



HOMESTAY – ROOM ONLY ACCOMMODATION

THE ROOM ONLY OPTION

This option allows you to use the host's kitchen facilities to cook your own meals. This gives you more independence and allows you to live life in New York like in a shared house with locals, and sometimes other students from school too. You will not be expected to share meal times and will have more freedom with your schedule, but as always you will need to respect the host's house rules (regarding guests, smoking, quiet times etc...).

Note that you may be with other students staying there on a Bed & Breakfast/Half-Board basis at the same time.

This option is ideal for students wishing to be independent while in New York. There may not be much conversation with the hosts, it is more like sharing a house with a local. If you want more speaking time with your hosts, we recommend a homestay on a Bed & Breakfast or Half-Board basis.

THE OWNERS

The owners often have large houses with several bedrooms which they may rent to students either on a Room Only basis, or on a Bed & Breakfast or Half-Board basis.

New York is famous for its cultural diversity and built on ethnic multiplicity, so some owners may be of Latin or Asian descent for example, but that does not make them any less American. They may also speak another language, but English will always be the language spoken in the household.

LOCATION

Our homestays are all in Brooklyn, on average 35-40 minutes to Lower Manhattan on public transportation.

AMENITIES

Students get a private bedroom and are responsible for the cleanliness and tidiness of their room. The apartment's common areas (kitchen, lounge, dining room, bathroom) are shared with the owners and/or other students. You will have full access to the kitchen to cook your own meals. Bed linen is provided but you need to bring your own towels. Washing machines are rarely available in US homes but laundromats are always found nearby (usually \$4/wash and \$2/dry).

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

Arrival day is on the Sunday before your course starts, and departure day is on the Saturday after your course ends. If you wish to add one extra night on arrival or departure, we will try and arrange this (at an extra cost).

