Tourist Attractions in New York

1. Introduction/Business Problem

Where would be the best location to stay for someone looking to go on holiday to New York, focusing on proximity to tourist attractions. The background is a holiday maker wanting to be able to see as many of the main attractions as possible to get the best value for money from their trip.

2. Data

Foursquare location data will be obtained by

- Defining a query to search for tourist attractions in the area
- Getting the relevant part of JSON and transforming this into a pandas data frame
- · Filtering and cleaning the data

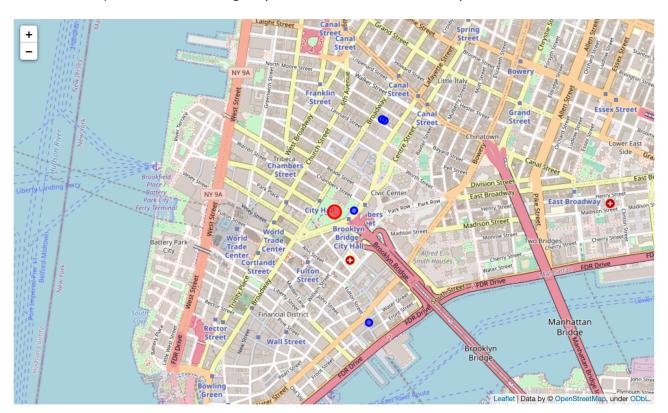
As an example, a GET request will be sent to get the overall rating for an individual tourist attraction. A map will then be generated to visualise the locations of the tourist attractions, which could be referred to choose a place to stay nearby.

3. Methodology

The central coordinates of New York are used for reference, and a query for museums within 500m is performed to find tourist attractions in the area. The relevant details and locational data is obtained in order to plot the museums on a map of the city (as displayed in the results section below) and offer a visualisation of their proximity.

4. Results

There are 4 museums (blue circle markers) within 500m of the centre of New York (red circle marker). The overall rating request demonstrated for Seaport Museum is 8.2.



5. Discussion

The map illustrates that the museums appear to be equidistant with a couple in close proximity towards Canal Street. If the museums located towards Canal Street were of more interest it might be preferable to find a place to stay nearby. However, as the locations stretch north and south of the centre, it would be recommended to find a place to stay centrally in order to minimise the journey time between museums.

6. Conclusion

The best location for a holiday maker to New York wanting to see as many of the main attractions as possible is the city centre.