## THE CAMPBELL

BAR

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Dining out alone can be enlightening—or intimidating. In Manhattan, aside from the obvious coffee shops, there are many welcoming spots to enjoy a cocktail, a meal-and your own company. Here's the skinny on a few of them.

Delmonico's Not far from the New York Stock Exchange, this is the place Lobster Newburg and Baked Alaska were born.

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Balthazar Red leather banquettes and joie de vivre are compelling reasons to visit this SoHo favorite for breakfast with your laptop or newspaper, for a latte and croissant. Definitely a morning hotspot for writers. Or, come later, for the raw bar and steak frites. Bonus: tables are close together for eavesdropping or convo with friends you haven't met yet. Info: balthazarnv.com.

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Zuma New York Inspired by the informal, authentic and interactive style of Japanese dining, this midtown restaurant is a good fit for a solo meal of signature dishes like Black Miso Cod, Tuna Tataki-and smallbatch sakes, too. And the Yukimuro Snow Aged Soy Sauce served here is revered. Info: zumarestaurant.com.

Café Lalo Sip a cognac or cappuccino at this Upper West Side neighborhood café. With exposed brick walls it also served as a setting for You've Got Mail. You'll be tempted by the more than 100 cakes, pies and desserts (cheesecakes rule at Lalo). Info:

Del Frisco's Grille Brookfield Place It's almost rosé season and the patio at this downtown steakhouse is a lovely, shady spot to sip an afternoon glass after a visit to the reflecting pools at the 9/11 Memorial and Museum and Battery Park. Nibble on deviled eggs or, if you enjoy a good steak, you're covered. Info: delfriscosgrille.com. .

