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New York City Restaurants 2009



CELEBRATING 30 YEARS

Plus Special Bonus Section
New York City Nightlife

FOOD
DECOR
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COST

- Dressler** *American* 26 25 23 \$52
Williamsburg | 149 Broadway (bet. Bedford & Driggs Aves.) | Brooklyn | 718-384-6343 | www.dresslernyc.com
 "Williamsburg's answer to Gramercy Tavern", this "standout" New American "puts it all together" with "stellar" seasonal fare, an "eager-to-please staff" and "beautifully handcrafted" surroundings festooned with "exquisite ironwork from the Brooklyn Navy Yard"; it "can compete with any venue across the river", thus the "718 prices" are a "steal."
- NEW Duane Park** *American* 25 22 22 \$56
TriBeCa | 157 Duane St. (bet. Hudson St. & W. B'way) | 212-732-5555 | www.duaneparknyc.com
 Replacing Duane Park Cafe, this new TriBeCan offers "wonderful" Southern-accented New American food, a "beautiful" chandeliered interior and "quietly efficient" service; since it retains its precursor's "serene" vibe, it's shaping up to be a bona fide "neighborhood sleeper."
- Due** *Italian* 21 15 21 \$47
E 70s | 1396 Third Ave. (bet. 79th & 80th Sts.) | 212-772-3331
 "Respectable" dining with "no pretenses" makes this UES spot a "favorite" for "toothsome" Northern Italian fare and "committed" service; loyal locals laud it for "keeping the comfort level high" at a "gentle price."
- DuMont** *American* 24 17 18 \$27
Williamsburg | 432 Union Ave. (bet. Devoe St. & Metropolitan Ave.) | Brooklyn | 718-486-7717 | www.dumontrestaurant.com
DuMont Burger *American*
Williamsburg | 314 Bedford Ave. (bet. S. 1st & 2nd Sts.) | Brooklyn | 718-384-6127 | www.dumontnyc.com
 Williamsburgers can "stop cooking at home" thanks to this "easygoing joint" serving "artful" yet "cheap" New American standards; a "hip crowd" convenes in the "inviting" interior or "Zen-like garden", or hits the Bedford Avenue mini spin-off for "awesome" burgers and sandwiches.
- Dumpling Man** *Chinese* 18 7 12 \$12
E Village | 100 St. Marks Pl. (bet. Ave. A & 1st Ave.) | 212-505-2121 | www.dumplingman.com
 When it comes to a "cheap" quickie, this "painless" East Village Chinese offers "lots to choose from" via a "flavorful" roster of "substantial dumplings", all "freshly made" right in front of you; but given the "hole-in-the-wall" setting, "takeout is the best bet."
- Dylan Prime** *Steak* 24 22 21 \$67
TriBeCa | 62 Laight St. (Greenwich St.) | 212-334-4783 | www.dylanprime.com
 "Snazzier than your average steakhouse", this "hip" TriBeCan draws "youthful" types with "fabulous" fare served "without attitude" in a "dark", "nontraditional" setting; add in a "wonderful" separate bar area, and it's easy to see why it's "worth the hefty price" and is always full.
- Earthen Oven** *Indian* 20 12 17 \$36
W 70s | 53 W. 72nd St. (bet. Columbus Ave. & CPW) | 212-579-8888 | www.earthenovennyc.com
 "Marvelous" regional dishes not found in the typical tandoori lineup turn up on the menu of this UWS Indian vending "enticing eats" for