

Travel Destination: Top 5 Bakeries You Need to Try in NYC



By Megan McIntosh

New York City is definitely a popular tourist destination for people all over the world. There's so much to do and see. You can check out Broadway or try for a [celebrity](#) sighting. If you are headed to New York City as a [travel destination](#), then it's certain that one of the reasons you're probably going is for the food. But whether you're in the mood for breakfast or dessert, you can't go wrong by checking out New York City's bakeries.

Travel Destination: Heading to New York City for a girl's weekend or a week of relaxation and tourist fun? Cupid has five bakeries to try.

There are a variety of shops and bakeries to choose from when you're visiting NYC. You really can't go wrong as long as you see people shopping inside. However, Cupid has the top 5 bakeries in NYC based on reviews.

1. Buttercup Bake Shop : Located in Midtown East, this bakery has been reviewed by people who say you'll definitely be satisfied if you stop by. The majority of fans seem to rave about the cupcakes, calling them moist with an icing that's to die for. This is definitely a bake shop for those with a sweet tooth as they also have meringue, cakes, and cookies. But make sure you're wanting to eat these sweets on the go as it's a small shop, and get there early so you don't miss out on the variety.

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2. Veniero's: Located in the East village, this Italian bakery has been reviewed by over a thousand people. This is the place if you want to go somewhere with history, as this has been in the family for a while with third generation owners. This place is so good that people come from out of state to get their cheesecakes and fruit tarts. Check it out if you want a great selection where you're sure not to be disappointed.

3. Bagels & Schmear : Located in Flatiron, this bakery is a breakfast dream come true. Open at 6am, they're ready to feed you at the earliest hour. With a variety of cream cheese spreads and bagels, you're sure to find the perfect combination for your tastebuds. It's got the bang for your

buck, especially in NYC.

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4. Simit Sarayi: Located in Midtown East, this bakery is actually a Turkish bakery. Try the Turkish version of a bagel called a Simit which is basically a thinner and bigger bagel glazed with sesame seeds. It's definitely a treat and a stand out from the rest of the choices on the block.

5. Patisserie Chanson: Located in Flatiron, this Patisserie greets you with baked goodies as soon as you walk in. They have coffee, ice cream, and a dessert bar at night. Come on the weekend and enjoy afternoon tea with the girls.

What are the top bakeries you've been to in NYC? Share below!

Travel Destination: 5 Tips for Traveling to Iceland





By [Courtney Shapiro](#)

The name may be deceiving, but Iceland is actually full of volcanoes, greenery, and hot springs. It's the perfect place to get away and explore. Get ready to sight see and make your [travel destination](#) in Iceland worthwhile by checking out our [travel tips](#).

Here are five travel tips for your Iceland excursion:

1. Rent a car: If you're visiting, you should definitely invest in a rental car. A lot of the spots to see aren't super close to each other and it will make your trip easier if you have your own mode of transportation.

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2. Plan ahead: Like any country, there are tons of things to do and see on your trip. Unfortunately, you can't see everything, so plan in advanced the main excursions you want

to visit. It'll save time once you're actually on vacation and you can spend more time touring!

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3. Don't take out too much cash: It is important to take some cash to convert, but you don't need tons of money. Just like in the U.S. you can pay for most things with a credit or debit card. Bring a small amount of cash, and make sure to tell the bank your traveling, so you can use your card.

4. Pack appropriately: Make sure you pack clothing and other items for all types of weather. Even if you look at the weather forecast ahead of time, something might change when you are actually there. Also bring clothing in-case you go out to a formal dinner or are just relaxing for the day.

5. Take advantage of guided tours: It can be exhausting to plan the whole trip by yourself. Plan a couple of guided tours and let the experts show you what the country has to offer.

Have you ever traveled to Iceland? Share your travel tips with us in the comments!

Travel Destinations: 5 Secret Spots to Visit in Paris





By [Ivana Jarmon](#)

Paris is full of beautiful mainstream attractions and destinations you see in many itineraries and blog posts, but that shouldn't be the only part of Paris you see. Paris is full of hidden secrets hidden in plain sight known to the locals and the bravest and most inquisitive foreigners. Cupid has five secret spots to consider making part of your [travel destination](#) in Paris!

Here are five secret spots to include on your travel destination in visit in Paris:

1. Rue Cremieux: This is one of the happiest streets in Paris. Rue Cremieux is a small pedestrian street lined on both sides with beautiful rainbow colored houses. Come here on a sunny day, and capture the beautifully lit houses. It's definitely one of the best kept secrets in Paris.

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2. The Balcony of the Musée D'orsay: The Musée d'Orsay is one of the best museums in all of Paris, covering the Impressionist and Post-Impressionist eras. Come here on an early morning or evening and take a step outside onto the terrace to catch an amazing view of the Seine and of Montmartre.

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3. Rue Mouffetard: This is one of the best market streets in Paris, which gives off a medieval look and feel with its cobblestone lane that winds its way up Place de la Contrescarpe. You'll find a few farmers markets, fruit and vegetable shops and a few restaurants.

4. The Terrace at the Printemps department store: Le Printemps is one of the most iconic Parisian department stores since 1865, which is no secret. But, only a few shippers know that the store has a terrace that gives you a panoramic view of Paris. Go to the top floor via elevator or escalator to Café Déli-Cieux, and step outside. Make sure you have your camera.

5. Parc Des Buttes-Chaumont- Northeastern Paris: If you fancy a walk or picnic with your family, Parc Des Buttes is one of the best parks in Paris. The park is located in Northeastern Paris, and the main feature is their towering rock rising from a central lake.

Where are some secret spots to visit in Paris? Share your thoughts below.

Travel Tips: 5 Best Motorcycle Trips in America



By [Ivana Jarmon](#)

There's nothing like getting on your motorcycle and heading out on the road. Any biker can tell you that the moment a person gets on their bike, their senses are brought to life. Bikers all share the restless, passionate love for the open road. These [travel tips](#) make for a perfect motorcycle trip.

Check out our travel tips for the top five motorcycle trips a biker

should take:

1. Texas: Texas has a grouping of great motorcycle roads in the Texas Hill Country nicknamed the Twisted Sisters. The actual names of the roads are Ranch Road 335, 336, and 337. These roads aren't meant for amateur riders, as they take you on a 100-mile loop of Texas ranches, valleys, and hills providing you with a panoramic view of the curve around canyons and rises with few guardrails. Attractions that can be visited along the way include the Frio Canyon Motorcycle Stop, the Lone Star Motorcycle Museum, and the Lost Maples State Natural Area.

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2. Montana: There is a road that cuts through Montana's Glacier National Park called Going-to-the-Sun. The road stretches 50 miles and lasts roughly two hours without stops. Five of the National Park's campgrounds are located along the road.

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3. Georgia: The road known as Skyline Drive attracts over two million visitors every year due to the changing leaves. Black bears, white-tailed deer and wild turkey can be seen along the road. Skyline Drive is 105 miles long and runs north to south as the only public road through Shenandoah Park. The park is left intentionally un-mowed, so wildflowers can grow year-round giving visitors a magical feel.

4. Big Island (HI): The Big Island is interwoven by a web of roads that cuts through a variety of terrains and a lush rain forest. Saddle Road offers a route through the heart of the island; it's full of roller-coaster like twist and turns with

smooth roads, making you want to come back for another visit.

5. Los Angeles (CA): Near the heart of the city, there are a variety of rural roads. Look no further than the Angeles Crest Highway near Flintridge or the winding canyons in Malibu. Also, try the Hollywood area. It will give you a peak of the coastal front.

What are some motorcycle destinations you are excited to visit? Comment below.

Vacation Destination: Plan a Trip to Cuba



By [Haley Lerner](#)

Looking for a hot [vacation destination](#)? Cuba is the perfect place for you to take your beau for a [romantic getaway](#). After many years of United States citizens not being allowed to travel to the small country, it is now open for visitors. We've got some [travel tips](#) for some of the best things for you to do on your vacation to Cuba.

Check out our travel tips for your perfect vacation to Cuba!

1. Wander around Old Havana: One of the best parts of Cuba is the beautiful, colorful buildings that litter the streets of Havana. In the capital, take a stroll and shop, get a bite to eat and soak in the history the city has to offer.

2. See live music: Cuba is a country full of music. Whether it's listening to music in the street or going a jazz club, you can find great live music to listen to all over Cuba.

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3. Go to the beach: Cuba is surrounded by water, so there are plenty of beautiful beachfronts to visit in the country. Go with your beau and spend a romantic day by the shore, soaking up the sun and swimming in the clear blue ocean water.

4. Ride in a vintage car: Cuba is famous for its colorful, vintage cars. What's great is it's actually really easy to take a ride in one. Taxis in Cuba are these vintage cars, so take one for a ride around the city and enjoy the old car and some fantastic views.

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5. Go to a museum: Cuba has a rich history, so hit up one of

the country's many museums. Whether it's the Museo Nacional de Bellas Artes, the national art museum, or the Museum of the Revolution, you'll be sure to be in awe of the fantastic content you'll discover.

Have any more tips on what to do in Cuba? Comment below!