

# NEW YORK: Interior Design

(Note: This is only a sample tour)

**Day 1:** Depart for the “Big Apple”.

**Day 2:** Visit the **Museum of Modern Art**, home to a permanent collection of modern and contemporary art that involves all forms of visual expression, from painting and sculpture to architecture and design. Walk to **Rockefeller Center**. Stop in at the NBC Experience Store for some souvenirs and NBC memorabilia. Take a look at the Radio City Music Hall, a 1932 Art Deco theatre famous for its spectacular musical productions with the Rockettes and other live concerts. Afterwards, wander down the famous **5th Avenue**, known for the homes of the rich and famous and their favorite upper scale shopping locations. Have a real life look at Trump Tower.



**Day 3:** Head to the **New York School of Interior Design**, the Big Apple’s only college dedicated solely to interior design education, and the largest of its kind in the region. Receive a guided tour. Your guide will also talk to you about the field of interior design. Visit **Central Park**, the most visited park in the United States. Follow the provided map for a delightful self guided walking tour of the park. Don’t miss Strawberry Fields, a memorial to John Lennon, the Dakota Apartments where Lennon was shot dead, the Imagine Mosaic, the Carousel at 64th, Belvedere Castle, Bow Bridge and Bethesda Fountain. This evening your first **Broadway Show**.

**Day 4:** **Statue of Liberty** National Monument. France presented the Statue to the US in commemoration of their alliance during the American Revolution. Continue to Ellis Island, the nation’s main point of entry into the US for immigrants from 1892-1924. Make your way to the Financial District and Ground Zero. Visit the **9/11 Memorial**. This afternoon shopping at Macy’s Department Store! Tonight the **Empire State Building**.



**Day 5:** This morning subway to the Decoration and Design Building. The “D&D” Building is known in the interior design industry as home to the world’s most elegant showrooms. A knowledgeable guide will provide you with the history of the building. Afterwards, tour the various showrooms that attracts architecture and design industry professionals alike. After your visit, walk to nearby Bloomindales. Tonight your second Broadway Show.

**Day 6:** Make your way to **Greenwich Village**, famous for its restaurants, curio shops, bookstores, art shows, coffeehouses, and nightclubs. Enjoy a delightful guided walking tour of the Village enjoying the culture, architecture and entertainment. Taste a variety of food specialties. Visit **Canal Street** for some great bargain shopping! Soho is home to some of the newest up and coming fashion designers. Visit Little Italy. Wander the cobble stoned streets filled with the tempting sights, sounds, and smells of Italian cuisine and culture. Make your way to the **New York Design Center**. The NYDC is the country’s oldest furniture and design building. Its variety of residential and contract showrooms, diversity of product lines, and ongoing support of design trade associations make it an invaluable resource to the design trade.

**Day 7:** This morning, tour the **Asia Society and Museum**. The museum is home to ancient and modern art pieces from the over 30 countries that comprise the Asia-Pacific Region of the world. This museum is an inspirational source for interior designers looking to incorporate ancient and modern themes in their creations. Travel to Chelsea, a popular shopping destination alternative with restaurants and boutiques that reflect the ethnic diversity of the area. New York’s visual arts community moved from SoHo to Chelsea in the 1990’s and has become one of the global corners of contemporary art. It is home to over 370 art galleries and art studios.. Visit **Chelsea Market** where you may wish to taste delicious specialties from the food shops and restaurants. Explore the market and the Meatpacking District – hot new destinations in the New York scene. See if you can discover the restaurants of the Iron Chefs.



**Day 8:** This morning an optional visit to a fabulous museum. Architecturally, **Grand Central Station** is one of New York City's most famous landmarks. Today, it houses both the train station and a major subway stop alongside the Lower Concourse Grand Central Market, a group of shops, selling fresh goods and food. Have lunch on your own. Later today depart for home.

## **TOUR INCLUSIONS**

- Return airfare New York
- Return airport transfers
- 6 nights accommodation with private facilities
- 6 breakfasts
- 3 dinners
- Guided Walking tours
  - o Greenwich with Culinary tastings
- Entrances / Activities
  - o Empire State Building
  - o Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island
  - o 9/11 Memorial
  - o 2 Broadway shows
  - o 7 day subway pass
  - o Museum of Modern Art
  - o Guided tour New York School of Interior Design
  - o Guided Decoration and Design Building
  - o Asia Society and Museum
  - o New York Design Center

