

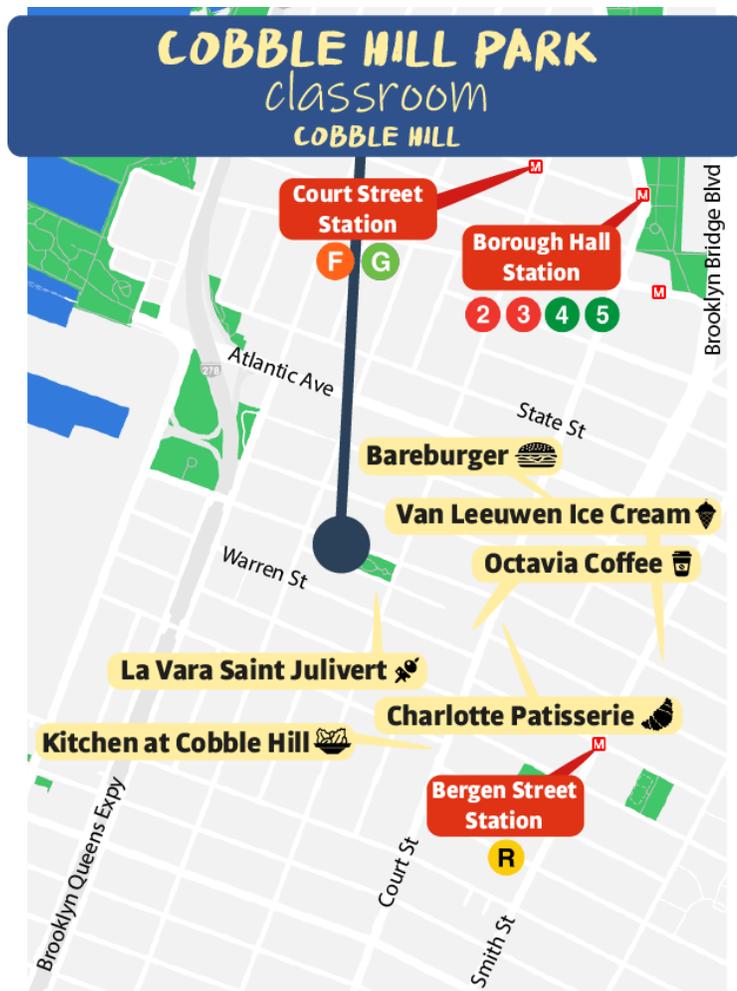
BSL CLASSROOM LOCATION GUIDE COBBLE HILL PARK

A BIT OF HISTORY FIRST!

Cobble Hill – which was named after the conical shaped hill called "Cobleshill" or "Ponkiesbergh", was originally settled during the 1640s by Dutch farmers. Philanthropist Alfred Tredway White built two experimental housing projects in the neighborhood. These included the "Workingman's Cottages" of Warren Place, a one block mews from Warren Street to Baltic Street between Henry and Hicks Streets.

Beginning in the 1840s and progressing into the 1870s, wealthier Manhattanites, including bankers and merchants, began to move to various parts of Brooklyn, including Cobble Hill. By 1880, the population of the area was solidly upper-middle class.

By the 1960s the neighborhood association of Cobble Hill stated that they were in need of a park. And Cobble Hill Park was formally dedicated on July 14, 1965. The new park won the 1988 Annual Award for Excellence in Design from the Art Commission and the Parks Council's first Philip Winslow Award for Public Projects in 1990. The formal, geometric pattern of present-day Cobble Hill Park utilizes 19th-century period materials such as blue stone and cast iron as well as granite entrance columns and herringbone-patterned brick walkways.



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THE BARE ESSENTIALS

**Find these on the map on page 1

Morning coffee

- Swallow Cafe
- Lá Vara Saint Julivert**
- Blue Bottle coffee
- Octavia Coffee**

Lunch options

- Bareburger**
- Sweetgreen
- Bar Tabac
- Cafe Chilli
- Kitchen at Cobble Hill**

Nearest public restrooms

- Not available

PLACES TO VISIT NEARBY

Less than a mile (0-10 mins walk)

- Brooklyn Bridge Park Pier 6
- Court Street/Smith Street
- Brooklyn Heights Promenade
- Brooklyn Heights

Something sweet!

- Van Leeuwens Ice Cream**
- Charlotte Patisserie**
- Brooklyn Farmacy & Soda fountain

Grocery stores & pharmacies

- Union market
- Trader Joe's
- Duane Reade
- City MD Cobble Hill

Nearest subway stations and lines

- Bergen Street (F, G lines), 6 min walk.
- Borough Hall (2, 3, 4, 5 lines) 11 min walk
- Court Street (R line) 12 min walk

A little bit further (1 mile – 30 min walk)

- Park Slope
- Fort Greene
- Prospect Park
- Brooklyn Museum
- Brooklyn Botanical Garden

7 COOL THINGS TO DO AFTER YOUR ENGLISH CLASS

1. Explore the beautiful neighborhoods of Cobble Hill and Boerum Hill. It has some lovely blocks on it including Bergen and Dean streets between Smith st and Nevins st. There are also plenty of shops on Court and Smith to dip into. Try Van Leeuwens ice cream shop for a treat, or an early dinner at Rucola, an excellent neighborhood Italian restaurant.
2. Walk westwards for about 30 mins until you reach 5th Avenue in Park Slope. Another great neighborhood to explore, especially 5th and 7th avenues, and Prospect Park. If you have time, don't miss seeing the Prospect Park boathouse.
3. Head north towards Atlantic Avenue, and on into Brooklyn Heights, yet another beautiful neighborhood to explore! There are so many lovely tree lined streets here. Make sure you head towards the famous Brooklyn Heights Promenade for a great view of downtown Manhattan as the sun drops down in the sky.
4. Walk up to Atlantic Avenue, and then turn left. Walk a few minutes until you reach the waterfront at Brooklyn Bridge Park Pier 6. You can stroll all the way along this park until you reach Dumbo. Head to Washington street for that famous Instagram shot of the Manhattan bridge, and then get your walking shoes on to walk the Brooklyn bridge.
5. Walk a few minutes to the F train subway at Smith street. And then take the train heading to Manhattan. Ride 6 stops and get off at Broadway-Lafayette. From here it's a short walk to Soho. You can also explore nearby Nolita and end your day either in Chinatown, or with a bit of people watching at Washington Square Park. Everything is just so close!
6. Here's something different! Head to the Court st subway station (0.5 mile walk) and then take the R train heading into Brooklyn. Ride 8 stops and get off at 36th. From here it's a short walk to Industry City, which is a big new development of shops and restaurants in the old shipping terminal. Definitely worth a visit for the afternoon .
7. Walk to Borough Hall station (0.5 mile walk) and take the 2 or 3 line to Grand Army Plaza. From here you can easily visit 2 of Brooklyn's most famous sights; the Brooklyn Museum and the Botanical Garden. Both are excellent. After an afternoon spent exploring, we recommend a chill out in nearby Prospect Park or an early evening dinner in Vanderbilt Avenue in nearby Prospect Heights, which is great up and coming neighborhood.

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