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# Take your house hunt online

## Web a valuable tool for apartment seekers

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Searching for an apartment in New York is

among the most stressful and difficult things to do.

Looking for a reliable broker and attending open houses can take up valuable time, but thanks to various apartment-searching Web sites, going online may be the easiest and fastest way to find your humble abode.

But with so many sites, how can you find which one is most helpful? We compared

three Web sites and listed key resources they offer:

### Craigslist.com

While we've all used Craigslist for job hunting, the popular online community isn't just for searching out your next gig — it can also land you your future apartment. The quick and user-friendly site does the following:

- Allows you to browse for apartments without the need to register
- Lists apartments by owners and non-fee brokers
- Gives you the option to view listings posted by owners, brokers or renters searching for a roommate
- Asks you to include the minimum and maximum rent you're willing to pay
- Let's you search by borough and surrounding cities

### ArdorNY.com

For a more thorough search, this site allows you

### Other sites worth trying

#### Check out these NYC-based brokers, agents and locators:

- mlx.com
- apartmentsource.com
- cityrealty.com
- easyrent.com
- halstead.com
- corcoran.com
- TurfNYC.com
- HHRealtyGroup.com
- MatchRealtyNycApts.com
- BPVance.com
- Citirent.com (NYC.gov)

to specify not only which borough you want relocate to, but also which neighborhood. Before logging on, here's some information about the site:

- Requires membership (it's free)
- Lets you search by amenities such as on-site laundromat, doorman, elevator, dishwashers, etc

■ Lets you to make a profile and save your searches

■ Provides area demographics including schools, your neighbors' average income and ethnicities

■ No fee to visit property with broker; yet, 15 percent fee applies when leasing

■ Agents require apartment seekers to make 40 times the monthly rent

### LiveInNYC.net

If you're looking for more resources — like what paperwork is required before looking for an apartment — this site lets you know what renters need before contacting a broker:

- No membership needed to browse
- Lists non-fee apartments and high-end lofts and condos
- Provides listings of furnished apartments for temporary residents
- Gives advice and vital information every new renter should know
- Includes a real estate glossary



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