

# Eaters' Journal 7/9/16: Hao Noodle & Tea, The Beatrice Inn, Le Coucou, Pig Beach, and More

Field notes from Eater editors about recent meals around New York  
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**Pig Beach:** I'd heard this place could be kind of a shitshow, but when I visited this seasonal pop-up on the Gowanus Canal at around 2 p.m. on Sunday, the bar and the barbecue counter were both completely manageable. The space was full of families chowing down, plus a few bros in critter shorts playing corn hole. I asked the bartender if this was a typical crowd and she mentioned that things were just getting started and that on a previous Saturday they did 1,500 covers.

I loved the smoked and grilled wings doused in a spicy white sauce. The pulled pork, which was mopped with a slightly fruity vinegar concoction, was also really good. The spares had a nice crust and the meat was tender, but the peppery rub overpowered the flavor the beef. It's not super smoky 'cue, but obviously, the Pig Beach crew cares about the meat that they're serving. I hope to hit it up once again before the summer's over. — *Greg Morabito*