

Harlem & Upper Manhattan A burgeoning mix of fabulous live music spots, speakeasy-style bars and old-school dives

Not party central, but there are some beer halls



Upper East Side

Traditionally the home of pricey, luxe lounge bars, but downtown-cool gastropubs are arriving

Midtown

Rooftop bars with skyline views, historic Roottop bars with skyline cocktail salons and rough-and-ready dive bars: welcome to Midtown

West Village, Chelsea & Meatpacking District Jet-setters flock here, with wine bars, backdoor lounges and gay hangouts

Union Square, Flatiron District & Gramercy Vintage drinking dens, swinging cocktail bars and fun student hangouts - this trio spans all tastes

SoHo & Chinatown Stylish cocktail lounges, a sprinkling of dives and a few speakeasy-style bars

East Village & Lower East Side Proud home of the original-flavor dive bar, the East Village is brimming with options

Financial District & Lower Manhattan

FiDi office slaves loosen their ties in everything from specialist beer and brandy bars to revered cocktail hot spots

Brooklyn Offers everything on the nightlife spectrum, with Williamsburg as its heart