

BSL CLASSROOM LOCATION GUIDE - BOSQUE GARDENS, BATTERY PARK

A BIT OF HISTORY

Dutch settlers populated the area as part of the settlement of New Amsterdam in the early 17th century. During the mid-19th century, the modern-day Battery Park was constructed and Castle Clinton was converted into an immigration and customs center. The Battery was commonly known as the landing point for immigrants to New York City until 1890.

The Battery Bosque (Spanish for a “grove of trees”), is a 4-acre landscaped garden, which opened in 2005. It was designed by Dutch landscape architect Piet Oudolf and is centered around a grove of 140 plane trees. The gardens host 34,000 perennial plants and 70,000 bulbs, in addition to 1,500 linear feet of serpentine benches.

THE ESSENTIALS

Morning coffee

- Starbucks
- Gregory's Coffee
- Inatteso Cafe

Lunch options

- Tacombi (tacos)
- Joe & The Juice
- Miramar (At the south cove)

Something sweet!

- Van Leeuwen Ice Cream

Grocery stores & pharmacies

- Battery Place Market
- Duane Reade pharmacy

Nearest subway stations

- Bowling Green (4, 5 lines)
2 mins walk
- South Ferry (1 line)
2 mins walk
- Whitehall Street (R line)
2 mins walk



Nearest public restrooms

- Staten Island ferry terminal (5 mins walk)
- Statue of Liberty & Ellis Island ferry (5 mins walk)

PLACES TO VISIT NEARBY

Wall Street – 911 Memorial & Museum – The Observatory at No 1 World Trade Center – The Brooklyn Bridge

3 COOL THINGS TO DO AFTER YOUR ENGLISH CLASS

1. Take the Staten Island ferry (it's free!) from the Whitehall terminal (next to Battery Park). Once in Staten Island, walk back around and take the return ferry. The ride is great for views of New York and the Statue of Liberty.
2. Walk North to the Brooklyn Bridge, and then walk across New York's most famous and best loved bridge. On arrival in Brooklyn, walk down Washington Street to take great photos of the Manhattan Bridge (one of the most instagrammable shots in NYC!). Then walk along the newly developed waterfront in Dumbo. End your day with a burger and fries at Shake Shack in Dumbo!
3. Walk the full length of Battery park alongside the Hudson River. Then head eastwards into Tribeca and explore the cobble streets and large lofts of this uber trendy Manhattan neighborhood. End your day by walking back out onto the West side onto Pier 26, New York's newest park.

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