Things to Do in New York City



Brooklyn Bridge — Brooklyn, NY

If you have the time, do the entire 1.1 mile walk across the Brooklyn Bridge for breathtaking views of Manhattan! It's definitely on the NYC must-do list.

Nearest Transit Station: High St (A, C), Clark St (2, 3), and York St (F)

Cost: Free

Web Site: http://www.brooklynbridgepark.org



Brooklyn Heights Promenade — Brooklyn, NY

The Brooklyn Heights Promenade is in Brooklyn's oldest neighborhood offering breathtaking vistas on the East River. The Promenade will take your breath away. Made famous by cameo appearances in movies like *Annie Hall* and *Moonstruck*, it is one of the most romantic spots in New York City and has been the destination for thousands of first dates, wedding proposals and anniversary celebrations. One-third mile long, it offers a vista of the Statue of Liberty, the Manhattan skyline and the majestic Brooklyn Bridge. Lined with flower beds, trees, benches and

playgrounds, the promenade is a favorite destination for tourists, joggers, strollers, families and lovers.

Location: Between Joralemon St. and Grace Ct., Brooklyn

Hours: Open daily, dawn-1 am

Contact: NYC Dept. Parks & Recreation, 212-639-9675

Cost: Free

Web Site: http://nyharborparks.org/visit/brhe.html



African Burial Ground — Manhattan

A memorial marking an African graveyard of colonial New York. Hailed as the most important archaeological find of the 20th century, the African Burial Ground dates back to the 17th and 18th centuries and is an important reminder of a dark and often forgotten period in New York City history.

Location: 290 Broadway, Manhattan

Hours: Memorial open daily, 9am-5pm. Visitor Center open

Monday-Friday, 9 am-5 pm

Contact: African Burial Ground (NPS), 212-637-2019

Cost: Free

Web Site: http://www.nps.gov/afbg/index.htm



Ellis Island — Harbor Island, NY

The portal to America for 12 million immigrants from 1892 to 1924. **Location:** Harbor Islands. Statue Cruises ferry provides daily service from Battery Park, Manhattan, and from the Central Railroad Terminal

building in Liberty State Park, NJ

Hours: Open daily, 9:30 am–5:15 pm **Contact:** Ellis Island (NPS), 212-363-3200, Statue of Liberty & Ellis Island

Foundation, 212-561-4588.

Cost: Free

Web Site: http://nyharborparks.org/visit/elis.html



South Street Seaport — Manhattan

A historic district in Lower Manhattan dedicated to New York's maritime history. This lively historic district on the East Side of Lower Manhattan is home to an incredible variety of shops, restaurants and entertainment opportunities. This 12-square-block area located on the East River is the site of the city's original port. While no longer filled with the hustle and bustle of merchants and sailors, the seaport is still home to a fleet of historic ships and a new kind of commerce.

Location: 89 South Street, Manhattan.

Hours: Open Monday-Saturday, 10 am—9 pm; Sunday, 11 am—8 pm.

Contact: South Street Seaport, 212-732-8257.

Cost: Free

Web Site: http://www.southstreetseaport.com



General Harlem History Walking Tour — Harlem, Manhattan

This tour is designed to provide a general introduction to the history of Harlem. Tour features a mix of Harlem sights, including churches, jazz clubs, speakeasies, elegant neighborhoods, institutions of art & culture, famous residences, and eateries. The tour will explain Harlem's history from the beginning (mid 1650s) to the present with special attention paid to the current renaissance happening in the community.

Location: Harlem Heritage Tourism & Cultural Center, 104 Malcolm X Boulevard, between 115th & 116th Streets on the uptown side of Malcolm X Blvd. Subway 2 and 3 express trains arrive directly to location.

Hours: 1:00 pm-3:00 pm **Contact**: 212-280-7888

Cost: \$25.00 Per Person; \$20.00 Per Person for groups of 15 or more

Web Site: http://www.harlemheritage.com



Statue of Liberty National Monument — Harbor Island, NY

The world-famous symbol of freedom and democracy in New York Harbor. Perhaps the most recognizable woman in the world, the Statue of Liberty has come to symbolize America itself. It has welcomed immigrants, returning citizens, and visitors to these shores for over 100 years. On October 29, 2011, all interior spaces of the Statue of Liberty will close to the public while upgrades are made to the 125-year-old pedestal and the 200-year-old fort base from which the statue rises. However, Liberty Island will remain open during this period, and visitors will still be able to stroll through the 12-acre landscaped island.

Location: Statue Cruises ferry provides daily service from Battery Park,

Manhattan, and from the Central Railroad Terminal building in Liberty State Park, NJ.

Hours: Open daily, 9 am-5 pm.

Contact: Statue of Liberty National Monument (NPS), 212-363-3200, and

Statue of Liberty & Ellis Island Foundation, 212-561-4588

Cost: Free

Web Site: http://www.statueofliberty.org



WTC Visitor Center — Manhattan

Location: 120 Liberty Street NY, NY 10006

Hours: Monday–Saturday, 10 am–6 pm; Sunday, 10 am–5 pm *Note: Our last ticket will be sold a half hour before closing, which is

5:30 pm on Monday-Saturday and 4:30 pm on Sunday.

Contact: Visitor Services 866-737-1184, or 212-393-9160 ext. 137 Cost: Gallery Admission: Adult \$15.00, Student, Senior, Military \$10.00, Children 12 & under Free; Walking Tours on the 9/11 Memorial: Adult \$10.00, Children 6–12 \$5.00; Combination Walking our and Gallery Admission: Adult \$20, Student, Senior, Military \$15.00; Combination

Audio Tour and Gallery Admission: Adult 20, Student, Senior, Military \$15.00, Children 12 & under \$10.00

Web Site: http://www.tributewtc.org/



Empire State Building — Manhattan

Soaring more than a quarter of a mile above the heart of Manhattan, the Empire State Building is the World's Most Famous Office Building. A symbol of dreams and aspirations, the Empire State Building connects with people around the world. A beacon for international and domestic tourists alike, the Empire State Building is a New York City and a National Historic Landmark. Our world-famous 86th and 102nd floor Observatories offer unmatched views of New York City and on a clear day one can see to New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Delaware. 1,050 feet above the city's bustling streets, the 86th floor Observatory offers panoramic views from within a glass-

enclosed pavilion and from the surrounding open-air promenade. 200 feet higher, our 102nd floor Observatory is a private and serene perch in the middle of the greatest city in the world.

Location: 350 5th Ave. between 33rd and 34th Street (entrance on 5th Avenue)

Hours: Observatory open every day, including weekends & holidays, 8 am to 2 am (last elevator up at 1:15 am)

Contact: Empire State Building at 212-736-3100 or toll free 877-NYC-VIEW (877-692-8439) **Cost**: See http://www.esbnyc.com/buy_tickets.asp for a complete listing of ticket prices.

Web Site: http://www.esbnyc.com



Rockefeller Center — Manhattan

A LEGACY OF ARTISTRY — Join us for an extraordinary look into the rich history and breathtaking artistry of New York's most famous landmark. Your journey begins over 80 years ago with John D. Rockefeller Jr.'s unwavering vision for a cultural center and touches upon all the great works of art and architecture that comprise it today.

Location: 30 Rockefeller Plaza, Top of the Rock (entrance at 50th Street

between 5th and 6th Avenues)

Hours: 7 days a week; tours begin at 10 am.

Cost: Tickets are now available at the Top of the Rock Box Office

(entrance on 50th Street between 5th and 6th Avenues). For ticket sales and questions please call 212-698.2000 ext 5, or email us at RCTourinfo@topoftherocknyc.com.

Web Site: http://www.rockefellercenter.com