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Three Perfect Days in New York City - A Journey Connected Travel Guide

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New York City may be small in size, but it's huge in numbers, energy and attitude. It's the most densely populated city in North America with 8 million citizens on just 830 square kilometers of land. It has always been a city of immigrants, and, even today, about one-third of its citizens are foreign-born. Roughly 138 languages are spoken here, and vibrant new ethnic enclaves pop up all over the city, offering visitors a vast array of interesting cultural and culinary experiences.

While the city pulses with the blood of its newest residents, old New York is still alive and well. Opera still bursts from the venerable stage of the Lincoln Center. Wall Street, the hive of capitalism, still bustles with the excitement and tension of the stock market. And the stately apartments of New York's wealthy still frame majestic Central Park.

New York has become one of America's safest cities, and the best way to see it is to walk. Numbered streets in Manhattan make navigation easy and run from east to west, while avenues intersect from north to south (uptown and downtown). New Yorkers are friendly and talkative, and nearly every night of the week the city's bars and clubs are crowded with revelers. There are several universities in New York, which contribute to keeping the city fresh and young.













LGBT Sites

Manhattan is a hub for LGBT history. There's no admission fee to the Leslie-Lohman Museum of Gay and Lesbian Art in SoHo. Grab a drink at the Stonewall Inn's bar, where the 1969 police raid took place, and sit on a bench at Christopher Park to reflect on George Segal's Gay Liberation statues. While you are in Manhattan, you'll want to check out the Lips Drag Queen Show Palace, Restaurant & Bar, considered one of the best drag performances in the city.

Head across to Brooklyn for more LGBT sites. Stop by the Lesbian Herstory Archives, the world's largest collection of materials by and about lesbians. Hit the happy hour at Ginger's Bar, a popular lesbian pub in Brooklyn known for tasty drinks, pool, karaoke and drag gueen bingo.

In Queens, the Q Center provides essential services, community assistance and advocacy programs for youth and adults. The Albatross Bar in Astoria features Sutton Lee Seymour, one of the most beloved drag queens around, along with karaoke and Brokeback Bingo, in a friendly, neighborhood bar ambience.



Iconic Movie Locations

Chances are, you've seen dozens of movies or television shows featuring or filmed in New York City. The 1984 ghost-comedy favorite "Ghostbusters" was filmed at various locations around Manhattan. Get photos at Columbus Circle, the famous traffic circle where the Stay Puft Marshmallow Man arrives.

Whether you consider yourself a Carrie or a Charlotte, a Samantha or a Miranda, put on your Manolos and take the "Sex and the City" Hotspots Bus Tour to see more than 40 trendy Manhattan locales – including the famous Magnolia Bakery in the West Village – frequented by the female cast.

Order a pastrami sandwich at Katz's Deli, a locale made all the more legendary in "that scene" from "When Harry Met Sally" (1989). The Audrey Hepburn classic "Breakfast at Tiffany's" (1961) features multiple New York landmarks, and so does legendary "The Godfather" (1972), academy Award-winning "Birdman" (2014), the Christmas cult comedy "Home Alone 2: Lost in New York" (1992), Natalie Portman's dark thriller "Black Swan" (2010), and many more.



Theater

New York City is known for its exceptional theater, eclectic performing arts scene and big Broadway productions. Seeing a famous Broadway show, such as "The Lion King," "Wicked" and "Hamilton," is one of the most iconic experiences in New York City. Beyond the theater district, the Harbor Lights Theater Company in Staten Island brings outstanding professional theater to the dynamic North Shore neighborhood. Past productions include "Rent," "Driving Miss Daisy," "Oliver!" and "The King and I." New York theatre is much like the city itself: innovative, experimental, and culturally diverse.



5 Days of Family Fun across New York

Day 1 – Manhattan

Start at world-famous Rockefeller Center, where you can tour NBC Studios, meet a Rockette at Radio City Music Hall and browse the shops (including a LEGO Store and a Nintendo Store). Pick up some souvenirs at M&M's World, the Disney Store or the American Girl Place in Times Square.

Day 2 - Brooklyn

People of all ages can enjoy a walk across the upper level of the iconic Brooklyn Bridge. Finish with a visit to Coney Island, the quintessential boardwalk experience, for amusement park rides, games and food.

Day 3 - Staten Island

Kids and adults will love the Staten Island Ferry ride, which operates for free 24/7. Active families can spend time exploring the nature trails at Staten Island's Greenbelt Conservancy or the beautiful gardens at Snug Harbor. Let your younger children's imagination run wild at the Staten Island Children's Museum.

Day 4 – Queens

A family day in Queens should include a visit to the New York Hall of Science, a hands-on, interactive museum. Spend time outside at the Queens County Farm Museum. Families who love sports can catch a Mets game at Citi Field or take a behind-the-scenes tour of the ballpark.

Day 5 - Bronx

The must-see attraction here is the Bronx Zoo, the largest urban zoo in the country. Stroll through the colorful flora at Wave Hill's public gardens and enjoy views of the Hudson River. See the 27-time World Champion Yankees play at Yankee Stadium.

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New York, New York - Do & See

You've seen them a million times in the movies, but there's nothing like taking in these quintessential New York City landmarks in person. First stop, a tour of the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, capped with a free ride on the Staten Island Ferry for stellar views of both.

Immerse yourself in the bustle and bright lights of Times Square followed by the incomparable spectacle of a Broadway show – both experiences that you can't find anywhere else but in NYC.

Explore the Rockefeller Center, and take a trip to the top of the Empire State Building. Experience the Grand Central Terminal, a unique architectural gem and the city's major transportation hub.

As panoramic scenes go, NYC can't be beaten. Walk across the Brooklyn Bridge for views of New York Harbor or scale 30 Rockefeller Plaza's Art Deco skyscraper to Top of The Rock, an observatory offering 360-degree views of the city.





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New York in 1 Day

Make the most of your time in New York City and see the Big Apple's top spots on this New York in One Day Sightseeing Tour.

Travel by both the Staten Island Ferry and bus as you swing by the 9/11 Memorial, Central Park, Rockefeller Center and more

Then hop aboard a luxury boat for a sightseeing cruise past the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, complete with sweeping views of NYC's skyline and the Brooklyn Bridge.



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Visitors usually spend one full day at the Met, and that's a shame, because to truly appreciate everything this gigantic museum offers would take at least a week. The museum's permanent collection of some 2 million works includes masterpieces from history's greatest artists, as well as countless wonders from ancient civilizations, the Egyptian Temple of Dendur being, perhaps, the most notable example.



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The floating museum housed inside a nearly 300-meter-long USS Intrepid aircraft is a remarkable monument all in itself, but the exhibits contained inside are no less exhilarating. See the authentic space shuttle Enterprise, the legendary spy jet A-12 Blackbird, as well as the world's fastest commercial airplane. Right next to the Intrepid is the USS Growler strategic missile submarine - the only one of its kind open to public, with interactive games and simulators on board.



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9/11 Tribute Center 92 Greenwich St, New York

The 9/11 Tribute Center tells the devastating story of the tragic events that occurred in New York on September 11, 2001. Many of the volunteer guides who work at the Center were directly involved in the events - some lost family members, while others helped deal with the mortifying aftermath of the attacks. Hearing their first-hand narratives is an emotionally overwhelming experience that is made possible by the project of the September 11th Families Association.



Washington Square Park

5 Ave, Waverly PI

Students from nearby New York University ensure that Washington Square Park is always alive with activity; this Greenwich Village park is also a favorite spot for street performers, chess players and musicians, making the people-watching here some of the city's most entertaining.



Whitney Museum of American Art

99 Gansevoort St, New York +1 212 570 3600

Known informally as the "Whitney", this outstanding institution is devoted to the art of the United States. A full range of twentieth-century and contemporary American art is presented here, and with 21,000 works by 3,000 artists (such as Andy Warhol), you can easily spend a few hours inside. Paintings, sculptures, drawings, videos, photography and new media are all here to be enjoyed.



The Shed 545 West 30th Street, New York +1 646 455 3494

The Shed's objective is to help emerging artists by commissioning work belonging to many different disciplines. It is located at the Bloomberg Building and comes equipped with a movable outer shell that grants access to a public outdoor space, the Plaza, when it is retracted; a theater hosting movie screenings and opera performances and two column-free galleries for exhibitions.



Governors Island 10 South Street, New York +1 212 440 2200

A 172 acre island near the city, Governors Island is constantly evolving. In 2016, the Hills became accessible (an elevated area from which the Statue of Liberty and the New York Harbor can be seen). Other attractions include New York's longest slide and a permanent installation by artist Rachel Whiteread. If you want to take a tour of the island, you can do so at the Soissons Landing Welcome Center, Wednsesday through Sunday.



The High Line 835 Washington St, at Little West 12th St +1 212 206 9922

This elevated park, built on a railway trestle that had been abandoned for 30 years, is a sliver of green that looks out onto the stark landscape of Manhattan's west side. The renovation mimics the way nature had begun to overtake the park before it was saved from demolition by two friends who lived in the neighborhood. Food vendors and small cafes have settled along the park, making the area one of the city's most pleasant for a stroll and a snack.



Madison Square Garden

2 Penn Plaza, New York +1 212 465 6000

The Garden is the city's premiere sports and entertainment complex, home to the New York Rangers, Knicks and Liberty teams, as well as the stage for massively popular musicians and artists when they come to New York. The more intimate WaMu Theater also hosts concerts, shows and stand-up comedians. For a behind-the-scenes view, take the Madison Square Garden All Access Tour.



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Prospect Park 450 Flatbush Ave, Brooklyn +1 718 965 8951

The landscape architects in charge of this enormous green oasis in the heart of Brooklyn declared that they were prouder of Prospect Park than any of their other works, including Manhattan's Central Park. It is the center of life in Brooklyn, and on any day of the week you can see local residents jogging, picnicking, or flying kites, and on Saturdays the green market draws huge crowds.



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Museum of Jewish Heritage 36 Battery PI, Battery Park City +1 646 437 4202

This museum and memorial to the 6 million Jews who died in the Holocaust was constructed in the shape of the Star of David, and its three floors hold exhibits on early 20th century Jewish life, Nazism and anti-Semitism, and post-war Jewish life, respectively. The grounds also contain a theater, memorial garden, library, and cafe. It is a solemn visit, but an important one.



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New York, New York - Dining

Dining in New York City can be an inspiring experience for travelers and long-time residents alike. Restaurants and cafes line the streets, and the culinary options are unlimited. Bookmark this list of classics to help you navigate the culinary standouts, including famous delicatessens, notable New York eateries and trendy hot spots from Manhattan to Brooklyn.





Arturo's 106 W Houston St, New York +1 212 677 3820

Want a New York City pizza experience to remember? Order a coal-oven baked pie at Arturo's and enjoy the kitschy vibe of the restaurant, along with a fantastic bar and live jazz. This Greenwich Village staple has been around for over 60 years.



Emma's Torch 345 Smith Street, Brooklyn +1 718 243 1222

At this restaurant you'll be served food prepared by refugee chefs. Emma's Torch provides three month-long paid apprenticeships that help their students find a place in society, all while giving their guests dishes like black-eyed pea hummus and tamarind barbecue wings. Their happy hour takes place Tuesday through Friday from 5pm to 7pm.



Atomix 104 East 30th Street, New York +1 646 476 7217

Atomix offers a Korean 10-course meal, starring dishes like parsley rice, grilled mackerel, and peas with caviar, at two different seating times: one at 6pm, the other at 9pm. Every dish is accompanied by bits of trivia detailing the sources of inspiration for it, along with up to two bottles of wine, to be enjoyed at their horseshoe-shaped table in the dining room.



Sardi's 234 W 44th St #3, New York +1 212 221 8440

Stop by this old-school Theater District staple before or after a show. Open since 1921, Sardi's menu features American, Italian and seafood fare, and there are dozens of caricature drawings of Broadway stars on the walls.



M. Wells 43-15 Crescent St, Long Island City +1 718 786 1800

Québécois-inspired delicacies are what M. Wells is all about. The Canadian chef Hugue Dufour offers his take on a farm-to-table style steakhouse. The menu is refreshed evert few weeks. Some weekends they have fun activities for kids and host a little marketplace for vintage stuff.



Red Rooster 310 Lenox Ave, New York +1 212 792 9001

Taste Southern-inspired dishes, such as gumbo and catfish, at this Marcus Samuelsson restaurant. Enjoy live music at the speakeasy-esque Ginny's Supper Club on the lower level of the Harlem location.



Peter Luger Steak House 178 Broadway, Brooklyn +1 718 387 7400

The beef is dry-aged on site at this Michelin-starred steak house. The original location in Williamsburg has been serving since 1887. It's also regularly hailed as one of the best steak houses in New York City, so make sure to make a reservation.



Keens Steakhouse 72 West 36th St, New York +1 212 947 3636

Keens is a genuine neighborhood icon. At the end of the 19th century, Keens Chophouse was a lively meeting point of the talented and famous, actors running in and out at performance intermissions at the Garrick Theater across the street for steaks and world-famous mutton chops.



The Ainsworth – Chelsea 122 West 26th, Chelsea +1 212 741 0645

With a luxurious interior complete with dozens of flat-screen televisions, The Ainsworth is an inviting venue for whatever the occasion may be, from casual breakfast to dinner, brunch, and evening sporting broadcasts with drinks.



P.J. Clarke's 915 Third Avenue, at 55th St +1 212 317 1616

When in New York, do not miss P.J. Clarke's. It was here that it all began in 1884, when Mr. Patrick Joseph Clarke started his business, which later grew to become a legend. This classic bar remains virtually unchanged after all these years, and still keeps to the staples of friendly service, great atmosphere and local vibe, and, of course, serves some of the best burgers in the city.



Sylvia's 328 Lenox Ave, New York +1 212 996 0660

Harlem's heartiest soul food accompanied by a gospel choir on Sundays. Sylvia Wood founded this restaurant in 1962 after buying the original luncheonette with financial aid from her mother, who had to mortgage her house to provide it. Harlem locals as well as well-known celebrities dine here. Some of her star customers have been Bill Clinton, Caroline Kennedy, Magic Johnson and Nelson Mandela.



Prune 54 E 1st St, New York +1 212 677 6221

The name Prune comes from the owner's childhood nickname, not the fruit. They serve delicious food with that special home-cooked taste, and the ample Bloody Mary bar offers no less than ten variations of the popular drink, including one with lime, tequila and smoked chipotle.



The Grey Dog — Chelsea 242 W 16th St, New York +1 212 966 1060

This is a charming and popular cafe and restaurant that has several locations around the city. It is a family-run restaurant, started by two brothers who have formed a loyal crowd around their healthy and tasty dining options and the cool, cozy, laid-back decor.



Indochine 430 Lafayette St, New York +1 212 505 5111

This stylish restaurant is a favorite among New Yorkers and travelers. It has been around since 1984 and serves delicious and exotic French-Vietnamese cuisine. They also offer a pre-theatre menu every day of the week.



Grand Central Oyster Bar 89 East 42nd St, New York +1 212 490 6650

Feel the motion of travel while enjoying fantastic seafood. At Grand Central Oyster Bar, businessmen rub shoulders with tourists and lone travelers. You can choose to sit in the dining area or at one of the bars. If you choose the bar you will most likely find someone to chat with while having your oysters.



Junoon 27 W 24th St, New York +1 212 490 2100

This Michelin-rated venue is led by the culinary team of renowned chef Vikas Khanna, and presents a menu that reflects the eclectic flavors of India. Their guiding principle is to present a varied and intriguing seasonal menu brought straight from the farm to the table, executed to perfection.



Lure Fishbar 142 Mercer St, New York +1 212 431 7676

For a truly unique dining experience for the seafood lover, visit Lure Fishbar. Their food is fresh from the sea and served in a variety of equally delectable ways. If you enjoy sushi, visit their raw bar for over 20 different options.



STK Downtown & Rooftop 26 Little West 12th St, New York +1 646 624 2444

You'll find STK both midtown, close to the theater district, and downtown, in the meatpacking district. The STK Downtown is the flagship restaurant and does not only offer a top class dining experience in a sleek and elegant dining room, but also a rooftop terrace, with the same high-quality cuisine in a more relaxed setting.



Le Souk 510 Laguardia St, Greenwich Village +1 212 777 5454

Feel the taste of Morocco, showcased within an exclusive menu created by consulting chef Doug Psaltis. Do not miss out on their excellent shisha pipes after dinner. The luxurious space spans three levels, and breathes an air of oriental mystery and relaxation, with from belly dancing performances, bottle service, and the city's hottest DJs.



Murray's Bagels 500 6th Ave, New York +1 212 462 2830

You haven't been to New York if you haven't had a bagel. Be sure to try one with cream cheese and smoked salmon. Murray's Bagels has a very nice location in southern Manhattan.



There are more than 200 restaurants in New York's Chinatown. Here you can revel in all kinds of Chinese specialties. Pick one with a recent Time Out or Zagat rating sticker in the window for quality food.



New York, New York - Bars & Nightlife

It's a cliché to say that New York is the "city that never sleeps," but it's true. No matter what you're looking for – karaoke, live music, dancing – you can find it at all hours. See the New York Yankees' historic home ballpark. Head to Madison Square Garden to catch an ice hockey match, basketball game or concert.





The 40/40 Club 6 West 25th St, Chelsea +1 212 832 4040

The brainchild of celebrity artist Jay-Z and his partner Juan Perez, 40/40 is a luxurious sports bar and lounge equally fit for watching a sporting event and having a casual dinner out in Midtown.



Manhattan Proper 6 Murray St, New York +1 646 559 4445

With flat-screen TVs and a menu featuring modern takes on all-American comfort foods, Manhattan Proper is an excellent restaurant and bar that serves local beers and an extensive list of further drinks, including wine and cocktails.



Sky Room Times Square 330 W 40th St, Manhattan +1 212 380 1195

The Sky Room takes New York City nightlife to a new level and transports its guests to a high-energy oasis overlooking Midtown Manhattan. The bi-level lounge occupies the 33rd and 34th floors of the Marriott Fairfield Inn and Suites Times Square on 40th Street, and boasts 360-degree views of Manhattan and the Hudson River.



Latitude 783 8th Ave, New York +1 212 245 3034

Located where Hell's Kitchen and Times Square meet, Latitude is one of the top happy hour spots in the city, complete with an open-air rooftop terrace and billiard tables. Sports fans can enjoy any of their favorite sporting events on the high-definition TVs placed throughout the venue. Take advantage of the dinner and late-night menus while DJs spin the latest hits.



SOB's 204 Varick St, New York +1 212 243 4940

SOB's, aka "Sounds of Brazil," is a live music venue in SoHo that aims to introduce guests to (and supply old-timers with ever-increasing servings of) music other than tired pop hits, which ranges from hip-hop to Brazilian, Caribbean, Haitian, and Latin music, as well as tunes from all across the world.



Bowery Ballroom 6 Delancey St, New York +1 212 260 4700

This historic venue still hosts live shows nearly a century after its inauguration, and has appeared in a couple of well-know cultural productions.



Esperanto 145 Avenue C, 9th St +1 212 505 6559

This Latin-inspired restaurant and bar is a favorite brunch spot on Avenue C. Something special is going on most nights, like Taco Tuesdays, World Music Wednesday and Flamenco Nights.



The Press Lounge 653 11th Ave, New York +1 212 757 2224

At this stylish rooftop bar fancy cocktails compete with stunning views of the city skyline. Since it opened in 2010, it has been nominated as one of Manhattan's finest rooftop lounges by several newspapers and magazines. The Press Lounge has a dress code, so if you're wearing flipflops, you'd better go back to your hotel and swap shoes before you arrive.



The DL 95 Delancey St, New York +1 212 228 09 09

The DL is a three-story restaurant, bar, and rooftop lounge located in Manhattan's Lower East Side. The rooftop lounge is the Lower East Side's newest hotspot for both afternoon and evening.



Hotel Chantelle 92 Ludlow St, New York +1 212 254 91 00

Escape the hectic city streets at the swanky rooftop lounge of Hotel Chantelle, or the basement space where dance parties are regularly hosted.



McFadden's Saloon 800 Second Ave at 42nd, New York +1 212 986 1515

With its excellent central location and great happy hour deals, McFadden's is a great choice for an evening with friends. Expect resident DJs to spin tunes as you tuck into their attractive menu of Irish-American comfort food.



Brooklyn Brewery 79 N 11th St, Berry St and Wythe Ave +1 718 486 7422

This Williamsburg brewery has filled a gap in the Brooklyn beer scene. The taproom always has eight to ten options, including Local 1, a Belgian-inspired lager, and several seasonal brews. Free short tours are offered on weekends.



The Owl's Head 479 74th St, Brooklyn +1 718 680 2436

This cozy wine bar offers an eclectic, distinct, and affordable selection of global wines and craft beers, as well as savory and sweet artisan bites. The atmosphere is intimate, and the setting rustic, paying homage to the original design of the 1904 building. It hosts wine tastings and monthly events relating to wine and poetry.



New York, New York - Cafes

New York may be better known as a diner city than a cafe city, but it would be wrong to underestimate the cafe scene in the Big Apple. New York City and delis go together like pastrami and rye, and the city holds plenty of tried-and-true legendary restaurants, which range from hot dog stands to finer establishments.





Katz's Deli 205 E Houston St, New York +1 212 254 2246

A Lower East Side institution immortalized in several films, Katz's has been serving piping hot pastrami sandwiches and kosher pickles since 1888. Order the pastrami Reuben at this local institution, where the meat is hand-carved and indescribably tender. Bring your appetite – this legendary sandwich is huge!



Kopitiam 151 East Broadway, New York +1 646 609 3785

This small cafe focusing on serving Malaysian and Singaporean food is one of the most talked-about recent openings in Lower East Side – it even made lists of America's best. Among delights you can savour here are 'nasi lemak', a dish made with coconut rice and fried anchovies, or 'ikan bakar', spicy grilled stingray. You can finish your meal with mochi or their cinnamon cake 'kuhi lapis', together with one of the house's signature milk-based drinks.



Caffe Reggio
119 Macdougal Street, New York
+1 212 475 9557

A historical coffehouse located in Macdougal Street, it was founded in 1927 by Domenico Parisi, who was the first to introduce Italian cappuccino to America. You can still see the original machine after you enter from the bright green facade, just like many celebrities did before you. Pastries like sfogliatelle and cannoli can be coupled with your cup of coffee, while you enjoy the paintings that decorate the walls, one of them made from an artist of the school of Caravaggio.



Second Avenue Deli 162 E 33rd St, New York +1 212 689 9000

You can order the popular hot corned beef sandwich, but they say the matzo ball soup at this Kosher deli will cure any and all ailments – there is a reason this soup is nicknamed "Jewish Penicillin."



Nathan's Famous 1205 Riegelmann Boardwalk, Brooklyn +1 718 975 1905

Beloved by legends like Al Capone and Franklin Roosevelt, Nathan's has been serving its beef hot dogs since 1916. Try them at the original Coney Island beachfront location.



Roberta's 261 Moore St, Brooklyn +1 718 417 1118

At this hip hangout in Bushwick, experience the wonder that is Roberta's Bee Sting pizza – mozzarella, tomato, thin-sliced soppressata and honey on a wood-fired crust.



Sadelle's 463 W Broadway, New York +1 212 776 4926

Sadelle's specializes in bagels, boiled on site and served on a stacked tower. Try the smoked Scottish salmon and grab a slice of chocolate babka – a sweet yeast cake – to-go.



Mile End Delicatessen 97 Hoyt St, Brooklyn +1 718 852 7510

Forget the calories and order the Ruth Wilensky, a seared beef salami sandwich, or an authentic Canadian poutine – a quick dish made with French fries, cheese curds and gravy.



Junior's Restaurant & Bakery 386 Flatbush Ave Ext, Brooklyn +1 718 852 5257

This establishment is American diner food at its finest. Many cheesecake fanatics claim Junior's hand-mixed, kosher recipe is the best – it's worth ordering a slice (or two) to determine for yourself.



Veniero's Pasticceria & Caffe 342 E 11th St, New York +1 212 674 7070

Veniero's was voted to have the "Best Desserts in New York City" in 2010. It has been an Italian pastry heaven since 1894. With its Italian marble floors and stained glass ceilings, you can enjoy your espresso or cappuccino, homemade biscotti or cannoli and pretend you're in Rome.



Little Owl 90 Bedford St, New York +1 212 741 4695

Little Owl is like the name suggests: compact, yet romantic and cozy, and serves excellent meals at a reasonable price. A fun detail: it is located in the famous building featured on the popular TV show "Friends."



Shake Shack Madison Square Park, New York +1 212 889 6600

If you are yearning for a great meal of typical American fast food, this is the place to go. Shake Shack started as a hot dog cart in Madison Square Park in 2001, and, after three years of long lines, they opened their first permanent stand. Today you can find Shake Shack not only at several spots in New York but also in other cities across the US and internationally. Even if they now have more than one stand, be prepared to stand in line – these burgers and hot dogs are still some of the most popular in the city.



Cafe Lalo 201 West 83rd St, New York +1 212 496 6031

Featured in the movie "You've Got Mail," Cafe Lalo is a New York City landmark. It is the perfect place to go before or after a movie or theatre production. The cafe features fantastic coffee, alcoholic beverages, breakfast and dinner foods, and over 100 fresh baked cakes, tarts, and pastries.



Bouchon Bakery 10 Columbus Circle 3, New York +1 212 823 9366

In Bouchon Bakery, it feels as though you've been transported straight to Paris. At your fingertips are delicious selections of soups, salads, entrées, and desserts, as well as a patisserie next door. Bouchon Bakery has two New York City locations - Timer Warner Center and Rockefeller Center - to serve its many boulangerie lovers.



Abraço Espresso 81 East 7th St New York, New York

Abraço Espresso is renowned for its olive oil cake as well as their bakery offerings, that feature the freshest ingredients from the local farmers' markets. Breakfast begins at 8am, and small plates and prix-fixe items are served around noon. They have as diverse a pastry menu as they do a coffee one, so come and take your pick.



Little ItalyLittle Italy, New York

Though much of the area formerly known as Little Italy has been consumed by rapidly expanding Chinatown, the decorative Mulberry Street and Mott Street still offer a variety of authentic Italian fare. Stop to rest your feet in one of the several Italian cafes, while you enjoy a smooth espresso and decadent cannoli.

New York City Tourist Resources



New York, New York - Tourist Information





Passport / Visa

Citizens of the Schengen countries, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan and the Kingdom of Brunei can visit the United States for up to 90 days without applying for a visa (as well as citizens of Andorra, Lichtenstein, Monaco and San Marino). Citizens of these countries must obtain an ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorization) before traveling. All other travelers must obtain a visa before visiting the United States. International travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the country.



Best Time to Visit

The best times to visit New York City are late spring and early fall, when temperatures are moderate and the rush of tourist crowds is at its very beginning or nearing the end.



JFK International Airport

JFK International Airport, Queens +1 718 244 4444

New York is served by three major airports and JFK is the most well-known one of them all. You can take public transportation or taxis to Manhattan from all airports. There is a flat-rate taxi fare from JFK to Manhattan, but there are also subway and public transport options.

To reach the stops for public transport, you need to use the AirTrain in most cases.

The metro from JFK to Midtown Manhattan takes approximately 60-75 minutes.

There are also different bus services. The local transport company MTA operates several lines going to nearby neighborhoods. The fare is the same as for the metro.

The NYC Airporter is a direct bus line from JFK to Grand Central Station and Penn Station. The journey takes approx. 60 minutes depending on traffic. You can buy tickets online or at the NYC Airporter counter inside the airport.



This is the airport located closest to Manhattan, which means you can choose from multiple means of transportation to get to the city.

There are public buses as well as the shuttle, NYC Airporter, that goes directly between the airport and Port Authority Bus Terminal, Grand Central Station and Penn Station.

Taxis and vans are also available at the taxi rank outside the terminal building.



Newark International Airport

Newark International Airport, New Jersey +1 973 961 6000

Newark International Airport is located in New Jersey and from here you can choose to take a taxi, train or bus to go to the city.

If taxi is your choice of transport, you will find cars waiting outside the arrival hall. It takes approximately 35 minutes to New York City.

There is an AirTrain, transporting passengers from the arrivals hall to the trains (NJ TRANSIT or Amtrak train). It takes approximately 45 minutes from the airport to Penn station.

The Newark Airport Express bus takes about 50 minutes and it stops at Grand Central Station, Bryant Park and the Port Authority Bus Terminal.



Metro

If you're going somewhere too far to walk, the subway is the way to go. Most subway lines travel up and down Manhattan, while buses travel across. Subway trains run 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You can buy a one-week unlimited Metrocard if you know you will be traveling a lot. Ticket machines in subway stations accept cash, credit and debit cards. Subway maps are free at all ticket or information booths.



Bus

Most buses in Manhattan follow the north-south or east-west grid of the city, primarily on the larger avenues. Bus stops are marked by a light-blue sign on a green post (and include a list of bus numbers and routes), and the fare can be paid either in exact change or with the MetroCard, with which you can transfer for free between metro and bus services. If transferring without a card, the driver can give passengers a free transfer coupon. Buses run frequently and, for the most part, all night, but traffic can make a long ride out of a short distance.



Taxi

You can hail a yellow cab on almost any street corner. Taxis are inexpensive and an easy way to travel. There are nighttime and rush hour surcharges. Remember to leave a tip. Manhattan has very long streets and avenues and it's important to know both the address and the cross street of your destination. A taxi is vacant if the yellow light on top of the car is completely lit.



Post 421 8th Ave, New York

+1 212 330 3296

You can buy stamps at many newsagents or at the post office. Official United States Postal Services (USPS) mailboxes are usually blue steel containers on city sidewalks. Many post offices or private mail companies like UPS or FedEx are open 8am-5pm. You'll find the main post office, known as the James Farley Post Office, close to Penn Station.



Drug stores can be found across the city. Many stores are open 24 hours, but the pharmacies inside tend to close at around 8pm. One of the biggest chains is Duane Reade by Walgreens. You'll find their shops at over 250 locations.



Country code: +1

Area code: 212



Electricity

US electrical power is 110V/60 cycles AC with two flat parallel prongs.