

Harrods

Harrods is one of the most famous department stores in the world. It was opened in 1851 on its current site in Knightsbridge in London by Charles Henry Harrod. Today it is the biggest shop in Europe with 90,000m² of floor space. The next biggest shop in Europe is the KaDeWe in Berlin with 60,000m² of floor space. The motto of Harrods is Omnia Omnibus Ubique- All things for all people everywhere and they claim to be able to get you anything you want in the world, so long as it is legal. The shop itself is a popular tourist attraction with many people visiting and buying on of the shopping bags with its famous Harrods logo.

Macy's

Macy's opened in New York in 1858 but in 1902 moved its flagship store to 34th Street and Broadway where it remains today. Since that time it has grown to be a New York and American institution. Unlike Harrods, most major cities in the USA have a branch of Macy's, but it is still the original one in New York which is the most iconic.

As well as its mid-to up-market stores, Macy's is famous for its Thanksgiving Parade, which has been running since 1924. It is well known for its huge balloons of famous children's characters that parade around New York at the end of November each year.