



Special Places in New York City

After 3 1/2 great days with two enthusiastic travelers, I'd like to share some wonderful sites to explore and stay.

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The Fashion Exhibit

If going this summer, the fashion exhibit, China: Through the Looking Glass, which shows the Chinese influence on fashion and culture is a show-stopper at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. The show, curated by the Met and Anna Wintour, the editor of Vogue, is the largest and most fabulous including fantastic art, jewelry, textiles, accessories, photography, furniture, etc.

[Link to Through the Looking Glass Exhibit](#)

Whitney Museum of American Art

After years the Museum has moved from Madison Avenue on the Upper East Side to the Meat Packing District at 99 Gansevoort Street between 9th and 10th Avenue at the corner of Washington. The Museum designed by Kenzo Piano is eight stories filled with contemporary art. The outdoor patios on several floors give you picture perfect views of the Hudson River and city views. If you decide to go, order timed tickets online, so you don't have to wait in the long lines.

[Link to Whitney Museum](#)

The High Line

The regentrified elevated park, next to the Whitney Museum, which used to be the old, derelict elevated railroad and now also has glorious views of the Hudson River and Manhattan Skyline. Beautiful gardens and art are everywhere.

[Link to High Line](#)

9/11 Museum and Memorial

The 9/11 Museum and Memorial is at 120 Liberty Street. Order timed tickets online for the one-hour tour which is excellent. Very moving and informative.

[Link to 9/11 Museum](#)

The Hotel Elysee

This hotel is a small boutique hotel on 54th Street between Madison and Park, two blocks from MOMA, the Museum of Modern Art.

What's special

The hotel has a lounge on the second floor with a library, computer, newspapers. They serve a wonderful buffet breakfast, wine and hors d'oeuvres from 5-7 p.m., all-day coffee, tea, cookies and fruit. The staff and service are excellent.

[Link to Hotel Elysee](#)

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