The Official Inspiration Guide of the Maryland Office of Tourism

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2024 DESTINATION MARYLAND: THE OFFICIAL MARYLAND TRAVEL MAGAZINE MEDIA KIT

# MARKETING MARYLAND TRAVEL

The Maryland Office of Tourism Development is the official voice promoting Maryland to potential visitors with a multi-million dollar marketing effort that drives demand for print and digital travel guides.



\*2019 figures shown.

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# **VISITORS MAGAZINE**



### **READERSHIP STATS\***

- Visitor guides are highly valued by potential visitors with **97%** defining themselves as satisfied or very satisfied with visitor guides
- **73%** of those who traveled to a destination after ordering a visitors guide indicated they were influenced by the visitor guide
- Visitors guides are important for decisions in-market, especially around Things to Do, with 57% of travelers indicating they selected an attraction or activity, 45% a place to dine, and 24% a place to shop

\*DMA West Visitor Guide Readership & Conversion Study, 2021

The Destination Maryland magazine is the official advertising fulfillment vehicle of the Maryland Office of Tourism. The publication is mailed directly to travelers who request from VisitMaryland.org and at Maryland Welcome Centers.

Be sure you leverage the opportunity to reach this highly qualified audience who is actively seeking Maryland travel inspiration. Advertising in the magazine is the best channel for those wanting to promote their business, attraction or service to visitors actively planning their Maryland vacation.

Be open for consumers looking for official expertise on trip tips to Maryland.

#### View the 2023 eGuide at: visitmaryland.org/brochure

#### **QUICK FACTS**

500K REACH\*\*

200K CIRCULATION

EGUIDE Avg. Session: 00:09:53 Pageviews: 322,000+

\*\*Delivered through a combination of Circulation, eGuide Downloads, and Pass-along Readership.

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# **ADVERTISING OPTIONS**



**DISPLAY ADVERTISING** \$2,420-\$14,280

**EGUIDE INCLUSION** 

Included with Advertising Purchase



**NATIVE ADVERTISING** \$2,420-\$10,590

ADVERTISING RATES OVE	RVIEW			
ITEM	RATE			
REGULAR (DISPLAY OR NATIVE)				
Full Page	\$10,590			
1/2 Page	\$6,590			
1/3 Page	\$4,560			
1/6 Page	\$2,420			
PREMIUM*				
Back Cover	\$14,280			
Inside Back Cover	\$12,200			
LISTINGS				
Featured Photo Listing	\$950			
Featured Photo Listing Add-On**	\$475			
Digital Enhanced Listing Add-On	\$400			

#### IMPORTANT DATES

Ad Reservation Date: 10/12/23 Artwork Due Date: 10/27/23

MGM National Harbor 101 MGM National Ave, National Harbor, 844-346-4664 www.mgmnationalharbor.com A luxury gaming resort destination offering safe options for dining, nightlife, and shopping.

See ad on the Inside Back Cover.

**HIGHLIGHTED LISTING** Included with Advertising Purchase



4601 Damascus Rd, Laytonsville, 1-833-RED-BARN www.tusculumfarm.com A luxury B&B and events venue on a working farm, perfectly located between Washington, D.C. and Baltimore. Fully customizable for gatherings of any size.e See ad on page 60.

# FEATURED

**PHOTO LISTING** \$475-\$950

\*All other Premium Positions are the Standard Rate +10% \*\*50% Discount only available with a purchase of a Display Ad

# DISPLAY ADVERTISING



### ABOUT

- Varied ad sizes allow advertisers to speak to customers with a variety
   of calls to action
- · Ad receives click-through link to your site in eGuide
- · Ad production assistance available
- Receive a free Highlighted Listing with purchase (see page 6 for more details)

Combine both

# NATIVE ADVERTISING



### ABOUT

- Native Advertising provides an in-magazine advertorial reader experience that creates a deeper conversation with the reader by providing an editorial look and feel
- Provide copy & photos to be laid out in a native format to integrate seamlessly into the guide
- Ad receives click-through link to your site in eGuide.
- · Copywriting assistance available
- Receive a free Highlighted Listing with purchase (see page 6 for more details)

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EVENT FACILITIES Tusculum Farm

#### A luxury B&B and events venue on a working farm, perfectly located between Washington, D.C. and Baltimore. Fully customizable for gatherings of any size.e

*See ad on page 60.* Middletown

Featured Photo Listing



A. HIGHLIGHTED LISTING

- Receive a Highlighted Listing with any Display or Native Advertising purchase in Destination Maryland
- $\cdot$  Includes page number directing to your ad within the guide

### **B. FEATURED PHOTO LISTING**

- Stand out even more with a Featured Photo Listing in Destination Maryland that includes a photo and expanded copy
- 50% off with purchase of any Destination Maryland ad
- $\cdot$  Includes page number directing to your ad within the guide

#### C. VISITMARYLAND.ORG DIGITAL ENHANCED LISTING

- Upgrade your online Listing on VisitMaryland.org with a Digital Enhanced Listing Add-on
- · Available exclusively to Destination Maryland advertisers
- Allows participants to be featured in the top placement of their corresponding business category on VisitMaryland.org year-round

PURCHASING OPTIONS				
	ITEM	RATE		
A	Highlighted Listing	Included with Ad Purchase		
В	Featured Photo Listing/Add-on*	\$950/\$475		
С	Digital Enhanced Listing Add-on	\$400		

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# CONTACT

IMPORTANT DATES Ad Reservation Date: 10/12/23 Artwork Due Date: 10/27/23

### AD PRODUCTION & COPYWRITING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Contact Jessica Olsen at Jessica.Olsen@MilesPartnership.com for more information.

For more research and whitepapers, visit milespartnership.com/ research





## TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2024 PROGRAM CONTACT:

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As a former CVB Marketing Director with more than two decades of experience in the tourism industry (including work at Yellowstone National Park and a cruise ship), Carly's passion for travel marketing has inspired successful marketing campaigns for Miles partners for more than 10 years. Carly is our Travel Media Sales and Marketing Executive for Maryland, consulting on integrated domestic and international program strategy.





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Miles is a strategic marketing partner that provides services for the Maryland Office of Tourism. Miles is 100 percent travel focused and provides demonstrations with innovative, forward-thinking content marketing solutions that result in increased visitation and measurable results. Miles is a proud member of the Maryland Office of Tourism marketing team.

## **2024 DESTINATION MARYLAND** ADVERTISING SPECIFICATIONS

Description	Decimal (width x height)	Fraction (width x height)
Full Page Non-Bleed	7 x 9.875	7" x 9 7/8"
Full Page Bleed*	8.25 x 10.75	8 1/4" x 10 3/4"
Two Page Spread*	See visual below	See visual below
1/2 Horizontal	7 x 4.687	7" x 4 11/16"
1/3 Square	4.625 x 4.687	4 5/8" x 4 11/16"
1/6 Vertical	2.25 x 4.687	2 1/4" x 4 11/16"
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Featured Photo Listing**	1.625 x 1.3125	1 5/8" x 1 5/16"



#### \*Any element outside the live area runs the risk of trimming being cut off at printing. Miles will not be liable for copy and images that exceed live area dimensions.

#### **Floating Fractional Ads**

It is recommended that any fractional ads that are designed on a white or transparent background include a 0.5" outline rule so that the ad doesn't appear to float and combine with an adjacent ad on the page.

#### **\*\*Featured Photo Listing**

A Miles representative will contact you, but please note the following image size and character limits: MAX character count is 150 including spaces; Image must be at least 2.125" x 1.125" and 250 PPI.

#### **PRODUCTION REQUIREMENTS**

- No coupons (MS Tags can link to offers).
- Real estate advertisements shall be limited to vacation rental property.
- Advertising should promote Maryland locations only.
- Design: Software accepted for Miles to design your ad are Adobe InDesign, Adobe Illustrator and Adobe Photoshop Only. Final camera-ready ads supplied to Miles are only accepted in PDFx-1A format.
- Fonts: Use only Adobe Type 1 (Postscript Level 1) fonts. No True Type fonts will be accepted.
- Color: Use only 4-color process (CMYK). No RGB files will be accepted. Convert all spot colors to CMYK.
- Image Resolution: Images should be a minimum of 250 PPI. Images below this resolution cannot be accepted.

- Bleeds: Build all full-page bleed ads to the bleed specs listed above, and keep all images and elements that you do not want cut off within the live area specs. Please turn off the crop marks.
- Knockout Text (White Text): We recommend limiting the background color to three of the four CMYK colors to reduce the risk of a shadow effect in case of a shift on the printer press.
- Black Color in Ad or Text: Please build with one color black; multi-color rich blacks will not be accepted.

#### **DON'T FORGET:**

- Reproduction of hairline rules or type smaller than 10pt. cannot be guaranteed.
- + Publisher accepts no responsibility for errors on materials supplied by advertiser.

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Questions? Reach out to your production contact Jessica Olson at 954-270-3744 or Jessica.Olson@MilesPartnership.com
If you would like Miles to build your print ad, send materials by 8/11/22 to Jessica.Olson@MilesPartnership.com with build instructions.

Online listing specs are available separately upon request