

New York City for the holidays: Ice skating in Manhattan package



New York City for the holidays? Absolutely. A little shopping at Macy's, ice skating for two at the Pond, and a drink to warm you up. All that's missing is a nice suite with cookies and hot chocolate to come home to. The Affinia Manhattan has all of that and more. If you're in New York for the holidays, or thinking about surprising your sweetie with a weekend getaway, take a look at this "Miracle on 31st Street" package. It's so New York in the wintertime.

Deal: The "Miracle on 31st Street" package has a promotional price of \$239 per night and includes:

- > A one night stay in a suite
- > VIP Skating Package to [the Pond at Bryant Park](#) which includes 2 skate rentals and allows guests to bypass the line and get a free hot chocolate and a 10% discount coupon valid at Ice Bites Snack Shop, Pond Shop Souvenir Store and Ice Pix Photo Booth.
- > 10% off savings pass to Macy's and a Macy's tote bag, which allows guests to fill up with their discounted goodies
- > Two free holiday cocktails at the hotel's Niles Restaurant & Bar
- > In-room pampering products including an Ahava gift set
- > In-room holiday goodies such as cookies, hot cocoa and a "Miracle on 34th Street" in-room movie rental are also available, free, upon request, when booking this package.

Tested: When I checked the deal on the website, I found that the price was even less than the promotional price. I found a room Sunday, Dec. 20, for \$219 per night for a 350- to 400-square-foot Studio Suite. A one bedroom suite started at \$269 per night. The package is actually \$30 more than the Best Available Rate, which can change from day to day in December. But there is \$125 worth of retail savings, including the skating experience.

When: Valid through Dec. 30.

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