



EO LOCATION GUIDE – STUYVESANT SQUARE PARK

A BIT OF HISTORY

In 1836, Peter Gerard Stuyvesant (1778–1847) the first Governor General of the New Netherlands reserved four acres of the Stuyvesant farm and sold it for a token five dollars to the City of New York as a public park, with the proviso that the City of New York build a fence around it. The 2800-foot-long cast-iron fence, which still stands as the oldest cast-iron fence in New York City. (The oldest fence in New York is that around Bowling Green.)

In 1850 two fountains completed the landscaping, and the park was formally opened to the public. The public space joined St. John's Square, the recently formed Washington Square and the private Gramercy Park as residential squares around which it was expected New York's better neighborhoods would be built. In the early 1900s, Stuyvesant Square was among the city's most fashionable addresses.

THE ESSENTIALS

Morning coffee

- Starbucks
- Irving Farm NY coffee
- Sunburst expresso bar

Lunch options

- Gramercy Tavern
- 5 Napkin Burger
- Chipotle

Grocery stores & pharmacies

- Health food store 162 3rd Ave
- West side market
- Duane Reade

Nearest subway stations & lines

- 1st Avenue (L) (5 mins walk)
- 3rd Avenue (L) (5 mins walk)
- Union Square (L,4,5,R,Q,W,N) (10 mins walk)



(Public restrooms in Union Square - 10 mins walk)



PLACES TO VISIT NEARBY

Irving Place historical district – Gramercy Park – East 19th Street architecture – Union Square – East Village

3 COOL THINGS TO DO AFTER YOUR ENGLISH CLASS

1. Head to Union Square movie theater for an afternoon movie, and afterwards drink wine and eat tapas at the famous Bar Jamon (10 minutes' walk from Stuyvesant Park)
2. While away a few hours exploring the city's most famous independent bookstore, the Strand bookstore (12 minutes' walk from Stuyvesant Park)
3. Visit the Whitney museum of American Art, and Chelsea Market and then walk The Highline (30 minutes' walk from Stuyvesant Park).