

# Holiday Tips

For Manhattan and Beyond

'Tis the season to be a tourist.  
Really. Trust us.  
Here's how.

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## Let someone else arrange it.

You may know public transportation intimately, but packages reduce strain. On Location Tours ([www.screen-tours.com](http://www.screen-tours.com)), which offers a AAA discount, transport you around Manhattan to, depending on the route, classic TV and movie sites, "Sopranos" stomping grounds and "Sex and the City" haunts—the latter complete with a Magnolia cupcake. A Slice of Brooklyn's ([www.sliceofbrooklyn.com](http://www.sliceofbrooklyn.com)) Christmas Lights & Cannoli Tour leaving from Union Square combines food with fun spots and astounding displays. Gray Line ([www.newyorkcitysightseeing.com](http://www.newyorkcitysightseeing.com)) is a AAA discount partner, and its Hop On Hop Off tickets allow you to hop on and off as much as you want within 48 (or 72) hours while enjoying sights and holiday lights from comfortable seats.

AAA Travel ([www.AAA.com/Travel](http://www.AAA.com/Travel)) has negotiated a variety of one- and two-night Broadway packages that include accommodations, show tickets and passes to city attractions. Individual hotels and chains also have packages, cost-cutting perks and complimentary amenities. At the Kimberly in East Midtown, every room has a microwave and refrigerator, guests have free access to the NY Health and Racquet Club, any guest named Kimberly receives a complimentary



*Jeweled Settings: The windows along Fifth Ave., especially at Tiffany & Co. at 57th St., are a must see.*

Frette linen robe to bring home, and the open-air hearthside rooftop lounge makes for glorious winter evenings.

Passes—among them the New York Pass ([www.newyorkpass.com](http://www.newyorkpass.com)) (available with

a AAA discount), CityPASS ([www.citypass.com/newyork-city](http://www.citypass.com/newyork-city)) and Smart Destinations cards ([www.smartdestinations.com](http://www.smartdestinations.com))—add up to terrific value by giving admissions to dozens of popular attractions for one flat fee.