



Merakia: New Greek Spot in Flatiron

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Not going to lie, I was very upset a few years ago when Green Square Tavern closed. It was my go to lunch spot and I still haven't been able to find a Turkey Burger as good as that one.

When Kat & Theo opened, I meant to check out the space, but never got around to eating there. I think it closed after being open for a year.

Then I heard about Merakia. I was intrigued because I love Greek food, but on the other hand, I am usually pretty basic and satisfied with hummus, a greek salad and a few kebabs. I've had fancy greek food before and it's usually overpriced, pretentious and the food is mediocre.

With that said, I decided to give Merakia a shot! The space is absolutely gorgeous. The staff was beyond welcoming when we arrived and we got to sit in the most comfortable booth!

Here's what we got:

Tzatziki: done the traditional way

Melitzanosalata: roasted eggplant with florina peppers, garlic, onion

Kafteri: dollop of feta with jalapeños, balanced with grilled bell pepper and tomato

Chicken Aliada: a merakia specialty with chicken, yogurt, walnut and smoked paprika

Haloumi (I am SO obsessed with this cheese!!)

Saganaki (I didn't love this cheese...)

Marouli

greek chopped salad with romaine hearts, frisée, scallion, radish, tomato, feta dressing

Grilled Lamb Chops

mountain herbs, lemon potatoes

Free Range Chicken on the Spit

marinated with a mix of med sea salt, pepper and taygetos mountain oregano

Black Tiger King Prawns

simply grilled with ladolemono sauce

Mac 'N' Tiri

mac 'n' cheese with kefalograviera, cheddar and feta

Overall, I enjoyed my experience at Merakia and with pleasure give it an 8/10. I loved the ambiance, the staff was great and the food was delicious. I would definitely recommend it – and now have a new favorite Greek spot!



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