

Passenger Car Travel Directions

Symbols denote locations on accompanying map.

- FROM THE NORTH** Take Northway (I-87) southbound to I-90 eastbound, proceed to I-787 southbound, take Empire State Plaza exit and follow the directions below for **Plaza underground parking ❶**.
- FROM THE SOUTH** Take NYS Thruway (I-87) northbound to Exit 23 (Downtown Albany), proceed through toll booth to I-787 northbound, take Empire State Plaza exit and follow the directions below for **Plaza underground parking ❶**.
- FROM THE EAST** Take I-90 westbound across the Hudson River to I-787 southbound, take the Empire State Plaza exit and follow the directions below for **Plaza underground parking ❶**.
- FROM THE WEST** Take the NYS Thruway (I-90) eastbound to Exit 24 (Albany), continue on I-90 eastbound to I-787 southbound, take Empire State Plaza exit and follow the directions below for **Plaza underground parking ❶**.

For **Plaza underground parking ❶**, enter the Plaza tunnel and then use the *third* garage entrance for **Visitors ‘V-lot’ (P-3 North)** for visitor parking and handicapped visitor parking.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL oversized vehicles (over 6'6" in height), whether for general use OR for handicapped use, MUST use the first garage entrance for P-1 North.

See the enclosed flyer for information about payment for Plaza underground parking.

From either underground parking level, take the elevators to the ‘C’ (Concourse) Level and follow the signs to the Convention Center ❷.

Remember...

- Plaza underground parking is very limited and is available on a first-come, first-served basis. See the enclosed **Directions to Alternate Parking Facilities**, since visitors’ parking is often full by 8:15 am.
- **ALL DRIVERS AND PASSENGERS entering Plaza underground parking MUST be prepared to show photo ID, and ALL vehicles are subject to random search. Have your IDs ready BEFORE you enter the parking garage to expedite parking for the entire group.**
- **NO oversized vehicles are permitted in the Visitors’ ‘V-Lot’ (P-3 North) parking garage. ALL oversized vehicles (over 6’6” in height), whether for general use or for handicapped use, MUST park in P-1 North parking.**

Directions to Alternate Parking Facilities

Following are directions to alternate parking facilities around the Empire State Plaza, in the order in which you will encounter them as you pass through and circle around the plaza. See the following page for details on parking fees at these facilities.

Number symbols denote locations on accompanying map.

1. **② Elk St lot (general visitor parking)**

Drive through the Plaza tunnel and make a **right onto S. Swan St.** Continue along S. Swan St, through the intersection with Washington Ave, and enter the Elk St lot directly facing you at the end of the next block.

2. **③ Times Union Center parking garage (privately-run public parking garage)**

Drive through the Plaza tunnel and make a **right onto S. Swan St.** Continue to the end of block and make a **right onto State St.** Continue along State St past the Capitol ⑦, stay in the middle lane but **bear to the left** at the light and **then immediately bear to the right** to continue down the State St hill. Continue along State St and make a **right at the second light onto S. Pearl St.** Continue along S. Pearl St past the Times-Union Center ⑧ and make a **right at the third light** (one may only be blinking) **onto Market St** to enter the Center's parking garage on the right at the end of the ramp.

3. **Parking facilities off of Madison Ave**

Drive through the Plaza tunnel and make a **right onto S. Swan St.** Continue to the end of block and make a **right onto State St.** Continue along State St past the Capitol ⑦, stay in the middle lane but **bear to the left** at the light and **then immediately bear to the right** to continue down the State St hill. Continue along State St and make a **right at the second light onto S. Pearl St.** Continue along S. Pearl St and make a **right at the fifth light** (one may only be blinking) **onto Madison Ave.** Then either...

- a. continue up Madison Ave and make a **right at the first light** onto Grand St; entrance to the **④ Grand St lot** for general visitor parking is on the left.

—OR—

- b. continue up Madison Ave and make a **left after the third light** (just past the Cathedral ⑨) to enter the **⑤ Cathedral lot** for general visitor parking and for handicapped parking.

—OR—

- c. continue up Madison Ave and make a **left after the fourth light** (just past the State Museum ⑩) to enter the **⑥ Madison Ave lot** for general visitor parking.

Fees for Parking Facilities

Number symbols denote locations on accompanying map.

- 1 P-1 NORTH (Plaza underground parking)**
 - 6:00 am to 2:00 pm
 - \$10 per day flat rate

- 1 'V-Lot' (Visitors; P-3 NORTH; Plaza underground parking)**
 - 6:00 am to 4:00 pm--\$2 per hour, \$20 maximum; 30 minutes or less, free
 - 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm--\$5 flat rate

- 2 ELK STREET SURFACE LOT**
 - 6:00 am to 2:00 pm
 - \$10 All Day, payable upon entry
 - parking available in designated visitor spaces only
 - visitors after 2:00 pm cannot double park
 - no refunds given at this location

- 3 TIMES UNION CENTER parking garage (privately-run public parking)**
 - 7:00 am to 3:00 pm
 - \$8 flat rate for all-day parking

- 4 GRAND STREET SURFACE LOT**
 - 6:00 am to 2:00 pm
 - \$10 All Day, payable upon entry
 - no charge if entry is after 2:00 pm
 - no refunds given at this location

- 5 CATHEDRAL and 6 MADISON AVENUE SURFACE LOTS**
 - 6:00 am to 3:00 pm
 - \$10 payable upon entry prior to 10:00 am
 - \$5 payable upon entry between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm
 - no charge if entry is after 3:00 pm
 - no refunds given at this location