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6 New Restaurant Openings in NYC You Need to Know

Latin-Caribbean-inspired rum bars, Mexican cantinas, and the latest spots from industry veterans.

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After a year of living what felt like a monochrome life, NYC continues to open up and get back to the old pal we once knew. Now that New Yorkers over the age of 16 are eligible for walk-in vaccinations and cocktails will no longer require food purchases (thanks for the memories, \$1 bag of chips!), things in the city are already looking up for the warmer season. And while the pandemic continues to alter the landscape of the NYC culinary world, against all odds, a new class of eateries are helping to make the year brighter and a lot more flavorful, offering fresh options to help keep our palates excited through any news cycle.

From Latin-Caribbean-inspired rum bars and Mexican cantinas to the latest spots from industry veterans, here are some of NYC's latest restaurant openings you need to know about. And as always, please tip generously, wear a mask, and social distance responsibly.



Tiny's Cantina | PHOTO BY JARED ZUCKERMAN

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Prospect Heights

This modern day cantina inspired by Mexican street food and craft cocktails is from the same team behind Morgan's Brooklyn Barbecue and located just blocks away. The menu is by executive chef Cenobio Canalizo and features flavors rooted in his hometown of Puebla, Mexico. Expect signature items like Oaxacan tlayuda, birria tacos, BLT Camarones, pork belly guacamole, and quesadillas de hongos. The cocktail menu by beverage director Aubrey Ruetigger and general manager Jono Moratis includes the Golden Eagle (mezcal, apricot, ginger, pineapple, mole bitters) and a Guanajuato Old Fashioned (corn whiskey, liquor de elote, bitters, lemon twist), in addition to over 75 tequilas and mezcals.

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