

**Tuesday October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008:**

**40°43'N 74°00'W**

**Sunrise: 07.06 hours**

**City of New York**

**Sunset: 18.19 hours**

The City of New York, most often called New York City, is the most populous city in the United States, in a metropolitan area that ranks among the world's most-populous urban areas. Founded as a commercial trading post by the Dutch in 1624, it served as the capital of the United States from 1785 until 1790, and has been the nation's largest city since 1790. New York City then surpassed Philadelphia as the largest city in the United States.

It is a leading global city, exerting a powerful influence over worldwide commerce, finance, culture, and entertainment. The city is also an important center for international affairs, hosting the United Nations headquarters.

Located on the Atlantic coast of the Northeastern United States, the city consists of five distinct boroughs: The Bronx, Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens, and Staten Island. It is the most densely populated major city in the United States. The New York metropolitan area's population is also the nation's highest, estimated at 19,750,000 people in three states. New York City is composed of five boroughs, an unusual form of government. Each borough is coextensive with a respective county of New York State as shown below. Throughout the boroughs there are hundreds of distinct neighborhoods, many with a definable history and character to call their own. If the boroughs were each independent cities, four of the boroughs (Brooklyn, Queens, Manhattan, and the Bronx) would be among the ten most populous cities in the United States.

The Hudson River flows through the Hudson Valley into New York Bay. Between New York City and Troy, New York, the river is an estuary. The Hudson separates the city from New Jersey. The East River, actually a tidal strait, flows from Long Island Sound and separates the Bronx and Manhattan from Long Island. The Harlem River, another tidal strait between the East and Hudson Rivers, separates Manhattan from the Bronx.

The Statue of Liberty greeted millions of immigrants as they came to America in the late 19th and early 20th centuries.

New York City is supplied with drinking water by the protected Catskill Mountains watershed.[54] As a result of the watershed's integrity and undisturbed natural water filtration process, New York is one of only four major cities in the United States with drinking water pure enough not to require purification by water treatment plants.

The building form most closely associated with New York City is the skyscraper that saw New York buildings shift from the low-scale European tradition to the vertical rise of business districts. As of August 2008, New York City has 5,538 high-rise buildings, with 50 completed skyscrapers taller than 656 feet (200 m). This is more than any other city in United States, and second in the world behind Hong Kong.

**We are going to wake you up with announcements very early, because we think you would like to watch when we are sailing towards New York. If you don't want to watch, we are sorry for disturbing you.**

**Notice for those who are leaving us in New York: Customs clearance will be in the terminal. You have to leave the ship before 10am.**

**08.00 Arrival in New York City**

The Fram's address in New York: 711, 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Pier 90, Berth 4 (in case you are using a taxi)

07.30-09.30 Breakfast in Restaurant IMAQ. Open seating.

**09.00 Departure for the excursion: The highlights of New York City**

**12.00-14.30** Lunch in Restaurant IMAQ.

**17.00 Departure from New York**

Please, be on board at 16.30 at the latest, for the ship to be ready to leave in due time.

19.00-21.00 Dinner buffet in Restaurant IMAQ. Reserved tables

20.00 Music in the lounge deck 7 by Pets Duo

The drink of the day:  
Mudslide

We would like to inform you that all stated times and activities are changeable due to changes in the weather, ship technical circumstances or other circumstances out of our reach.