT** onto Calvert St. at the Oyster Bilingual School on your left.

Embassy of Panama, the stone building on your right.

- a. Cross 24th St.

The construction of the grade-level bridge across the deep ravine of Rock Creek allowed Connecticut Ave. to become one of Washington's major thoroughfares when the trolley car service was extended to Chevy Chase Circle in 1892.


This allowed the development of new suburbs along the trolley line, as affluent Washingtonians moved to the highlands west of Connecticut Ave., seeking cooler, more comfortable homes.

- 41. **LEFT** onto Connecticut Ave. to return to our start/finish point at the Metro Station.

If you would like to see the traditional "Embassy Row" along Massachusetts Ave. and in the streets surrounding it, we invite you to walk our Embassy Row - South trail.

Thank you for walking our Sugarloafer year-round today!

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1. From the Metro station exit **RIGHT** on Connecticut Ave.
2. **RIGHT** onto Calvert St.
 - a. Cross 24th St.
 - b. Cross 29th St.

Oyster-Adams Bilingual School (on right)

Embassy of Panama (on left)

At 2901, Little Free Library #19473

3. **LEFT** onto 29th St. crossing Cleveland Ave.
4. **STRAIGHT** onto Woodland Dr.

You are passing through the neighborhood of Washington Heights, the location of embassies and ambassadorial residences.

- a. Cross 30th St.
 - b. Cross 31st St.
 - c. Cross 31st Pl.
 - d. Cross 32nd St.
5. **LEFT** onto Garfield St.
 - a. Pass 33rd Pl.

Embassy of Belgium (on left) at the corner of Garfield St. and 34th St.

6. At 34th St., **Cross to the right side** of Garfield St. and continue in the same direction.
7. **Cross and RIGHT** onto Pilgrim Rd., the entrance to the National Cathedral grounds.

Olmsted Woods on the left is one of the few old growth forests still standing in the Nation's Capital.

8. **Continue** uphill on the sidewalk until you come to the statue of George Washington on

horseback on your left and steps leading up to the Cathedral on your right.

***** **Decision Point** *****

Those with wheels may continue on Pilgrim Rd., passing Bishop's Garden on your right.

9. **RIGHT** at end of the parking lot, onto Church House Lane (no sign).
10. **Cross and RIGHT** onto South Rd. (no sign)
11. **Quick LEFT** to the front of the National Cathedral. Skip to instruction #.

12. **RIGHT** and cross Pilgrim Rd. Go ½ way up the Pilgrim steps.
13. **LEFT** onto stone walk, through the gate into the Bishop's Garden.
14. **RIGHT** onto the stone path, then **LEFT** onto the wide brick path.
15. **LEFT** after the sundial (on left), onto brick path.
16. **RIGHT** onto the stone path to baptismal font and continue straight ahead.
17. **LEFT** at "T" in stone path toward the stone gazebo.
18. **RIGHT** up steps to the lawn.
19. **Bear RIGHT** across grass toward the arch gateway in the wall at the far-right corner.
20. **Exit** the Bishop's Garden through the gateway and up 2 steps.
21. **RIGHT** onto Church House Ln. (no sign)



Embassy Row - South - 11k

22. **Cross and STRAIGHT** at South Rd (no sign) onto the walkway leading to a ramp down to the front of the National Cathedral.

***** **Decision Point** *****

23. To bypass the Cathedral, skip to #25.

24. To enter the Cathedral, continue around to the left side of the Cathedral.

There is a fee to enter the Cathedral (\$12/adult; \$8/senior or child).

Tours may be available. There is an Organ Demonstration at 12:30 pm on Mon. & Wed.

Restroom (no fee) on Gift Shop level (B-2) of the underground parking garage. Take the stairs or the elevator outside near the corner of the Cathedral.

25. **Retrace your steps** to South Rd.

26. **Bear RIGHT** onto the walkway leading to Wisconsin Ave.

27. **LEFT** onto Wisconsin Ave. (no sign)

- a. Cross Lych Gate Rd. (no sign)
- b. Cross Massachusetts Ave. at traffic light.
- c. Cross Garfield St.
- d. Cross Fulton St.
- e. Cross Edmunds St.

Embassy of Russia. The white marble structure was built during the 1980s as a new Soviet Embassy which relocated from downtown to this high ground in upper Georgetown. At the time, the move provoked suspicion in the local press as it was thought to give the Soviets enhanced surveillance capability.

Occupancy of the embassy building was delayed by the Reagan Administration when a new U.S. Embassy building in Moscow was found to be bugged.

Note the tricolor flag brought back in 1991 as the official flag of the new Russian Federation.

28. **LEFT** onto Davis St.

- a. Cross 36th Pl.
- b. Cross 36th St.

29. **Cross and LEFT** onto Observatory Circle.

15. **Bear RIGHT** onto Massachusetts Ave.

At Massachusetts Ave., you have arrived on Embassy Row which extends to DuPont Circle. Be on the lookout for coats of arms and colorful flags identifying embassies, chanceries and ambassadorial residences.

Embassy of Norway, at 34th St. Wave back at the statue of Crown Princess Martha. (on left)

At the gate with two white anchors is the main entrance to the Naval Observatory, with the digital master clock. (Rockin' around the Clock SP)

The U.S. Vice President's official residence is here.

Apostolic Nunciature of the Holy See (Legation of the Vatican) is just past 34th St. (on left)

Embassy of the Republic of Finland (on left)

- a. Cross Observatory Circle.

Embassy of Great Britain (on right). As you pass the embassy complex, note the statue of Winston Churchill. Kahlil Gibran Memorial (on left) is a memorial garden for the poet and philosopher.

Embassy of South Africa with a statue of Nelson Mandela. (on left)

Former Embassy of Iran (on left) is now closed

Embassy of Bolivia (on right)

Embassy of Brazil (on right)

- b. Cross Whitehaven St. (5km)

Embassy of Italy is just up Whitehaven St.

- c. Cross the Charles C. Glover Bridge, spanning scenic Rock Creek Park.

- d. Cross Waterside Dr. at the traffic light.

Embassy of Spain (on right)

30. **Cross to the left side** of Massachusetts Ave.

and continue in the same direction.

The impressive Islamic Center Mosque is on your left. Its tower is turned to face Mecca, the Holy City of Islam.

- a. Cross Belmont Rd.

You are entering the heart of Embassy Row.

Embassy of Belize (on left)

Embassy of Turkey (on left)

Embassy of India (on right)

Embassy of Japan (on right)

Embassy of Lesotho (on left)

- c. Cross California St.



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Embassy of the Republic of Korea (on right)
Embassy of the Marshall Islands (on left)
Permanent Mission of Mexico to the Organization of American States (on right)
Embassy of Côte d'Ivoire (on right)
Embassy of Chad (on left)

d. Cross S St.

In the mini-park formed by intersecting 24th St. is a statue of Robert Emmet, Irish patriot, with his back to the British Embassy looking in the direction of the Irish Embassy further down the Avenue.

Art On Call - *This one portrays the history of the Kalorama Mansion.*

e. Cross 24th St.

Embassy of Malawi (on right)
The United Arab Emirates Cultural Attaché (on right)
Embassy of Cameroon (on left)
The Korean Cultural Center (on right)
Embassy of Croatia (on left). There is a statue of St. Jerome the Priest in front.

f. Cross Decatur Pl.

Embassy of Kyrgyzstan (on right)
Embassy of Haiti (on left)
Embassy of Burkina Faso (on right)
20. Veer LEFT to follow R St. (no sign)

Embassy of Kenya (on left)
Embassy of Armenia (on left)
Embajada de Guatemala (on right)
Embassy of Cyprus (on left)
Embassy of the Republic of Niger (on right)
Embassy of Zambia (on right)

Art On Call - *"Arts in Sheridan- Kalorama" at the corner of 22nd St and R St.*

21. Cross and RIGHT onto 22nd St.

Note the statue of Alberto Santos Dumont, considered the "Father of Aviation" in Brazil.

Embassy of Bulgaria (on left)
Embassy of Estonia (on left)

22. RIGHT to cross 22nd St.

Art On Call - *"George Washington" who may have traveled at this intersection.*

a. Cross Massachusetts Ave., becomes 22nd St.

Embassy of Sudan (on right)

23. RIGHT onto Q St.

24. RIGHT onto 23rd St.

The imposing building across the street is a residence of the Embassy of Turkey.

Embassy of Romania (on right)

Art On Call - *"The Gilded Age."*

25. RIGHT onto Sheridan Circle.

The circle is named for Union Civil War General Philip Sheridan. Gutzon Borglan, sculptor of Mt. Rushmore, created the statue of Sheridan astride his spirited horse.

Curbside on Sheridan Circle, embedded in a grass plot, is a small monument commemorating two Chilean diplomats who were killed by a car bomb.

26. RIGHT on Massachusetts Ave.

Embassy of Ireland (on right)

Economic and Commerce Office of the Embassy of Egypt (on right)

Embassy of Greece (on left)

Embassy of Bahamas (on right)

Embassy of Paraguay (on left)

Embassy of Turkmenistan (on left)

Daughters-American Colonists (on left)

Embassy of Sudan (on right)

Embassy of Togo (on right)

Embassy of Sudan (on right)

a. Cross 22nd St.

On your right is a triangular park with a statue of Tomáš Masaryk, first president of Czechoslovakia.

On your left is the Philosophical Society of Washington, also known as the Cosmos Club. The Club has been described as: "the closest thing to a social headquarters for Washington's intellectual elite."

27. LEFT onto Q St.

Embassy of India. Look for a statue of Mahatma Gandhi in the mini-park at the street intersection in front of the embassy.

a. Cross 21st St.

28. LEFT onto 20th St.

a. Cross Hillyer Pl.

29. CONTINUE onto Connecticut Ave.



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30. At R St, **Cross to the right side** of Connecticut Ave. and reverse direction.
- Pass Larry's Ice Cream & Cupcakes at 1633 Connecticut Ave.
 - Cross Q St.

31. At Dupont Circle, use the crosswalks to **CROSS** the road and enter Dupont Circle Park. Continue to the Fountain in the center.

Dupont Circle Park, dedicated to Samuel Francis Dupont, Rear Admiral of the Navy in the Civil War, is a favorite park for neighborhood picnics and gatherings. Centerpiece of the circle is the fountain designed by Daniel Chester French, sculptor of the Lincoln Memorial.

32. **Continue** counter-clockwise around the fountain.
33. **RIGHT** on 2nd path to exit the Park at New Hampshire Ave.

34. **Cross and LEFT** on Dupont Cir.

35. **RIGHT** onto 19th St.

36. **Cross and RIGHT** onto Sunderland Pl.

At 1914 Sunderland Pl. see a sign on black fence about the mural on the side of the building.

37. **Cross and RIGHT** onto 20th St., crossing New Hampshire Ave.

Across New Hampshire Ave. is the Heurich House Museum, the dark brown stone building. This 31 room landmark is the most intact late-Victorian home museum in the nation's capital. Described as "The House that Beer Built", German-born beer baron Christian Heurich lived here until his death in 1945 at the age of 102. Grandchildren of Heurich established a foundation to secure the Castle's future as a cultural treasure. Tours are available.

38. **LEFT** onto O St.

The Mansion at 2020 O St. is made up of five interconnecting townhouses. It is a unique museum, private club and hotel where everything is for sale. At 2025 O St. is the American Center of Polish Culture.

39. **Cross and RIGHT** on 21st St.

Art on Call at the corner of 21st St and O St.

You are now in the Dupont Circle Historic District noted for its rich architectural variety.

- Cross P St.

Trade and Investment Section of the Embassy of Poland Embassy of Indonesia. This 60-room ornate art nouveau mansion was designed in 1903 by architect Henry Anderson for Thomas F. Walsh MacLean who made his fortune in gold mines. His daughter, Evalyn Walsh MacLean, was the last private owner of the Hope Diamond. Indonesia bought this house for its embassy in 1951.

- Cross Massachusetts Ave.
- Cross Q St.

Embassy of India (on left)

The Phillips Collection (on left) is one of the most outstanding private collections of contemporary art in the nation. Opened in 1918, it is America's oldest museum of modern art.

Art on Call - "Dupont Circle Art" at the corner of 21st and R Streets.

40. **LEFT** onto R St. (8 km)

As you turn onto R St., you are on Art Gallery Row with several small shops along the way.

Art on Call - "Diverse-Visions/One Neighborhood"

At 2108, Studio Gallery is the longest running artist-owned gallery in the city and shows local emerging and professional artists in all media.

- Cross Florida Ave.

Embassy of Mali (on left)

At 2131 is the residence of the Ambassador of Mali.

41. **RIGHT** onto 22nd St.

Chancery of the Dominican Republic (on right)

Art On Call - "police services and fire services"

- Cross Decatur Pl.

******* Decision Point *******

Those with wheels may bypass Decatur Steps by turning **RIGHT** on Decatur Pl.

LEFT on Florida Ave. (no sign)

LEFT on Phelps St

LEFT on S St.



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The Decatur Fountain dates back to 1912.

42. **LEFT** on S St.

Across S St. is Mitchell Park.

The Little Free Library #10604 is in the park, but the number is not displayed.

Embassy of Laos

Ireland's Ambassadorial Residence

Chancery of the Embassy of Myanmar. Myanmar, formerly known as Burma, has built a new embassy on International Dr. along with several other countries including Israel, Malaysia, Pakistan and United Arab Emirates.

At 2340, is the Woodrow Wilson House. It is Washington's only Presidential Museum. Wilson lived here after leaving the White House.

Embassy Residence of Pakistan (on right)

Royal Netherlands Embassy (on right)

43. **RIGHT** on 24th St.

a. Cross Bancroft Pl.

Residence of the Ambassador of Cypress (on right)

b. Cross California St.

c. Cross Tracy Pl.

Art On Call - "Chief Justices"

d. Cross Wyoming Ave.

Embassy of Oman (on left)

Embassy of Afghanistan (on right)

Art On Call - "The Lindens"

44. **RIGHT** onto Kalorama Rd.

Consular Office of the Thai Embassy (on right)

45. **LEFT** to cross 23rd St. and continue on Kalorama Rd.

Art On Call - "Little Friar"

Annex of Embassy of France. France built a new embassy in upper Georgetown on Reservoir Rd.

Ambassadorial Residence of the Embassy of Portugal (on left)

46. Cross Thornton St.

Embassy of Benin (on right)

Embassy of Algeria (on right)

47. **LEFT** onto Connecticut Ave.

At 2311, view the Spanish Colonial apartment house. It was built prior to World War I for retailer S. Walter Woodward. The building's most striking feature is the elaborate baroque terra cotta entrance.

- a. Cross the William Howard Taft Memorial Bridge.
- b. Cross Calvert St. and return to our start/finish point.

You saw at least 64 Embassies, along with some Ambassadorial Residences, Chanceries, and Legations.

If you would like to see the "New Embassy Row" developing along International Drive, adjacent to the campus of the University of DC, we invite you to walk our Embassy Row - North trail.

Thank you for walking our Sugarloafer year-round today!

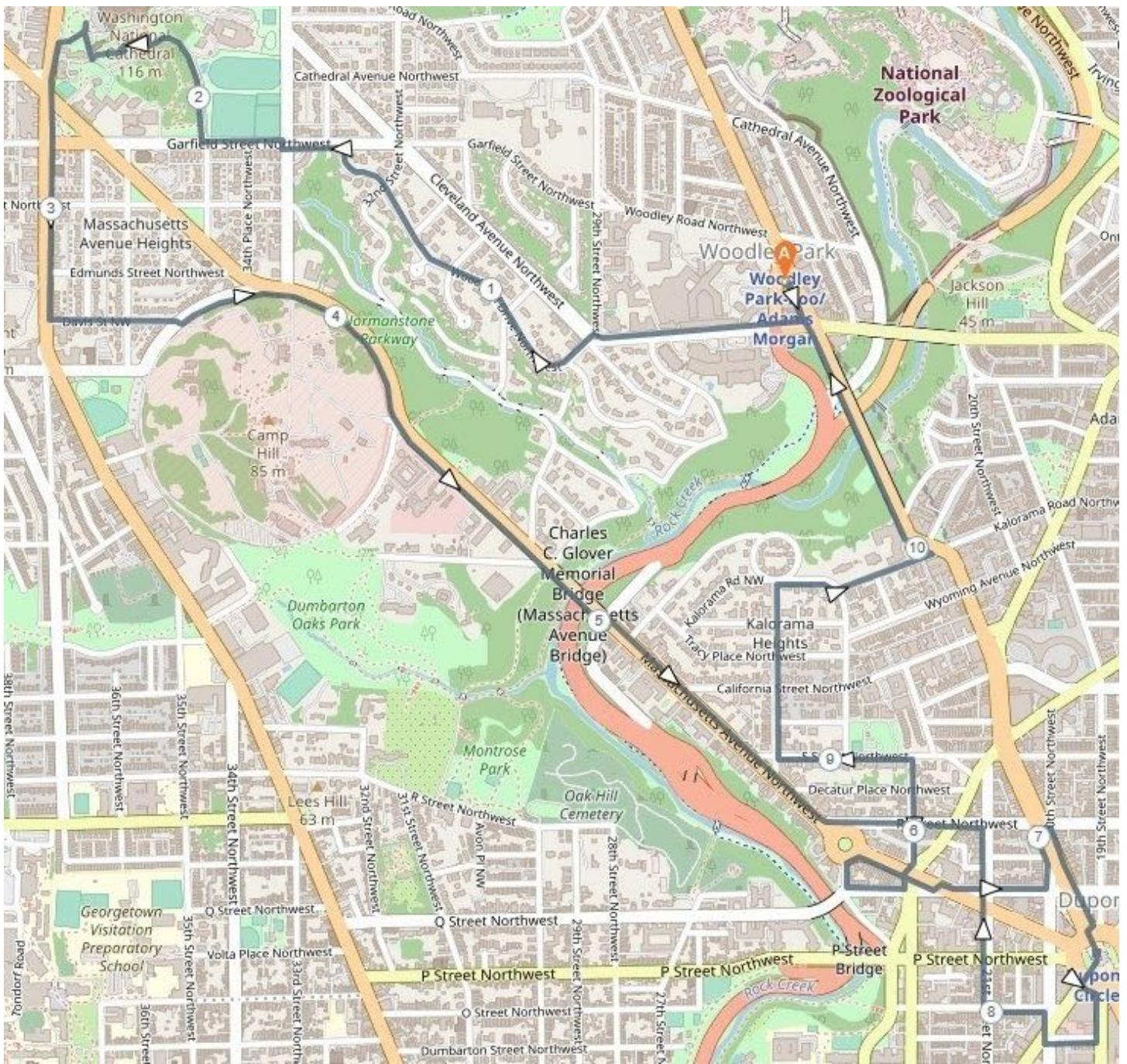
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Internet Resources

Washington Metro: <https://www.wmata.com/>

Embassy Row: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Embassy_Row

Flags of the World:

<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/docs/flagsoftheworld.html>

DC Call Boxes:

<https://www.vox.com/videos/2017/8/24/16125850/dc-fire-police-call-boxes-emergency-services>

National Cathedral: <https://cathedral.org/about-the-cathedral/mission-and-vision>

National Observatory: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States_Naval_Observatory

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