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IT'S NOT SESAME STREET, BUT IT'S PRETTY CLOSE

From Brooklyn Heights to Midwood, who are the people in the neighborhoods? They're bankers, bakers, and, yes, candlestick makers. Writers, artists, and artisans. Cops and robbers, too. They're designers, bloggers, film producers, real estate moguls, mommies, and more. What do they have in common? Just this. Location, location, location—plus insouciant style—and an appetite for the invigorating experience of city life.

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meet the neighbors After two extensive renovations to her Brooklyn Heights townhouse, Francesca Connolly, left, decided it was time to share what she had learned. So she and three friends started REMODELISTA.COM, an online sourcebook with inspirational photos that reflect the quartet's clean yet classic sensibility.

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Around Town

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1. On the Brooklyn Bridge 2. Ted & Honey, a bright spot for breakfast or lunch 3. Chandelier from Remains Lighting, based in a LEED-certified Bushwick factory 4. Rodin sculptures grace the entrance of the Brooklyn Museum. Designed by Polshek Partnership Architects, the modern entry pavilion and an outdoor plaza were added onto the museum's 19th-century building in 2004. 5. The Montauk Club in Park Slope, modeled after a Venetian palazzo. 6. Horseman Antiques 7. A Brooklyn Heights street 8. A Boerum Hill street

WALK IT, DRIVE IT, ADMIRE IT, REVEL IN ITS GRANDEUR AND IN ITS HISTORY

If you had to choose a single icon for Brooklyn, it would be the Brooklyn Bridge, which links to Manhattan. (It's almost as though without one borough, the other would cease to exist.) Pedestrians can access the bridge from Tillary/Adams streets or from stairs under the overpass at Cadman Plaza East and Prospect streets. It's famous for a reason: One of the oldest suspension bridges in America, this extraordinary structure epitomizes a striking marriage of 19th-century design and engineering. Natives think it's a wonder of the world. They're probably right. It's a rite of passage—and for some a daily ritual—to walk or ride a bike across the bridge from Brooklyn to Manhattan and vice versa. Just getting there is half the fun!

Saturday Night Fever? Forget about it. The Dodgers? Dem bums! Walt Whitman? In his words: "Brooklyn, of ample hills, was mine." It was. It's pretty clear that nostalgia helps define New York City's premier outer borough—apologies to Queens, the Bronx, and Staten Island—and cements the idea of it in our collective consciousness. Brooklyn's unique character has roots in the past yet always looks forward with creative gusto. That's the balance that keeps it alive and continually desirable to never-ending waves of people from all over who arrive there—each with his or her own reasons—whether from Des Moines, Russia, Haiti, or, yes, even Manhattan. With approximately 2.5 million inhabitants, the borough—if it ever seceded from New York City—would still rank as the fourth largest city in the United States. Independent or not,

IT HAS BEEN SAID THAT 1 OUT OF 7 AMERICANS CAN TRACE A FAMILY LINK TO BROOKLYN.

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Where to find the best in Brooklyn

BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

What to See

- 1. Brooklyn Bridge:** Access from stairs under the overpass at Cadman Plaza East and Prospect Street.
- 2. Brooklyn Bridge Park:** 2 Old Fulton St. (brooklynbridgepark.org)
- 3. The Promenade:** Enter from Columbia Heights.

- 4. Grace Court Alley:** Off Hicks Street, btw. Remsen and Joralemon streets.
- 5. Willow Street:** Crossing the fruit streets—Cranberry, Orange, and Pineapple!
- Where to Shop**
- 6. Seaport Flowers:** 309 Henry St. (718/858-6443; seaportflowers.com)
- 7. Haystack Home &**

- Body:** 130 Clinton St. (718/246-2510; haystackhome.com)
- 8. Holler & Squall:** 71 Atlantic Ave., Thursday-Sunday afternoons or by appointment (347/405-3734; hollerandsquall.blogspot.com)
- Food & Drink**
- 9. Sahadi's:** 187 Atlantic

- Ave. (718/624-4550; sahadis.com)**

- praguekolektiv.com)**
- 12. Shibui:** 306 Water St. (718/875-1119; shibui.com)

DUMBO/VINEGAR HILL

- Where to Shop**
- 10. Baxter & Liebchen:** 33 Jay St. (718/797-0630; baxterliebchen.com)
 - 11. Prague Kolektiv:** 68 Jay St., by appointment (917/710-1047; praguekolektiv.com)

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- 24. Greenhouse:** 375 Atlantic Ave. (718/422-8631; thegreenhouselifestyle.com)
- 25. Opalia Flowers:** 377 Atlantic Ave. (718/643-9160; opaliaflowers.com)

- (718/858-1100; bluemarbleicecream.com)**
- 34. Betty Bakery:** 448 Atlantic Ave. (718/246-2402).
- 35. Nunu Chocolates:** 529 Atlantic Ave. (917/776-7102; nunuchocolates.com)

- 36. Henry Public:** 329 Henry St. (718/852-8630; henrypublic.com)
- 37. Ted & Honey:** 264 Clinton St. (718/852-2212; tedandhoney.com)

- Restaurants**
- 38. Buttermilk Channel:** 524 Court St. (718/852-8490; buttermilkchannelnyc.com)

- 39. Prime Meats:** 465 Court St. (718/254-0327; frankspm.com)

RED HOOK

- Where to Shop**
- 40. Katie Brown Workshop:** 254 Van Brunt St. (718/243-9044; katiebrown.com)

- 41. Erie Basin:** 388 Van Brunt St. (718/554-6147; eriebasin.com)

- Food & Drink**
- 42. Fairway:** 480 Van Brunt St. (718/694-6868; fairwaymarket.com)

- Restaurants**
- 43. Fort Defiance:** 365 Van Brunt St. (347-453-6672; fortdefiancebrooklyn.com)

- PARK SLOPE/ PROSPECT HEIGHTS**
- What to See**
- 44. Grand Army Plaza:** At the northwest corner of Prospect Park.
 - 45. Prospect Park** (prospectpark.org) and the Brooklyn Botanic Garden: 900 Washington Ave. (718/623-7200; bbg.org)
 - 46. Brooklyn Museum:** 200 Eastern Pkwy. (718/638-5000; brooklynmuseum.org)

- Restaurants**
- 60. Dressler:** 149 Broadway (718/384-6343; dresslernyc.com)
 - 61. Fatty 'Cue:** 91 South 6th St. (718/599-3090; fattyucue.com)

- ELSEWHERE**
- 62. D. Coluccio & Sons:** 1214-20 60th St., Borough Park (718/436-6700; dcoluccioandsons.com)



15. Almondine Bakery: 85 Water St. (718/797-5026; almondinebakery.com)

Restaurants

- 16. Vinegar Hill House:** 72 Hudson Ave. (718/522-1018; vinegarhillhouse.com)

BOERUM HILL/COBBLE HILL/CARROLL GARDENS (known as BoCoCa)

What to See

- 17. Cobble Hill Park:** Bounded by Verandah Place, Clinton, Henry, and Congress streets.
- 18. Warren Place Mews:** Located between Warren and Baltic streets

Where to Shop

- 19. Layla:** 86 Hoyt St. (718/222-1933; layla-bklyn.com)
- 20. GRDN:** 103 Hoyt St. (718/797-3628; grdnbklyn.com)

21. Horseman Antiques: 351 Atlantic Ave. (718/596-1048; horsemanantiques.net)

22. City Foundry: 365 Atlantic Ave. (718/923-1786; cityfoundry.com)

23. DARR: 369 Atlantic Ave. (718/797-9733; shopdarr.com)

26. Jonathan Adler: 378 Atlantic Ave. (718/855-0017; jonathanadler.com)

27. Annie's Blue Ribbon General Store: 365 State St. (718/522-9848; blueribbongeneralstore.net)

28. Kea Carpets & Kilims: 477 Atlantic Ave. (718/222-8087; keacarpetsandkilims.com)

29. Dig Garden Shop: 479 Atlantic Ave. (718/554-0207; gardendig.com)

30. Muriel Guépin Gallery: 47 Bergen St. (718/858-4535; murielguepingallery.com)

31. The Invisible Dog: 51 Bergen St. (718/260-8688; theinvisibledog.org)

32. Swallow: 361 Smith St. (718/222-8201; swallowglass.com)



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47. Montauk Club: 25 Eighth Ave. (718/638-0800; montauclub.com)

48. Ai Di Li: 248 Fifth Ave. (718/783-4565; aidilistoria.com)

49. The Vanderbilt: 570 Vanderbilt Ave. (718/623-0570; thevanderbiltnyc.com)

50. Brooklyn Academy of Music: 30 Lafayette Ave. (718/636-4100; bam.org)

51. Brooklyn Navy Yard: 63 Flushing Ave. (718/907-5900; brooklynnavyyard.org)

52. Brooklyn Flea: From April through November—Saturdays at 176 Lafayette Ave., Sundays at One Hanson Place (brooklynflea.com)

53. Brooklyn Bowl: 61

54. The Future Perfect: 115 North 6th St. (718/599-6278; thefutureperfect.com)

55. Moon River Chattel: 62 Grand St. (718/388-1121; moonriverchattel.com)

56. Brook Farm General Store: 75 South 6th St. (718/388-8642; brookfarmgeneralstore.com)

57. Pierogi: 177 North 9th St. (718/599-2144; pierogj2000.com)

58. Sprout Home: 44 Grand St. (718/388-4440; sprouthome.com)

59. Brooklyn Kitchen Labs: 100 Frost St. (718/389-2982; thebrooklynkitchen.com)

60. Dressler: 149 Broadway (718/384-6343; dresslernyc.com)

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