

MAGICAL NEW YORK **CHRISTMAS**

December 1-6, 2025

Experience the iconic traditions of Christmas in the Big Apple, from the Christmas Market at Bryant Park to the Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular! Meet with a Broadway performer to learn about their life and career and then enjoy a private performance by the artist. See a Broadway show, tour Midtown and Lower Manhattan, and so much more!

Space is limited. ea

(Breakfast, Dinner)

DAY 1 MONDAY, DECEMBER 1

DES MOINES, IA After picking up our fellow travelers, we'll settle in for a pre-night stay in Des Moines, IA, and enjoy a relaxed evening with dinner on our own before the holiday magic begins.

DAY 2 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2

NEW YORK CITY, NY (Dinner) We will head to the airport early this morning for our flight to New York City! Upon arrival, we'll meet our guide and coach to begin our NYC odyssey with a tour of Times Square and the Theatre District. We will then check in to our hotel to relax and freshen up before enjoying a delightful welcome dinner at Carmine's, a lively and inviting Italian restaurant.

NEW YORK CITY, NY

DAY 3 WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3

After breakfast at our hotel, we'll meet our guide and coach for more sightseeing in Midtown Manhattan. We will have time to sit and talk to a performer from one of Broadway's current shows at a rehearsal studio in the Theater District. This session will include personal success stories, career moments, and insight into his or her life as a performer. Our time here will also include a performance from the artist! Afterward, explore Central Park with a visit to Strawberry Fields, a serene, treelined area dedicated to peace and featuring John Lennon's famous "Imagine" mosaic. We'll also stop at Belvedere Castle, an enchanting 1860s structure offering panoramic views of the Great Lawn and Turtle Pond, and take in the tranquil beauty of the Conservatory Garden, a meticulously landscaped oasis with vibrant flowerbeds, fountains, and winding pathways. The afternoon continues with a visit to the Christmas Market at Bryant Park, where we can browse an array of booths featuring unique and creative gift ideas. Then, a backstage tour awaits us at Radio City Music Hall. This iconic theater has a long, rich history and beautiful architecture, and we will get to meet a Rockette! The excitement continues with dinner at Ellen's Stardust Diner, where singing waiters and '50s nostalgia set the stage for a lively meal. We'll cap off the night with orchestra seats at a dazzling Broadway show—a perfect finale to an unforgettable day!

DAY 4 THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4

Begin the day visiting the Metropolitan Museum of Art, home to over 5,000 years of art from around the world. As the largest art museum in the Americas and the fourth largest globally, it offers an unmatched cultural experience. Next, explore the iconic Grand Central Terminal, a stunning architectural masterpiece of history. Admire its celestial ceiling, intricate design details, and vibrant Christmas market, where charming stalls offer unique gifts and festive treats. For lunch, enjoy a variety of dining options at the bustling food court on the lower level. Just across the street, visit The Summit One Vanderbilt, Midtown Manhattan's tallest observation deck. This interactive, multi-level experience blends art, unmatchable views, and playful exploration. The day ends with free time to explore The Big Apple at your own pace, discovering its endless wonders.

DAY 5 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5

NEW YORK CITY, NY (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner) Enjoy breakfast this morning before meeting our guide and motorcoach for sightseeing in Lower Manhattan, including Little Italy, Greenwich Village, Chinatown, the World Trade Center, and the Lower East Side. Next is a food tour in Greenwich Village that will have us sampling the wonderful foods at family-owned eateries. Then it's time for the High Line, a public park built on a historic freight rail elevated above Manhattan's West Side streets. Saved from demolition by neighborhood residents and the city, the High Line opened in 2009 as a hybrid public space where visitors experience nature, art, and design. Dinner tonight will be a celebration of our NYC experience before we enjoy another New York tradition - the Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular featuring the Rockettes! As we return to our hotel, we'll stroll past the Rockefeller Center Christmas tree ablaze with thousands of lights!

DAY 6 SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6

HOME

(Breakfast)

Our day begins with breakfast before boarding a sightseeing boat for a scenic ride through NY Harbor, offering breathtaking views of the city skyline. Our journey includes a visit to the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, two of the most famous symbols of American freedom. Take in the up-close views of the Lady in the Harbor and then explore Ellis Island to discover the moving stories of the many immigrants who came here to pursue a better life. We will then transfer to the airport for our flight home.

TERMS & CONDITIONS

For full tour terms and conditions, please visit www.stardestinations.com/terms-asb-nyc-christmas



NEW YORK CITY, NY

(Breakfast)



INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip airport transfers
- Round-trip air to New York City
- Private motorcoach transportation
- 5 nights' accommodations
- 8 meals (4 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 3 dinners)
- Admission to attractions as stated on itinerary
- Porter service of one bag per person at hotel
- Taxes and gratuities for included services
- Professional Star Destinations tour manager
- Professional local tour guide

NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE OF THIS TOUR:

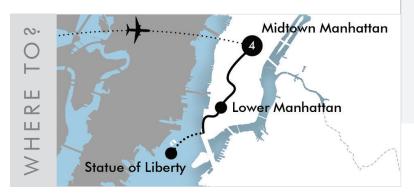
meals other than those listed on the itinerary • beverages other than tea/ coffee/water with included meals • items of a personal nature/souvenirs • travel protection plan • current baggage fees at the airport as assessed by the airline • and any service not listed in the above inclusions

Activity Level: Moderate

In order to participate in this tour, you must:

- Be able to walk/stand 3-4 hours at a time at an easy pace in all weather conditions
- Be able to regularly maneuver stairs, inclines, and uneven surfaces without assistance
- Be able to walk 2-3 miles daily

For further information or questions, please contact: Loreen Marra, American Spirit Club Coordinator American State Bank 525 N Main Ave, Sioux Center, IA 51250 (712) 722-4846 or (866) 938-4846



TOUR PRICING

\$5,125 per person, double **\$5,989** per person, single

ACCOMMODATIONS

- 1 Night Des Moines, IA Des Moines Area Hotel
- 4 Nights New York City, NY Hotel RIU Plaza New York Times Square

OPTIONAL TRAVEL PROTECTION INSURANCE:

American Bank and American State Bank recommend that you purchase a Travel Protection Plan to help protect you and your travel investment against the unexpected so you can relax and enjoy your trip. Participants may purchase this coverage from the provider of your choice. For your convenience, we offer a Travel Protection Plan thru Perspective Insurance one of our AmBank Companies. Optional Travel Protection can be purchased at Perspective Insurance with agent Jodi Vermeer, 2534 Park Street, Sheldon, IA 51201.

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Jodi Vermeer will help you choose the plan that is the best for you.

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A \$500 deposit per person is required with your registration form in order to reserve your spot.

> FINAL PAYMENT IS DUE: AUGUST 20, 2025