Type-A Washingtonians work overtime during the week, but they take weekend leisure time just as seriously—typically with a mimosa in hand. So it’s no wonder that D.C. restaurants go all out for brunch, with options in the city covering everything from jumbo lump crab cakes to wild takes on avocado toast. And of course, there are plenty of brightly colored Instagram-friendly spaces to score likes while consuming half your body weight in coffee. Wake up to this list of Washington, D.C.’s best brunches, including fluffy pancakes, breakfast banh mi, catfish sliders, and Caribbean-style shrimp and grits.

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**RESTAURANT**

**Moon Rabbit →**

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Located in the Intercontinental Washington, contemporary Vietnamese eatery Moon Rabbit has the spirit of an indie restaurant fused with the corporate feel of a hotel—with big windows out to the street, you’ll also feel like you are part of the action in the Wharf waterfront development. Go for breakfast banh mi, pho-seasoned fried chicken sandwiches, or a fried-egg topped breakfast bowl loaded with coconut curry rice, lemongrass sausage, Maggi gravy, herbs, pickled onions, and fried garlic. Chef Kevin Tien also brings in influences from his childhood in Louisiana as seen with boudin egg rolls, crawfish, and noodles, as well as local hometown hits like a turmeric-marinated Maryland catfish slider. The freshly fried doughnuts are worth the splurge, too.