

## BSL CLASSROOM LOCATION GUIDE BROOKLYN BRIDGE PARK

### *A BIT OF HISTORY FIRST!*

In 1642, the first ferry landing opened on the land that is now Brooklyn Bridge Park's Empire Fulton Ferry section. As the 18th century came to a close, additional ferry services were added to this waterfront community, including docking points for the "Catherine Street Ferry" and the first steamboat ferry landing that was created by Robert Fulton, which eventually became known as the Fulton Ferry Landing. The community continued to grow into the 19th century as Brooklyn Heights developed into a residential neighborhood, eventually becoming one of America's first suburbs. In 1883, the Brooklyn Bridge was opened.

Brooklyn Bridge Park is an 85-acre (34 ha) park on the Brooklyn side of the East River in New York City, next to the Brooklyn Bridge. From north to south, the park includes the preexisting Empire–Fulton Ferry and Main Street Parks; the historic Fulton Ferry Landing; and Piers 1–6, which contain various playgrounds and residential developments. The park also includes Empire Stores and the Tobacco Warehouse, two 19th-century structures, and is a part of the Brooklyn Waterfront Greenway, a series of parks and bike paths around Brooklyn

Today, Brooklyn Bridge Park is a world-class waterfront park with rolling hills, riverfront promenades, lush gardens, and spectacular city views.



### ***THE BARE ESSENTIALS***

*\*\*Find these on the map on page 1*

#### **Morning coffee**

- Almondine Bakery\*\*
- Starbucks\*\*
- One Girl Cookies
- Clinton street bakery

#### **Lunch options**

- Shake Shack\*\*
- Luke's Lobster Roll
- Ignacio Pizza
- Juliana's Pizza
- Sweetgreen\*\*
- Miso Sushi

#### **Ice cream options**

- Ample Hills Creamery\*\*
- Brooklyn Ice Cream factory

#### **Grocery stores & pharmacies**

- Dumbo market\*\*

#### **Nearest subway stations and lines**

- York Street (F) (10 mins walk)\*\*
- High Street (A,C) (10 mins walk)\*\*
- Clark Street (2,3) (10 mins walk)\*\*

#### **Nearest public restrooms**

- On-site\*\*

### ***PLACES TO VISIT NEARBY***

#### **Less than a mile (0-10 mins walk)**

- Dumbo
- Brooklyn Heights
- Brooklyn Bridge

#### **A little bit further (via subway – up to 25 mins)**

- 911 Memorial
- Battery Park
- Prospect Park
- Soho
- Chinatown
- Greenwich Village

### ***7 COOL THINGS TO DO AFTER YOUR ENGLISH CLASS***

1. Walk along the new waterfront at Dumbo, take a photo at the most instagrammable location in the city! And then walk the Brooklyn Bridge (10 minutes' walk from Brooklyn Bridge Park)
2. Stroll through the historic brownstones of Brooklyn Heights and then catch great views of downtown Manhattan and the Statue of Liberty from the Brooklyn Heights Promenade (10 minutes' walk from Brooklyn Bridge Park)
3. Take the subway 1 stop to Fulton Street station in Manhattan and explore Downtown: Wall Street, the fearless girl, 911 Memorial, Trinity Church (15 minutes by subway from Brooklyn Bridge Park)
4. Take the subway 5 stops to Greenwich Village and wander around the quaint streets of the lovely West Village and end with a cupcake at Magnolias Bakery (25 minutes by subway from Brooklyn Bridge Park)
5. Take the East River ferry up the East River to Williamsburg and explore this hip neighborhood (5 minutes' walk from Brooklyn Bridge Park)
6. Take the subway to the famous Brooklyn Museum and the Brooklyn Botanical Gardens (20 minutes by subway from Brooklyn Bridge Park)
7. Catch the Staten Island ferry which is FREE for great views of the Statue of Liberty and Downtown Manhattan (15 minutes by subway from Brooklyn Bridge Park)