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Guide to Murray Hill

If you're looking in NYC for the perfect place to live and variety is what you seek, Murray Hill may be the right neighborhood for you. Encompassing 34th Street to 40th Street, and East River to Madison Avenue, Murray Hill is a neighborhood located in Manhattan's East Side district. This area boasts diversity in both residents and housing options.

The Historic District has a number of 19th-century brownstones located between Lexington and Park Avenues, while Park Avenue is filled with high-end apartments. Continue east and you'll find a number of large rentals and condos. The corner of the neighborhood is anchored by the Chrysler Building and Grand Central Terminal, which are iconic treasures that define the heart of NYC.

Advantages of living in Murray Hill

It's a safe, diverse area with modern buildings, good schools and a number of cultural restaurants that show a different side of cuisine. A low-key area filled with a mix of long-time residents and young professionals, Murray Hill offers the perks of living in Manhattan without the large sticker price most may imagine. You'll find old and new money in this neighborhood.

Nearest Subways



Diversity

Murray Hill has an eclectic, but workable mix of older residents, college graduates, young professionals and families in the neighborhood. On any given day, you will find St. Vartan Park, the 2.8 acre community staple, filled with residents and children.

Although Murray Hill is located in Manhattan, the neighborhood offers a quick respite from the constant hub of activity that comes along with being in Midtown. Residents enjoy tree-lined streets and families who take walks and play in the park with their children

Schools

Murray Hill recently opened its second elementary school, Public School 38, the River School in 2013. Public School 116, Mary Lindley Murray School is known for its outstanding academic achievements. There is also the CUNY Graduate Center, Stern Oxford University, Scandinavia House and Morgan Library & Museum all within its borders.

Proximity

Murray Hill is very close to the Manhattan business district, which makes it easy for residents to walk to work. The Queens-Midtown Tunnel is also located within the neighborhood, which makes it easy to get to other parts of the city. This area is also part of the Second Avenue Subway expansion, which will open up more travel outlets to alleviate traffic.

Murray hill also located close to Grand Central terminal, as well as the UN Headquarters.

Nearest Neighborhoods - Gramercy, Flatiron, NoMad, Midtown East, and the Garment District.

Shopping

Murray Hill offers a variety of shopping options. Being located within the Midtown East district, residents and tourists have access to designer boutiques, flagship stores and all the high-end retailers in constant demand. Neighborhood stores also make this an attractive option for everyday living.

Whether you're buying or browsing, check out the iconic stores like Tiffany's, Saks and Prada. As a bonus, colder temperatures often mean that the swanky strip is much less crowded. Best of all, walking up and down the avenues totally counts as your workout.

Pricing

Although the community is becoming a popular place to live, the prices for rental apartments are still quite reasonable in comparison to other neighborhoods. Prices currently start around \$2,200 for a studio to about \$4,400 for a two-bedroom.

Food

While Murray Hill isn't known for its fine dining, the neighborhood has plenty of sports bars, low key pubs and lounges. It is also known for its concentration of ethnic restaurants, including enough Indian eateries to earn the nickname 'Curry Hill'. Some of the favorites among resident include:

- Kajitsu This upscale restaurant is dedicated to the Japanese ritual of shojin ryori cuisine, which celebrates vegetables in all their glory.
- Joshua Tree Bar With a large selection of microbrews on tap, extensive drinks menu, and delectable food choices, Joshua Tree has something for everyone! It also has six giant screen, 10 massive 90 Inch plasmas and hundreds of sports channels.
- Vatan Looking to try some Indian food? The buffet at Vatan is great place to start.

Murray Hill is undergoing a transformation in demographics and development. There are a number of rental towers being built, new water mains, and a burst of growth.

The neighborhood of Murray Hill offers the activity of progress during the day, but the quiet surroundings of family living at night, which makes this a great option. A little slice of normalcy in the middle of a large city can be priceless. This neighborhood is one to consider when trying to cut down on commute time while living in an area that promotes a sense of community. You'll find that and a lot more in Murray Hill - consider this neighborhood an unknown treasure.

For the best information on rental properties in this area and places that may be of interest in this NYC neighborhood, contact <u>Carlyle Property Management</u>.

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