



GREENWICH VILLAGE



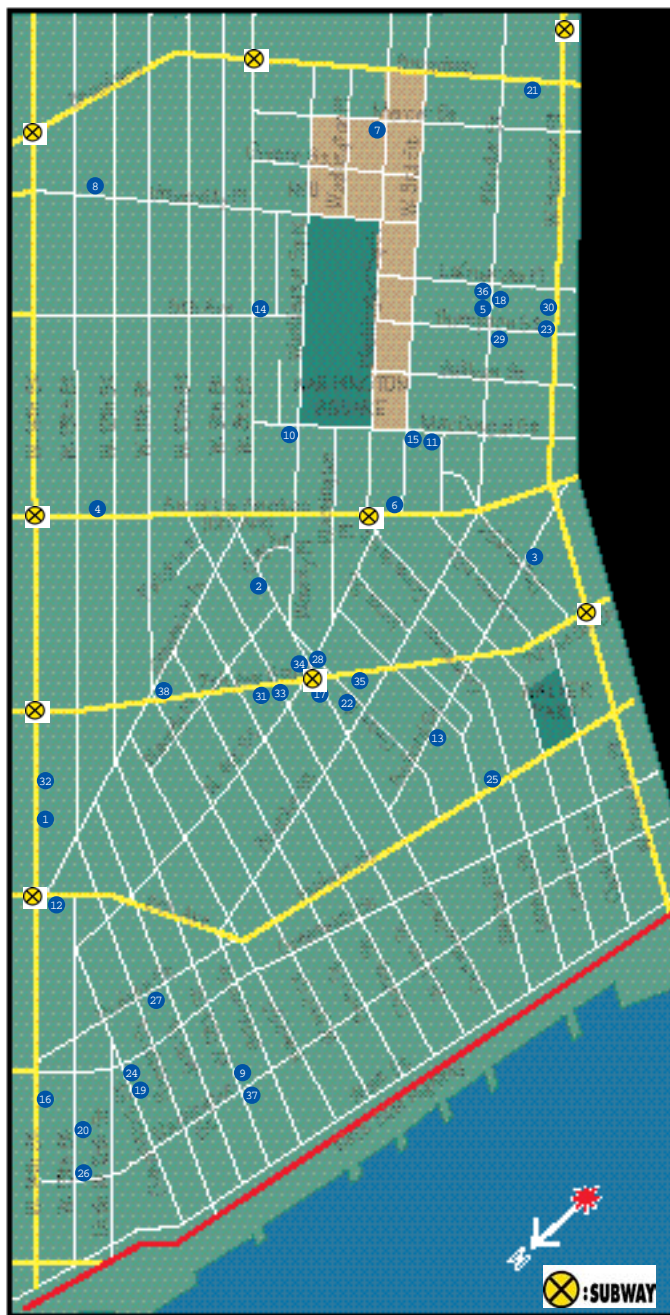
Few other neighborhoods in the world have embedded themselves as deeply in our collective conscious as Greenwich Village.

Bounded by Houston Street, Broadway, 14th Street and the Hudson River, this rich historic district is perhaps the most popular destination for visitors to New York City. Its winding streets have served as both sanctuary and battleground for generations of political radicals, fiery writers and starving artists.

Many critics argue the Village has outgrown its radical mantle and abandoned its authenticity. The reality has been, however, more of a gradual maturity — sincere to the core, yet assuming the role of elder statesman over this next generation of firebrands and revolutionaries, striking out from both within and beyond its boundaries.

R&B soulful tunes waft down Bleecker Street, assaulted in mid-air by the screeching guitar riffs of a Nirvana cover band down the block grabbing your ear as you stroll in and out of the areas wall-to-wall bars, clubs and cafes. Tourists and NYU students mix with the usual suspects as you make your way through the colorfully crowded streets.

Select your poison. Independent films, tattoos, comedy, performance art, multiple piercings, live music, 101 different rum drinks...the list goes on and on. Pay close attention, and still so many nuances glide right by. But rest assured, whether it's a new idea, or a different way of looking at something familiar, you'll always leave the Village with a little more than you came with.



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Type of Establishment
Lounge/Club
Hours
M-Sa 10pm-4am
Drink Prices
Moderate
Food
N/A
Nearest Subway
1,2,3,9 to 14th Street
Credit Cards
All Major

2i's
248 West 14th Street
Between 7th & 8th Avenues
212.807.1775

When the joint gets jumpin' on Saturday night, which is usually after midnight, it gets hot, hot, hot. 2i's melts into a bootie-to-bootie sweat box, but the largely yuppie crowd wouldn't have it any other way. It's definitely more casual than its next door neighbor Nells, but if you came to boogie, here at 2i's you can really get jiggy wit'it. The upstairs sauna/dance floor can become unbearable, but just wipe your brow — repeatedly, head downstairs to the cool down lounge, grab a drink, and recover. There is a \$10 cover, but you'll walk out of 2i's ten pounds lighter. Promise.

55 Bar
55 Christopher Street
Between 6th Avenue & 7th Avenue South
212.929.9883

"At least two things are broken in here every week," says the bartender, explaining why the touted popcorn machine is out of order. This dive is old as sin — prohibition era to be exact — and in desperate need of a face lift,



but we don't want the 55 Bar to get rid of its hard-earned wrinkles. The battered bar and beat up floors are charming in their own special way. More importantly, however, is the live jazz played at 55 every night of the week. Music aficionados down their two drink minimums per set while the city's best musicians make beautiful soulful sounds.

Bar Six
502 6th Avenue
Between 12th & 13th Streets
212.691.1363

Though management swears the two places are not at all affiliated, and the menu on the mirrored walls and European pub-like feel of both places is just coincidence, Bar Six does bear a striking resemblance to the French bistro Lucky Strike in SoHo. However, instead of French-inspired food, Bar Six' menu has Moroccan influences and instead of an average entree costing an arm AND a leg, at Bar Six you get your choice of the two.

Type of Establishment
Bar
Hours
Daily 4pm-4am
Drink Prices
Inexpensive
Food
N/A
Nearest Subway

Bar D'O
29 Bedford Street @ Downing
212.627.1580

Desperately seeking Susan? Looking for that lovely little lady that'll light your fire? Lesbian? Check out Bar D'O's Monday night party, Pleasure, where beautiful gay girls vamping on comfy couches lean more towards lipstick beauty-queen than butt-kickin' butch. Guys, don't even try it. No men allowed unless you've got a woman escort on your arm. Don't worry. There's always Wednesday nights where both sexes "Get Sleazy" when DJ Franco and his Vampyros Lesbos party flies into town. But what would this lounge be without its drag cabarets on Tues, Sat, and Sun? Luckily, we'll never know.

The Bitter End
147 Bleecker Street
Between LaGuardia & Thompson
212.673.7030

The host of names that have performed at this live music venue on Bleecker reads like a Grammy Awards invite list: Stevie Wonder, Billy Joel, Kenny Rogers and Linda Ronstadt to name a few. Donnie Hathaway and Curtis Mayfield recorded albums here and even boxer Muhammad Ali has read poetry (yes, poetry) on the small center stage. Offering folk, funk, reggae, and rock to patrons for almost 40 years, its no wonder the city declared July 23 Bitter End Day. Guess the end ain't so bitter after all.

Blue Note
131 West 3rd Street @ 6th Avenue
212.475.8592

It's in a village, but of worldly dimensions. Tourists, as well as New York jazz aficionados, flock here and squeeze each other in to hear national headliners 365 days a year, twice nightly. The intriguing mix of the dark, cool and glamorous jazz world is reflected in the arrow-like stripes made of dark leather and mirrors, and a blue drawing of a jazz musician. Technically superb lighting and sound systems make for an impeccable jazz experience, and stars like B.B. King know how to entice the audience to snap their fingers and even sing along. CDs are available on site.

Type of Establishment
Lounge
Hours
F-Sa-7pm-4am
Su-Th 7pm-3am
Drink Prices
Moderate
Food
Appetizers
Nearest Subway
1,9 to Houston Street
Credit Cards
Cash Only

Type of Establishment
Bar/Live Music
Hours
Su-Th 8pm-2am
F-Sa 8pm-4am
Drink Prices
Inexpensive
Food
N/A
Nearest Subway
A,C,E,B,D,F,Q to West 4th Street
Credit Cards
All Major

Type of Establishment
Live Music
Hours
F-Sa 7pm-4am
Su-Th 7pm-2am
Drink Prices
Moderate
Food
American
Nearest Subway

Type of Establishment
Bar/Restaurant / Live Music
Hours
Varies Nightly
Drink Prices
Moderate
Food
American
Nearest Subway
A,C,E,B,D,F,Q to West 4th Street
Credit Cards
Cash Only

The Bottom Line
15 West 4th Street @ Mercer
212.228.7880

Music lovers can't go wrong in this 24-year-old Village institution. The folk, rock, jazz and all-women acts are performed by established bands with recording contracts. The decor — wooden tables, dark pillars, bare walls and a bar in the corner — is very basic, leaving it to the musicians to illuminate this intimate space. The music styles are as eclectic as the people walking in here: nostalgic hippies, after-work crowds and punks mingle with tourists from across the ponds, especially Japanese who MUST bring back proof that they spent a night at The Bottom Line.

Bowlmor Lanes
110 University Place
Between 12th & 13th Streets
212.255.8188

Talk about a major face lift. Bowlmor Lanes, open since 1938, has had more work done to it than Joan Rivers and Courtney Love combined. The bowling alley's multi-million dollar renovation means shiny new maple lanes, a full-service restaurant offering buffalo wings and crispy calamari, and a waiting list that can reach up to three hours for a lane. Smack-dab in the middle of the university village, Bowlmor caters to NYU students and Upper Eastsiders looking to live out blue-collar fantasies. Fortunately, there are Dan Conner look alikes, beer bellies, butt cracks, strikes and all.



Braque
775 Washington Street @ West 12th Street
212.255.0709

You've just come home from a hard day at whatever glitzy gig you have. Rover has been locked in the house all day and he needs some fresh air. While walking your four-legged friend, you're hit with an intense craving for red wine, steak frites grilled contro filetto with fries (\$15) and some dessert. O-kay maybe your craving isn't that specific, but you are hungry and you know that Braque, the seasonal open-air cafe in your West Village neighborhood, has great light fare, is the perfect place to unwind and most importantly allows pets.

Type of Establishment
Bar
Hours
F-Su 10am-4am M-Th 10am-2am
Drink Prices
Moderate
Food
American
Nearest Subway
4,5,6,N,R to Union Square
Credit Cards
AmEx, V, MC

Type of Establishment
Bar/Restaurant
Hours
May-October Daily 5pm-2am
Drink Prices
Inexpensive
Food
Mediterranean
Nearest

c3 Lounge
103 Waverly Place @ MacDougal
212.254.1200

We know you're expecting some pre-millennium, 'Matrix meets Phantom Menace cyborgs serving dinner on platters that turn into boomerangs with honing devices' type stuff. Some post Y2K, neo-diner of the year 00. Sorry the name's deceiving. No sci-fi for the Star Wars whores. Curried chicken salad is as out of this world as it gets at this elegant restaurant in the heart of NYU planet. Enter, however, and you'll feel light years away from the foot traffic of map wielding tourists and angst ridden students fretting over exams.

Cafe Wha?
115 Macdougall Street
Between Bleecker & 3rd Street
212.254.3706

If the banquettes could speak, they'd have many a tale to tell, like that time Jimi Hendrix sang...or the night Bill Cosby joked about...or the time Bob Dylan smoked...well, you get the drift. In a city where bars and clubs open and close faster than a hooker's legs, since the 60s, Cafe Wha? has consistently been one of the most happening spots in the Village. Criss-crossing musical genres, playing everything from Bob Marley's "Waiting in Vain" to Elvis' "Blue Suede Shoes", the nine-member Cafe Wha? band has mastered the art of versatility and moved many a person to dance right out of their seat.

Chicago B.L.U.E.S.
73 8th Avenue
Between 13th & 14th Streets
212.924.9755

"It's an older crowd," says a satisfied patron at the bar. "The word 'blues' instantly puts 15 years on you." That may be true, but a night spent listening to the best blues the city has to offer will knock those years right off. Sweet Georgia Brown, Matt Guitar Murphy and No-Name James are just a few of the acts you'll find jamming on Chicago Blues' small stage. Monday nights are free and open to all musicians who want to come test their skills. Unfortunately, the party's usually over by midnight, 'cause the neighbors have to sleep.

Type of Establishment
Bar/Restaurant
Hours
F-Sa 4pm-1am
Su-Th 4pm-12am
Drink Prices
Moderate
Food
New American
Nearest Subway
A,C,E to West 4th Street
Credit Cards
AmEx, V, MC, Diners

Type of Establishment
Bar/Live Music
Hours
Su-Th 8:30pm-2:30am
F-Sa 8:30pm-4am
Drink Prices
Inexpensive
Food
Bar Menu
Nearest Subway
1,9 to Christopher Street
Credit Cards
AmEx, V, MC

Type of Establishment
Blues Club
Hours
Su-W 9,10:30, 12am
Th-Sa 9,11pm, 12:30am
Drink Prices
Inexpensive
Food
N/A
Nearest Subway
A,C,E to 14th Street

Type of
Establishment
Bar

Hours
F-Sa 3pm-2am
Su 1pm-12am
M-Th 4pm-12am

Drink Prices
Inexpensive

Food
American

Nearest
Subway
A,C,E,B,D,Q
to West 4th
Street

Credit Cards
Cash Only

Type of
Establishment
Bar/Restaurant

Hours
Daily 5:30pm-3am

Drink Prices
Moderate

Food
New American

Nearest
Subway
A,C,E,B,D,F,Q
to West 4th
Street

Credit Cards
All Major

Type of
Establishment
Comedy Club

Hours
F-Sa 9pm-4am
Su-Th 9pm-4am

Drink Prices
Expensive

Food
American

Chumley's
86 Bedford Street
212.675.4449

Every now and again we stumble upon a place that makes us feel like we've stepped into another world, one where flappers with sleek bobs smoke long cigarettes. A spot where gangsters with nicknames like Bugsy and Lucky reign terror over the city. Chumley's is that place. The bar's been around since 1928 and even smells like Old World New York. "The phrase 'you're 86ed' originated here," explains a bar regular. "This place has a lot of history." Should prohibition return, this place also has a secret passageway that leads out to the alley. Coming soon, Chumley's beer — and it won't taste like its been brewed in a bathtub.

Clementine
15th Avenue @ 8th Street
212.253.0003

Spin through the brass revolving door and you're instantly transported from the hustle and bustle of 8th Street to a parallel universe where Wall Streeters happily hand over their wallets to long-legged damsels feigning distress, and old friends pose in 50s-styled banquettes while catching up on their fabulous lives over appetizers. Michael Douglas' son has been known to try and master the one and twos here, but we much prefer the veteran Ethiopian DJ Tamaj, who turns the tables on Tuesdays. Prefer dinner over drum 'n' bass? Head to the back room and let the bubbling Japanese rock garden soothe your mind.



Comedy Cellar
117 MacDougal Street
212.254.3480

"You've never heard of a bomb sniffing cat, a seeing eye cat, a guard cat," says comedian Wanda Sykes to a packed house still recovering from her last sketch. "Dogs, have real jobs, cats don't do shit." The jokes here are funny and fast (You're a graphic designer? How graphic?) and everyone from Seinfeld to Chris Rock has graced the 18-year-old stage. But if your funny bone is connected to your wallet, may we suggest catching a show during the week, because the weekend \$12 cover charge and two drink minimum is nothing to laugh about.

The Cooler
416 West 14th Street
Between 9th Avenue & Washington
212.229.0785

It's dark ... it's cold ... it's industrial gray ... it's a cooler. There are many coolers in the Meat Packing District (hopefully), but none have DJs spinning hardcore, hip-hop or drum 'n' bass every night. This underground bar lends new credence to, 'You never know what's going on behind closed doors or curtains.' Up-and-coming rap groups perform regularly. In keeping with the spirit of its location, The Cooler can be a bit of a meat market.

The Duplex
61 Christopher Street
@ 7th Avenue South
212.255.5438

If you love to sing along to loud Broadway and rock 'n' roll tunes rendered by talented unknowns (and the occasional headliner) or just enjoy a blithe, tank-top-clad, red-cheeked, gay crowd clapping their hands in ecstasy, wigglin' their hips and smackin' each other's behinds — this is your place! This two-floor pub, laid out like a triangle, features cabaret entertainment downstairs with a wild piano player who beats Jim Carey in facial distortions, and a laid-back upstairs where a mixed local clientele plays pool or chats at the bar. The street cafe allows you to watch the 7th Avenue scene.

Elbow Room
144 Bleecker Street
Between LaGuardia & Thompson
212.979.8434

This groovy, loungey and cheap nightclub in the middle of bustling Bleecker Street features live music seven nights a week. Check out the bands, hang out at the long bar or in the beat-up velvet couches and watch Brazilian girls in tight flower dresses go wild with adventurous Europeans in jeans on the abused wooden dance floor. On Monday you can dance to Brazilian music, from Tuesday to Saturday you'll get rock 'n' roll, and Thursday is Latin night. A DJ spins before, between and after the concerts. The unpretentious, ethnic and alternative crowd here is having a good time.

Type of
Establishment
Club/Live Music

Hours
M-Sa 8pm-4am

Drink Prices
Inexpensive

Food
N/A

Nearest
Subway
1,2,3,9 to
14th Street

Credit Cards
All Major

Type of
Establishment
Bar/Cabaret

Hours
Daily 4pm-4am

Drink Prices
Inexpensive

Food
Bar Menu

Nearest
Subway
1,9 to
Christopher
Street

Credit Cards
Cash Only

Type of
Establishment
Bar/Live Music

Hours
Daily 6pm-4am

Drink Prices
Moderate

Food
N/A

Nearest
Subway
A,B,C,D,E,F to
West 4th
Street

Type of Establishment
Bar/Restaurant
Hours
Daily 24 hrs.
Drink Prices
Inexpensive
Food
American/
French
Nearest Subway
A,C,E to 14th Street
Credit Cards
Cash Only

Florent

69 Gansevoort Street
Between Washington & Greenwich
212.989.5779

It was here long before the style gods declared the Meat Packing District the place to be and judging from the throngs of hungry patrons that regularly pour into Florent each day, this place will be here for another 14 years. Burgers, pate, pork chops and brochettes, standard fare for an American diner dressed in French bistro drag. Though you're hoping a surly waitress named Flo comes out and asks you to kiss her



grits, the waitstaff is usually friendly and familiar with the eclectic cast of regulars. Our only wish is that the food would come out fifteen minutes faster.

Fressen

421 West 13th Street
Between 9th Street & Washington
212.645.7775

It's only been open for a very short while, but Fressen is destined to be one of the hippest spots in town. Now that art galleries and fashion houses are taking over the Meat Packing District this former veal locker is regularly flooded with people who don't feel like making the trek down to SoHo. It's minimalist chic, nothing fancy or ornate, just smooth clean lines and nice concrete. The menu is contemporary American, with a lot of Japanese and Mediterranean influences. Waiters and waitresses are dressed in mandarin-styled get-ups by Randolph Duke, sooo cute.

Gonzalez y Gonzalez

625 Broadway
Between West Houston & Bleecker
212.473.8787

It's a quaint Japanese restaurant famous for its sumptuous sushi and spring rolls, er...just busting your cojones. With a blinking neon sombrero in the front window and a name like Gonzalez y Gonzalez could this Village hotspot be anything but one of the preeminent Mexican restaurants in the city? Packed with pinatas, paper-mache cowboys, hanging peppers and jalapenos, this cavernous bar/restaurant serves up a spicy blend of salsa, margaritas and sexy singles in search of la vida loca. And the food? Lets just say that everything from the empañadas to the tacos and tostadas, will leave you crying "no quiero Taco Bell."

Halo

49 Grove Street
Between 7th Avenue South & Bleecker
212.243.8885

Jennifer Lopez had her birthday party here. Leonardo DiCaprio, Prince and Matt Damon have all made their way down to this Village underground lounge. Its only been open a short while, but once the kids vacationing in the Hamptons get a whiff of Halo, all social hell is going to break loose. The carpeted zen-like room is covered in earth tones and exposed brick, inviting patrons (beautiful, of course) to revel in the coziness of the new Moomba on the old Veruka block. Wear something non-flammable and extremely fashionable cause the velvet rope burn, even on a slow night, is intense.

Harmony Lounge

100 West Houston Street
Between LaGuardia & Thompson
212.254.7000

Escape the hustle and bustle of Houston street and let the blinking beer bottles lead you into the lounge formerly known as E&O. In this multi-culti potpourri of ebony, ivory, taupe, and every other type drink together in perfect Harmony. More fluorescent L.A. than candle-lit New York, the muted pink and red lights actually allow one to see who they're talking to (quite an anomaly in a city filled with places that are so dark you can't discern a woman's chest stubble). Once sufficiently altered, you may feel like you're in a Maxwell video, but hey, run with it.

Hell

59 Gansevoort Street
Between Washington & Greenwich
212.727.1666

In his Divine Comedy, Dante failed to mention that the 10th circle of hell was a swanky martini lounge tucked away in the Meat Packing District. A mask of a bug-eyed Lucifer hangs near the bar — that's only a hint of what you'll look like after you've tasted the Devil's Punch, Lucifer Takes Manhattan, or Fallen Angel. With deliciously potent drinks, comical pictures of celebrities with superimposed red horns, and awesome DJs, this gay-friendly bar is the perfect place to spend the rest of eternity...or at least the rest of the night.

Type of Establishment
Bar/Lounge
Hours
M-Sa 7pm-4am
Drink Prices
Expensive
Food
Nouveau Cuisine
Nearest Subway
1,9 to Christopher Street
Credit Cards
AmEx, V,MC, Diners

Type of Establishment
Bar/Lounge
Hours
Daily 5pm-4am
Drink Prices
Expensive
Food
American Tapas
Nearest Subway
B,D,F,Q to Broadway & Lafayette
Credit Cards
All Major

Type of Establishment
Lounge
Hours
F-Su 4pm-4am
M-Th 6pm-4am
Drink Prices
Inexpensive
Food
N/A
Nearest

Type of Establishment
Bar
Hours
Sa-Su 1pm-4am
M-F 4pm-4am
Drink Prices
Inexpensive
Food
N/A
Nearest Subway
1,9 to Houston Street
Credit Cards
AmEx, V, MC

Henrietta Hudson
438 Hudson Street
Between Morton & Barrow
212.924.3347

A smokey pool table, serious faces framed by short-cropped hair, cigarettes dangling from the corner of thin lips, and sharp eyes following the ball as it disappears into the black hole. The scene could be from *The Godfather* but for one detail: the tough guys are all women. Relax, it's not all that rough at this Bar and Girl; in fact, the dark, ancient bar in the front spreads a soothing intimacy which invites singles of all ages and gender to relax with a book as much as it entices lesbian couples to make out at the unlit tables.

Type of Establishment
Bar
Hours
Sa 1pm-4am
Su 2pm-4am
M-F 11am-4am
Drink Prices
Inexpensive
Food
N/A
Nearest Subway
A,C,E to 14th Street
Credit Cards
Cash Only

Hogs and Heifers
859 Washington Street @ 13th Street
212.929.0655

Well, what were you expecting to find in the heart of the Meat Packing District, soy beans and tofu? This honky-tonk/saloon is covered with bumper stickers inside and out — their idea of wall paper — and when a trio of tourists unwittingly stumbles into the bike-rider hangout, the broad in daisy-dukes behind the bar yells, "Are you drinking, cause this ain't the MoMA." It sure isn't. We have a feeling if we yelled Bubba in here more than one of the greasy long-haired types covered in tatoos would say, "whut." Oh yeah, the bras, 3,500 at last count.



Hudson Bar & Books
636 Hudson Street
212.229.2642

There's a cozy nook in the back of Hudson Bar & Books that gives you a hint of its clientele: on the wall right next to one of the several ceiling-high bookcases, you'll find a black and white photo from 1934 of five men whose combined ages total 434 years. The average age of the patrons here is far less than 85 — let's just say this English library-styled bar attracts an older, more refined crowd. Enjoy spending the night debating the misogynist overtones of *Paradise Lost* and thoughtfully savoring a single malt scotch...some would say it just doesn't get any better than this.

Karma
228 West 4th Street
Between 7th Avenue South & Christopher
212.414.4345

The vibe is cool in this bare-brick watering hole found in the heart of Greenwich Village. The bar's name suggests a locale filled with imported knick-knacks from the housewares section of Urban Outfitters, but Karma is far more Hibernian than Indonesian chic. Finally happy to have some spare change in their pockets, this 'first job out of college' crowd heads here for fun on the weekends and not out to time-shares in the Hamptons. Think Long Island iced teas and screwdrivers. The music is decidedly hip-hop and R&B and the DJ definitely knows what he's doing.

Life
158 Bleecker Street @ Thompson
212.429.1999

Life. That's how long you'll probably have to wait to get into this place if you don't know someone at the door. The Mack trucks that man the entrance aren't moving that velvet rope until you flash one of the three b's: boobs, bootie, or bank roll...and sometimes that doesn't even work. The usual suspects: Eurotrash, bridge and tunnel expatriates, players and their prey regularly fill the cavernous space on Bleecker. Friday, arguably the best night here, Mark Ronson spins the beats in the VIP lounge while the likes of Jennifer Lopez, Leo, and Puff Daddy profile until the Moet & Chandon runs dry.

Madame X
94 West Houston Street
Between Thompson & LaGuardia
212.539.0808

Deep red like a hot fire truck revving to put out a four alarm blaze, Madame X is the perfect place for naughty things to happen. "We can't count the number of couples we've found having sex in the bathroom," says one owner. While we obviously don't condone all out public displays of affection, you really can't help but get busy on one of the red plush velvet couches. And with drinks like Pussy Galore, Knocked Up, Good Head and (our favorite) Sweet Little Bitch, Madame X promises a night filled with memories, absolutely unmentionable in the morning.

Type of Establishment
Bar/Lounge
Hours
F-Sa 12pm-4am
Su-W 12pm-1am
Drink Prices
Moderate
Food
Light fare
Nearest Subway
1,9 to Christopher Street
Credit Cards
AmEx, V, MC, Diners

Type of Establishment
Club
Hours
T-Su 10pm-5am
Drink Prices
Expensive
Food
N/A
Nearest Subway
A,C,E,B,D,F,Q to West 4th Street
Credit Cards
All Major

Type of Establishment
Bar
Hours
F-Sa 4pm-4am
S-Th 4pm-2am
Drink Prices
Moderate
Food
N/A
Nearest Subway
A,C,E to 14th Street

Type of Establishment
Bar/Club
Hours
M-Sa 5pm-4am
Su 6pm-4am
Drink Prices
Moderate
Food
N/A
Nearest

Type of Establishment
Restaurant/Lounge
Hours
Daily 7pm-4am
Drink Prices
Expensive
Food
American
Nearest Subway
1,9 to Christopher Street
Credit Cards
All Major

Moomba

133 7th Avenue South
212.989.1414

Hoping that once high school was over the cool kids and dorks could party as one? The acne riddled girl could converse with the chiseled chin jock? The head cheerleader would finally dance with the bespectacled geek stalking her since kindergarten? Fat chance.



If you're not fiercely fabulous, keep walking, unless you're into sadomasochism and like third-degree rope burn. Still the undisputed champion of New York's hip nightlife scene, Moomba's goombas won't let you in their masterfully

designed three-level restaurant, unless you've got a SAG card, platinum card, or comp card. But one day they'll be begging blist people to come chill in the uber-exclusive attic...sure.

Nells

246 West 14th Street
212.675.1567

Even after thirteen years of being in the business (which is like 250 in club years), this perennial hot spot shows no signs of slowing down any time soon. One wouldn't expect a split level bar/lounge modeled after an English manor to be so alive, but if you come on a Tuesday or Thursday night you'll see just how packed a place filled with oil paintings can get. Laze and profile on the couches in the foyer, venture onto the bumper-to-bumper dance floor, or head upstairs for live reggae and free body work from the resident masseuse.

Smalls

183 West 10th Street
@ 7th Avenue South
212.929.7565

Jazz musicians are known for being nocturnal animals, so its only natural that Smalls jam sessions last from 10 p.m. to 8 a.m. It's no Blue Note, but it's certainly a rigorous training ground for young up-and-comers with dreams of being the next Miles or Dizzy. And, they don't call this spot Smalls for nothing. Quarters in this dim smoke-filled basement are indeed close. Nevertheless, music lovers hang rapt on every note flowing from the makeshift stage.

Stonewall

53 Christopher Street @ 7th Avenue South
212.463.0950

"Homo nest raided. Queen bees are stinging mad!," screams a headline hanging over a booth where two men are happily snuggling. The house remix of Jennifer Lopez' chart topper pumps. A brass plaque proclaims, "This is where it all began." Indeed it is. On June 28th, 1969 a police raid of Stonewall sparked the gay rights movement. Refusing to be abused anymore, gay men rioted for four nights in protest. Thirty years later this split-level bar on Christopher Street is still an important fixture in the gay community. Gay bingo night on Monday, gay love connection on Thursday and go-go boys on weekends.

Sweet Basil

88 7th Avenue South
Between Bleecker & Grove
212.242.1785

Is it just us or does Sweet Basil feel like a shotgun shack more befitting New Orleans than Greenwich Village? Nevertheless, every Monday night the Spirit of Life Ensemble, a 17-piece orchestra called a "musical carnival" by the Village Voice, plays the type of music Japanese tourists come thousand of miles to hear. In addition to tourists, you've got the old cats and young bloods, bar flies and dapper dons all swallowing up the plates full of contemporary and traditional jazz this establishment serves up until 2 a.m. And by the way, Brooke Shields and Matthew Broderick have given Basil their celebrity stamp of approval.

Terra Blues

149 Bleecker Street
Between LaGuardia & Thompson
212.777.7776

Deep soulful sounds wash over you as you enter this dark cozy second-story blues club located in the heart of the Village. Grab a seat in the front and look out over the colorful bustle that is Bleecker Street, or retreat to one of the many intimate candle-lit tables and enjoy the show. It's a mixed downtown crowd with large numbers of tourists and NYU students. It gets crowded on the weekends so if you want a table arrive early. They offer traditional blues acts all week long, but they have been known to experiment with the setlist on Tuesdays.



Type of Establishment
Bar
Hours
Daily 2pm-4am
Drink Prices
Inexpensive
Food
Continental
Nearest Subway
1,9 to Christopher Street
Credit Cards
AmEx, V, MC

Type of Establishment
Jazz Club
Hours
F-Sa 12pm-12am
Su-Th 12pm-12am
Drink Prices
Inexpensive
Food
Continental
Nearest Subway
1,9 to Houston Street
Credit Cards
AmEx, V, MC

Type of Establishment
Bar/Live Music
Hours
Daily 7pm-4am
Drink Prices
Inexpensive
Food
N/A
Nearest

Type of Establishment
Bar/Lounge
Hours
Daily 10pm-4am
Drink Prices
Moderate
Food
N/A
Nearest Subway
A,C,E to 14th Street
Credit Cards
All Major

Type of Establishment
Jazz Club
Hours
F-Su 6pm-6am
M-Th 10pm-8am
Drink Prices
Cheap

Type of
Establishment
Bar/Restaurant

Hours
Daily 12pm-
12am

Drink Prices
Inexpensive

Food
Tex/Mex

Nearest
Subway
A,C,E to
14th Street

Credit Cards
AmEx, V, MC

Tortilla Flats

767 Washington Street @ 12th Street
212.243.1053

We're beginning to wonder what exactly they put in the tortillas. Most nights at this Mexican bar/restaurant, particularly Hoola-hoop Wednesday (hoop for 3 minutes and win a free pitcher of margaritas), are of Bacchanalian proportions. Former frat boys, sorority girls and the type of crowd that laces their sentences with like and awesome fill the all-too-colorful room. Tinsel hangs from every inch of the ceiling, Elvis paraphernalia covers the walls...it's 'Graceland meets Animal House.' Loud, kitschy and downright tacky, but it's an awesome time and like, we know that you'll love it.

Type of
Establishment
Jazz Club

Hours
Daily 8:30pm-
4am

Drink Prices
Moderate

Food
N/A

Nearest
Subway
1,2,3,9 to
14th Street

Credit Cards
Cash Only

The Village Vanguard

178 7th Avenue South @ 11th Street
212.255.4037

What is there left to say about a 60-year-old New York jazz establishment that every aficionado and tourist in this city knows? Descend the red staircase into the seductive realm of cool jazz, squeeze yourself into one of the many tables cramping the intimate space, and let yourself be surprised by any type of jazz — from the Vanguard's own 16-man Jazz Orchestra to a flamenco meets jazz event. Photographs of renowned jazz musicians, like Thelonius Monk, and colorful paintings lighten up the dark walls. The attentive crowd takes jazz seriously, so quietly nod or tap your fingers, but please, listening only.