

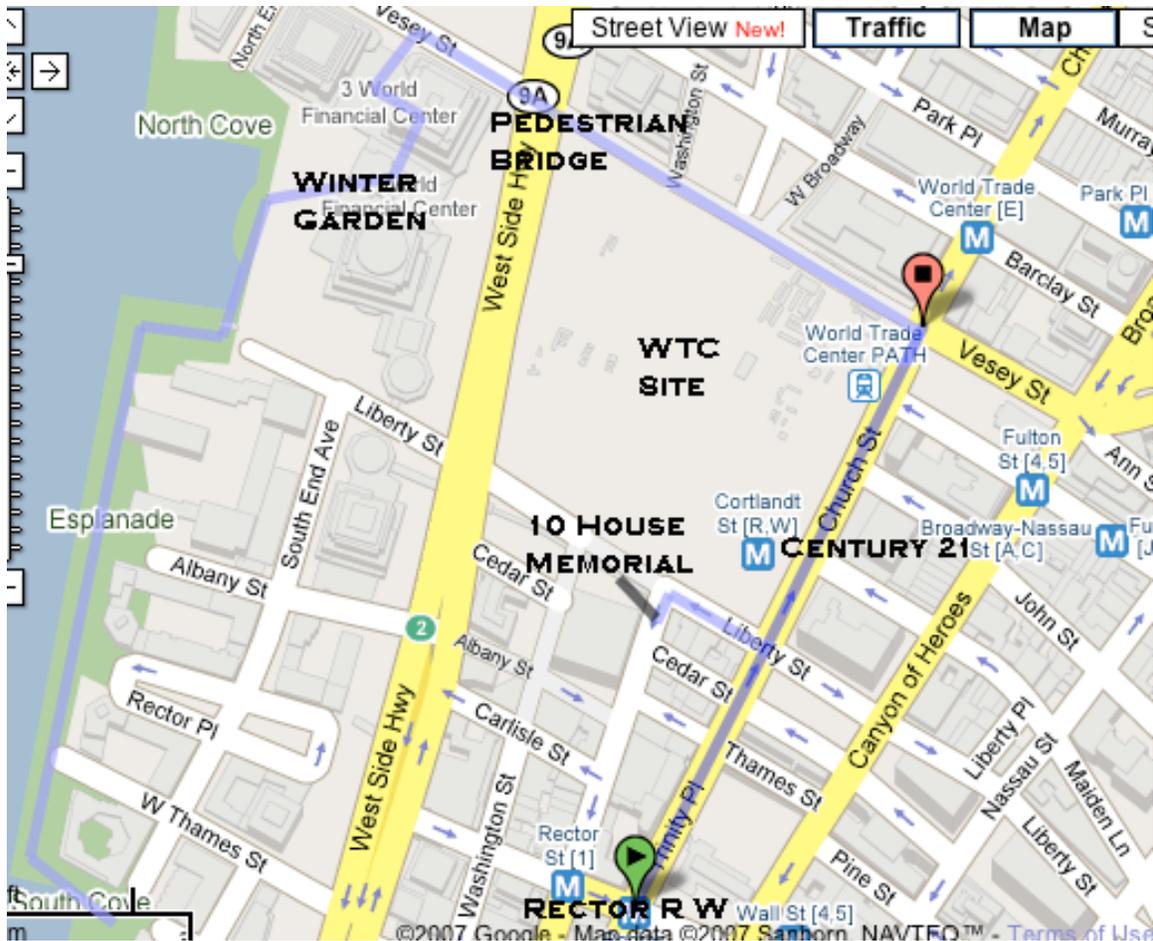
BRING: Iced Waters, Hats, Metro Card, Military and Police IDs, Walking Shoes, Cameras, Carry-Sacks, These instructions, Cell phones, my number

Walk South on 7th Ave, pick the Carnegie or Stage Deli, have breakfast and order sandwiches to GO. They should be HUGE and come with great pickles.

Try to walk by Radio City Music Hall on the way to Rockefeller Plaza. If you arrive by 730am you should get a good view, even behind the stage. Bon Jovi should play two songs before 9am and another song before 10am. Stand to any side near the stage, maybe get on camera. I'm recording the show. ☺

Walk to 49th St and 7th Ave, take the R or W (not the N) train DOWNTOWN. Train designations are on each train on their windows. Children under 44" go under the low turnstile- free. (This doesn't work with the spinning turnstile.) Pass the Metrocard back after each person passes the turnstile. This is legal.

You are going to Rector St. There are two Rector St stations, one is for the 1 train, yours is for the R or W. It's about 8 stops, start looking out the window to the right after City Hall, you can see them rebuilding the Cortlandt St Station that was destroyed on 9/11.



From Rector St. Station R W (see the other Rector St station 1 here) walk North, that's the same direction as the cars.

On your right is Trinity Church, this is where the rescue and recovery workers rested, ate and prayed while working after 9/11. It dates back to 1696, and George Washington prayed here while he was President.

When you get to Liberty Street, you will see Ground Zero on one side and Century 21 on the other. Before you continue, make a left on Liberty Street, pass the visitors center and the "10 House", which is the firehouse. Follow around the 10 house to the left, there is the best memorial- right on the wall of the 10 House.

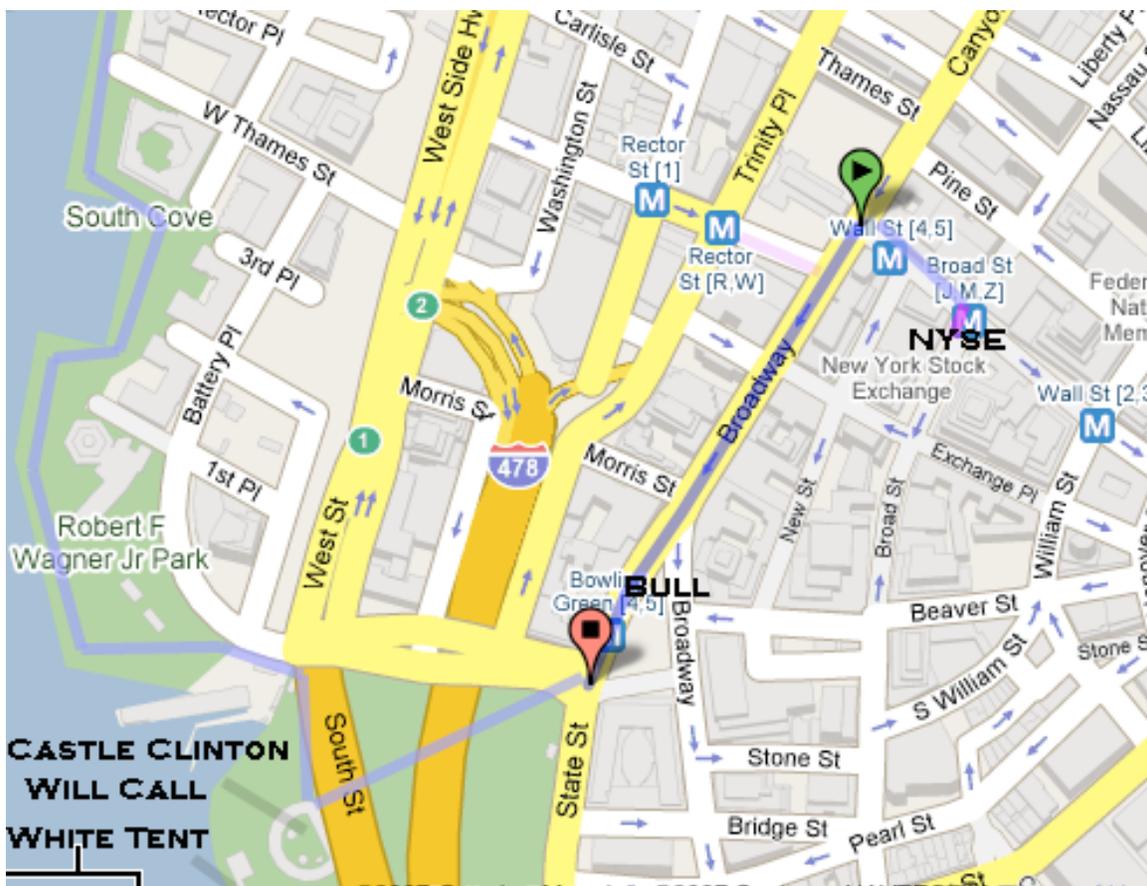
Then go back to Rector, which has changed names to Trinity Place, and now to Church St, walking by Ground Zero to Century 21.

Shop your hearts out at Century 21. It's no frills and GREAT deals. Use the coupons to get your **FREE GIFTS**. I have no idea what it is. Probably some small trinket. I am sorry but you will have to carry your bags of goodies for the rest of the trip- that's why you have the carry sacks.

When you leave Century 21, continue to walk by Ground Zero, past the new PATH station.

Vesey St is closed to cars but you can walk there, take the escalator to the pedestrian bridge over the West Side Highway. From here is also a pretty amazing view of “the Pit” at Ground Zero.

Continue down the stairs or escalator straight. When you get out, you will see an entrance for Shops and Restaurants on your left. Go in. Walk through the mall to your left to the Winter Garden. Indoor palm trees in NYC, and a nice place to rest for a moment, take a pee, eat some of your massive sandwiches ... Walk out the doors from the Winter Garden to the yachts outside. Walk to the left which is South on the Esplanade, keep the water on your right and stay by the water. It’s cool and beautiful and lots of gardens. You will see the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, even the Verrazano Bridge straight ahead. (The longest suspension bridge in the US, second in the world). Where you see the big Colgate clock and big new buildings across the water, that’s New Jersey.



Keep walking by the water, you’ll pass the Museum of Jewish History and the Robert Wagner Garden. There’s a little construction just before you get to Castle Clinton, so

you have to walk by the street there. You will see crowds and long lines. Now for the fun part...

Go into Castle Clinton, past the long lines, to the Will Call window. It's to your right, about 4 o'clock of the circle. Give them your confirmation number: **2123520 under your name: NORA MOSLEY and show your ID. Get your tickets and your time passes. You need both.** Now the REALLY fun part. Ignore the line you just passed, continue through Castle Clinton to where the line ends, skip past everyone and go right to the entrance. You will either see a National Park Service person or someone in a blue Circle Line shirt. (Ask for Maurice, although it's not necessary to get in, he was also in Baghdad and knows Taji.) Tell them you are military and police and they will take you right in!!!! This is REALLY COOL!

Your time passes are for 1:45 to 4:30pm to actually enter the Statue, but if you manage to get there early I am sure they will let you in. Take your time and enjoy yourselves. There are lockers at the Statue, so you can put your bags down, and there's lots of places to sit around and check out the views, take pictures and stuff. The ferry will also take you to Ellis Island, and again, you can take as long as you like. Its going to be hot, but on Liberty and Ellis Islands and the boats it should be nice.

When you are coming back from Ellis Island please CALL ME. This will give me time to get downtown to meet you.

Or- you may want to take a break when you get back from your trip to Statue of Liberty/Ellis Island. Either way, you should see the New York Stock Exchange.

You will walk back pretty much the way you came to Castle Clinton, this time by the rose bushes. When you get to the road and cross it, you will see the Battery Tunnel entrance on your left and to the right, the Citibank window awnings. Head towards Citibank. Pass the Citibank on your left as you keep walking that direction (East) towards the Custom House.

Turn left on Broadway, that's the Customs House. While you are under scaffolds, look right, there's the Bull.

Keep walking up Broadway to Wall St. Make a right on Wall Street, you'll see lots of police and barriers and tourists.

Turn to your right and there will be an enormous US flag on the New York Stock Exchange building. Not possible to tour it any more ☹

If you are tired, tired of carrying bags and going home to the hotel, you will walk back up Wall Street and down Broadway back to the Rector R W station, and take the train UPTOWN to 57th St 7th Ave Station.