



BEACHES and POOLS

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BRONX BEACHES AND POOLS

PUBLIC BEACHES IN THE BRONX

Orchard Beach and Promenade

On Long Island Sound in Pelham Bay Park, (718) 885-2275

OUTDOOR POOLS IN THE BRONX

Claremont

170th St. and Clay Avenue, (718) 901-4792

Crotona

173rd Street and Fulton Avenue, (718) 822-4440

Haffen

Ely and Burke Avenues, (718) 379-2908

Mapes

E. 180th Street, between Mapes and Prospect Aves., (718) 364-8876

Mullaly

E. 164th Street, between Jerome and River Aves., (718) 538-7083

Van Cortlandt

W. 242nd Street and Broadway, (718) 548-2415

FLOATING POOL IN THE BRONX

Barretto Point Park

Tiffany Street and Viele Avenue, (718) 430-4601

INDOOR POOLS IN THE BRONX**St. Mary's**

St. Ann's Avenue and East 145th Street, (718) 402-5157

SPRINKLERS AND SPRAY SHOWERS IN THE BRONX**River Avenue Park**

East 157th Street between Gerard and River Avenues

Passing subway trains activate the playground's water jets and lights, offering little ones an earthshaking way to beat the heat.

Pelham Bay Park

Hutchenson River, Long Island Sound

Bronx Park

Burke Avenue and East 180th Street

Crotona Park

Fulton Avenue and Southern Boulevard

WADING POOLS IN THE BRONX**Claremont**

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MINI-POOLS IN THE BRONX**Bronx River Playground**

E. 174th Street and Bronx River Avenue, (718) 378-1597

Edenwald Houses

Schieffelin Avenue and East 229th Street, (718) 379-8347

BROOKLYN BEACHES AND POOLS

PUBLIC BEACHES IN BROOKLYN

Brighton Beach & Coney Island and Coney Island Boardwalk

On Atlantic Ocean, from W. 37th Street to Corbin Place
(718) 946-1350

Manhattan Beach

On Atlantic Ocean, Oriental Boulevard, from Ocean Avenue to Mackenzie Street, (718) 946-1373

OUTDOOR POOLS IN BROOKLYN

Betsy Head

Boylard, Livonia and Dumont Avenues, (718) 965-6581

Bushwick Houses

Flushing and Bushwick Avenues and Humboldt Street, (718) 452-2116

Commodore Barry

Flushing and Park Avenues, Navy and North Elliot Streets,
(718) 243-2593

Douglas and DeGraw

Third Avenue and Nevins Street, (718) 625-3268

Howard

Glenmore and Mother Gaston Boulevard, (718) 385-1023
East New York Avenue

Kosciusko

Kosciusko between Marcy and Dekalb Avenues, (718) 622-5271

McCarren

475 Leonard Street, (718) 802-3846

Red Hook

Bay and Henry Streets, (718) 722-3211

Sunset Park

Seventh Avenue between 41st and 44th Streets, (718) 965-6578

INDOOR POOLS IN BROOKLYN

Brownsville

Linden and Mother Gaston Boulevards and Christopher Avenue, (718) 485-4633

Metropolitan

Bedford and Metropolitan Avenues, (718) 599-5707

St. John's

Prospect Place between Troy and Schenectady Avenues,
(718) 771-2787

SPRINKLERS AND SPRAY SHOWERS IN BROOKLYN

Brooklyn Bridge Park Playground

Pier 6, Furman Street at Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn Heights

Kids can navigate a water-play area with three distinct features: a riverlike channel, a water lab and a water-jet field. The park's also home to a sand-box village, "slide mountain" and plenty of swings and Tarzan ropes.

Fort Greene Park

South Oxford Street at DeKalb Avenue, Fort Greene

This oasis offers two playgrounds with splash zones. The larger New Fort Greene, at Willoughby, features a compass-shaped sprinkler. The smaller and busier playground, on the corner of DeKalb and Washington Park, harbors a hydrant that squirts from all sides. (718) 722-3218

Imagination Playground in Prospect Park

Enter park from Ocean Avenue at Lincoln Road

A giant bronze water-breathing dragon soaks kids to the bone. After a dousing, tots often like to climb onto the statue's back, à la Bastion riding atop Falkor the luck dragon in *The NeverEnding Story*. (718) 965-8951

South Oxford Park

187 South Oxford Street at Atlantic Avenue, Fort Greene

In this playground designed like a garden, jumbo faux cattails direct water droplets onto overheated heads.

WADING POOLS IN BROOKLYN

Bushwick

Humboldt Street, Flushing and Bushwick Avenues, (718) 452-2116

Commodore Barry

Flushing and Park Avenues, Navy & North Elliot Streets, (718) 243-2593

Douglas & Degraw

Nevins and 3rd Avenues, Douglas DeGraw Streets, (718) 625-3268

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Howard

Glenmore and Mother Gaston Boulevard, (718) 385-1023
East New York Avenue

Kosciusko

Kosciusko Street, Marcy & Dekalb Avenues, (718) 622-5271

MINI-POOLS IN BROOKLYN

David Fox/PS 251

E. 54th Street and Avenue H, (718) 531-2437

Glenwood Houses

Farragut Road and Ralph Avenue, (718) 531-2480

JHS 57/HS 26

117 Stuyvesant Avenue, (718) 452-0519

Lindover Park

E. 60th Street, Mill Road and Strickland Avenue, (718) 531-4852

PS 20 Playground

Between Clermont Avenue and Adelphi Street, (718) 625-6101

MANHATTAN BEACHES AND POOLS

OUTDOOR POOLS IN MANHATTAN

Asser Levy

Asser Levy Place and East 23rd Street, (212) 447-2020

Tony Dapolito

Clarkson Street and Seventh Avenue South, (212) 242-5228

Dry Dock

East 10th Street between Avenues C and D, (212) 677-4481

Hamilton Fish

Pitt Street and Houston Street, (212) 387-7691

Highbridge

Amsterdam Avenue and West 173rd Street, (212) 927-2400

Jackie Robinson

Bradhurst Avenue and West 146th Street, (212) 234-9606

John Jay

East of York Avenue on 77th Street, (212) 794-6566

Lasker

West 110th Street and Lenox Avenue, (212) 534-7639

Marcus Garvey

124th Street and Fifth Avenue, (212) 410-2818

Sheltering Arms

West 129th Street and Amsterdam Avenue, (212) 662-6191

Thomas Jefferson

East 112th Street and First Avenue, (212) 860-1372

Wagner

East 124th Street between First and Second Avenues, (212) 534-4238

INDOOR POOLS IN MANHATTAN

Asser Levy

Asser Levy Place (Ave. A) and East 23rd Street, (212) 447-2020

Tony Dapolito

Seventh Avenue South & Clarkson Street, (212) 242-5228

Chelsea

West 25th Street between 9th and 10th Avenues, (212) 255-3705

Recreation Center 54

East 54th Street between First and Second Avenues, (212) 754-5411

Hansborough

134th Street between Fifth and Lenox Avenues, (212) 234-9603

SPRINKLERS AND SPRAY SHOWERS IN MANHATTAN

Central Park

Enter park from Fifth Ave between 84th and 85th Streets

A big draw at this Egypt-inspired playground, built by architect Richard Dattner in the '70s and completely restored in 2009, is its novel spray fountain. In a nod to the mighty Nile, a not-too-torrential blast of water pours down several steps onto a stretch of sand that represents the Delta. Other pharaonic flourishes include scaleable pyramids and Cleopatra's Needle-style obelisks.

Carl Schurz Park

East End Ave at 86th Street

This simple, spacious water feature is essentially an asphalt pit with side sprinklers and a drain in the middle. Speaking of pits, Brangelina's brood have been spied splashing here.

Chelsea Waterside (Hudson River Park)

West 23rd St at Eleventh Avenue

Bask under one of the grooviest water features in the city: towering, turquoise blue sculptures resembling exploding raindrops, which drench those passing underneath. There's also a wall of faucets for frontal soaking.

Claremont Playground

Riverside Drive at 124th Street

All the Riverside Park playgrounds have animal themes. In this serene and shady spot, the motif is dolphins. From their blowholes the sculptures spritz water all over the play area.

Dinosaur Playground

Riverside Drive at 91st Street

Water gushes into this old-school splash pit so quickly that a wading pool forms at the center.

Heckscher Playground in Central Park

Midpark at 62nd St, enter park from Central Park South at Seventh Avenue

Locals and tourists alike flock to this 1.8-acre wonderland full of boulders and mazelike ramparts. In the wet zone, a spongy surface, much friendlier to bare feet than asphalt, is dotted with submerged water jets.

Hudson River Park

Pier 51, Twelfth Avenue at Horatio Street

After frolicking in the sprinklers, kids can splash in a meandering stream or push toy boats down it. The adjacent sand tables are extremely popular.

Hudson River Park

Pier 84, Twelfth Avenue at 43rd Street

More futuristic fountain than playground, this site is home to movable canal gates, a metal windmill that scoops and dumps water, and bridges from which kids can dangle their legs when their feet need a dunk.

John Jay Playground at John Jay Park

East 77th Street at Cherokee Place

This playground reopened in April with revamped waterfront-themed fixtures like a boat-shaped jungle gym. Kids can play to their hearts' content among the sprinklers and fountains.

Madison Square Park

Madison Avenue at 25th Street

Among the highlights of the green space is a 15-foot waterwheel sprinkler. A staffer is usually on hand to supervise activities and keep an eye on the knee-high crowd.

Morningside Park

Morningside Avenue at 116th Street

One whole side of the cheery playground is given over to water as ground sprinklers throw arcs into the air.

Rockefeller Park

Battery Park City, Chambers Street at River Terrace

Spend the afternoon chasing your tot from the manual merry-go-round to the well-shaded dodo bird sculpture to the climbing net to the gazebo. Final stop: a wall covered with stone dog and elephant gargoyles that spit at passersby.

Tarr Family Playground

Central Park West at 100th Street

It looks more like a meteor crater—in a good way! A wall surrounding two thirds of the area emits arcs of water over kids' heads. Spray posts shoot directly at little torsos.

Teardrop Park

Battery Park City, between Warren and Murray Streets, east of River Terrace

A dead ringer for a secluded rocky beach (if you tune out the surrounding high-rises), this hidden spot holds a few puddles ideal for baby-dipping and ten miniature geysers that burst from the ground, tempting kids to plug them with their feet.

Union Square Playground

Union Square Park, Union Square East at 16th Street

Three distinct sections offer age-appropriate water play, from the western tot lot's gentle water-and-sand ledge to the central area's spray showers for bigger kids.

Vesuvio Playground

Thompson St bet. Spring Street and Prince Street

Spray showers.

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East 124th Street between 1st & 2nd Avenues, (212) 534-4238

MINI-POOLS IN MANHATTAN

Abe Lincoln

5th Avenue and East 135th Street, (212) 491-1714

Frederick Douglas

Amsterdam Avenue between 100th & 102nd Streets, (212) 316-3241

Thompson Street

Thompson Street between Spring and Prince Streets, (212) 343-0959

Tompkins Square

Ave. A between East 7th & East 10th Streets, (212) 387-6784

DIVING POOLS IN MANHATTAN

Tony Dapolito

7th Avenue South and Clarkson Street, (212) 242-5228

John Jay

77th and Cherokee Place, (212) 794-6566

QUEENS BEACHES AND POOLS

PUBLIC BEACHES IN QUEENS

Rockaway Beach and Boardwalk On Atlantic Ocean

From Beach 1st Street, Far Rockaway, to Beach 149th Street, (718) 318-4000

Neponsit

Jacob Riis Beach and Boardwalk On Atlantic Ocean between Beach 149th Street,

Neponsit and Beach 169th Street, (part of Gateway National Recreational Area).

OUTDOOR POOLS IN QUEENS

Astoria

19th Street and 23rd Drive, (718) 626-8620

Fisher

99th Street and 32nd Avenue, (718) 779-8356

Liberty

173rd Street and 106th Avenue, (718) 657-4995

Fort Totten

338 Story Avenue, (718) 224-4031

INDOOR POOLS IN QUEENS

Flushing Meadows Corona Park Aquatic Center

Avery Avenue and 131 Street, (718) 271-7572

Roy Wilkins

177th Street and Baisley Boulevard, (718) 276-4630

SPRINKLERS AND SPRAY SHOWERS IN QUEENS

Travers Playground

Travers Park, 34th Avenue between 77th and 78th Streets, Jackson Heights, Queens

In the summertime, the spot's leaf-and-vine water feature is the main attraction, providing kids an escape from scorching temperatures.

WADING POOLS IN QUEENS

Fisher

99th Street and 32nd Avenue, (718) 779-8356

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Liberty

173rd Street and 106th Avenue, (718) 657-4995

MINI-POOLS IN QUEENS

Marie Curie Park

211th Street and 46th Avenue, (718) 423-0762

PS 10

45th Street and 30th Road, (718) 777-7599

PS 186 Playground

Little Neck Parkway and 72nd Avenue, (718) 347-2945

Windmuller

54th Street and 39th Road, (718) 651-8247

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STATEN ISLAND BEACHES AND POOLS

PUBLIC BEACHES IN STATEN ISLAND

South and Midland Beaches and Franklin D. Roosevelt Boardwalk

On Lower New York Bay, from Fort Wadsworth to Miller Field

South Beach (718) 816-6804, (718) 987-0709

Midland Beach, South Beach, Wolfe's Pond Beach

On Raritan Bay and Prince's Bay, Holton to Cornelia Avenues, (718)

984-8266

OUTDOOR POOLS IN STATEN ISLAND

Faber

Faber Street and Richmond Terrace, (718) 816-5259

Lyons

Pier 6 and Victory Boulevard, (718) 816-9571

Tottenville

Hylan Boulevard and Joline Avenue, (718) 356-8242

West Brighton

Henderson Avenue between Broadway and Chappel Street, (718) 816-5019

SPRINKLERS AND SPRAY SHOWERS IN STATEN ISLAND

Seaside Wildlife Nature Park

Nelson Avenue at Tennyson Drive

As they catch a breeze off the ocean, kids explore the nautical-themed playground's shipwreck, shark and lighthouse features. Spray showers and a sand play area.

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West Brighton

Henderson Avenue between Broadway & Chappel Streets, (718) 816-5019

MINI-POOLS IN STATEN ISLAND

General Douglas Macarthur Park

Jefferson Street & Seaver Avenue, (718) 987-9800

Mariner's Harbor Playground

Grandview Avenue and Continental Place, (718) 982-6521

PS 14 Playground

Tompkins Avenue between Hill & Broad Streets, (718) 448-5969

PS 46 Playground

Parkinson Avenue and Kramer Street, (718) 448-8694

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Lyons

Pier 6 and Victory Boulevard, (718) 816-9571