

Atlantic Kayak Tours

Staten Island to Coney Island

Tour Description

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- Meeting Time:** 9:30 AM
- Meeting Place:** Alice Austen House Museum
Bay St. & Hylan Blvd., Staten Island, New York
- Distance:** 14-18 miles
- Skill Level:** Intermediate and above paddlers only. Paddlers should be in good condition for extended hours of paddling, with few rest stops. Depending on the day, moderate to rough conditions, waves of three to five feet or more are possible. This is an advanced program and we will push limits. While it is a group program, you must have the ability to handle the conditions on your own!
- Equipment:** Equipment is not provided. You need to bring equipment for rough water paddling. This should include a chart, compass, paddle float, pump, spare paddle, signaling equipment, flashlight/headlamp, extra clothing, tow line and any other safety equipment you normally use. You should have proper clothing for the weather forecast. Dress for the water temperature, not the air temperature. Call if you have any questions on equipment or how to dress. Let us know if you are missing anything and we might be able to loan it to you for the day. If you are not properly equipped you will not be allowed to go.
- Lunch:** Bring a lunch and plenty to drink for our rest stops. A few light snacks to help keep your energy up while paddling is a good idea. A minimum of three quarts of water is needed. Don't forget to eat a good breakfast.
- Note:** The launch site has lots of washed up debris, including logs, pilings and rocks, etc. Good foot gear is important. Watch your step and ask for help carrying your kayak and launching/landing.
- Directions:** From the Brooklyn side of the Verrazano Bridge. Cross the Verrazano Bridge. Keep to the far right and exit just after paying the toll. Keep to the right on the exit ramp and this will feed you onto Bay Street. Follow the directions below.
- From New Jersey take the New Jersey Turnpike to the Goethals Bridge (exit 13). Follow 278 towards the Verrazano Bridge. Exit at the last exit before the toll. At the bottom of the exit ramp make a left. Follow the directions below.
- Continue to the light at the "T" (Fort Wadsworth will be to the right) and make a left, this will still be Bay Street. Proceed a few miles to Hylan Blvd. (a sign will be on the right for the Alice Austen House) and make a right. This will lead you to the waterfront with parking for the Museum and our launch site.
- By Ferry from Manhattan: Take the Staten Island Ferry. Then take a taxi to the meeting place by Alice Austen House Museum.

lat/lon: N40.6156/W74.0630



Description

With the tide in our favor, we head under the Verrazano Narrows Bridge and cross over to Gravesend Bay in Brooklyn. Rounding Norton Point, we head to the Coney Island amusement park area for lunch. A surf landing is very likely. After a hot dog on the boardwalk at Nathan's and perhaps an amusement ride or two, we start our return journey. This program offers long distance, open water, possible rough water, surf landing and lunch at a world famous location.

