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A Drink With A View: NYC's Best Bars On The Water



A drink with a view? Yes, please. When you can find a place in NY to sip a beer outside, gaze at the East River, and not pay \$4,000+ rent for it – you hold on to that seat for dear life. Here are **NYC's best bars on the water**.

The Frying Pan: this former boat, now anchored by Chelsea Piers at Pier 66a, is a true "dive" bar, having spent years shipwrecked at the bottom of Chesapeake Bay. Resting right on the Hudson River, Frying Pan grants you crisp beers and cocktails, and some One World Trade Center, Empire State, and Hoboken eye-candy.

Watermark Bar: new and just-opened, this bar on Pier 15 at South Street Seaport comes equipped with frothy strawberry margaritas, Vermont-cheddar bacon cheeseburgers, and a view of the crystalline-lit Brooklyn Bridge and East River. It's a backdrop for falling in love, so enter with caution.

STK Rooftop: Do you like lobster rolls and Hudson River sunset views? At the Meatpacking's most in-demand rooftop at the top of **its sexy steakhouse**, you get watermelon cucumber cocktails, and a view of the Hudson, the majestic **Standard Hotel**, and the cobblestone, stiletto-ridden streets below.

Boat Basin Café: This circular bar on the Upper West Side is like a Shakespearean theatre-in-the-round, offering stone, vaulted walls and ceilings, a fountain, and a far-off look at the George Washington Bridge on the stone terrace.

Beekman Beer Garden: Oh, for heaven's sake. A bar in South Street Seaport with an actual floor of sand, white couches, ping-pong, and an up-close view of the Brooklyn Bridge? Let's stay the night.