

ABOUT BALTIMORE



Baltimore is the largest city in the State of Maryland and the economic and cultural center of Greater Baltimore, a metropolitan region of more than 2.8 million people that serves as the northern anchor of the Baltimore-Washington corridor. It is centrally located in the Mid-Atlantic region with easy access by highways, port, rail and air travel, which makes the city highly attractive to both residents and businesses. Among major U.S. metros, Baltimore ranks 11th in downtown population and 14th in downtown employment.

Baltimore has many lifestyle amenities for both adults and families, with two world-class stadiums, which houses the Baltimore Orioles and Baltimore Ravens. In addition, the city has a rich cultural legacy and a broad array of arts institutions and attractions for residents and visitors.



The Inner Harbor is home to the National Aquarium, Maryland Science Center, Port Discovery Children's Museum, Historic Ships in Baltimore's floating museum, recreational activities such as paddle boats and kayaks, and numerous hotels, restaurants, bars and music venues. Other family-friendly activities include the Maryland Zoo, which is nestled in Druid Hill Park, a 745-acre park with Druid Hill with variety of athletic fields, picnic and pavilions for use, historic monuments, a "disc" golf course and a 1.5 mile walking loop for biking, running and walking.

The city has a variety of public indoor and outdoor recreation activities. Baltimore has 18 public parks and trails, 12 recreational facilities offering activities, which include skateboarding, studying plant species, and boating, as well as 28 swim facilities.



Cultural institutions include the Walter's Art Museum, American Visionary Art Museum, the Museum of Industry, the Reginald F. Lewis Museum of African American History and Culture and the Baltimore Museum of Art, which houses the largest collection of works by Henri Matisse in the world. Performance arts options include the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra, large regional theatres at Center Stage and Everyman Theatre, and The France-Merrick Performing Arts Center, which hosts numerous Broadway shows and visiting ballet companies.



Baltimore has been dubbed a "city of neighborhoods," with 225 residential districts, each with its own history, micro-economy, housing type, and architectural style. These colorful and distinct neighborhoods showcase great food, unique shopping, nightlife and rich cultural heritage. Many of these neighborhoods host

