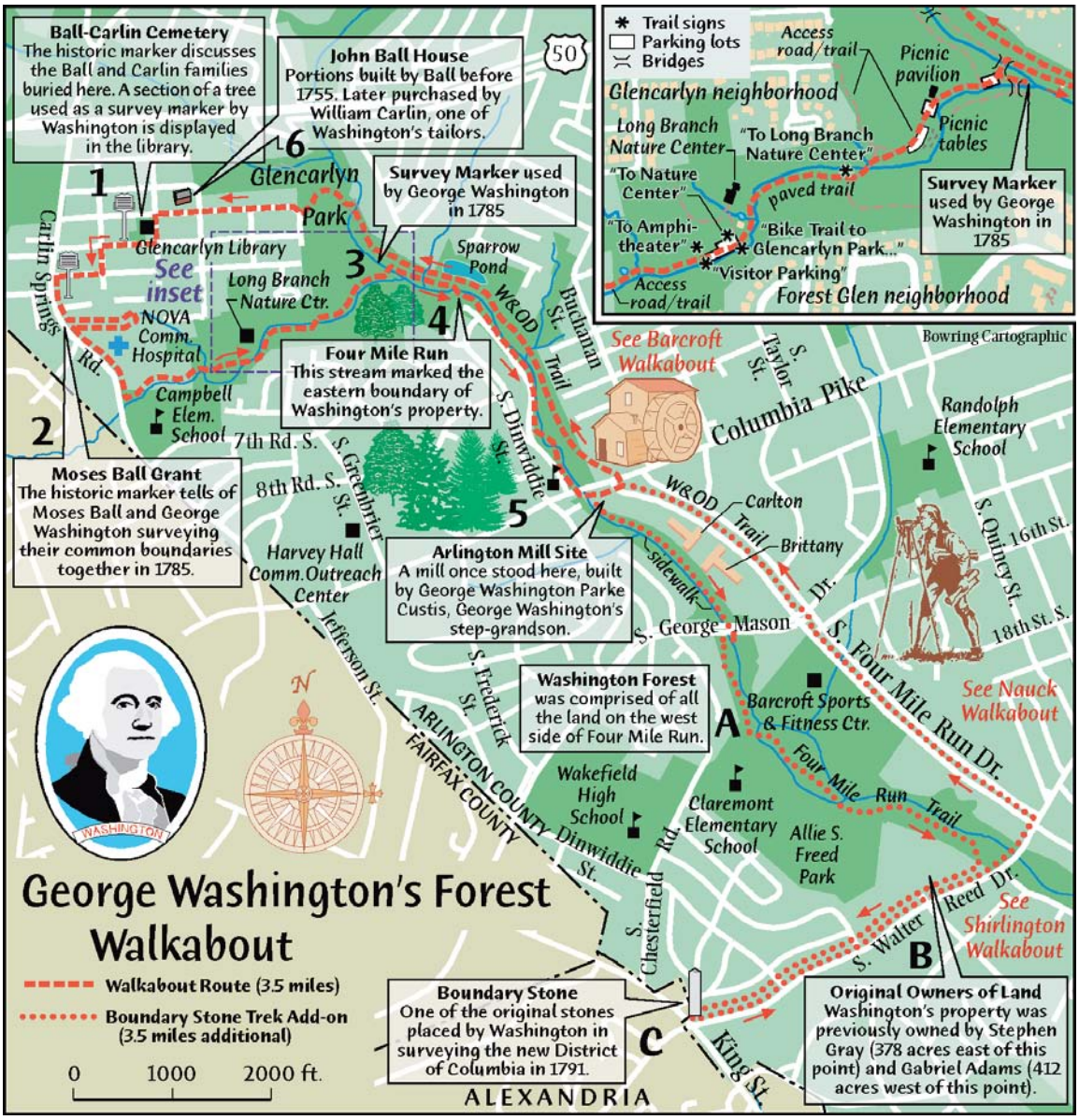
WalkArlington Walkabouts:

George Washington's Forest

Length:
3.5 or 7 miles

Terrain:
Slightly hilly

Ambience:
Traverses streets, a public access road, a parking lot and paved trails through the woods.



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This walk takes you through lands once owned by George Washington, a fraction of his extensive holdings throughout Virginia. With a little imagination, some remains of the Colonial era can be glimpsed.

Washington purchased this approximately 1200-acre tract of land in 1775. The American Revolution kept him away for the next eight years. Only when the war was over and Washington returned to his beloved Northern Virginia was he able to survey the property. Washington continued to own the land at the time of his death in 1799 and afterwards it became known as "Washington's Forest."

For more about this walkabout, and about walking in and around Arlington in general, visit www.walkarlington.com.

Other nearby walkabouts:

Ashton Heights (www.walkarlington.com/go/walks.html)