New York’s 4 Most Luscious Drinking Dens

Bars, bars and more bars. Whether you are looking to sip elegant cocktails in a secret den, wish to sample wines from around the world or want to throw back beers and shots at the dirtiest of dives, New York City has every type of place an imbibere might desire. Putting those ideals aside, we have narrowed down some of the swankiest, most unique places to drink in the city — you know, the kind of joint where you might want to propose to your loved one, take your father for his 60th birthday or impress that coworker. From elegant martini service to DIY brunch cocktails, let’s toast to the Big Apple in style.

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Why wait for the bartender to make you a drink when you can have one pre-made, bottled and waiting for you with your name on it? Each month at AvroKO Hospitality Group’s trendy NoHo restaurant, barman Masa Urushido researches a historical drink and mixes it up just for you as a part of the Cocktail Cabinet program. Should you become a member — monthly, quarterly and annual commitments are available — you will be able to read about the drink on a description card when you get your bottle at the bar, and settle in for a glass or two before having them catalog it away until next time. (Each bottle has about 10 drinks’ worth.) In the past, Urushido has done the Greenpoint, made with the local Aviation Gin, special lemon-thyme syrup and Dolin blanc; and the tequila-based Flor de Mayo made with Herradura Reposado, Noilly Prat ambre vermouth, house-made marigold-agave syrup, fresh lime and orange bitters. Each cocktail subscription comes with a 16-ounce, personalized bottle and a description of the drink.