NEW YORK CITY WELCOMES YOU

Home of the electric, the eclectic, the historic and the world famous, there’s something exciting around every corner in each of the five boroughs of New York City—whatever you’re looking for, you can find it here.

Stand in awe of historic skyscrapers and marvel at cityscapes from observation decks; stroll through outdoor wonders like Central Park and exquisite museums like The Met; sample award-winning cuisine from fine dining establishments and halal food carts that dot the streets. Once you’ve come to NYC, you’ll never want to leave.

Find Halal Food in NYC

Halal food can be easily found all throughout the five boroughs. You’ll find a range of price points as well as regional cuisines, including Yemeni, Pakistani, Uzbek and Thai.

The restaurants listed in this guide have been featured by HalalTrip. We have made reasonable efforts to verify their halal status at the time of publication. However, verification and clarification should be sought from these restaurants to ensure they meet your halal requirements.

All in One Place
Visit nyco.com/halal-travel-guide to learn more about our travel influencers, halal dining in NYC and Muslim-friendly featured hotels.

Getting Around NYC

Be it by subway, bus, taxi, tram or ferry, there are many convenient ways to get across NYC. This guide will help you easily navigate the major transit systems.

Your Health and Safety Remains Our Priority

Get the latest information updates on Covid-19 guidelines and restrictions in New York City.

Navigating the Guide

The places featured in this travel guide are marked with these icons to indicate the nearest prayer space.

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What is a Borough?

Each of NYC’s five boroughs—the Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens and Staten Island—is essentially its own city within the larger metropolis. Only by experiencing each borough’s unique culture can travelers truly enjoy all that NYC has to offer.

Not sure where to start? We can help:

**The Bronx**
The proud birthplace of hip-hop and home to the New York Yankees, the Bronx is NYC’s northernmost borough. Family-approved activities include a day at the Bronx Zoo or the New York Botanical Garden. Visit the borough’s own Little Italy for world-class dining and authentic delicacies.

**Brooklyn**
History meets contemporary art and fashion in New York’s most populous borough; industrial-chic architecture and waterfront views make this urban hot spot an unlikely paradise. Discover the borough’s rich Muslim history at the Center for Brooklyn History or through the tight-knit Pakistani community in Coney Island. Bring a camera and a sense of adventure to uncover the most of Brooklyn’s eclectic charm.

**Manhattan**
The neon lights of Times Square and Broadway await you in Manhattan, NYC’s commercial and cultural epicenter—but there’s so much more to this borough. World-class art and history museums, awe-inspiring observation decks and delightful halal eateries represent just a sliver of the borough’s offerings.

**Queens**
Queens is a culinary gem offering food from all over the world: savor indulgent Mexican birria tacos for one meal and smoky Indian tandoori chicken the next. Explore cultural enclaves like Little Egypt in Astoria and Chinatown in Flushing. In the summer, take the ferry to Rockaway Beach for surfing or swimming.

**Staten Island**
Board the (free) Staten Island Ferry—an NYC attraction on its own—for a breath of fresh air and views of Lady Liberty and the City’s skylines. Once you arrive on Staten Island, explore Snug Harbor’s timeless charm, feast on Italian food and pastries, catch a show at the St. George Theatre or immerse yourself in the vibrancy of Little Sri Lanka.
**Must See & Do**

1. **The Bronx Museum of the Arts**
   - **Address**: 1040 Grand Concourse, Bronx, NY 10456
   - This stunning art museum along Grand Concourse, a thoroughfare spanning several Bronx neighborhoods, features contemporary works by a range of artists from diverse cultural backgrounds. Free to visit, the museum presents bold exhibitions and amplifies the urban experience.

2. **Bronx Zoo**
   - **Address**: 2300 Southern Blvd, Bronx, NY 10460
   - With over 6,000 animals representing some 700 species of wildlife, this state-of-the-art zoo is one of the largest in the US. Snap a photo of the elusive snow leopard at the Himalayan Highlands or watch Magellanic penguins bob for fish. Plan to spend a large part of the day here and make use of the zoo shuttle (seasonal) to navigate the grounds with ease.

3. **New York Botanical Garden**
   - **Address**: 2900 Southern Blvd, Bronx, NY 10458
   - Treat your senses at the borough’s famed “living museum,” which is home to over 1 million plants as well as world-class art displays. One major highlight is the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory, the largest Victorian-style glasshouse in the nation.

4. **Yankee Stadium**
   - **Address**: 1 E 161st St, Bronx, NY 10451
   - Home to 27-time World Series champion baseball team the New York Yankees, Yankee Stadium also hosts international soccer matches and concerts. Visitors can literally get their hands on historic baseball artifacts like Babe Ruth’s bat and jersey through a special add-on experience.

5. **The Bronx Walk of Fame**
   - The Bronx’s famous residents are honored with a plaque on the borough’s own Walk of Fame, which starts at East 161st Street and runs along Grand Concourse. Inductees are added each year and include The Chiffons and activist Tarana Burke.

6. **Al-Aqsa Restaurant**
   - **Address**: 3417 Knox Pl, Bronx, NY 10467
   - Nestled in East Bronx’s Little Yemen, this humble Middle Eastern spot serves freshly baked breads, creamy and garlicky hummus and full-bodied fahsah (Yemeni lamb stew). The main attraction is their aromatic rice with flavor-packed grilled lamb that will melt like butter on your tongue. After your meal, enjoy a cup of complimentary mint tea.

**More to Explore**

1. **SusanSez | NYC Walkabouts**

2. **Prayer Places**
   - **MAS Bronx Muslim Center** (Muslim American Society of Upper New York)
     - **Address**: 702 Rhinelander Ave, Bronx, NY 10462
   - **Masjid Nur Al-Islam**
     - **Address**: 215 McClellan St, Bronx, NY 10456
   - **Masjid Ebun Abass**
     - **Address**: 333 Alexander Ave, Bronx, NY 10454

3. **The Lit. Bar**
   - **Address**: 131 Alexander Ave, Bronx, NY 10454
   - The borough’s first independent bookstore, this woman-owned shop celebrates diversity and inclusivity in its atmosphere and book collections. Browse the unique inventory for your next read, or enter simply for the vibes—they’re pretty lit.

**Where to Shop**

1. **Arthur Avenue**
   - **Address**: 131 Alexander Ave, Bronx, NY 10454
   - Take a self-guided food tour along Arthur Avenue, also known as the Bronx’s Little Italy, which is lined with specialty markets and Italian eateries. Take home authentic pastas from the Arthur Avenue Retail Market or coffee beans from Cerini Coffee & Gifts, and watch cheese get made at Casa Della Mozzarella.

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**Halal Dining**

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2. **Al-Aqsa Restaurant**
   - **Address**: 2107 Starling Ave, Bronx, NY 10462
   - This Bangladeshi eatery is known for their flavorful goat biryani, tender kala bhuna, tasty singara and beef tehari, to name a few dishes. Don’t skip dessert: indulge in an array of sweets and zesty malai chai.
Located in Downtown Brooklyn, this Renaissance Revival performance venue hosts indie film screenings, gripping plays and electrifying performances. DanceAfrica, for example, is the largest annual African dance festival in the nation and features traditional and contemporary performances, film screenings and an outdoor bazaar. Throughout the rest of the year, enjoy BAMcafé Live’s free performances.

**Brooklyn Botanic Garden**
- 990 Washington Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11225
- The garden’s collection of 18,000 types of plants captivates visitors no matter the season. Immerse yourself in a sea of bluebells and ephemeral cherry blossoms on an esplanade of more than 75 trees; stroll through greenhouses filled with spiny cacti or 100-year-old bonsai trees; then, end your day in the serene Japanese Hill-and-Pond Garden.

**St. Ann’s Warehouse**
- 45 Water St, Brooklyn, NY 11201
- Named Desire, home to an aquarium, boardwalk and the rides and games at Luna Park. Hop on the century-old Wonder Wheel for stunning views or brave epic drops at speeds of up to 60 miles per hour.

**Prayer Places**

- **Brooklyn Islamic Center**
  - 2015 64th St, Brooklyn, NY 11204

- **Greenpoint Islamic Center**
  - 602 Leonard St, Brooklyn, NY 11222

- **Masjid At-Taqwa**
  - 5922 River Street, Brooklyn, NY 11204

- **Masjid At-Taqwa**
  - 977 Fulton St, Brooklyn, NY 11217

- **Masjid Al-Ihsan**
  - 1188 Fulton St, Brooklyn, NY 11216

- **Islamic Mission of America/Dawood Mosque**
  - 1171 66th St, Brooklyn, NY 11228

- **Islamic Society of Bay Ridge**
  - 6807 5th Ave 1, Brooklyn, NY 11220

- **American Turkish Eyup Sultan Cultural Center**
  - 2814 Brighton 3rd St, Brooklyn, NY 11235
Where to Shop

Brooklyn Flea
9 80 Pearl St, Brooklyn, NY 11201
On Sundays, blend in with the locals at the Brooklyn Flea in Dumbo (an acronym for Down Under the Manhattan Bridge Overpass); shop for one-of-a-kind jewelry, artwork, vintage clothing and antiques. Also in the waterfront neighborhood is the Time Out Market and Jane’s Carousel, and the photo-op hot spot on Washington Street, where brownstones frame the Manhattan Bridge and Empire State Building.

Brooklyn Navy Yard
9 63 Flushing Ave, bldg 292, unit 300 (main office), Brooklyn, NY 11205
Spanning 300 acres of Brooklyn waterfront, this center for urban manufacturing supports the economic growth of New York City. Once a naval facility that launched World War II warships, it later incorporated Steiner Studios (the largest film studio outside of Hollywood) and continues to expand as a design and tech hub. Visitors can access the stunning yard by ferry, bus or bike, and join guided tours of the facilities.

Williamsburg’s Bedford Avenue
9 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, NY
Bedford Avenue is a treasure trove of vintage shops and brand-name favorites. Shop for original and eclectic jewelry at a variety of charming boutiques; find specialty items like handwoven Turkish bath towels at Berlyn 65; or browse kitschy gifts at the Bedford Avenue Mini Mall. Vinyl junkies can get their fix at Earwax Records, while art lovers will be thrilled by the rare coffee table editions at Spoonbill & Sugartown Books.

History of Muslims in Brooklyn
Home to one of the oldest mosques in the US, Brooklyn has grown alongside its Muslim residents for roughly 400 years. In true NYC fashion, the borough boasts one of the most diverse Muslim communities in the world, with descendents from every continent. Today, they are the City’s doctors, artists and activists, as well as beloved taxi drivers and street food vendors.

Hear their oral histories on the Brooklyn Historical Society’s Muslims in Brooklyn website.

More to Explore: Brooklyn Historical Society

Halal Dining

Halalbee’s
9 378 Myrtle Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11205
Halalbee’s is devoted to premium quality burgers, fries and shakes. Consider the Mile High burger, with beef and mushroom patties, cheddar and maple beef bacon. If you’re not sure what to order, try the “Confused Much?,” a choice of three different sides.

Milk & Honey Cafe
9 1119 Newkirk Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11230
This inviting halal coffee shop in Brooklyn is a cozy spot to grab brunch with friends. The cafe offers healthy grain bowls, breakfast platters, egg dishes cooked in a cast iron pan and a selection of sweets and pastries.

Qahwah House
9 162 Bedford Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11211
Owned by a Yemeni family, this coffee shop’s specialty is its organic coffee, which is grown in Yemen. Soak in the atmosphere as your coffee is made to order at the open coffee bar. Couple it with their signature sabaya pastry, a flaky, layered pastry made with Yemeni butter and honey.

AYAT NYC
9 8504 3rd Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11209
Run by a husband-and-wife duo, Ayat NYC serves authentic Palestinian dishes that will have you wondering if you’re still in NYC. Treat yourself to a Palestinian feast: mansaf, a hearty lamb stew with fermented yogurt sauce served over fresh saj bread, or fattat lahma, a six-layer dish including meat, rice and herbs.

Bagel Point
9 699 Manhattan Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11222
A visit to New York would be incomplete without sampling their iconic New York bagels. Bagel Point’s handcrafted bagels, made with organic ingredients, are baked fresh daily. You can choose between 20 varieties of house-made cream cheeses to spread on your bagel or crogel (croissant bagel). All items in the restaurant are halal but they may offer non-halal items on their delivery menu.

Birdies Hot Chicken
9 810 Grand St, Brooklyn, NY 11206

Black Nile
9 592 Nostrand Ave, Brooklyn, New York 11216

Yemen Cafe
9 7130 5th Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11209

pilgrimage to New York’s Halal Dining Scene: A Comprehensive Guide

The Halal Dining scene in New York City is thriving and diverse, offering a range of authentic and authentic experiences for those seeking halal cuisine. From iconic bagels to traditional Middle Eastern flavors, New York’s halal dining options cater to a variety of tastes and preferences. In this guide, we’ll explore some of the top halal dining establishments in New York City, from cozy cafes to bustling restaurants. Whether you’re a local looking for a new favorite spot or a visitor exploring the city’s culinary scene, these halal dining options are sure to satisfy your cravings.

Halalbee’s

Halalbee’s is a popular halal burger joint located in the heart of Brooklyn. Known for its premium quality burgers, fries, and shakes, Halalbee’s offers a variety of customizable options to suit your tastes. Some standout menu items include the Mile High burger, which features beef and mushroom patties, cheddar cheese, and maple beef bacon. For those who prefer vegetarian options, Halalbee’s offers a “Confused Much?” burger, a delicious choice with three different sides.

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AYAT NYC is a Palestinian restaurant located in Brooklyn, offering an authentic Palestinian dining experience. Run by a husband-and-wife duo, the restaurant serves traditional Palestinian dishes, such as mansaf, a hearty lamb stew with fermented yogurt sauce served over fresh saj bread, and fattat lahma, a six-layer dish including meat, rice, and herbs. A visit to AYAT NYC is a unique opportunity to indulge in traditional Palestinian cuisine.

Bagel Point

Bagel Point is a beloved bagel spot in Brooklyn, known for its delicious handcrafted bagels made with organic ingredients. With 20 varieties of house-made cream cheeses to choose from, Bagel Point offers endless customization options. Whether you prefer a classic bagel or a crogel (croissant bagel), Bagel Point’s bagels are baked fresh daily, ensuring flavorful and satisfying results. Don’t miss out on trying their signature sabaya pastry, a flaky and layered delight made with Yemeni butter and honey.

Birdies Hot Chicken

Birdies Hot Chicken is a surprising addition to New York’s halal dining scene. This restaurant features a selection of hot chicken dishes, perfect for those seeking a spicy and flavorful meal. From classic chicken wings to bone-in chicken, Birdies Hot Chicken offers a range of options to satisfy your cravings. Don’t forget to try their delicious mac and cheese, a perfect pairing with your hot chicken.

Black Nile

Black Nile is a Middle Eastern restaurant located in Brooklyn, offering a variety of traditional dishes. From lamb stews to meatballs, Black Nile’s menu is a testament to authentic Middle Eastern flavors. The restaurant’s signature dish, mansaf, is a hearty lamb stew with fermented yogurt sauce served over fresh saj bread, accompanied by a side of fattat lahma, a six-layer dish including meat, rice, and herbs. Black Nile is a must-visit for those seeking a truly authentic Middle Eastern dining experience.

Yemen Cafe

Yemen Cafe is a charming halal cafe located in Brooklyn, serving a range of traditional Yemeni dishes. From spiced lamb tagine to boiled beans with vegetables, Yemen Cafe offers a delightful taste of Yemeni cuisine. Their signature dish, nihari, is a flavorful stew made with slow-cooked beef and spices. Yemen Cafe is a great spot for dips, salads, and sweets as well, offering a comprehensive Yemeni dining experience.

This guide to halal dining in New York City highlights some of the top establishments offering authentic and satisfying halal options. From burgers and fries to traditional Middle Eastern dishes, New York’s halal dining scene has something for everyone. Whether you’re a local or a visitor, exploring these halal dining options is a delightful way to experience the culinary diversity of New York City.

Discover the Top Halal Dining Spots in New York City

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**Observatories:** Edge, Empire State Building, One World Observatory, Summit One Vanderbilt, Top of the Rock

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**Wall Street and The Battery**

The Wall Street area is full of financial history, from the New York Stock Exchange to the One World Trade Center. The battery area is a mix of history and modernity, with the South Street Seaport Museum and the Federal Hall National Memorial.

**Washington Square Park and West Village**

Washington Square Park is a popular spot for locals and tourists alike, with street performers, university students, and the iconic arch as a backdrop. West Village is known for its Bohemian atmosphere and historic landmarks, such as the Stonewall Inn and the Meatpacking District.

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Where to Shop

**Designer Brands on Madison and Fifth Avenues**

Spurge or simply window shop along NYC's most notable shopping districts on Madison and Fifth Avenues. Flagship department stores like Saks Fifth Avenue are known for ornate holiday window displays. You'll recognize luxury brands like Gucci, Versace, Prada, Hermès—the list goes on.

**The Seaport**

📍 19 Fulton St, Manhattan, NY 10038

At the scenic and historic Seaport, shop mod looks at Mûre + Grand and complete it with heels from SJP by Sarah Jessica Parker. Christian Benner Custom will leave you looking like a rock star, while services at PrimpNYC will leave you feeling like one. Bookworms will love McNally Jackson, which takes two floors of an 1800s Schermerhorn Row building, the area's signature architectural style.

**Entertainment & Experiences**

**Apollo Theater**

📍 253 W 125th St, Manhattan, NY 10027

The legendary Apollo Theater in Harlem is an NYC cultural mainstay. Greats like Ella Fitzgerald, the Jackson 5, James Brown and Lauryn Hill have all launched careers from its stage. Today, you can expect world-class shows in an intimate performance hall. Wednesday is the wildly popular Amateur Night—a competitive live show with a rowdy audience.

**Times Square, Broadway and the Theatre District**

📍 Broadway, Manhattan, NY 10036

No trip to New York City is complete without a visit to this crossroads of the world—with upscale dining on Restaurant Row, world-class shopping and thrilling Broadway productions. Buy tickets to shows in advance or try to snag same-day passes for less at the TKTS booth. Brand-new shows and beloved classics will not disappoint, all featuring stunning sets and costumes, not to mention the world's top performers on historic stages.

**Muslim History Tour NYC**

Conducted several times a year, the Muslim History Tour NYC is a fascinating foray into the 400 years of Muslim history in the City. This free tour invites you to explore historical sites in Harlem or Wall Street and learn about the accomplishments and contributions of Muslims in NYC, from the first arrivals of Muslims in the City to the extensive influence of Malcolm X.

**NOTE:** Public tours have been temporarily suspended, but small private groups can be accommodated.

**Halal Dining**

**Village Creperie**

📍 445 E 9th St, Manhattan, NY 10009

Village Creperie offers a taste of France in the heart of the East Village. Choose from a wide variety of sweet and savory crepes, sandwiches and acai bowls. Notable mentions include the apple walnut crepe and the spicy smoked turkey sandwich with pico de gallo, Gruyère cheese and a chipotle spread on multigrain bread.

**The Halal Guys**

📍 Sixth Ave & W 53rd St, Manhattan, NY 10019

The Halal Guys’ famous food cart, popular among locals and visitors, still stands in its original Midtown West location. Many line up to taste the chicken, gyros, rice, pita and secret sauce. Today, The Halal Guys have 100 stores worldwide (and hundreds more in development), but the Manhattan food cart is still a must-try.

**Junoon**

📍 19 W 24th St, Manhattan, NY 10010

Junoon, which means “passion” in Urdu, offers a modern twist on traditional Indian dishes. Highlights include the ghost chili murgh tikka, shahi lamb shank and lobster moilee. The Indian fine dining restaurant was awarded the Michelin Star for eight consecutive years and offers a partially halal menu.

**Fauzia’s Heavenly Delights**

📍 Broadway & W 131st St, Manhattan, NY 10027

Savor the smoky, spicy and mildly sweet flavor of Jamaican jerk chicken at Fauzia’s Heavenly Delights. The fragrant dish offers tender meat and the wholesomeness of a home-cooked meal. The chef’s warm personality has been known to win hearts too. Head over for fresh vegetable dishes, deliciously smoky meats and a vegetarian entrée, served daily at this precious halal Jamaican fusion food cart.

**Meat and Bread**

📍 201 Allen St, Manhattan, NY 10002

**Farida**

📍 498 Ninth Ave, Manhattan, NY 10018

**Prayer Places**

**Masjid Manhattan**

📍 30 Cliff St, Manhattan, NY 10038

**Islamic Center at NYU**

📍 238 Thompson St #4, Manhattan, NY 10012

**Masjid Ar-Rahman**

📍 102 W 116th St, Manhattan, NY 10026

**Masjid Malcolm Shabazz**

📍 154 E 55th St, Manhattan, NY 10022

**Islamic Society of Mid Manhattan**

📍 327 W 36th St, Manhattan, NY 10018

**Islamic Council of America (Madina Masjid)**

📍 445 E 9th St, Manhattan, NY 10009

📍 1711 Third Ave, Manhattan, NY 10029

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Must See & Do

1. Flushing Meadows Corona Park and Unisphere
   - 111th Street to Van Wyck Expressway, Queens, NY 11375
   - The site of the 1939 and 1964 World’s Fairs, Flushing Meadows Corona Park is the largest park in the borough. Expand your mind at the Queens Museum, marvel at the stunning Unisphere. Here you’ll also find the Queens Zoo, home to wildlife of the Americas like the bald eagle.

2. MoMA PS1
   - 22-25 Jackson Ave, Queens, NY 11101
   - Discover experimental and thought-provoking contemporary works at MoMA PS1, a former public school turned art institution in Long Island City. Engage in masterful pieces like James Turrell. Meeting. 1980-86 for which he literally removed the ceiling, allowing the sky to meet the interior space.

3. Museum of the Moving Image
   - 36-01 35th Ave, Queens, NY 11106
   - Come face to face with Kermit, Elmo and other Jim Henson creations at this museum dedicated to television and movie magic, including the technology, art and history behind the screen. Interact with modern and historic film equipment; visitors will get a chance to record voice-overs or film stop-motion animations, play vintage video arcade games or catch one of more than 400 films screened each year.

4. Queens Museum
   - NYC Building, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Queens, NY 11368
   - The Queens Museum is home to an extensive collection of World’s Fair artifacts, exquisite Tiffany glass and roving exhibitions from artists of diverse backgrounds. The museum’s stunner is unquestionably the Panorama of the City of New York, a 9,335-square-foot scale model of the entire City, including detailed replicas of every NYC building built before 1992.

Halal Dining

1. Eatzy Thai
   - 33-09 Broadway, Queens, NY 11106
   - Don’t let the name mislead you—Eatzy Thai offers more than just Thai food. Officially the first of its kind in NYC serving halal Korean barbecue and hotpot, this patioted Astoria spot offers the best of both worlds. Try their basil fried rice or popular beef pad kee moo: stir-fried rice noodles with slices of beef and vegetables in a spicy sauce.

2. MUM Feteer
   - 25-48 Steinway St, Queens, NY 11103
   - Chef Ahmed Saber wants you to experience Egyptian feteer, a pastry-like pie handmade and stretched, like the ones he makes back home in Alexandria. Choose sweet or savory toppings and sample other specialties like Sausage Iskandarny, Alexandrian-style beef sausage cooked in a special sauce.

Where to Shop

1. Astoria Boutiques
   - 31-29 31st St, Queens, NY 11106
   - Shop for quirky couture or vintage items at the boutiques along Steinway Street or Broadway in Astoria. Dive into the lovable, kitschy world of Lockwood, browse chic pieces from Astoria Boutique or Loveday 31 and complete the retro vibe with a visit to HiFi Records & Café for some vinyl.

2. New World Mall
   - 136-20 Roosevelt Ave, Queens, NY 11354
   - At New York City’s largest indoor Asian mall (famous for its eclectic food court), sample Chinese, Korean, Thai and Malaysian fare. Try halal Uyghur eats from Tarim Uyghur Food or Mojollo Fresh, then head to JMart for an extensive selection of East Asian, Indonesian and Filipino groceries. Before you leave, sing (or scream) your heart out at the Real KTV, the mall’s prized karaoke lounge.

Prayer Places

1. Alamin Jame Masjid
   - 33-19 36th Ave, Queens, NY 11106

2. Al-Iman Mosque
   - 24-30 Steinway St, Queens, NY 11103

3. Masjid Hazrat Abu Bakr Siddique
   - 42-12 National St, Queens, NY 11368

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5. Shahjalal Masjid (Astoria Islamic Foundation Inc.)
   - 136-20 Roosevelt Ave, Queens, NY 11354

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   - 33-19 36th Ave, Queens, NY 11106

8. Al Amir Masjid
   - 136-20 Roosevelt Ave, Queens, NY 11354

9. Masjid Hazrati Abu Bakr Siddique
   - 14147 33rd Ave, Queens, NY 11354

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"Of all the places we’ve traveled to, Queens is our favorite borough to visit since it is the world’s borough. You can find a plethora of ethnic cuisines just in one block. The food scene is phenomenal and halal food choices seem more prominent. Visiting Muslims can try a variety of cuisines—options are endless!"

MuslimFoodies is a trio of content creators who travel around NYC, Long Island and New Jersey for halal eats, then rate their experience to shed light on the restaurants.

@muslimfoodies
Must See & Do

1 Historic Richmond Town
   ➹ 441 Clarke Ave, Staten Island, NY 10306
   Be transported to 18th-century America at Historic Richmond Town, Staten Island’s living history village. Rub shoulders with an old-timey carpenter or blacksmith and weave through quaint brick houses or a general store, each restored and decked out with preserved artifacts.

2 Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Garden
   ➹ 1000 Richmond Terr, Staten Island, NY 10301
   This restored 19th-century home for retired sailors is now a botanical garden, park and arts center. Discover the harbor’s nautical history at the Noble Maritime Collection, wander past koi ponds and waterfalls at the Chinese Scholar’s Garden—modeled after authentic Chinese gardens of the Ming dynasty—and engage with art exhibits by local and international artists.

3 Staten Island Ferry
   ➹ Between St George Terminal and Whitehall
   Kick-start your Staten Island adventure with a free 25-minute ride on the Staten Island Ferry from Whitehall Terminal in Lower Manhattan. Along the way, snap stunning pics of the Manhattan skyline. The Brooklyn Bridge and the Hudson River are visible at port side; head over to the starboard side to spot the Statue of Liberty.

4 St. George Theatre
   ➹ 35 Hyatt St, Staten Island, NY 10301
   Having hosted performers like Ringo Starr, Gladys Knight and Tony Bennett, St. George Theatre, steps from the Staten Island Ferry, is one of the borough’s most beloved performance spaces. You’ll be awestruck by its red-and-gold Spanish and Italian baroque-style interior, plush velvet seats and near-perfect acoustics.

Where to Shop

Empire Outlets
   ➹ 55 Richmond Terr, Staten Island, NY 10301
   At NYC’s only outlet destination, find all the latest styles at major brand-name stores. Grab a bite to eat, take in views of the city skyline or occasional live performances and meet the adopted honeybees.

Halal Dining

1 Al Humza Restaurant
   ➹ 629 Richmond Rd, Staten Island, NY 10304
   Al Humza serves Pakistani delights with full-bodied flavors that pack a punch, like their savory chicken biryani on fragrant rice or rich garlic naan and rich butter chicken.

2 Taheni Mediterranean Grill
   ➹ L2 Staten Island Mall, Staten Island, NY 10301
   Treat your taste buds to homemade baba ghanoush, fluffy pita bread and Taheni’s signature falafels—a family recipe. Build your own platter, wrap or salad with fresh ingredients like hummus, tabbouleh and tahini sauce balancing out the rich, aromatic flavors of the grilled chicken or lamb. Top it off with delicious sides, like red pepper hummus or crispy za’atar fries, and sweet baklava.

3 Zara Cafe Grill
   ➹ 1995 Hylan Blvd, Staten Island, NY 10306
   Known for their Turkish fare and friendly service, Zara Cafe & Grill is a Staten Island favorite. From succulent, melt-in-your-mouth beef shish kebabs to tangy char-grilled eggplant salads, it’s hard to say no to anything on the menu. Their lamb gyro, mixed grill and falafel wraps are great choices; their nutty, syrup-coated baklava is a must. Wash it down with some refreshing Turkish tea.

4 Alba
   ➹ 1880 Hylan Blvd, Staten Island, NY 10305
   Alba offers a selection of authentic Albanian cuisine, including generous portions of smoky, tastefully seasoned proteins. The lamb gyro plate, hummus and chicken kebabs are popular options. Top it all off with the sweet, creamy trileqe.

More to Explore

The Staten Island Greenbelt | National Lighthouse Museum

Prayer Places

MMSI - Muslim Majlis of Staten Island - Masjid Un Noor
   ➹ 104 Rhine Ave, Staten Island, NY 10304

Islamic Center of Staten Island
   ➹ 365 Veterans Rd W, Staten Island, NY 10309

Masjid Al-Ihsan
   ➹ 486 St Marks Pl, Staten Island, NY 10301
**MUSLIM-FRIENDLY HOTELS**

Get a good night’s sleep and peace of mind at these seven Muslim-friendly hotels, centrally located in Midtown Manhattan. The seven hotels listed on this page have been featured by HalalTrip.

### Conrad New York Midtown
📍 151 W 54th St, Manhattan, NY 10019

Broadway fans and art aficionados will love a stay at this all-suite hotel in walking distance to the Theatre District and museums. Plush, spacious rooms offer sweeping views of the NYC skyline and Central Park.

### InterContinental New York Barclay
📍 111 E 48th St, Manhattan, NY 10017

Conveniently located near Grand Central Terminal, this property dates back nearly a century. The hotel retains charming historic details after its massive renovation, blending Federalist-style touches with contemporary luxury.

### Lotte New York Palace
📍 455 Madison Ave, Manhattan, NY 10022

Enter this property through the 19th-century Villard Mansion via a fabulous courtyard. The hotel itself is a modern, luxurious 55-story tower directly behind the mansion. This Madison Avenue gem is the perfect hideaway in Midtown East.

### New York Hilton Midtown
📍 1335 Sixth Ave, Manhattan, NY 10019

Just steps from the Museum of Modern Art, this property offers sweeping skyline views from the guest rooms. It’s a great choice for both families and solo travelers after a fun-filled day about the City.

### Park Hyatt New York
📍 153 W 57th St, Manhattan, NY 10019

This luxury five-star hotel, just a block from Central Park, towers above the heart of Manhattan. From its floor-to-ceiling windows, guests can enjoy stunning views of the City.

### The Pierre, A Taj Hotel, New York
📍 2 E 61st St, Manhattan, NY 10065

This 1930s era property is a landmark of the Upper East Side. All rooms are classically and ornately furnished, some with views of Central Park. Stars like Coco Chanel, Audrey Hepburn and Barbra Streisand have graced its halls.

### The Plaza Hotel
📍 Fifth Avenue at Central Park South, Manhattan, NY 10019

Featured in movies and on television since the 1950s, The Plaza Hotel, an NYC landmark, offers a timeless and luxurious stay. Its one-of-a-kind suites range from the elegant Fitzgerald Suite, a tribute to the Jazz Age and writer F. Scott Fitzgerald, to the fully pink Eloise Suite, in honor of the children’s book character who lived in the storied hotel.

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### HOTEL DIRECTORY

The hotels featured in this guide have been chosen to represent a range of price points and locations throughout the five boroughs. For more lodging options in NYC, visit our hotels page.

#### Manhattan

- **AKA Central Park**
  - 42 W 58th St, Manhattan, NY 10019
  - $$

- **Andaz Fifth Avenue**
  - 485 Fifth Ave, Manhattan, NY 10017
  - $$$

- **Hotel Belleclaire**
  - 250 W 77th St, Manhattan, NY 10024
  - $

- **Hotel Edison**
  - 228 W 47th St, Manhattan, NY 10036
  - $

- **M Social Hotel Times Square New York**
  - 226 W 52nd St, Manhattan, NY 10019
  - $

- **Sheraton New York Times Square Hotel**
  - 811 Seventh Ave, Manhattan, NY 10019
  - $

- **The Marmara Park Avenue**
  - 114 E 32nd St, Manhattan, NY 10016
  - $$$

- **AKA Sutton Place**
  - 330 E 56th St, Manhattan, NY 10022
  - $

- **Evelyn Hotel**
  - 7 E 27th St, Manhattan, NY 10016
  - $$

- **Hotel Edison**
  - 228 W 47th St, Manhattan, NY 10036
  - $

- **InterContinental New York Times Square**
  - 300 W 44th St, Manhattan, NY 10036
  - $$$

- **Loews Regency New York**
  - 540 Park Ave, Manhattan, NY 10065
  - $$$

- **Renaissance New York Times Square Hotel**
  - 2 Times Square (714 Seventh Ave), Manhattan, NY 10036
  - $

- **The Langham, New York, Fifth Avenue**
  - 400 Fifth Ave, Manhattan, NY 10018
  - $$$

- **Washington Jefferson Hotel**
  - 318 W 51st St, Manhattan, NY 10019
  - $

- **The Frederick Hotel**
  - 95 West Broadway, Manhattan, NY 10007
  - $

- **Thompson Central Park New York**
  - 119 W 56th St, Manhattan, NY 10019
  - $$$

- **The William Vale**
  - 111 N 12th St, Brooklyn, NY 11249
  - $

- **Holiday Inn Brooklyn Downtown**
  - 300 Schermerhorn St, Brooklyn, NY 11217
  - $$

- **The TWA Hotel**
  - John F. Kennedy International Airport, Queens, NY 11430
  - $

#### Bronx

- **Opera House Hotel**
  - 436 E 149th St, Bronx, NY 10455
  - $

- **Holiday Inn Brooklyn Downtown**
  - 300 Schermerhorn St, Brooklyn, NY 11217
  - $$

- **The William Vale**
  - 111 N 12th St, Brooklyn, NY 11249
  - $$

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- **The William Vale**
  - 111 N 12th St, Brooklyn, NY 11249
  - $$

#### Queens

- **The Parc Hotel**
  - 39-16 College Point Blvd, Queens, NY 11354
  - $

- **Fairfield Inn & Suites Staten Island**
  - 290 Wild Ave, Staten Island, NY 10314
  - $$

- **Hilton Garden Inn New York/Staten Island**
  - 1100 South Ave, Staten Island, NY 10314
  - $$

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Each hotel offers a range of Muslim-friendly services on request. They include providing, on request, a qibla compass, prayer timetable, list of nearby mosques and halal restaurants. We have made reasonable efforts to verify the availability of those services as of press time. However, verification and clarification should be sought from these hotels to ensure they meet your requirements.
New York City offers a nearly endless number of attractions, shopping and dining destinations, and sightseeing opportunities across the five boroughs—but experiencing them all would require more than one visit. If you have five days to spend in the City, here’s how you can make the most of your time.

**DAY 1** MANHATTAN

- Stroll through Central Park                  P12
- See masterpieces at The Metropolitan Museum of Art (The Met)  P13
- Splurge or window shop on Madison and Fifth Avenues       P14
- Catch a Broadway show                          P14

**DAY 2** LOWER MANHATTAN & STATEN ISLAND

- Admire the views at One World Observatory
  One World Trade Center, 117 West St, Manhattan, NY 10007  
  One World Trade Center, built after the tragic events of September 11, 2001, symbolizes the resilience and unbreakable spirit of NYC. The tallest building in the Western Hemisphere, this tower, with its prismatic glass facade, offers 360-degree views of the five boroughs from the top.
  ▲ Masjid Manhattan  11 Min
- Pay your respects at the 9/11 Museum & Memorial
  (located at the base of One World Trade Center)            P12
- Take in skyline views from aboard the Staten Island Ferry  P18
- Shop at Empire Outlets                               P19
- Discover Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Garden P18

**DAY 3** BROOKLYN

- Learn more about Muslim History in Brooklyn        P10
- Find photo ops at the Brooklyn Bridge and Brooklyn Bridge Park  P8

**DAY 4** QUEENS

- Explore Jackson Heights
  This historic NYC neighborhood is home to one of borough's most diverse food scenes—with halal options. Many restaurants specialize in South Asian and Southeast Asian food, but you can find cuisine from all over the world here.
  ▲ Al-iman Mosque  7 Min
- See the Panorama of the City of New York at the Queens Museum  P16
- Unwind at Flushing Meadows Corona Park
- Root for the home team at Citi Field
  126th Street and Roosevelt Avenue, Queens, NY 11368
  Home to the New York Mets, this state-of-the-art ballpark is where you can experience true orange, white and blue pride—NYC's official colors. Check out the Mets Hall of Fame & Museum on a guided tour, as well as restricted areas like the dugout, the press box and Mets clubhouse.
  ▲ Masjid Al-Falah 6 Min
- Discover dynamic Flushing
  Flushing in Queens (home to one of NYC’s several Chinatowns) is bustling with Asian restaurants and markets. Also home to the Queens Botanical Garden and Queens Zoo, Flushing features a diverse range of attractions and cultural experiences.
  ▲ Masjid Hazrati Abu Bakr Siddique  6 Min

**DAY 5** THE BRONX & HARLEM

- Surround yourself with nature at the New York Botanical Garden  P6
- Shop and dine on Arthur Avenue                       P7
- See a show at the Apollo Theater in Harlem          P14
- See how classic meets new in Harlem
  Located in upper Manhattan, spanning 110th to 155th Streets, Harlem is a lively neighborhood that features a wide array boutiques, restaurants, theaters, museums and galleries—and plenty of history. End your day here by taking in the sights of the Harlem Meer and the sounds of late-night jazz at Minton's Playhouse.
  ▲ Masjid Malcolm Shabazz  15 Min