

## 36 Hours on the Brooklyn Waterfront

Coney Island may be one of the most famous landmarks in Brooklyn. It is no question that when tourists come to Brooklyn it is a must to visit the world famous Coney Island, Nathan's and everything Coney Island has to offer. Coney Island is a great amusement for kids and very seldom offered for the adults. Coney Island is known for its beach and a boardwalk lined with shabby food stands, games and rides. Coney Island is a huge melting pot and fact a tad bit over populated, considering the housing projects nearby and the high tourist rate.

### 1) NATHAN'S

In 1916 a Polish Immigrant had an idea to open a stand selling hot dogs at just \$0.05. Today Nathan's hot dogs is world renowned no longer \$0.05 but still an affordable tasty snack. Nathan's Coney Island is infamous for its Fourth of July hot dog eating contest, which was first held in 1972 and still holds strong annually.



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### 2) LUNA PARK

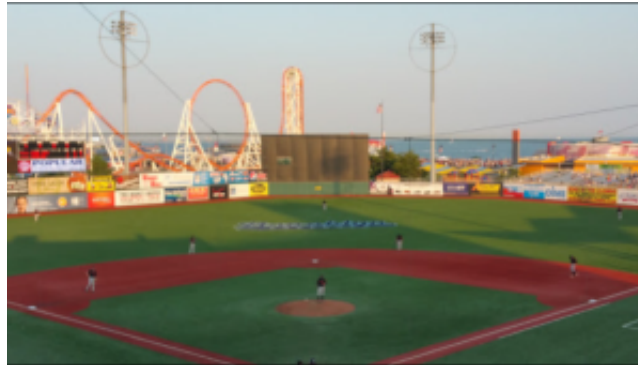
Luna Park formerly known as Astroland which opened in 1903, takes up about 3 acres of the Coney Island area and consists of about 30 rides. An absolute favorite for kids looking for all day amusement and fun. Weekdays wristbands sell for \$26 and weekend wristbands sell for about \$30. Not too bad considering other amusement park prices. But must keep into consideration food and beverage.

### 3) RIEGELMANN BOARDWALK

Originally Riegelmann boardwalk but better known to Brooklynites as just the Coney Island Boardwalk is located along the southern shore of Coney Island peninsula. During the summer, only Island residents flock to the boardwalk for all day fresh air food and entertainment. Along the boardwalk there are hundreds, thousands of passerby's enjoying the Atlantic Ocean view and beach bums laying out on the sand and indulging in food, drinks and arcade games. A day at the boardwalk may cost about \$30, depending how many activities and food you give into.

#### 4) MCU PARK

MCU park sits along Coney Island and is a minor league baseball stadium home to Brooklyn's own Cyclones. MCU park hosts a variety of events and entertainment each year. If you're a huge baseball fanatic, season membership tickets may cost you a pretty penny. Ranging from \$400-\$550. Prices include perks and benefits.



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#### 5) CONEY ISLAND BREWERY

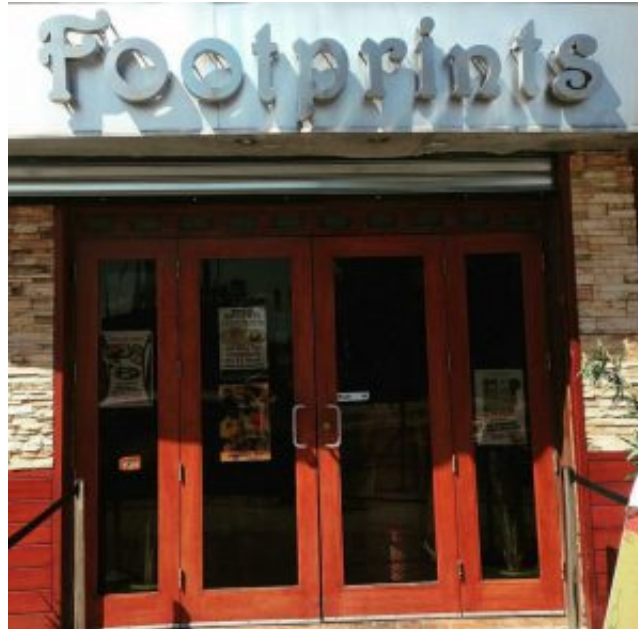
More for the adults, located on Surf Avenue the heart of Coney Island you can stop by for a cold beer. Depending on the season brewery has limited time releases that can only be found at their location. You can also purchase apparel or glassware sporting the Coney Island logo proving to your friends that you visited Brooklyn.



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## 6) FOOTPRINTS CAFE

Looking for great food infused with island flavor? Footprints Cafe is a great way to end the day with live entertainment, a long list of drink options and a lot of energy. It has a sleek surrounding and a nightclub vibe. The entree menu varied in price by the most being \$27 is well worth the wait.



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## 7) NEW YORK AQUARIUM

A quick train stop on the Q or F will take you to West 8th street, still along the Coney Island boardwalk is the New York Aquarium. Tickets to enter the aquarium are \$11.95 for all ages and free or children 2 and under. Visiting the aquarium is a great activity for families. Plenty of sea animals and shows to participate in.



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## 8) BEST WESTERN PLUS

Best Western located on Emmons ave, just 2.3 miles away from Coney Island is quite comfortable if looking for a place to rest just for the night. At just \$150/night that is a steal. The area is quiet, residential and has a few restaurants in the area incase one gets hungry during their stay.