

# GEORGE WASHINGTON



## Presidential Profile

- George Washington is called “The Father of Our Country” because he was our Nation’s first President.
- President Washington was born on February 22, 1732 in Virginia. He is so important to our country’s history that his birthday is celebrated every year.
- He was married to Martha Washington and adopted her two children.
- He was a farmer and then he became a leader of soldiers.
- Two of his favorite foods were ice cream and fish.
- He liked to spend his time fishing and riding his horse Nelson.

## Monumental Moments

- Our Nation’s capital, Washington, D.C., is named in his honor.
- The Washington Monument, located in our Nation’s capital, is one of many monuments around the country in honor of George Washington.
- He is one of only four Presidents whose face is carved into the side of a mountain at the Mount Rushmore National Memorial in South Dakota.

## Did You Know?

- President Washington had false teeth.
- He was the first American farmer to use mules to help with planting crops.
- As of 2007, there are 95 cities and towns and 31 counties in the United States that are named Washington.
- He was the first President to appear on a postage stamp.

## Coin Connection

- The George Washington \$1 Coin was released in February, 2007.
- President Washington passed a law to create the United States Mint, the place where United States coins are made, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- President Washington’s face is also on other United States money like the dollar bill and the quarter.



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