

GET UNCOMFY

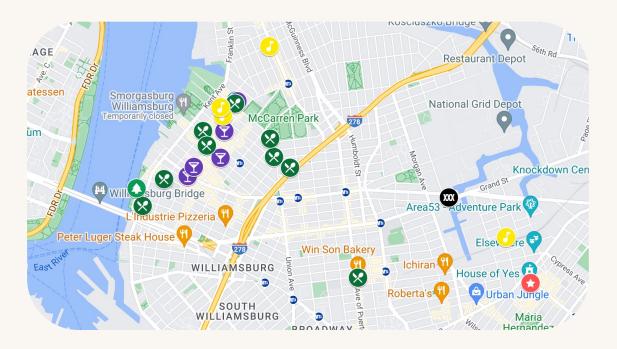
A little about Williamsburg

Williamsburg, Brooklyn, started as a 17th-century Dutch farming settlement and transformed into an industrial powerhouse in the 19th century, attracting waves of immigrants, including Germans, Italians, and Hasidic Jews. By the mid-20th century, it faced economic decline but found new life in the late 1990s and early 2000s as artists, creatives, and young professionals moved in, drawn by affordable spaces and a burgeoning cultural scene. Today, Williamsburg is a vibrant hub known for its blend of trendy boutiques, eclectic eateries, street art, and thriving nightlife, balancing its industrial past with modern chic.

Fun facts

- Williamsburg was purchased for more money from the same tribe that likely sold Manhattan.
- Williamsburg is home to one of the largest Hasidic Jewish communities in the world and many are descendants of Holocaust survivors who fled Europe.
- The Williamsburg Bridge, connecting Williamsburg to Manhattan's Lower East Side, was completed in 1903 and, at the time, was the world's longest suspension bridge.
- The Domino Sugar Refinery was the largest sugar refinery in the world, established in 1856. It closed in 2004 and is now home to Domino Park, a public space with stunning views of Manhattan. Check it out if you have time!
- Hipster culture in Williamsburg emerged in the late 1990s and early 2000s and influenced everything from food (farm-totable dining and food trucks) to nightlife (dive bars and rooftop parties).
- Because of Williamsburg's gentrification, prices have soared over the past 2 decades, rising 94% between 2006 and 2022 and an additional 12% between 2023 and 2024. Many residents have been priced out, with rents averaging ~\$5,300 per month.

Your Williamsburg adventure







Friday, April 4th

Arrive, eat, drink, dance, and get a little uncomfy!

Arrive at your hotel at ~4pm.

- You will be staying at The William Vale Hotel, a 5-star, iconic luxury hotel that embodies Williamsburg's vibrant, creative spirit.
- Have a drink on your private balcony overlooking the Manhattan skyline, and then check out the MUST-SEE, 360degree views of the city at Westlight, your hotel's 22nd-floor rooftop bar.

Enjoy an early dinner at one of the following gems.

- For Italian:
 - Leuca your hotel's Southern Italian restaurant
 - Aurora Tuscan-style cooking with a large garden
 - DOC more of a neighborhood joint with lowkey vibes
 - Lilia or Misi 2 extremely popular restaurants by the same owner
- For Peruvian:
 - Llama Inn a modern take on Peruvian with an aesthetic inspired by Peru's architectural influences
- For sushi and sake:
 - Nami Nori Williamsburg a sophisticated spot with a modern, minimalist vibe
- For Taiwanese:
 - Win Son Bakery serving inventive twists on Taiwanese cuisine in a laid-back spot

Next up! Party time! Kick off the festivities with one of the following experiences, in order of least to most "uncomfy."

- Bar hop in Williamsburg hit up spots like Hotel Delmano for a more upscale feel or Skinny Dennis (honky-tonk saloon), Radegast Hall (beer hall), and MIDNIGHTS (downstairs dance floor) for a younger, fun feel.
- Get <u>tickets</u> to "Dirty Circus," House of Yes' variety show which starts at 6:30pm. It features circus, cabaret, burlesque, aerial acrobatics, pole dancing, drag, and sideshow in a venue known for its inclusive, welcoming spirit. Note: we need to check the schedule as it gets closer as they sometimes switch up their Friday evening events.
- Get a little, or a lot, uncomfy at PUMPS, a strip club that feels a bit more like a dive bar, with a laid-back, unpretentious atmosphere. There's no cover charge, but the ladies may hustle you a bit for tips. ©

Doors open at 10pm for your main event of the evening, Meute at The Great Hall at Avant Gardener!



If you're feeling ambitious and would like to keep the party going, boogie down at one of these late-night spots!

- Good Room (one of my faves!) an unassuming nightclub with a full roster of DJs; it also features a "bad room"
- Ciao Ciao Disco (also one of my faves!) a vibrant spot with retro, disco energy; note: it's currently closed for renovations but is supposed to open back up in 2025
- Gabriela known for its intimate dancefloor, cocktail bar, and welcoming atmosphere for fellow music-lovers

$Saturday, April\ 5^{th}$

Enjoy the views and soak in the memories!

Enjoy the views from your hotel room and indulge in a peaceful breakfast before departing.

- Consider ordering room service and dining on your balcony.
- If you'd like to venture out, enjoy brunch at Sweetwater, a cozy pub/bistro with delicious American food.
- Pack up and say goodbye to NYC!