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#### 1. Geographical location

The city of Philadelphia is the fifth most populous town in the US and is the largest city in the state of Pennsylvania. It is home to over 7 million residents and ranks at the eighth position with respect to the statistical area in the US. The city encompasses 142.6 square miles of which 7.6 square miles is water and the rest is land. The highest point in Philadelphia is Chestnut Hill which is 136 m above sea level. The city separates the Atlantic Coastal Plain from the Piedmont.



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# 2. Neighbouring cities/countries

Philadelphia Is A Great City To Visit And There Are Also Some Other Cities, Towns And Suburbs Near The City Of Philadelphia That You Could Check Out When You're On Vacation Here. These Include Camden (8.6 Kilometers Away From Philadelphia), Yeadon (11.5 Kilometers Away From Philadelphia), Collingswood (11.8 Kilometers Away From Philadelphia), Woodbury (225.5 Kilometers Away From Philadelphia). If You're Open To Travelling A Few Miles You Can Also Check Out Some Major Cities Including Washington (223.7 Kilometers Away From Philadelphia), Rochester (548 Kilometers Away From Philadelphia) And New York (156 Kilometers Away From Philadelphia). Some Local Towns Include Chinatown (155.8 Kilometers Away From Philadelphia) Etc.

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# 3. Significance

Philadelphia is one of the nation's most important historical sites. On July 4, 1776, independence was declared at the Independence Hall before the constitution was drafted in 1787. A century earlier, a noticeable Quaker-William Penn had been a facilitator for the changes that changed the colonies of British into becoming an independent nation. The Independence Historic Park features early buildings and sights including the Independence Hall, Liberty Bell, and Franklin Court. The Society Hill to the south is the city's original residential neighborhood. To the south lies the museum district including the Academy of natural Sciences.



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## 4. History

Philadelphia is the largest city in Pennsylvania. At the time of American Revolution, Philadelphia was considered to be the most important cities in USA. This city was founded by William Penn for religious purposes. It was founded by William Penn in 1682 as the capital of Pennsylvania Colony. During the American Revolution the Founding Fathers of the United States held meetings here. The Declaration of Independence 1776 and Constitution 1787 were signed in Philadelphia. It was a temporary capital of the U.S. when Washington DC was being built. The city soon became a place for European settlers who began to stay at the Swedes and later established a community near Schuykill. One of the most famous citizens of the city of Philadelphia is Benjamin Franklin who was one of the most renowned scientists in the 18th century.

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## 5. Cultural identity

The city of Philadelphia is known for its arts, culture and history attracting millions of tourists per year. The city is also home to many national historical sites that are critical to the history of the United States. The Philadelphia dialect is part of Mid-Atlantic American English and is similar to the Baltimore dialect. The city is also home to important archival repositories such as the Library

Company of Philadelphia.



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#### 6. Natural resources

Philadelphia works hard to conserve the natural resources of the city. They have a number of programs that encourage citizens to establish a green and ecofriendly city. Philadelphia encourages recycling of all possible products. The city also works hard to conserve water and energy. Philadelphia is encouraging the use of Solar Panels in all houses, commercial complexes and educational institutes. The city conducts a number of programs to encourage the use of solar energy.



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# 7. Key site seeing places (paid and free)

#### 7.1. Paid

#### 7.1.1. National Constitution Center

The National Constitution Center serves as an interactive museum and a national town hall for constitutional dialogue. It regularly hosts government leaders, journalists, scholars, and celebrities for public discussions, including presidential debates. This is a good place to visit if one is interested in knowing the history of US. There are additional activities like face painting organised for children. The center also features artifacts and a theater. The National Constitution Center serves as a hands-on, multimedia museum, a national town hall, and a civic education headquarters. Through must-see exhibits, timely speaker events, and engaging educational resources, we inspire active citizenship and bring the Constitution to life for people of all ages. It's only four pages long, but the U.S. Constitution is among the most influential and important documents in the history of the world. The 160,000-square-foot National Constitution Center explores and explains this amazing document through high-tech exhibits, artifacts, and interactive displays. The Kimmel Theater, a 350-seat, star-shaped theater, features "Freedom Rising," a multimedia production combining film, a live actor and video projection on a 360° screen to tell the stirring story of "We the people." Then, get ready to sit tall during hands-on experiences where you can don judicial robes and render your opinion on key Supreme Court cases and take the Presidential oath of office. In Signers' Hall, where life-size bronze figures of the Constitution's signers and dissenters are displayed, visitors can choose to sign or dissent. One of the rare original public copies of the Constitution is on display.

Address: 525 Arch St, Philadelphia, PA 19106, USA

Zipcode: 19106

Location: 39.9538916, -75.14906559999997

Contact : +1 215-409-6600

Website: http://constitutioncenter.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Arch St & 6th St Bus Station

Entry Fee : Adults: \$14.50 Seniors (age 65 and older): \$13 College Students (with

ID): \$13 Youth (age 6-18): \$11 Children (age 0-5): Free

Open & Close Timing: Monday to Saturday: 09:30hrs-17:00hrs Sunday:

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12:00hrs-17:00hrs Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time: 15 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

#### 7.1.2. Masonic Temple

Address: 1 N Broad St, Philadelphia, PA 19107, USA

Zipcode: 19107

Location: 39.9536121, -75.162664

Contact: +1 215-988-1917

Website: https://pamasons.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Juniper St & Commerce St Bus Station

Entry Fee: Adults: \$10 Students with ID: \$6 Children (age 12 and under): \$5.00 Senior Citizens (age 65 and above): \$5.00 Family (up to 6 people): \$25.00 Groups

(Advanced Reservations-15 or more): \$5.00

Open & Close Timing: Monday to Saturday: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required: 1

Expected Wait Time: 10 minutes

Buy Ticket: No

## 7.1.3. Betsy Ross House

Address : 239 Arch St, Philadelphia, PA 19106, USA

Zipcode : 19106

Location: 39.95230209999999, -75.14474559999996

Contact : +1 215-686-1252

Website: http://historicphiladelphia.org/what-to-see/ Nearest Public Transport: 3rd St & Arch St Bus Station

Entry Fee : Audio Tours Adults: \$7 Children/Seniors/Military/Students: \$6 Audio tours include admission to the house. Self-Guided Tours Adults: \$5

Children/Seniors/Military/Students: \$4

Open & Close Timing: December 6 – February 28, 2017 Tuesday to Saturday, and

Sunday: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs Monday: Closed

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Time Required: 2

Expected Wait Time: 20 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

# 7.1.4. Philadelphia's Magic Gardens

Address: 1914, 1020 South St, Philadelphia, PA 19147, USA

Zipcode: 19147

Location: 39.9427128, -75.15931219999999

Contact: +1 215-733-0390

Website: https://www.phillymagicgardens.org/

Nearest Public Transport : South St & 10th St Bus Station

Entry Fee: \$10 for adults \$8 for Students with ID, Military & Seniors \$5 for age

6-12 Free for children aged 5 and under

Open & Close Timing: Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday to Saturday:

11:00hrs-18:00hrs Tuesday: Closed

Time Required: 2

Expected Wait Time : 20 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

## 7.1.5. One Liberty Observation Deck

Address: The Shops at Liberty Place, 1650 Market St #5700, Philadelphia, PA

19103, USA

Zipcode : 19103

Location: 39.9524696, -75.16784689999997

Contact: +1 215-561-3325

Website: https://phillyfromthetop.com/

Nearest Public Transport : Market St & 16th St Bus Station

Entry Fee : Adults (Age 12 and above): \$14 Youth (Age 3-11): \$9

Open & Close Timing: Fall/Winter Hours Sunday to Tuesday, and Saturday:

10:00hrs-20:00hrs Wednesday to Friday: Closed

Time Required: 1

Expected Wait Time: 15 minutes

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Buy Ticket: Yes

## 7.1.6. Philadelphia Zoo

Address: 3400 W Girard Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19104, USA

Zipcode: 19104

Location: 39.9714302, -75.19542919999998

Contact: +1 215-243-1100

Website: http://www.philadelphiazoo.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Girard Av & 39th St Bus Station

Entry Fee : Children: \$18 Adults: \$20

Open & Close Timing: Daily: 09:30hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required: 3

Expected Wait Time: 15 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

## 7.1.7. Philadelphia Museum of Art

Address : 2600 Benjamin Franklin Pkwy, Philadelphia, PA 19130, USA

Zipcode: 19130

Location: 39.9655697, -75.18096609999998

Contact: +1 215-763-8100

Website: http://www.philamuseum.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Art Museum Dr & Back Entrance-2 Bus Station

Entry Fee: \$20 for adults, \$18 for Seniors (65 years and above), \$14 for Youth (age

13-18) and free for children (12 years and under).

Open & Close Timing : Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs; Wednesday and Friday: 10:00hrs-20:45hrs Monday: Closed

Time Required: 2

Expected Wait Time : 20 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

#### 7.1.8. Adventure Aquarium

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Address: 1 Riverside Dr, Camden, NJ 08103, USA

Zipcode : 08103

Location: 39.9460365, -75.1310049

Contact: +1 856-365-3300

Website: http://www.adventureaquarium.com/

Nearest Public Transport : Camden Adventure Aquarium Bus station

Entry Fee: General Admission fee is \$27 for adults (age 13 and above) and \$20 for

children (age 2-12).

Open & Close Timing: Daily: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time: 25 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

## 7.1.9. The African American Museum in Philadelphia

Address: 701 Arch St, Philadelphia, PA 19106, USA

Zipcode: 19106

Location: 39.9533038, -75.1517652

Contact: +1 215-574-0380

Website: http://www.aampmuseum.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Arch St & 7th St Bus station

Entry Fee: General admission fee is \$14 for adults, \$10 for Youth (4-12 years) and \$10 for senior citizens and students with ID proof.

Open & Close Timing : Thursday to Saturday: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs Sunday:

12:00hrs-17:00hrs Monday to Wednesday: Closed

Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time : 10 minutes

Buy Ticket : Yes

## 7.1.10. American Helicopter Museum & Education Center

Address : 1220 American Blvd, West Chester, PA 19380, USA

Zipcode: 19380

Location: 39.9918628, -75.57886689999998

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Contact: +1 610-436-9600

Website: http://www.americanhelicopter.museum/

Nearest Public Transport : Airport Rd & American Blvd- FS Bus station

Entry Fee: Admission fees are \$10 for adults; \$8 for Seniors, Students with ID and

Children under age 12; and free for Children under the age 2.

Open & Close Timing: Wednesday to Saturday: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs Sunday:

12:00hrs-17:00hrs Monday and Tuesday: Closed

Time Required: 2

Expected Wait Time: 20 minutes

Buy Ticket : Yes

#### 7.1.11. Simeone Foundation Automotive Museum

Address: 6825-31 Norwitch Dr, Philadelphia, PA 19153, USA

Zipcode: 19153

Location: 39.910907, -75.22662400000002

Contact: +1 215-365-7233

Website: http://www.simeonemuseum.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Lindbergh Blvd & 69th St Bus Station

Entry Fee: 2017 General Admission: \$12 + \$1.23 fee Children (age 8 and under):

Free

Open & Close Timing: Tuesday to Friday: 10:00hrs-18:00hrs Saturday and

Sunday: 10:00hrs-16:00hrs Monday: Closed

Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time : 20 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

## 7.1.12. Longwood Gardens

Address : 1001 Longwood Rd, Kennett Square, PA 19348, USA

Zipcode: 19348

Location: 39.871271, -75.67472029999999

Contact: +1 610-388-1000

Website: http://longwoodgardens.org/

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Nearest Public Transport : Longwood Garden (near bus parking area) Bus Station Entry Fee : \$20 for Adults (18+ years), \$17 for Seniors (62+ years), \$10 for Students (5-18 years) or any age with valid student ID, and free for children (0-4 years).

Open & Close Timing: Thursday to Saturday: 09:00hrs-23:00hrs Sunday to

Wednesday: 09:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required: 3

Expected Wait Time: 15 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

#### 7.1.13. Mutter Museum

Address : 19 S 22nd St, Philadelphia, PA 19103, USA

Zipcode: 19103

Location: 39.9533104999999, -75.17663909999999

Contact: +1 215-560-8564

Website: http://www.collegeofphysicians.org/m%C3%BCtter-museum

Nearest Public Transport : 22nd St & Market St Bus Station

Entry Fee: \$13 for Senior (age 65 and above), \$10 for youth (6-17 years), \$10 for

student, and free for children (age 5 and below).

Open & Close Timing: Daily: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required: 2

Expected Wait Time: 25 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

#### 7.1.14. Barnes Foundation

Address : 2025 Benjamin Franklin Pkwy, Philadelphia, PA 19130, USA

Zipcode : 19130

Location: 39.9606433, -75.17280749999998

Contact: +1 215-278-7200

Website: http://www.barnesfoundation.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Ben Franklin Pkwy & 21th St Bus Station

Entry Fee: \$25 for adults, \$23 for seniors (age 65+), \$10 for students with valid ID

and for youth (6-18 years), and free for children (0-5 years).

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Open & Close Timing: Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday to Saturday:

10:00hrs-17:00hrs Tuesday: Closed

Time Required: 1.5

Expected Wait Time : 10 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

## 7.1.15. National Museum of American Jewish History

Address: 101 S Independence Mall E, Philadelphia, PA 19106, USA

Zipcode : 19106

Location: 39.950181, -75.14842599999997

Contact: +1 215-923-3811

Website: http://www.nmajh.org/

Nearest Public Transport : 5th St & Market St Bus Station

Entry Fee: \$12 for adults, \$11 for Seniors (age 65 and above) and for youth (13-21

years or valid college ID), and free for children (12 years and under).

Open & Close Timing: Tuesday to Friday: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs Saturday and

Sunday: 10:00hrs-17:30hrs Monday: Closed

Time Required: 2

Expected Wait Time: 20 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

## 7.1.16. Eastern State Penitentiary

Address: 2027 Fairmount Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19130, USA

Zipcode : 19130

Location: 39.9683364, -75.1726648

Contact : +1 215-236-3300

Website: http://www.easternstate.org/home

Nearest Public Transport : 22nd St & Fairmount Av Bus Station

Entry Fee: \$14 for adults, \$12 for seniors, and \$10 for students & kids

Open & Close Timing: Daily: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required: 2

Expected Wait Time: 15 minutes

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Buy Ticket: Yes

#### 7.1.17. Please Touch Museum

Address: 4231 Avenue of the Republic, Philadelphia, PA 19131, USA

Zipcode : 19131

Location: 39.979487, -75.20901190000001

Contact: +1 215-581-3181

Website: http://www.pleasetouchmuseum.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Concourse Dr & E Rd Bus Station

Entry Fee: Free for children under the age 1, \$17 for adults and children of age 1

and above.

Open & Close Timing: Monday to Saturday: 09:00hrs-17:00hrs Sunday:

11:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required: 2.5

Expected Wait Time: 15 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

## 7.1.18. Philadelphia City Hall

Address: 1401 John F Kennedy Blvd, Philadelphia, PA 19107, USA

Zipcode: 19107

Location: 39.95237890000001, -75.1635996

Contact: +1 215-686-1776

Website: http://www.phila.gov/Pages/default.aspx

Nearest Public Transport: City Hall Station - BSL Subway Station

Entry Fee: City Hall Tower Tour Adult: \$8 Senior (above age 65), Students, Youth, Military: \$6 Student/ Youth: \$4 Military: \$6 Children under age 3: Free City Hall Interior Tour Adult: \$15 Senior (above age 65): \$10 Student/ Youth: \$8

Military: \$10 Children under age 3: Free

Open & Close Timing: Sunday and Wednesday: Closed Monday, Tuesday,

Thursday to Saturday: 09:00hrs-19:00hrs

Time Required: 1

Expected Wait Time: 20 minutes

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Buy Ticket: Yes

#### 7.1.19. Rodin Museum

Address: 2151 Benjamin Franklin Pkwy, Philadelphia, PA 19130, USA

Zipcode : 19130

Location: 39.9619232, -75.1739579

Contact: +1 215-763-8100

Website: http://www.rodinmuseum.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Ben Franklin Pkwy & 22nd St Bus Station

Entry Fee: Admission to the Rodin Museum is based on "Pay What You Wish" Suggested Admission- Adults: \$10 Seniors (age 65 and above): \$8 Students (with

valid ID): \$7 Youth (age 13–18): \$7 Children (age 12 & under): Free

Open & Close Timing: Sunday, Monday, Wednesday to Saturday:

10:00hrs-17:00hrs Tuesday: Closed

Time Required: 1.5

Expected Wait Time: 15 minutes

Buy Ticket: No

#### 7.1.20. Franklin Institute

Address: 222 N 20th St, Philadelphia, PA 19103, United States

Zipcode: 19103

Location: 39.9582109, -75.17313469999999

Contact : +1 215-448-1200

Website: https://www.fi.edu/

Nearest Public Transport : Winter St & 20th St-MBNS Bus station Entry Fee : General Admission Adult: \$19.95 Child (age 3-11): \$15.95

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 09:30hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required: 3.5

Expected Wait Time: 25 minutes

Buy Ticket: Yes

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#### **7.2. Free**

#### 7.2.1. Independence Hall

The centerpiece of the Independence National Historical Park in Philadelphia, Independence Hall is the building where both the United States Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution were debated and adopted. The building is listed as the a World Heritage Site. There are several tours available which are very informative. Though there is no entry fee to visit the Independence Hall, there is a handling fee of \$1.50 per ticket for advance reservations. Independence Hall is listed as a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. It forms part of the cultural and natural heritage which the World Heritage Committee considers as having outstanding universal value. Independence Hall in Philadelphia may be considered the birthplace of the United States of America: it was here that the Declaration of Independence was signed in 1776, the Articles of Confederation uniting the 13 colonies were ratified in 1781, and the Constitution setting out the nation's basic laws was adopted in 1787, after George Washington had presided over the debate, which ran from May to September. The building was designed by Andrew Hamilton to house the Assembly of the Commonwealth (colony) of Pennsylvania. Finished in 1753, it is a modest brick structure with a steeple that was intended to hold a 2,080 lb (943 kg) bell. The bell, however, has cracked twice and stands silently on the ground in a special shelter (a reproduction now hangs in the steeple). Independence Hall is important not for its architectural design but for the documents of fundamental importance to American history drafted and debated here that formed the democracy of the United States. Note: Though the entrance is free, you need to get a guided tour ticket for admission. However, it is recommended to get your tickets in advance as they get distributed quickly. If you book the tickets in advance, a handling charge of \$1.50 is levied.

Address: 520 Chestnut St, Philadelphia, PA 19106, USA

Zipcode: 19106

Location: 39.9488703, -75.15002620000001

Website: https://www.nps.gov/inde/planyourvisit/independencehall.htm

Nearest Public Transport : Chestnut St & 6th St Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: September 6, 2016 to May 2017 Daily: 09:00hrs-17:00hrs

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Check the website for the updated summer hours

Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.2. Rittenhouse Square

Address : 210 W Rittenhouse Square, Filadélfia, PA 19103, United States

Zipcode: 19103

Location: 39.94986579999999, -75.17339149999998

Contact: +1 267-586-5675

Website: http://friendsofrittenhouse.org/

Nearest Public Transport : 19th St & Locust St Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Daily: 06:00hrs-01:00hrs

Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.3. Reading Terminal Market

Address: 51 N 12th St, Philadelphia, PA 19107, USA

Zipcode: 19107

Location: 39.9532281, -75.15895460000002

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.4. Elfreth's Alley

Address : 124-126 Elfreth's Alley, Philadelphia, PA 19106, USA

Zipcode : 19106

Location: 39.9526946, -75.14240649999999

Contact: +1 215-627-8680

Website: http://www.elfrethsalley.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Arch St & 2nd St Bus Station

Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

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#### 7.2.5. Independence National Historical Park

Address : Philadelphia, PA 19106, USA

Zipcode: 19106

Location: 39.9495312, -75.1497319

Contact: +1 215-965-2305

Website: https://www.nps.gov/inde/index.htm

Nearest Public Transport : Chestnut St & 6th St Bus Station

Open & Close Timing: Daily: 09:00hrs-17:00hrs However it's suggested to visit the website to know the individual opening and closing hours of the other key spots within the park like the Independence Hall, Congress Hall, Liberty Bell Center etc.

Time Required : 2 Buy Ticket : No

### 7.2.6. Liberty Bell

Address: 6th St & Market St, Philadelphia, PA 19106, United States

Zipcode: 19106

Location: 39.9496103, -75.15028210000003

Contact: +1 215-965-2305

Website: https://www.nps.gov/inde/learn/historyculture/stories-libertybell.htm

Nearest Public Transport : Chestnut St & 6th St Bus Station

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 09:00hrs-19:00hrs

Time Required : 1 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.2.7. Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts (PAFA)

Address: 118-128 N Broad St, Philadelphia, PA 19102, United States

Zipcode: 19102

Location: 39.9556084, -75.16314349999999

Contact : +1 215-972-7600

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Website: https://www.pafa.org/

Nearest Public Transport: Broad St at Cherry St Bus station.

Open & Close Timing: Tuesday to Friday: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs Saturday and

Sunday: 11:00hrs-17:00hrs Monday: Closed

Time Required : 2 Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.8. Fairmount Park

Address : Philadelphia, PA 19119, United States

Zipcode : 19119

Location: 39.9881142, -75.1971204000002

Contact: +1 215-683-3600

Website: https://www.nps.gov/inde/index.htm

Nearest Public Transport: https://www.nps.gov/inde/index.htm

Time Required : 2 Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.9. Old St Joseph's Church

Address: 321 Willings Alley, Philadelphia, PA 19106, United States

Zipcode: 19106

Location: 39.946582, -75.14751150000001

Contact: +1 215-923-1733

Website: http://oldstjoseph.org/blog/

Nearest Public Transport: 4th St & Locust St Bus Station

Time Required : 0.5 Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.10. Gloria Dei Old Swedes Episcopal Church

Address : 916 S Swanson St, Philadelphia, PA 19147, United States

Zipcode: 19147

Location: 39.934486, -75.14354860000003

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Contact: +1 215-389-1513

Website: http://www.old-swedes.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Columbus Blvd & Christian St Bus Station

Time Required : 0.5 Buy Ticket : No

## 7.2.11. Old Trinity Church

Address: Philadelphia, PA 19111, USA

Zipcode : 19111

Location: 40.05439559999999, -75.08641469999998

Contact: (215) 745-6114

Nearest Public Transport : Rising Sun Av & Longshore Av Bus Station

Time Required: 0.5

Buy Ticket: No

# 7.2.12. Bala Cynwyd Shopping Center

Address : 59 E City Ave, Bala Cynwyd, PA 19004, USA

Zipcode: 19004

Location: 40.00376809999999, -75.22347530000002

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

## 7.2.13. Philadelphia Mills

Address : 1455 Franklin Mills Cir, Philadelphia, PA 19154, USA

Zipcode : 19154

Location: 40.0874923, -74.96162270000002

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

## 7.2.14. Neshaminy Mall

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Zipcode: o

Location: 40.1387935999999, -74.9553502

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

# 7.2.15. Plymouth Meeting Mall

Zipcode: o

Location: 40.1172178, -75.28429440000002

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

## 7.2.16. Oxford Valley Mall

Address: 2300 E Lincoln Hwy, Langhorne, PA 19047, USA

Zipcode : 19047

Location: 40.1838159, -74.88062409999998

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.17. Roosevelt Mall

Address: 2339 Cottman Ave #1, Philadelphia, PA 19149, USA

Zipcode : 19149

Location: 40.0470032, -75.05652839999999

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

### 7.2.18. The Bellevue Philadelphia

Zipcode: o

Location: 39.949108, -75.164784

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

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#### 7.2.19. Whitman Plaza

Zipcode: o

Location: 39.9135139999999, -75.1557985

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

## 7.2.20. City Avenue Shopping Center

Zipcode : o

Location: 39.9780785, -75.272333

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

#### 7.2.21. Northeast Tower Center

Zipcode: o

Location: 40.0305506, -75.1002429999998

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

### 7.2.22. Quartermaster Plaza

Zipcode: o

Location: 39.9155633, -75.1881235999998

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No

## 7.2.23. Northeast Shopping Center

Zipcode: o

Location: 40.0762323, -75.03261880000002

Time Required: o



Buy Ticket : No

# 7.2.24. Penrose Plaza Shopping Center

Zipcode : o

Location: 39.9013827, -75.2408337

Time Required : o Buy Ticket : No



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#### 8. Key sites sports & adventure

Well, if you're craving with some fresh air and sunshine, Philadelphia has City limits that just line the map. Grab your bike because Philadelphia and the Countryside have more outdoor activities than you can imagine.

## • Hiking and Biking -

Address: Valley Green Rd, Philadelphia, PA 19128, USA

Location: 40.0565413999999,-75.216979799999

Contact No : +1 215-247-0417

Website: https://www.fow.org/

Nearest Public Transport: Henry Av & Domino La - MBNS Bus Station

Open / Close Time: Daily: 06:00hrs-23:00hrs

Time Required: 4

# Cycling and Hiking -

Address : 1400 N Outer Line Dr, King of Prussia, PA 19406, USA

Location: 40.1001449999999,-75.430196299999

Contact No: +1 610-783-1099

Website: https://www.nps.gov/vafo/index.htm

Nearest Public Transport : Valley Forge National Park Bus Station

Open / Close Time : Daily: 09:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required: 3

#### • Golf -

Address : 1954 Pattison Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19145, USA

Location: 39.9008488,-75.188098599999

Contact No : +1 215-462-8997

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Website: http://fdr.golfphilly.org/

Nearest Public Transport : Penrose & Pattison Av – MBNS Bus Station

Entry Fees: \$34 for 18 holes

Open / Close Time : Daily: 07:00hrs-19:00hrs

Time Required : 2

Wait Time: 15 minutes

# • Watersports and Hiking -

Address : 2501 Walnut St, Philadelphia, PA 19103, United States

Location: 39.9521946,-75.1806532

Contact No : +1 215-222-6030

Website: https://www.schuylkillbanks.org/

Nearest Public Transport: 23rd St & Chestnut St-FS Bus Station

Entry Fees: The tour prices are made known at the site. Buying tour

tickets in advance is highly recommended are often sold out.

Open / Close Time : Daily: 06:00hrs-01:00hrs

Time Required: 4

Wait Time: 10 minutes

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#### 9. Adventure sports, Local sports, stadiums

#### Lincoln Financial Field:

Address : 1 Lincoln Financial Field Way, Philadelphia, PA 19148, USA

Location: 39.9007673999999,-75.1674635

Contact No : +1 267-570-4000

Website: http://www.lincolnfinancialfield.com/

#### Citizens Bank Park:

Address: 1 Citizens Bank Way, Philadelphia, PA 19148, USA

Location: 39.9060572,-75.16649519999999

Contact No : +1 215-463-1000

Website: http://philadelphia.phillies.mlb.com/phi/ballpark/index.jsp

# Wells Fargo Center:

Address : 3601 S Broad St, Philadelphia, PA 19148, USA

Location: 39.90120150000001,-75.17197950000002

Contact No: +1 215-336-3600

Website: https://www.wellsfargocenterphilly.com/

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## 10. Spas and relaxation

## • Spa Terme Di Aroma:

Address : 32 N 3rd St, Philadelphia, PA 19106, United States

Location: 39.9510867,-75.1457828

Contact No: +1 215-829-9769

Website: http://www.termediaroma.com/

# • Le Reve Rittenhouse Spa:

Address: 255 S 17th St #400, Philadelphia, PA 19103, USA

Location: 39.9482018999999,-75.16933

Contact No: +1 215-701-6272

Website: http://www.lereverittenhousespa.com/

## Maha Yoga:

Address : 1700 Sansom St, Philadelphia, PA 19103, USA

Location: 39.9506387,-75.1691821

Contact No : +1 215-864-0770

Website: http://www.mahayogastudio.com/wp/

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## 11. Key local guides and tours

Free Tours by Foot is the best tour in the city; it is a good tour for bringing children and teenagers along; they won't be bored at all! The ghost tours are highly recommended, and I doubt you'll want your tour to end once you start. AudioWalk and Tour of Historic Philadelphia is recommended because it sure will enhance your level of understanding the birthplace of the American democracy we live by today. The Big Bus Company is a bus charter. It is one of the greatest ways to explore the city and one of the biggest tourist attractions in Philadelphia. Trained guides will accompany you and provide you with interesting and exciting information about the city and its origins. The Big Bus Company is open for business every day in a week, and the starting point of the tour is usually 5th and Market Streets. For \$10 (children) and \$27 (adults), you can enjoy beautiful sights while riding in a double-decker bus. The famous local guides in the city are David K. who is skilled at leading tours for academics and international visitors. Jeremy A is another local guide who has immense knowledge about the city's history, economics, architecture and politics and his tours are significantly customized Richard F. is a local guide who loves to share the knowledge of the city's history, architecture, and arts with people from around the world.

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#### 12. Transportation hubs

The Philadelphia International Airport is the main airport in the city. This is where all the major international flights land. If you're travelling from a foreign country your flight will land here. In case you can't manage to find a flight directly to Philadelphia, you could also choose to land at Trenton-Mercer Airport which is a domestic airport in this city. You can choose a connecting flight from New Jersey and come here. The distance from The Philadelphia International Airport to the city center is 20.5 kilometers and it takes 24 minutes to travel from this airport to the city center. The other main airport in the city is North East Philadelphia Airport. Atlantic City International Airport is another airport that you can choose in case you prefer travelling by road from the airport to the city. The major subway stations in the city are Race Vine Station – BSL Station, and Spring Garden Station – BSL. The important train station is Philadelphia North Station. The major bus terminal stations are 30th Street Station and Philadelphia Greyhound Terminal.

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#### 13. Transportation cost

The Public transit agency in Philadelphia is SEPTA which operates all the major types of transit vehicles- light rail vehicles (trolleys), regional rail trains, electric trolleybuses, rapid transit trains, and motor buses. Taking a taxi from the airport to the city center is easy where you would be charged with \$28.50. SEPTA is the main transit agency here and bus #38, #21 and #124 take convenient routes throughout the city. Trolley, subway and bus fares are \$2.25 for each ride in cash. It's cheaper to buy the tokens in packs of 10, 5, or 2 for \$1.80 per token. SEPTA passes are \$12 for an individual pass and \$29 for the family pass. Seniors ride for free on trolleys, buses, and subways. Seniors pay a fare of \$1 for Regional Rail. A weekly SEPTA TransPass costs \$24 and a Monthly SEPTA TransPass costs \$91.

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#### 14. Baggage allowance

The Grey hound bus is the local bus station of Philadelphia, the 1st carry on and checked baggage is free of charge according to Greyhound.com. The 2nd carry on is \$15 weighing no more than 25lbs, and must be stored in the overhead compartment or under the seat in front of you. The first checked baggage is Free as well weighing no more than 50lbs and measuring 62 inches when you add

together the L + W + H.

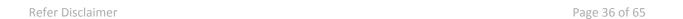


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#### 15. Must try food and local savouries

Crab Fries at Chickie's & Pete's is the best creation you can ever taste as that comes from a deep fryer. Benton's Bacon Grease Popcorn is the best way to get your bacon fix on in Philadelphia. The cheesesteak, a sandwich traditionally made with sliced beef and melted cheese on an Italian roll, is the well known icon of the city, and soft pretzels have become a part of Philadelphia culture. The other traditionally renowned food dishes in the city are hoagie, and Philadelphia Pepper Pot which is a soup of tripe, meat, and vegetables. Philadelphia has its own regional variant of hot dog known as the Texas Tommy which is defined by its use of cheese (usually cheddar cheese) and bacon as toppings.





### 16. Restaurant & Nightlife

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#### Chickie's & Pete's:

Address: 1526 Packer Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19145, United States

Location: 39.9114669,-75.174599100000

Contact No: +1 215-218-0500

Website: http://chickiesandpetes.com/location/south-philadelphia/

Open / Close Time : Daily: 11:00hrs-02:00hrs

### Bing Bing Dim Sum:

Address : e 19148, 1648 E Passyunk Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19148, USA

Location: 39.928958999999,-75.164709000000

Contact No : +1 215-279-7702

Website: http://www.bingbingdimsum.com/

Open / Close Time : Monday to Thursday: 17:00hrs-22:00hrs Friday: 17:00hrs-23:00hrs Saturday: 12:00hrs-23:00hrs Sunday: 12:00hrs-22:00hrs

#### Zahav Restaurant:

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Address: 237 St James Pl, Philadelphia, PA 19106, USA

Location: 39.9462397,-75.145263699999

Contact No : +1 215-625-8800

Website : http://www.zahavrestaurant.com/

Open / Close Time: Sunday to Thursday: 17:00hrs-22:00hrs Friday and

Saturday: 17:00hrs-23:00hrs

#### • El Vez:

Address : 121 S 13th St, Philadelphia, PA 19107, United States

Location: 39.9497262999999,-75.1617435

Contact No: +1 215-928-9800

Website: http://www.elvezrestaurant.com/

Open / Close Time : Friday and Saturday: 11:30hrs-00:00hrs Monday to

Thursday 11:30hrs-23:00hrs Sunday: 11:00hrs-22:00hrs

### Morimoto:

Address: 723 Chestnut St, Philadelphia, PA 19106, United States

Location: 39.9496976,-75.153231899999

Contact No : +1 215-413-9070

Website: http://www.morimotorestaurant.com/

Open / Close Time : Monday to Thursday: 11:30hrs-14:00hrs, 17:00hrs-22:00hrs Friday: 11:30hrs-14:00hrs, 17:00hrs-00:00hrs Saturday:

17:00hrs-00:00hrs Sunday: 17:00hrs-22:00hrs

### Davio's Northern Italian Steakhouse:

Address : 111 S 17th St, Philadelphia, PA 19103, United States

Location: 39.9510158,-75.16873220000002

Contact No : +1 215-563-4810

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Website: https://davios.com/

Open / Close Time : Monday to Friday: 07:30hrs-10:30hrs, 11:30hrs-14:30hrs, 17:00hrs-22:30hrs Saturday and Sunday:

17:00hrs-22:30hrs

## • Spruce Street Harbor Park:

Address : 301 S Christopher Columbus Blvd, Philadelphia, PA 19106,

**USA** 

Location: 39.9443823999999,-75.1414901

Contact No : +1 215-922-2386

Website: http://www.delawareriverwaterfront.com/places/spruce-street-

harbor-park

#### Frankford Hall:

Address : 1210 Frankford Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19125, USA

Location: 39.9694445000000,-75.134681

Contact No: +1 215-634-3338

Website: http://www.frankfordhall.com/

Open / Close Time : Monday to Friday: 16:00hrs-02:00hrs Saturday:

12:00hrs-02:00hrs Sunday: 11:30hrs-02:00hrs

### XFINITY Live! Philadelphia:

Address : 1100 Pattison Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19148, USA

Location : 39.904365,-75.169366999999

Contact No : +1 267-443-6415 Website : http://xfinitylive.com/

Open / Close Time : Daily: 11:00hrs-02:00hrs

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# 17. Average meal cost

When in Philadelphia, the cost of meals varies depending on where one is buying and also the type of meal you are looking for. But generally, basic lunchtime menu in the business district costs \$14, 500 g of local cheese costs \$5.97 while domestic beer in a supermarket costs \$3.29.



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#### 18. Tourist benefits

Like every other city in USA, Philadelphia too has its tax regulations. No tourist is given tax redemption here unless they are visiting the city on business purposes. Most tourist end up paying higher bills at restaurants due to the service fee that is included. VAT is another common form of tax in USA. This is usually applicable to all the items purchased here. You can try to get some items at the duty free

shops at the airport. These are tax-free.



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### 19. Essential local apps

Travel Apps have become an inevitable part of travel. They make travel easy and comfortable. The most popular apps In Philadelphia include Uber (app that helps get a reliable and affordable ride in minutes), Currency (app that allows access to live exchange rates and calculate prices on the phone), Good weather (app that provides detailed weather information in more than 200000 cities), CabMatch (app that lets you share a cab) and lots more. The mentioned apps serve a large number of purposes that may range from booking flight tickets to finding a good spot to eat. The apps will function in both Android and iOS platforms.



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### 20. Driving

It will not be possible to drive with a foreign driver's license or an international license in the city. You could apply for a temporary driver's license if the period of your visit is short. You will be asked to submit copies of your immigration and naturalization documents. The license granted after due consideration of these documents will have the words "Temporary Visitor" printed on it along with date

of expiry of immigration documents.



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#### 21. Travel essentials

Power sockets in the city are Standard Type or Type B. They may be two pins or three pins. The voltage level is set at 110V and the frequency is set at 60H. To check if your appliances are compatible with this level and frequency, check the bottom of the appliances. If the voltage level shown at the bottom varies considerably, it's best to take a power converter. Also pack a power plug adapter.



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#### 22. Essential clothes

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# 23. Local currency

The local currency of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania is the US dollar.



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### 24. Change vendor's commission, ATM charges

This Hi Tech city has plenty of banks, ATMs and currency exchange centers. Further, majority of the hotel, cafe and restaurant in Philadelphia accepts credit cards and debit cards. You can use the card for shopping, eating out and other entertainment activity. So you don't have to burden yourself by carrying too much cash. Keep cash with you for meeting emergencies. You may also need cash for using public transport and for shopping at small outlets and road side stalls.



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### 25. Staying connected

AT&T is the most recommended network in the US. It offers great reception and international calling plans. The T Mobile network also offers services in the city. However, calling rates in the Unites States are extremely expensive. If the period of your visit is short, you could also opt to buy a cheap prepaid phone. Further, almost every hotel, restaurant and cafe offers WiFi and Internet facility. A small amount pertaining to use of such facility may be added to the bill.



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# 26. Time Zone

Time zone of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania is - Eastern Time Zone UTC-05:00.



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# 27. Languages

Most of the residents in Alleghany West, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania speak Spanish. Other languages spoken in the city include Korean, German, Vietnamese, French, and French Creole.



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#### 28. Political Scenario

The city follows a mayor council form of government. The mayor as the Chief Executive Officer and his council are the highest authority at a municipal level. The mayor can hold office for two consecutive four year terms. The city is dominated by Democrats. Few Republicans have earned their victory in Philadelphia. The city follows a liberal and forward approach when it comes to

politics.



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#### 29. Economic Scenario

Philadelphia is the largest city in Pennsylvania. Hence it is the center of economic activity. It is home to several Fortune 1000 companies. It is the seventh largest economy in the Unites States. Information Technology, oil refining, financial services and health care are the main sources of income. The city has low unemployment rates and has been showing a positive and consistent economic

growth trend.



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# 30. Religious belief

In Philadelphia, 48.77% of the population are religious with 25.55% Catholics, 0.45% LDS, 1.10% Jewish, 4.31% are another Christian Faith, 1.08% are an Eastern Faith, 2.59% are affiliated with the Islamic faith.



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### 31. Visa requirements

Like every other city in USA, any person travelling to Philadelphia needs to have a visa to enter. A tourist needs B2 visa, and any person visiting the city on business purposes needs a B1 visa. You are allowed to stay in the city only for the number of days your visa permits you to. Most tourist visas are anywhere between 15 days to 3 months. You can always decrease the number of days you plan to stay in Philadelphia. It is advisable to keep 2 pages free in your passport for arrival and departure stamps. In certain cases, it has been observed that applying and receiving a visa can be a process of 20-30 days. Hence, it is essential that you check the timeline with the relevant authority in the country where you intend to make the visa application.

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# 32. Essential vaccination

No vaccinations are required for entry to the states but you may want get a tetanus booster just to be safe.



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### 33. Theft and Safety

Although Philadelphia is comparatively a safe place to visit, it does have its flaws. While in Philadelphia, you have a chance of 10 in 1000 of being a victim of violent crime and a chance of 34 in 1000 of being a victim of property crime. Although the crime rate in Philadelphia is quite high compared to the rest of the United States, this is due to a few rough neighborhoods that the rate has shot up. Never

travel alone late at night is the only suggestion.



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### 34. Embassy/Consulate

If you plan on visiting Philadelphia for a holiday, you need to get a visa approval from the embassy. Every city has various embassy offices scattered all over the world. You need to find out where the embassy office is located closest to you in order to submit all your documents. For more information on embassies and consulates, visit http://embassy.goabroad.com/embassies-of/united-states.



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# 35. Accessibility

Philadelphia is a wheelchair friendly city and any person who is restricted to movement can travel in this city with ease. There are a number of sightseeing spots that are wheelchair accessible here.



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# 36. Emergencies

It is not tough to find medical support in Philadelphia. There are a number of hospitals, medical services and pharmacies available all over the city. The major hospitals in the city are Pennsylvania Hospital and Thomas Jefferson University Hospitals. For any SOS services, call 911



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#### 37. Do's and Don'ts

Do's: • Arrange for sufficient medicines to meet your personal medical needs. Check with the embassy of the country you are visiting to ensure your medicine is legal in the countries you are travelling to. Obtain a doctor's letter stating who the medicines are for, what they are, the dosage, and leave medicines in their original packaging. • Be careful of traffic while crossing or walking on the major intersections of the city. One must always walk or drive defensively. • Book a hotel in the city center to stay safe and away from hotel room theft. Don'ts: • North Philadelphia is the downtown in this city, and is famous for a few crimes, so try and avoid visiting this place. • It is advisable that do not carry unsealed/unbranded food articles as the same may be banned for import. • Do not leave your rented car unlocked and also make sure that you park it near to a crowded area.

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# 38. Tipping basics

Although tipping expectations vary by culture and the service industry, leaving a tip of about 20% of your bill is always a safe bet. However, be sure to check if the tip is included in your bill or not as some restaurants practice this.



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#### 39.Pet info

Philadelphia is pet friendly city, you may want to check with your hotel in advance regarding their policies on pets. Some hotels have a restriction on weight, the number of pets and so forth. Also make sure you take your pet to the vet before planning to travel. There are a number of vaccines that need to be administered. Also check with your airline about their pet policy. While most

airlines allow pets, you can never be too sure.



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### Conclusion - Why to select this destination

Philadelphia city is the largest in Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and most populated city in the U.S. It has many nicknames like 'Philly', 'The Athens of America' and 'City of Brotherly Love'. It's motto is 'Philadelphia maneto' or 'Let brotherly love endure'. It is the cultural and economic center of Delaware Valley. There are 7 out of Fortune 1000 companies in Philadelphia. It has many colleges and universities and is the top international destination for study. U.S.A's first library, 200, Capitol, stock exchange, hospital, medical school and business school were set up here. It's the only World Heritage City in U.S. There are sixty seven National Historic Landmarks which attract nearly 40 million tourists every year. Tourism generates an approximate income of \$10 billion. Philadelphia is an important historical city of America. To appreciate its treasures it is nice to stay in the Old City where there are many major attractions. You can visit the Independence National Historical Park which includes famous sites like Liberty Bell, Independence Hall and Franklin Court. Liberty Bell symbolizes the independence and freedom of the U.S. The Declaration of Independence and later the Constitution were adopted by the Continental Congress in the Independence Hall. In the Philadelphia Museum of Art you can see European, American and Asian art collections. The Please Touch Museum is mainly for kids. It has two floors which have interactive exhibits. You must visit the Reading Terminal Market which is a foodie paradise where you can get everything from local produce to artisanal cheeses, delicious sandwiches, and desserts. Don't miss out the Philadelphia Zoo which has almost 1300 animals and many awesome exhibits, like the Big Cat Crossing. The Longwood Gardens have dazzling displays which raise horticulture to the level of an art. There are forty outdoor and indoor gardens.

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