



CITY EXPERIENCES ANNOUNCES ITS FIRST U.S. FOOD TOUR, OFFERED EXCLUSIVELY BY DEVOUR TOURS, AS IT EXPANDS ITS LAND-BASED EXPERIENCE OFFERINGS IN NEW YORK CITY

<u>The Greenwich Village NYC Food Tour Takes Guests On An Exclusive</u> <u>Culinary Journey Through One Of Manhattan's Most Iconic Neighborhoods</u> <u>To Experience The Cuisine That Shaped Its Beginnings</u>

New York, NY (May 12, 2022) – <u>City Experiences</u> announced today its first U.S. food tour offered exclusively by the award-winning international tour provider <u>Devour Tours</u>, further extending the company's land-based portfolio of offerings in New York City. The <u>Greenwich Village NYC Food Tour</u> takes guests on a culinary journey through Manhattan's famed West Village, featuring some of the most beloved family-run eateries that have shaped the culture of this storied neighborhood. Tickets are on sale now at <u>devourtours.com</u>.

The *Greenwich Village NYC Food Tour* joins City Experiences current portfolio of offerings in New York City including Statue City Cruises, ferry service to the iconic Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, City Cruises New York, dining and sightseeing cruising from Chelsea, amongst others.

"Devour Tours has always been committed to bringing people together with a one-of-a-kind experience that is rooted in sharing the local culture through its cuisine," said Lauren Aloise, Co-Founder of Devour Tours. "The culinary experience is part of the fabric of New York and we are thrilled to bring our expanding collection of offerings to the U.S. with the Greenwich Village NYC Food Tour. We've always felt that there is no better way to connect with a city then through its cuisine and New York is the perfect place for us to curate these new opportunities for our guests."

The 3-hour *Greenwich Village NYC Food Tour* includes nine food tastings at seven locally run bistros and restaurants in the west side of Lower Manhattan from Washington Square Park to Bleeker Street. Discover the area's rich immigrant heritage and meet the families who have kept their delicious traditions going strong for generations, all while tasting some of the best and most authentic Italian food New York City has to offer.

The tour begins in Washington Square Park, one of New York City's most recognizable landmarks. Guests will learn the story of this neighborhood's rich Italian heritage, starting with the first taste of the tour: fried arancini from a favorite family-run shop. From there, head to a handmade pasta shop that's been run by the same family for over a century and sample their delicious cheese ravioli made by the same traditional manual pasta-cutting machine that has been in use since 1906.

Next, enjoy a family-run café famous for importing high-quality Italian coffee before trying one of the Village's most iconic pizza joints. After that, head to the shop that supplied the arancini you sampled earlier, learn about the family who has run the place for five generations, and pick up some of their signature Italian cured meats and cheeses to enjoy along the way.

Afterward, try a meatball from a hot spot that opened in the 1990s – fairly new by Greenwich Village standards – and top it off with an olive oil tasting led by your expert guide.

And finally, since just one Italian dessert is never enough, try two! Enjoy freshly made pastries and Italy's best-known sweet treat: gelato.

Devour Tours joined City Experiences in 2021 as part of the global experience provider Walks, further extending the company's portfolio of culinary offerings by providing one-of-a-kind food and wine tours in top tourism destinations around the world. Devour Tours spans six different countries and eleven different cities including Madrid, Barcelona, Seville and San Sebastian, Spain; Paris, France; Rome, Florence, and Venice, Italy; Lisbon, Portugal; London, England; and now New York City. Devour Tours introduces guests to authentic local food and vibrant culture through a variety of specially curated and exclusive excursions from the people and communities that know them best.

<u>City Experiences</u> is a leader in world-class experiential travel offerings, redefining how guests see the world with its one-of-a-kind experiential travel offerings across major global destinations. City Experiences represents a diverse portfolio water-based experiences, including dining and sightseeing cruises, land-based experiences, including walking tours, food tours and excursions and its ferry and transportation services. Through its vibrant, exclusively curated and personal connectively, all lead by its renowned Crew and tour guides, City Experiences delivers its guests with an amazing experience that can only be found @cityexperiences.

Background on Greenwich Village NYC Food Tour

Please note the tour description is an example and stops or tastes may vary depending on the season, day of the week, and group size. Regardless of where your tour goes, you always have a delicious experience!

Dietary accommodations and special requests are welcomed, but this offering is not recommended for vegans or those with celiac disease due to the tour's specificity and the risk of gluten cross-contamination. This tour is adaptable for vegetarians and pregnant women.

Devour Tours has created health and safety guidelines in accordance with the World Travel and Tourism Council's <u>'Safe Travels' framework</u>. Your safety is our biggest concern, and we want to make sure you can enjoy the wonderful food and hospitality of our cities in a healthy and comfortable way. <u>Click here</u> for more information on our pledge to your health and safety.

Please refer to the <u>CDC</u> for updated rules and requirements in the US or <u>here</u> for the NYC Covid-19 information portal.

For more information and to purchase tickets visit **devourtours.com** or **cityexperiences.com**.

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About Devour Tours

Devour Tours employs a team of local experts to serve as guides in each destination, offering shared insight and personal commentary to create a unique experience for each and every tour. The company has expanded from tours of fresh markets, street vendors and restaurants to walking wine tastings in Barcelona, flamenco feasts in Seville, family walking tours and gourmet dining experiences in unique restaurants. Devour Tours connects curious travelers to a place's unique history through its cuisine in a way that helps local culture thrive.

About City Experiences

City Experiences represents Hornblower Group's expansive portfolio of water- and land-based experience companies and includes two sub-brands: City Cruises and City Ferry. City Cruises companies operate dining, sightseeing and private events across 22 destinations in the U.S., Canada and the UK. City Cruises companies also operate cruises on behalf of the National Park Service and the Niagara Parks Commission and currently hold service contracts to provide ferry service to the Statue of Liberty National Monument and the Ellis Island National Museum of Immigration, Alcatraz Island and Niagara Falls. City Ferry companies offer specialized knowledge and expertise required to transport passengers, vehicles and other cargo safely across inland and coastal waterways, serving as operator of NYC Ferry and Puerto Rico ferry system, among others. City Experiences' portfolio of companies also offers a range of water- and land-based experiences including shore excursions, partner-offered experiences, multi-port packages, with companies including Venture Ashore, Niagara Jet City Cruises, Walks and Devour Tours. For more information visit cityexperiences.com.

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