



Media Contact:
Cyndi Sutton
National Cherry Blossom Festival
571-213-0401
cyndi@merakicommsgroup.com

National Cherry Blossom Festival Encourages Support of D.C. Area Restaurants Through Cherry Picks Program

More Than 170 Restaurants Participating in 19th Annual Program

Washington, D.C. [March 1, 2021] – The National Cherry Blossom Festival today announced that more than 170 restaurants across Washington, D.C., Maryland, and Virginia are participating in its 19th annual Cherry Picks program. Presented with the Restaurant Association of Metropolitan Washington, Cherry Picks shines a spotlight on the region’s dynamic food and drink options and encourages the community to support local restaurants throughout the 2021 National Cherry Blossom Festival – March 20-April 11. Nearly 130 restaurants on this year’s Cherry Picks list are new and nearly 20 percent have locations outside of the District.

“I’m excited to have a record number of amazing restaurants participating in Cherry Picks,” said Diana Mayhew, president and CEO of the National Cherry Blossom Festival. “I hope the community will show these restaurants some love throughout the 2021 Festival. There are takeout, delivery, and outdoor dining options, so this year’s Cherry Picks provides people with excellent opportunities to try new restaurants or support some old favorites.”

One Cherry Picks restaurant, Officina, with locations in The Wharf and Georgetown, will be featuring a special picnic kit, curated “in fond recollection of the days we spent with friends sipping wine, sampling salumi, and creating memories.” Each kit includes a selection of Officina’s favorite salumi, preserves, and snacks, and is designed for two guests to bring along to the waterfront or beach, or just to enjoy while sitting on the balcony. Officina’s menu includes batched cocktails that can be added to any order.

Participating Cherry Picks restaurants include:

DC

1310 Kitchen & Bar (DC)	Benjamin Bar & Lounge @ Trump International Hotel
1789 Restaurant (DC)	Washington DC (DC)
ABC Pony (DC)	Ben's Chili Bowl (DC)
Al Dente (DC)	Ben's Next Door (DC)
Albi (DC)	Blackfinn Ameripub (DC)
All Day By Kramers (DC)	Blue Duck Tavern (DC)
Alta Strada (DC)	Boulangerie Christophe (DC)
Ambar(DC)	Brasserie Liberté (DC)
American Son (DC)	Bub and Pop's (DC)
Annabelle (DC)	Cafe Georgetown (DC)
Baan Siam (DC)	Café Riggs (DC)
Baker's Daughter (DC)	Cafe Saint Ex (DC)
Bangbop (DC)	Central Michel Richard (DC)
Bangkok Joe's (DC)	Chef Geoff's (DC)
Bantam King (DC)	ChiCha Restaurant Market (DC)
Bar Pilar (DC)	CIRCA (DC)
Barmini (DC)	Clyde's (DC)
Beefsteak (DC)	Colada Shop (DC)
Belga Café (DC)	Commissary (DC)

Confetti (DC)
Cranes Spanish Kaiseki (DC)
Cuba Libre Restaurant & Rum Bar (DC)
CUT by Wolfgang Puck (DC)
Daikaya (DC)
District Taco (DC)
District Winery (DC)
Dog Tag Bakery (DC)
Duke's Grocery (DC)
El Cielo Restaurant (DC)
Estadio (DC)
Fare Well Bakery+Diner+Bar (DC)
Farmbird (DC)
Farmers & Distillers (DC)
Farmers Fishers Bakers (DC)
Fedwings (DC)
FinishingTouchesKitchen (DC)
Firefly (DC)
FishScale (DC)
Fogo de Chao Brazilian Steakhouse (DC)
Founding Farmers (DC)
Foxtrot Market (DC)
Georgetown Cupcake (DC)
Glover Park Grill (DC)
Gogi Yogi (DC)
Grillfish (DC)
Haikan (DC)
Hank's Oyster Bar (DC)
Hatoba (DC)
HipCityVeg (DC)
Hornblower Cruises and Events (DC)
Ice Cream Jubilee (DC)
Immigrant Food (DC)
Jaco Juice and Taco (DC)
Jaleo DC
Karma Modern Indian (DC)
King Street Oyster Bar (DC)
Laos in Town (DC)
Le Diplomate (DC)
Lei Musubi (DC)
LiLLiES Restaurant & Bar (DC)
Logan Tavern (DC)
Makan (DC)
Maketto (DC)
Matchbox Restaurants (DC)
MI VIDA Restaurante (DC)
Mintwood Place (DC)
Moby Dick House of Kabob (DC)
Modena (DC)
Mr. Henry's (DC)
Muchas Gracias (DC)
NAMA (DC)
Nick's Riverside Grill (DC)
Nicoletta Italian Kitchen (DC)
Nina May (DC)

Maryland

Bellagio Patisserie (MD)
Ensemble (MD)
Ginger (MD)
Grace's Mandarin (MD)
Lia's Restaurant (MD)

Virginia

2941 Restaurant (VA)
Ambar Clarendon (VA)
Austin Grill (VA)

Nobu (DC)
North Italia (DC)
Ocean Prime (DC)
Officina (DC)
Old Ebbitt Grill (DC)
Oohh's & Aahh's Soul Food (DC)
Opaline Bar & Brasserie (DC)
Open City (DC)
Osteria Morini (DC)
Ottoman Taverna (DC)
Oyamel (DC)
Pâtisserie Poupon (DC)
Perry's Restaurant (DC)
Pizzeria Paradiso (DC)
Provost (DC)
RASA (DC)
Reren (DC)
Restaurant at Uptown Market (DC)
Roaming Rooster (DC)
ROCKLANDS Barbeque and Grilling Company (DC)
Rome Pizza & Sub (DC)
RPM Italian (DC)
Sababa (DC)
Sandellas Flatbread Café (DC)
Shilling Canning Co (DC)
Slate Wine Bar (DC)
Sonoma Restaurant and Wine Bar (DC)
Sprinkles Georgetown (DC)
St. Anselm (DC)
Stable (DC)
STATION 4 (DC)
Supra (DC)
Susheria (DC)
Taberna del Alabardero (DC)
Taim (DC)
Teaism (DC)
Ted's Bulletin (DC)
The Coupe (DC)
The Delegate (DC)
The Diner (DC)
The Duck & The Peach (DC)
The Grill (DC)
The Hamilton (DC)
The Pagoda At Hook Hall (DC)
The Rooftop at The Graham (DC)
The Smith (DC)
Thomas Sweet (DC)
Tia Pepa (DC)
Tico (DC)
Tonic at Quigley's Pharmacy (DC)
Tony and Joe's Seafood Place (DC)
Tryst (DC)
Yardbird Southern Table & Bar (DC)
Zaytinya (DC)

Founding Farmers (MD)
TAP Sports Bar (MD)
Ted's Bulletin Downtown Crown (MD)
Voltaggio Brothers Steak House (MD)

Big Buns Damn Good Burgers (VA)
Blend 111 (VA)
Cafe 44 (VA)

Caboose Brewing Company & Tavern (VA)
Founding Farmers Reston Station (VA)
Hank's Oyster Bar (VA)
Hen Quarter (VA)
Jaleo Crystal City (VA)
La Bettola Italiano (VA)
LCD La Cote d'Or (VA)
Los Tios Grill (VA)

Makers Union Pub For The People (VA)
Portofino Restaurant (VA)
SideKick Bakery (VA)
Ted's Bulletin (VA)
The Rub Chicken & Beer (VA)
Wild Tiger BBQ (VA)
Wildfire (VA)

The complete list of Cherry Picks restaurants can also be found at nationalcherryblossomfestival.org/where-to-eat/.

The 2021 National Cherry Blossom Festival will offer engaging virtual and personal experiences through unique programs, activities, and events that honor the Festival's deep traditions and bring the celebration of spring into the hearts and homes of communities throughout the D.C. area and beyond. Lead sponsors (Leadership Circle) for this year's Festival are Amazon and Events DC.

For more information, visit nationalcherryblossomfestival.org and follow the Festival's social media pages on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#).

About National Cherry Blossom Festival

The National Cherry Blossom Festival is one of the world's great celebrations of spring. The 2021 Festival, March 20-April 11, will include three weeks of events featuring diverse and creative programming promoting traditional and contemporary arts and culture, natural beauty, and community spirit. Visit nationalcherryblossomfestival.org or call 877.44.BLOOM for more information, and check out [Facebook](#) (@CherryBlossomFestival), [Instagram](#) (@CherryBlossFest), and [Twitter](#) (@CherryBlossFest).

-###-