



EO LOCATION GUIDE – PROSPECT PARK

A BIT OF HISTORY

In 1858, Frederick Law Olmsted and Calvert Vaux who had created Central Park in Manhattan, were commissioned to design and create Prospect Park. The first section of the park opened to the public on October 19, 1867. In 1873, *The New York Times* described Prospect Park as an "indispensable Sunday resort for the toiling thousands of Brooklyn". By the end of the century, Prospect Park saw about 15 million visitors per year.

Main attractions of the park include the 90-acre (36 ha) Long Meadow; the Picnic House; Litchfield Villa; Prospect Park Zoo; the Boathouse; Concert Grove; Brooklyn's only lake, covering 60 acres (24 ha); and the Prospect Park Bandshell that hosts free outdoor concerts in the summertime. The park also has sports facilities, including the Prospect Park Tennis Center, basketball courts, baseball fields, soccer fields, and the New York Pétanque Club.

THE ESSENTIALS

Morning coffee

- Ladybird bakery
- Blue Bottle Coffee

Lunch options

- Pasta Louise
- Zatar café and bistro
- Bareburger

Something sweet

- Ladybird bakery
- Blue Marble Ice cream

Grocery stores & pharmacies

- Union Market
- Duane Reade

Nearest subway stations & lines

- 15 Street (F, G), 3 min walk
- Prospect Park (B, Q) 3 min walk
- Grand Army Plaza (2, 3, 4) 5 min walk



(public restrooms on-site)



PLACES TO VISIT NEARBY

Park Slope – Brooklyn Museum – Brooklyn Botanical Garden – Prospect Park Zoo – Ditmas Park Historical District

3 COOL THINGS TO DO AFTER YOUR ENGLISH CLASS

1. Explore Prospect Park! There is so much to see here that you can spend a whole afternoon doing it! Get your walking shoes on and head for the following park highlights; the boathouse, Binnen Bridge, The Ravine (Brooklyn's only forest), the lake, lookout hill, and Long Meadow to name a few.
2. See an exhibit at the famous Brooklyn Museum, located very close to the park. It's worth a visit just to see the building. You can also combine a visit here by going to the Brooklyn Botanical Gardens next door.
3. Head down through the park (south) until you reach the lake and then onto the parade ground next to the park. Continue walking down Argyle road for 2 blocks until you reach Albemarle road. Once here, you have reached the Ditmas Park historical district and it's worth exploring the streets around here for a couple of hours.