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WELCOME TO CROWN HEIGHTS

While every Brooklyn neighborhood has its own unique history, few are as interesting as Crown Heights. In the heart of Brooklyn, and bordered by Prospect Heights, Lefferts Garden, Clinton Hill, Brownsville, Flatbush, Bedford-Stuyvesant, East Flatbush and East New York, this cultural melting pot has been forged by a variety of individuals from many different backgrounds. Delineated by Washington, Atlantic, and Howard Avenues, as well as Empire Boulevard, Crown Heights encompasses a generous central swath of Brooklyn.



Like many Brooklyn neighborhoods, Crown Heights is constantly reinventing itself—every week a new restaurant opens its doors, a favorite bar becomes a blip on the radar, and a trendy new shop opens for business. As Crown Heights continues to develop, there’s no doubt that it will continue to be among Brooklyn’s most popular neighborhoods for residents and visitors alike.

To get a feel for the energy in Crown Heights, you need only take a walk down Franklin. This colorful avenue is bursting with new businesses, bars, and restaurants—most of them locally owned. Further east, you’ll discover a quieter and more residential setting boasting fantastic residential architecture, including a variety of unique row houses and expansive pre-war apartment buildings. Finally, don’t forget to visit Nostrand Avenue to experience the neighborhood’s Caribbean and West Indian culture.

So, get out and explore this vibrant neighborhood. We’ve identified our favorites throughout each section.

GETTING AROUND

While Crown Heights may fit all of your needs at home, the allure of New York City is always prevalent. Luckily, getting around Crown Heights; traveling the boroughs of Brooklyn; or making your way to Manhattan is simple from this well-connected neighborhood.



RAIL

Crown Heights is served by two major lines. The LIRR, also known as the IRT Eastern Parkway Line, stretches from Downtown Brooklyn south along Flatbush Avenue and east along Eastern Parkway to Crown Heights. After passing Utica Avenue, the line rises onto an elevated structure and becomes the New Lots Line to the end at New Lots Avenue in East New York, Brooklyn. The IRT Nostrand Avenue Line serves the neighborhoods of southern Crown Heights, Prospect Lefferts Gardens, Flatbush, East Flatbush, and the Brooklyn College area.



SUBWAY

This neighborhood is home to major subway stations, including Franklin, Nostrand, Kingston and Utica Avenue stations (2, 3, 4, & 5) as well as the President and Sterling Street stations (2, 5).



BUS

Several bus lines serve the area, including the B12, B14, B15, B17, B43, B44, B45, B46, B47, B48 and B65.

See all transportation options and areas of interest on the last page of this guide.



RESTAURANTS

Always known for its West Indian specialties, Crown Heights has seen an overwhelming amount of new restaurants emerge, bringing new styles and cuisines fit for any foodie. For the post-dinner snack, cozy cafes and dessert shops can be found all along Franklin Avenue for the perfect finish to every meal.

1 BARBONCINO PIZZA \$\$

Lively eatery serving Neapolitan brick-oven pizzas plus salads, creative cocktails & more.

718.483.8834
781 Franklin Avenue
barboncinopizza.com

2 BAR CORVO \$\$

718.230.0940
791 Washington Avenue
barcorvo.com

3 CAFE RUE DIX \$

929.234.2543
1451 Bedford Avenue
caferuedix.com

\$: 0 – 30, \$\$: 30 – 50

★ See page 7, **Staff Selections** for more information!

4 CATFISH \$\$

Country-chic Cajun kitchen serving up traditional bayou bites, craft beer & spirits.

347.305.3233
1433 Bedford Avenue
catfishnyc.com

5 CENT'ANNI \$\$

This hip Italian joint offers a full menu of entrees plus design-your-own meals of handmade pasta.

718.942.5202
742 Franklin Avenue
centannibrooklyn.com

6 CHAVELA'S \$\$

Mexican fare along with a selection of tequilas, margaritas & other specialty cocktails.

718.622.3100
736 Franklin Avenue
chavelasnyc.com

7 GLADY'S \$

What started off as a kind of modern-day Eisenberg's serving New Brooklyn Cuisine sandwiches to the hipster masses is now a Caribbean restaurant.

718.622.0249
788 Franklin Avenue
gladysnyc.com

8 SEVEN POINT ESPRESSO \$

One of Dixon Projects first commercial renovations, a beautiful coffee shop that specializes in Australian brewed coffee with an all-day brunch menu.

917.498.4381
637 Washington Ave.
sevenpointespresso.com

9 MAYFIELD \$\$

Spacious New American restaurant serving trendy eats & less-expected items in vintage-inspired digs.

347.318.3643
688 Franklin Avenue
mayfieldbk.com

NIGHTLIFE & BARS

Pubs, bars and taverns can be spotted across the entire landscape of Crown Heights. Some are old landmarks with long-time loyal crowds, others are brand-new and making their mark, while others have been revamped alongside the gentrification of the neighborhood.

1 BERG'N \$\$

Hip, late-night beer hall featuring microbrews & food vendors in a spacious, industrial-chic venue

718.857.2337
899 Bergen Street
bergn.com

4 COVENHOVEN \$\$

Highlights local & regional brews among lots of other craft beers, accompanied by soft pretzels.

718.483.9950
730 Classon Avenue
covenhovennyc.com

7 NOSTRAND AVENUE PUB \$

Convivial neighborhood hangout featuring imported & craft beers on tap & an airy backyard.

718.483.9699
658 Nostrand Avenue

2 BRANCH OFC. \$\$

Bar with an old-fashioned look offering cocktails, beer & sandwiches, plus pinball & a patio.

718.782.8463
225 Rogers Avenue
branchofcbrooklyn.com

5 FRANKLIN PARK \$\$

Roomy bar in a former garage hosting events like DJs & readings, plus a patio with picnic tables.

718.975.0196
618 St Johns Place
franklinparkbrooklyn.com

8 THE CROWN INN \$\$

Cavernous bar with exposed brick & Prohibition-style furnishings serving craft cocktails & beer.

347.915.1131
724 Franklin Avenue
facebook.com/thecrowninnbrooklyn

3 BUTTER & SCOTCH \$

First known for its Smorgasburg stand, this bakery outfit also serves coffee & cocktails.

347.350-8899
818 Franklin Avenue
butterandscotch.com

6 KING TAI \$

Snug neighborhood bar offering a range of elevated tropical cocktails & draft brews in stylish digs.

718.513.1025
1095 Bergen Street
kingtaibar.com

9 TWO SAINTS \$

Cafe offering coffee & baked goods by day & wine, beer, cocktails & nibbles at night.

347.627.8444
753 Nostrand Avenue
twosaintsbar.com

\$: 0 - 30, \$\$: 30 - 50



FITNESS

Whether you're looking to get your stretch on at the yoga studio, shred some calories doing CrossFit, or pump some iron the old-fashioned way, Crown Heights has a gym for you.

1 BLINK FITNESS

A new location in the heart of Crown Heights, this gym offers a variety of classes, a large amount of top-of-the-line equipment and the "Feel Good Experience."

718.844.5335
250 Utica Avenue
utica@blinkfitness.com

4 CROW HILL CROSSFIT

347.715.3699
1010 Dean Street
crowhillcrossfit.com

5 CROWN HEIGHTS FITNESS

347.834.9776
1458 President Street
crownheightsfitness.com

2 BODY BASIX FITNESS CENTER

347.243.2051
934 Nostrand Avenue
facebook.com/bodybasixfitnesscenter

3 BROOKLYN FIT LAB

347.350.6900
645 Sterling Place
facebook.com/brooklyn-fit-lab





STAFF SELECTIONS

THINGS TO DO

Manhattan isn't the only place you'll find one-of-a-kind places to shop, scenic outdoor spaces and plenty of things to do in one place. Crown Heights boasts boutiques, beautiful parks and plenty of fun, exciting places to visit.

1 BROOKLYN BOTANICAL GARDENS, CHILDREN'S GARDEN

718.623.7200
990 Washington Avenue
bbg.org

3 BROOKLYN MUSEUM

718.638.5000
200 Eastern Parkway
brooklynmuseum.org

2 BROOKLYN CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

The Brooklyn Children's Museum is a children museum in Crown Heights, Brooklyn, New York City. Founded in 1899, it is the first museum in the United States—and according to some, the first one worldwide—that caters specifically to children.

718.735.4400
145 Brooklyn Avenue
brooklynkids.org

4 BROWER PARK

Next to a children's museum, this tree-lined space has ball courts, walking paths & a playground.

212.639.9675
Saint Marks Avenue & Park Place
nycgovparks.org/parks/brower-park

5 HULLABALOO BOOKS

347.240.7414
658 Franklin Avenue

6 OWL & THISTLE GENERAL STORE \$\$

A modern take on the old-fashioned concept of a community-oriented store offering a wide variety of products and classes under a single roof.

347.722.5836
833 Franklin Avenue
owlandthistlegeneral.com

7 NATTY GARDEN \$\$

718.483.8833
636 Washington Avenue
nattygarden.com

8 PARK DELICATESSEN \$\$

718.789.8889
722 Classon Avenue
parkdelibk.com



RESTAURANT
Jordan C. on
BARBONCINO PIZZA

It's like eating homemade pizza made by your own Italian Grandma.

See page 2.



RESTAURANT
Vashti C. on
CAFE RUE DIX

It's a cute, intimate restaurant on the corner of Bedford and Park Place. They have good food, good music and great people. The shrimp fettuccine is excellent!

See page 2.



RESTAURANT
Patrick S. on
BAR CORVO

A great Italian style bar/restaurant with a really nice outdoor space.

See page 2.



THINGS TO DO
Priscilla P. on
BROOKLYN MUSEUM

Every first Saturday of the month the museum hosts a party for adults from about 5 pm - 11 pm, with a cash bar for alcohol and a DJ or live band.

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About Dixon

As Crown Heights continues to reinvent itself, new and exciting storefronts, eateries, and adventures will be opening doors on its bustling thoroughfares. Call Dixon today to schedule a time to explore everything Crown Heights has to offer with one of our knowledgeable neighborhood agents and fall in love with this vibrant community for the first time, or all over again!

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