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Take Long Island Rail Road to 'City Food Tours' - A Sure Recipe for Fun and Excitement in Big Apple

Discount Packages Offer Savings of Up to 40% on Rail Travel & Tour Tastings

City Food Tours is one of New York City's most popular attractions for gourmets and gourmands who want get to experience the city's unique neighborhoods by sampling the unique cuisines that make them special. Now, the Long Island Rail Road has cooked up a package deal that allows customers to ride the rails and take a City Foods Tour at a savings of up to 40%.

Downtown Chocolate, Wine & Dessert Tour – Friday, May 3 at 1 PM

On Friday, May 3, take the LIRR to City Food Tours's Downtown Chocolate, Wine and Dessert Tour where expert guides lead you on an two and a half hour walk through Manhattan's stylish SoHo and NoLiTa neighborhoods where you will taste the most extraordinary chocolates, cheeses and desserts found in all of New York.

You'll start in SoHo, visiting a couple of the best American chocolatiers. You'll learn about how the chocolates are made and be able to taste handmade chocolates. Then you'll explore Di Palo's, a fixture in Little Italy and source of some of the best Italian cheeses found anywhere in the U.S. Next is a wine tasting at one of the city's most unique wine stores where you will learn why Chile produces some of the best wines for price. Top all that off with a visit to some of the best bakeries and handmade confection shops around.

One Price for Discount Rail Fare and Tour Admission

The LIRR package price is \$63 for adults traveling from LIRR Zones 1-10 and \$74 for adults traveling from LIRR Zones 12-14 saves you up to 40% on an LIRR off-peak ticket, round-trip rail fare and includes admission to the escorted tour. A Long Island Rail Road representative will meet you at 1 PM in the LIRR waiting room at Penn Station and escort you to the tour starting point via subway. MetroCards for subway travel are not included and must be purchased separately. Seniors 65+ should check current regular admission and rail fare and compare with adult package price.

Flavors of New York Tour/Saturday, April 13 and Saturday, June 1 at 10 AM

Are you hankering for some great pizza, hot dogs and other real New York treats? Then join us for a lunch of delicious tastes as we explore the historic and vibrant East Village on City Food Tours' "Flavors of New York" excursion. You're learn about New York pizza and what makes it authentic. You'll taste a traditional egg cream and learn that it doesn't have eggs or cream, but sure does quench your thirst. You'll visit a traditional Ukranian eatery and enjoy some savory bites as you hear about the political and cultural past of the neighborhood. Munch on an all-beef hot dog like a local and enjoy some of the best Italian desserts around during a half-mile trek with six great tasting stops.

Save up to 40% on the Discount Package

The LIRR package price for the Flavors of New York Tour is \$52 for adults traveling from LIRR Zones 1-10 and \$63 for adults traveling from LIRR Zones 12-14, again a savings of up to 40% on LIRR off-peak, round-trip rail fare and includes admission to the escorted tour. A Long Island Rail Road representative will meet you at 10 AM in the LIRR waiting room at Penn Station and escort you to the tour starting point via subway. MetroCards for subway travel are not included and must be purchased separately. Seniors 65+ should check current regular admission and rail fare and compare with adult package price.

For More Information

Customers can get further details about the Downtown Chocolate Wine and Dessert Tour on the MTA LIRR website at following link:
<http://www.mta.info/lirr/getaways/NewYorkCity/CityFoodToursDowntown.htm> .

For more information about the Flavors of New York Tour go to: <http://www.mta.info/lirr/getaways/NewYorkCity/CityFoodToursFlavors.htm>.

Customers can also contact LIRR Customer Service by calling 511, the New York State Travel Information line, and saying Long Island Rail Road, then Group Travel.