## Hi Julie,





Things to Do in Washington in the Spring

Witness the beauty of a new season come to life in spring. Flowers will pop to the surface of the earth as early as March- even up in the mountains where some species grow THROUGH the snow! By April and May you'll be wearing light jackets and enjoying bonfires with friends to welcome the heat of June. Keep things fun and fresh with our list of activities below.

#### **Watch the Flowers Bloom**

Although winter stays greener here with all of our evergreen trees, there's still something magical about watching the earth renew. Birds return and the sun stays out later and later, making the perfect setting to view colors galore. Some of the best places to see flowers include the UW Arboretum, the Woodland Park Rose Garden and Duncan Gardens.

### **Skagit Valley Tulip Festival**

You don't have to travel all the way to the Netherlands to see truly spectacular fields of tulips! Skagit Valley Tulip Festival started in 1984 as a way to show off Mount Vernon's spectacular blooms. In addition, you'll find art shows, can participate in the 20-, 40- or 60-mile Tulip Pedal Bicycle Ride, explore the Downtown Mount Vernon Street Fair and visit an alpaca farm to meet some fuzzy creatures.

#### Go to a Mariner's Game

If you're from out of state, we get that you might not be a Mariners fan (just yet, wink, wink), but there's something about watching this American pastime in person that we can all enjoy no matter who's playing. T-Mobile Park has a retractable roof to protect from rainy weather and a diverse food scene with favorites from local Seattle restaurants.

#### **Chow Down at Taste Washington**

Taste Washington is the country's biggest single-region food and wine event. Sample varieties from more than 235 wineries including reds, whites and sparkling. Offerings from over 65 restaurants give you plenty of options to try foods you may not have heard of before!

# Does anything on this list put a spring in your step? Have any questions about Washington or what it's like to live here? Reach out any time! We're here to help!



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