ROTARY FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE

Discover Long Island: The Jewel of the Atlantic Coast



Where Excitement, Elegance, and Endless Possibilities Await

Welcome to Long Island, New York's distinguished coastal retreat, where historic charm blends seamlessly with modern sophistication. Extending east from the dynamic metropolis of New York City, Long Island is more than just a destination—it embodies a distinctive lifestyle. Whether your interests include pristine beaches, scenic villages, renowned wineries, or engaging activities, this remarkable island provides experiences as varied and rich as its celebrated past.

Your exploration of Long Island commences here. Discover the jewel of the Atlantic Coast and let each moment become memorable.





Hosted by the Rotarians of District 7255

A Message from Host Nancy Uzo, RFE Chair

Our Rotary district encompasses Long Island, Brooklyn, and Queens, covering approximately 115 miles in length from the western boundary at Brooklyn and Queens to Montauk in the east. At its widest point, Long Island measures about 20 miles north to south.

NZ Host March 14-25 2026. NZ Travel 23rd August – 3rd Sept 2026

Long Island is steeped in history, featuring notable sites such as:

- **Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory**, renowned for the discovery of DNA.
- **Oheka Castle**, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, has been committed to hospitality since 1919.
- **Sagamore Hill**, once the residence of Theodore Roosevelt, now hosting a museum, nature trails, and beaches.
- **Montauk Point Lighthouse**, providing panoramic views and housing a museum within the historic 1776 structure authorized by President George Washington.
- **The Cradle of Aviation Museum** in Garden City, commemorating the region's pivotal role in aviation history.
- The famous **Louis Armstrong House** along the **Queens Jazz Trail**.
- The impressive **Panorama of the City of New York** at the **Queens Museum**.
- The beautiful **Brooklyn Botanic Garden** and the **iconic Brooklyn Bridge**, accompanied by an expansive waterfront park.

Rotary Activities will include club meetings, district events, visits to local projects, and ample opportunities for fellowship.

An itinerary detailing Rotary-related engagements, sightseeing throughout Long Island and New York City, shopping, dining, and leisure periods will be provided to exchange partners ahead of their arrival.

Costs and Fees may cover pre-arranged museum tours, concert tickets, group dining, and transportation expenses. Full details on these costs will be communicated to the exchange partners' RFE Team Leader prior to arrival.

All RFE participants are required to arrive via JFK or LaGuardia Airports in New York City.

Host Families

Guest Host Families will consist of approximately 2 -3 different families in 2-3 different areas of Long Island. A list of Host Families and their contact information will be sent to guests prior to their arrival.

Monetary Responsibilities include any transportation outside of our District 7255 (train, taxi, Uber, ferry etc.), meals eaten outside of your Host Family Home (restaurants, café's, luncheonettes, deli's etc.) and admissions to museums, art galleries, theatres, concerts etc., unless otherwise specified.

We look forward to bringing a team to District9999 in March 2026 and hosting you in August 2026.

To REGISTER INTEREST CONTACT: RFE Chair Irene Mosley 027 277 5631

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