

# Parks : Details, Access, and Costs

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## **Central Park (Manhattan)**

Hours: 6:00 AM – 1:00 AM

Admission: Free

Getting There: Accessible via multiple subway lines: B, C, 1, 2, 3, N, R, Q, 4, 5, 6

Highlights: Bethesda Terrace, Bow Bridge, Belvedere Castle, Central Park Zoo, Sheep Meadow, The Ramble, Strawberry Fields

## **Prospect Park (Brooklyn)**

Hours: 6:00 AM – 1:00 AM

Admission: Free

Getting There: Subway lines B, Q, S, 2, 3, 4, 5

Highlights: Long Meadow, Prospect Park Zoo, Boathouse, Audubon Center, LeFrak Center at Lakeside

## **Flushing Meadows–Corona Park (Queens)**

Hours: 6:00 AM – 9:00 PM

Admission: Free (some attractions may have fees)

Getting There: Subway line 7 to Mets–Willets Point Station

Highlights: Unisphere, Queens Museum, New York Hall of Science, USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center, Queens Botanical Garden

## **The High Line (Manhattan)**

Hours: Varies seasonally; typically 7:00 AM – 10:00 PM

Admission: Free

Getting There: Subway lines A, C, E, L to 14th Street / 8th Avenue

Highlights: Elevated linear park with gardens, art installations, and city views

## **Pelham Bay Park (Bronx)**

Hours: 6:00 AM – 10:00 PM

Admission: Free

Getting There: Subway line 6 to Pelham Bay Park Station

Highlights: Largest NYC park, Orchard Beach, hiking trails, horseback riding

## **Battery Park (Manhattan)**

Hours: 6:00 AM – 1:00 AM

Admission: Free

Getting There: Subway lines 1, R to South Ferry or Whitehall Street

Highlights: Views of the Statue of Liberty, ferry access to Liberty and Ellis Islands, gardens

## **Bryant Park (Manhattan)**

Hours: 7:00 AM – 10:00 PM

Admission: Free

Getting There: Subway lines B, D, F, M to 42nd Street–Bryant Park

Highlights: Seasonal events, ice skating rink in winter, outdoor movies in summer, reading room

## **General Park Hours**

Most NYC parks are open daily from 6:00 AM to 1:00 AM, unless otherwise posted.

Playgrounds typically close earlier, around dusk.

## **Admission Fees**

The majority of NYC parks are free to enter. However, certain attractions within parks may charge fees, such as the Central Park Zoo or the New York Botanical Garden. State parks may have vehicle use fees ranging from \$6 to \$10.

## **Getting There**

NYC's extensive public transportation system makes accessing parks convenient. Most major parks are near subway stations. Use the MTA Trip Planner to find the best route. Buses, Citi Bike, and NYC Ferry are also available.