



Walking Tour: Inside Chinatown

The storied lanes of Chinatown are pure sensory overload amid fast-talking street vendors, neon-lit noodle parlors and colorful storefronts packed with eye candy from the Far East.

Start Chatham Sq
Distance 1 mile
Duration 1½ hours

7 The Chinese-American experience is expertly told at the **Museum of Chinese in America** (www.mocany.org).

6 Golden Steamer (☎212-226-1886; 143a Mott St. btwn Grand & Hester Sts, Chinatown; buns 60¢-\$1.50, 3 for \$2.50; 🕒7am-7pm; 🚇 B/D to Grand St; N/Q/R, 6 to Canal St; J/Z to Bowery) is known for its precious steamed *bao* (Chinese savory and sweet buns) – come early to sample its best offerings.



5 Gentrifying **Canal Street** is Chinatown's hyperactive spine and NYC's one-time Jewish Diamond District.

4 **Edward Mooney House** is NYC's oldest town house, built in 1785 by butcher Edward Mooney. Once a Chinese social club, it's now a bank.



3 In the early 1900s crooked **Doyers Street** was so popular with feuding *tongs* (secret societies) that it gained the nickname Bloody Angle.

2 Chinatown's unofficial living room, **Columbus Park** was NYC's notorious Five Points slum in the 19th century.

Take a Break...
Nom Wah Tea Parlor may look like a retro American diner, but it's actually New York's oldest dim sum parlor.

Classic Photo: Kim Lau Memorial Arch, Chatham Square



1 **Chatham Square** is home to Kim Lau Memorial Arch, erected in 1962 to honor the Chinese Americans who have fallen in battle.

