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Summer days and nights are meant for rooftop cocktails and nothing says summer in DC like sharing a drink, a bite and a fantastic view with friends. Whether you're looking for a high glamour locale for celebrity spotting or a cool spot to pair an al fresco meal with your drinks, DC offers a number of rooftop bars and lounges where you can enjoy the high life. (photo: Rooftop at Capella)

The Brixton
901 U Street NW
Washington, DC
202.560.5045

The Brixton's huge rooftop deck is the perfect spot to grab an English brew on tap and an appetizer or two. Its corner spot gives you prime views of the city. Visit on Friday and Saturday if a DJ's your thing or on Thursday night for trivia.

The Observatory
1075 Thomas Jefferson Street NW
Washington, DC 20007
202.337.0900

Perched atop the Graham Hotel in Georgetown, The Observatory offers 3,000 square feet of open air rooftop. Sip on one of their trademark hand-crafted cocktails while taking in sweeping views of Georgetown and the rest of DC. Stay late to enjoy the gorgeous sunsets, specialty cigars and stargazing. Reservations not required but highly encouraged to guarantee seating.

P.O.V. Roof Terrace and Lounge
W Hotel Washington
515 15th Street NW
Washington, DC
202.661.2478

This might be the hottest rooftop in town. Everyone from celebrities, politicians and socialites have graced the W's rooftop bar and terrace taking in the unsurpassed views of the nation's capital. Light fare and a vast array of cocktails and spirits fill the menu. Combine that with an unparalleled view and you're set for a great night..

Capella Washington, DC
1050 31st Street NW
Washington, DC
202.617.2400

This upscale Georgetown hotel offers an equally posh rooftop bar and lounge with sweeping views of the Potomac River, Washington Monument and Georgetown University. It even features an indoor-outdoor infinity pool you can enjoy year round.

DNV Rooftop Lounge
The Donovan Hotel
1155 14th Street NW
Washington, DC 20005
202.737.1200

You'll get more than an awesome view of the city at DNV where you can nosh on dishes from their Asian-inspired restaurant, Zentan, and bask in the lounge's resort-like atmosphere. Plan to visit in the evening. The lounge is reserved for hotel guests during the day.



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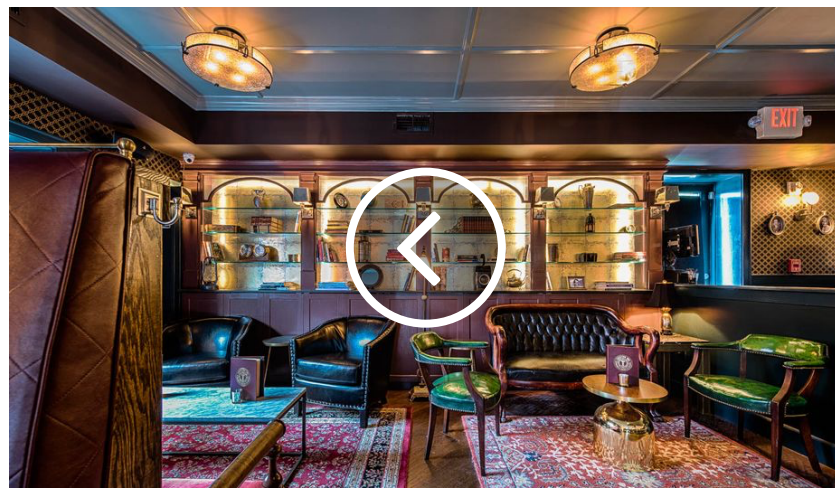
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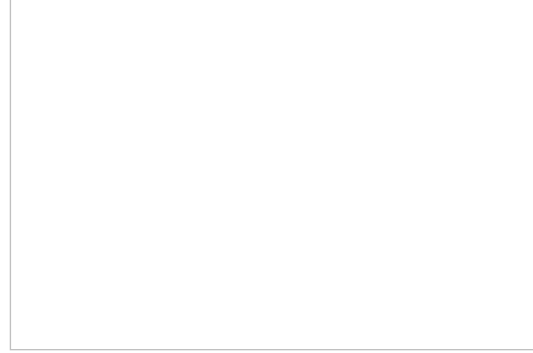


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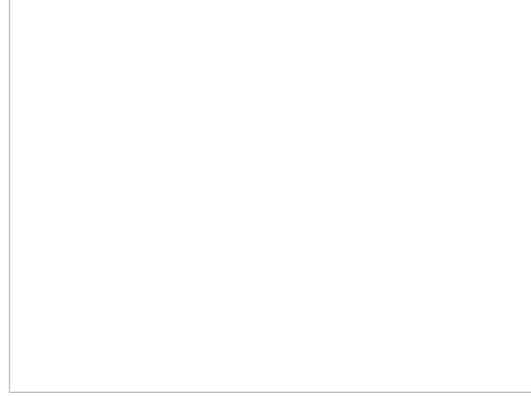
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