



RESTAURANTS NEAR THE GRADUATE CENTER

The midtown area is teeming with restaurants. However, one must search a bit to discover the hidden gems amongst the fast food chains. Unfortunately, these gems often come with a high price tag. The Korean restaurants on the list are a great option; many are really close by and quite affordable. We have tried to present a good variety of restaurants that also have reasonable prices. However, we have included some more expensive ones in case you are in the mood to really dine out.

Lunch Options

Quick grab - For a quick sandwich, soup or salad

QUIZNOS - 34th and Madison
AU BON PAIN - 5th Ave and 38th
PAX - 6th Ave between 35th and 36th
CAFÉ METRO - Broadway & 36th

Restaurant Options by Cuisine

Chinese

EVERGREEN SHANGHAI - (38th St between 5th and 6th Aves.) Absolutely enormous menu with lots of great options; under \$10
MEE NOODLE SHOP - (2nd Ave. between 30th and 31st Sts.) Huge portions of cheap, tasty noodles; under \$10
NOODLES ON 28 - (3rd Ave. & 28th St.) Great dumplings as well as a good assortment of soups, chicken and vegetable dishes as well as noodle soups; under \$10
SAM'S NOODLE SHOP BAR & GRILL - (3rd Ave. & 29th St.) A very similar menu to Noodles on 28, if forced to choose I would go to the above restaurant; under \$10

Indian

There is a great assortment along Lexington Ave. in the high 20's.
CURRY IN A HURRY - (28th St & Lexington Ave.) Infamous for the cheapest curries around, not for those with weak stomachs; under \$10
KALUSTYAN'S - (Lexington Ave. between 28th and 29th Sts.) Great for lunch or dinner, good vegetarian options, known for their lentils; under \$10
MAVALLI PALACE - (29th St. between Park & Madison Aves.) Savory lentil donuts and eggplant dishes are their specialties, all vegetarian; under \$20
NEW MADRAS PALACE - (Lexington Ave. & 27th St.) Kosher vegetarian fare from southern India; under \$10
TABLA - (Madison Ave. & 25th St.) A chic American restaurant that fuses Indian spices into its cuisine, under \$30
VATAN - (3rd Ave. between 28th and 29th Sts.) Restaurant critics highly recommend this restaurant which aims to transport you to an animated Indian village, artificial trees and all, under \$20

Italian

Murray Hill is not the ideal neighborhood for Italian but these pizza places have gotten good reviews.
PATSY'S - (3rd Ave. & 34th St.) Good thin crust pizza, pasta and salads though a bit overpriced; under \$15
PIZZA 33 - (3rd Ave. & 33rd St.) Supposedly the best pizza in Kip's Bay, variety of individual pizzas; under \$10

Japanese

Japanese restaurants are quite expensive in midtown. Note that you can often find sushi at some of the Korean restaurants listed in the next section.

GENKI SUSHI - (44th St. between 5th & Madison Aves.) Bright lunch spot that features a conveyor belt with sushi, sashimi and vegetables; under \$20
HATSUHANA - (48th St. between 5th & Madison Aves.) Very classy, expensive sushi; under \$30
KATSU-HAMA - (47th St. between 5th & Madison Aves.) Famous for their fried pork cutlet; under \$20
MISHIMA - (Lexington Ave. between 30th & 31st Sts.) Sushi, tempura and teriyaki dishes at moderate prices; under \$20
SEN-NIN - (34th St. between Madison & Park Aves.) Sushi and sashimi have only gotten fair reviews, but the udon noodle soups are very popular, moderate prices; under \$20

Korean

The best variety of Korean restaurants in NY is right on 32nd Street.
CHO DANG GOL - (35th St. between 5th & Broadway) Fancy restaurant famous for their tofu dishes; under \$30
GAM MEE OAK - (32nd St. between Broadway & 5th Ave.) Very popular, all your Korean favorites; under \$15
HAN BAT - (35th St. between 5th & Broadway) Inexpensive restaurant known for their scallion and seafood pancakes; under \$10
HAN SUNG GARDEN - (35th St. between 5th & 6th Aves.) Critics say it is safe to take a chance on whatever sounds good to you, very reasonable; under \$10
KANG SUH RESTAURANT - (Broadway & 32nd St.) Open 24 hours with a sushi bar on one floor and a Korean barbecue upstairs, grill your own food; under \$15
MANDOO BAR - (32nd St. between 5th & Broadway) Fabulous dumplings and good noodle dishes, vegetarian dumplings available; under \$10

Latin American

ASIA DE CUBA - (Madison Ave. between 37th & 38th Sts.) Very trendy, a fusion of Asian and Latin cuisine, also very expensive; under \$40
MOSAICO - (Madison Ave. between 33rd & 34th Sts.) Great nuevo-Latino takeout shop, perfect for lunch, good soups, sandwiches and interesting desserts like stuffed figs; under \$10

Mexican

BABY BO'S BURRITOS - (2nd Ave. between 34th & 38th Sts.) Unbeatable lunch special, fun for dinner too, excellent margaritas, burritos and quesadillas; under \$10
BLOCKHEAD'S - (3rd Ave. between 33rd & 34th Sts.) Raucous happy hour with cheap Tex-Mex fare; under \$10
FRESCO TORTILLA - (3rd Ave. between 36th & 37th Sts.) Inexpensive Tex-Mex served in a tiny storefront; under \$10

Vegetarian

Many of the listed above are restaurants listed above are also very vegetarian friendly.
ZEN PALATE - (9th Ave. & 46th St.) Very interesting Buddhist inspired menu with strictly vegetarian fare, beautiful atmosphere; under \$25