

“ 36 Hours In Downtown Brooklyn”

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The Borough of Brooklyn located across from Manhattan is a unique place. Full of historical significance and different activities Brooklyn is the place to go if the city is too much for you. If the hustle and bustle of Manhattan are too much Brooklyn offers the same city aspect with a more laid-back experience. Located across from Manhattan Brooklyn is an alternative to manhattans crowds, while also offer great views, good food, and an influence of its own. 36 hours in Brooklyn here we go;

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Friday

4:30 pm

Coming from bustling Manhattan I suggest taking a walk or a bike ride over the Brooklyn bridge rather than the subway. The Brooklyn Bridge is a great way to mark the start of your journey into the borough. The Brooklyn Bridge is one of the most historically known sites, built in the 1880s it is the oldest railway bridges in new york city. When coming into Brooklyn on the bridge taking a stroll to the Brooklyn bridge park located in downtown Brooklyn is the place to be, offering various activities for people of all ages.

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7:00 pm

Down under the Brooklyn bridge is a district called DUMBO. Short for down under the bridge overpass DUMBO is a trendy historical place home to many art galleries. The Brooklyn historical society (55 Water St, Brooklyn, NY 11201) is home to a multitude of various exhibits openly daily to the public. Entering at 55 Water Street or through Brooklyn Bridge Park this is the second location built in the historic Empire Stores warehouse. Not only are exhibits displayed in the library, there are galas that are put on here. Opened Tuesday to Thursday, 11 am to 6 pm, Friday and Saturday, 11 am to 8 pm, Sunday, 11 am to 6 pm there is always something to be seen. The suggested admission is \$10 for adults, \$6 for seniors and teachers, Free for members and students of all ages.

10:00pm

As darkness takes over grabbing a bite of the local nightlife is a must. At Olympia wine bar (54 Jay St, Brooklyn, NY 11201; (718) 624-7900; <http://www.olympiawinebar.com/>) you can experience Brooklyn nightlife. With live music and fully locally sourced menu Olympia wine bar offers the very best of Brooklyn. End the night feeling like a local.

Saturday

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Starting the day walking down or taking the A or C train to High Street via Subway to the foot of the bridge, brings you to the Brooklyn bridge park (334 Furman St, Brooklyn, NY 11201; (718) 222-9939; www.brooklynbridgepark.org). Located under the bridge the Brooklyn bridge park spans across 84 acres of land. The park is a relaxing place to be with a great view of Manhattan high line. Spreading across both sides of the bridge the Brooklyn bridge park is home to various piers, a promenade, and its very own cafe. The river cafe (1 Water St, Brooklyn, NY 11201; (718) 522-5200; rivercafe.com) located within the Brooklyn bridge park offers fine dining with extraordinary views of the river.

3 pm

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For an afternoon snack head to the Brooklyn ice cream factory (1 Water St, Brooklyn, NY 11201; (718) 246-3963; www.brooklynicecreamfactory.com) also located within the Brooklyn

bridge park. The Brooklyn ice cream factory is deemed as a historical site due to its building actually being an old fire boathouse. Grabbing an ice cream head down to the east side of the park to enjoy more of the monstrous views of Manhattan from across the river.

4:30 pm

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Heading over to the other side of the Brooklyn bridge park lies Jane's Carousel (Old Dock St, Brooklyn, NY 11201; (718) 222-2502; <http://www.janescarousel.com/>). Created in 1922 and built in Ohio the carousel was bought in an auction in October 1984. Since being purchased it has been fully restored and installed in the pavilion in the park. Located on the east side of the Brooklyn bridge I advise taking a ride before heading to St. Ann's Warehouse (45 Water St, Brooklyn, NY 11201; (718) 254-8779; <http://stannswarehouse.org/>). An old tobacco warehouse turned into a musical and performing arts theatre in 1980 by Susan Feldman. Buying tickets for a show on their website in advance if interested in seeing a show while in Brooklyn.

Sunday

12 pm

A late brunch at the Osprey an open to the public restaurant located on the first floor of the 1 hotel (60 Furman St, Brooklyn, NY 11201 (877) 803-1111; www.1hotels.com)) a relatively new hotel located at the foot of the bridge bridges a modern twist to the old school rustic buildings around. The Osprey offers a brunch, lunch, and dinner.

3 pm

As the final hours approach in Brooklyn taking a stroll through downtown Brooklyn and visiting the historical houses is a nice way to end your time in Brooklyn. The Truman Capote's house (70 Willow St, Brooklyn, NY 11201), Fort Brooklyn, and Cobble Hill Fort Manner are the three local ones located throughout downtown Brooklyn.

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Lodging

As for lodging, there are many options, with Airbnb often being the most. But if wanting the amenities of a classic hotel, the Marriott new york Brooklyn bridge (333 Adams St, Brooklyn, NY 11201: (718) 246-7000; www.marriott.com) provides a great view of the Brooklyn Bridge along with a nice view of the surrounding area. Another option being the One Hotel (60 Furman St, Brooklyn, NY 11201 (877) 803-1111; www.1hotels.com) as mentioned earlier in the article the 1 Hotel is located at the foot of the Brooklyn bridge and offers fantastic views of the Manhattan Highline as well as the bridge. At \$250 a night this boutique hotel offers a more modern stay than the Marriott.