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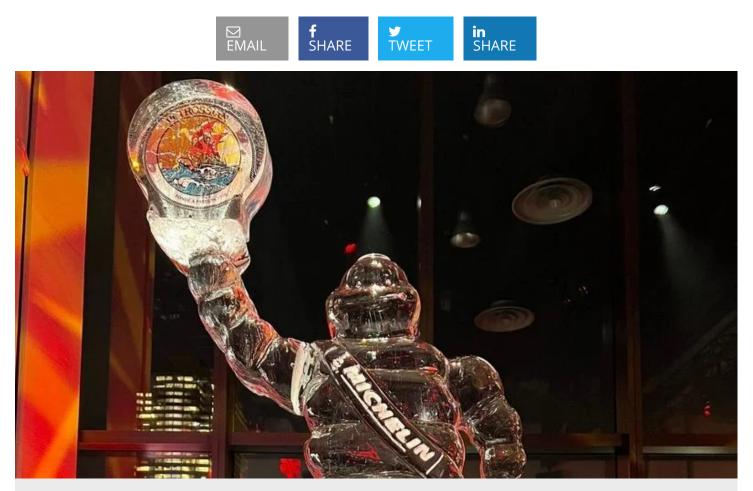
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## The best New York City restaurants, according to Michelin

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Michelin awarded its coveted stars at a ceremony Tuesday night in Tribeca.

This year's Michelin stars are out with two new New York restaurants earning their first 2star designations and eight local spots getting their very first star.

Sushi Noz from chef Nozomu Abeodo and Odo from chef Chef Hiroki Odo both earned their first 2-star designations. At Noz, on the Upper East Side, the \$495 omakase menu highlights aged fish with dishes like hay-smoked bonito sashimi. Odo, in the Flatiron District, serves a kaiseki, the multi-plate tasting menu, at an elegant counter hidden behind a cocktail bar.

"This proves that Japanese cuisine is at the top of its game in New York," said Joshua Foulquier, co-owner of Sushi Noz. "It feels like just the beginning for us and will push us to go father and work harder."

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The restaurants highlight Michelin's predilection for Japanese restaurants. A quarter of the 71 starred restaurants in New York feature Japanese food, and five have 'sushi' in their name. Korean food has also caught the eye of Michelin inspectors: There are now almost a dozen starred spots in the city, including the high-end meat focused tasting counter Bōm.

A notable addition to the one-star list was Torrisi, the Major Food Group's jammed Italian-American dining room in Soho that's headed up by chef Rich Torrisi. Its sister restaurant Carbone, however, didn't get back the star it lost last year. ("Restaurants are revisited in preparation for each new selection," said the guide's chief inspector for North America about its ranking. He spoke on condition of anonymity because of his job.)

This year, Michelin stripped a star from another popular Italian spot: Don Angie, the **impossible-to-get-into** stylized red sauce dining room in the West Village. The city also lost one of its three-star restaurants with the abrupt departure of chef Cesar Ramirez from Chef's Table at Brooklyn Fare, which then temporarily closed.



Courtesy of Cody Rasmussen

Odo, a Japanese speakeasy in the Flatiron District, earned its first 2-star designation.

There are now 71 starred dining rooms in the city, two less than last year. Among the notable omissions: Tatiana, the terrific restaurant from chef Kwame Onwuachi that celebrates the food of New York and his heritage in Africa and the Caribbean, did not get a star. And the exquisite Korean tasting menu spot Atomix, which hit No. 8 on this year's Worlds 50 Best Restaurant list, continues to top out at two stars.

Michelin also handed out an array of special awards. Madalyn Summers of Café Mars was recognized with New York's outstanding service award, the bar team at Cosme with the exceptional cocktails award, Yannick Benjamin of Contento with the sommelier award, Telly Justice of HAGS with the young chef award and Emma Bengstsson of Aquavit with the mentor chef award.

Michelin recognized Dirty Candy and Family Meal at Blue Hill with the "green star" award for their commitment to sustainability.



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Sushi Noz, an omakase restaurant on the Upper East Side, received two stars from Michelin.

The coveted honors were announced at a first-of-its-kind ceremony at Spring Studios in Tribeca that combined the programs for Chicago, New York and Washington, D.C. In years past, each city has hosted its own event.

The company has been updating its guides throughout the year, teasing which restaurants might earn a star. It added 11 new restaurants to its guide in October without saying which designation they fell under.

Then last week, Michelin named 11 newcomers to its New York Bib Gourmand list, which features restaurants the company deems to serve high-quality food at a reasonable price.

The Michelin guides were created more than a century ago by French tire manufacturers. The coveted Michelin stars are considered the crown jewels of the restaurant industry.

# **Michelin-starred restaurants in New York City**

### Three stars

- Eleven Madison Park
- Le Bernardin
- Masa
- Per Se

### Two stars

#### New

- Odo
- Sushi Noz

### Retained

- Al Coro
- Aquavit
- Aska; Atera
- Atomix
- Blue Hill at Stone Barns
- Daniel
- Gabriel Kreuther
- Jean-Georges
- Jungsik

- The Modern
- Saga

## One Star

#### New

- Bōm
- Essential by Christophe
- Joji
- Meju
- Restaurant Yuu
- Shmoné
- Sushi Ichimura
- Torrisi

## Retained

- 63 Clinton
- Casa Mono
- Caviar Russe
- Clover Hill
- Cote
- Crown Shy
- Dirt Candy
- Estela
- Family Meal at Blue Hill
- The Four Horsemen
- Francie
- Frevo

- Gramercy Tavern
- Hirohisa
- Icca
- Jeju Noodle Bar
- Joomak Banjum
- Jua; Kochi
- Kosaka
- L'Abeille
- Le Coucou
- Le Jardinier
- Le Pavillon;
- Mari
- The Musket Room
- Noda; Noz 17
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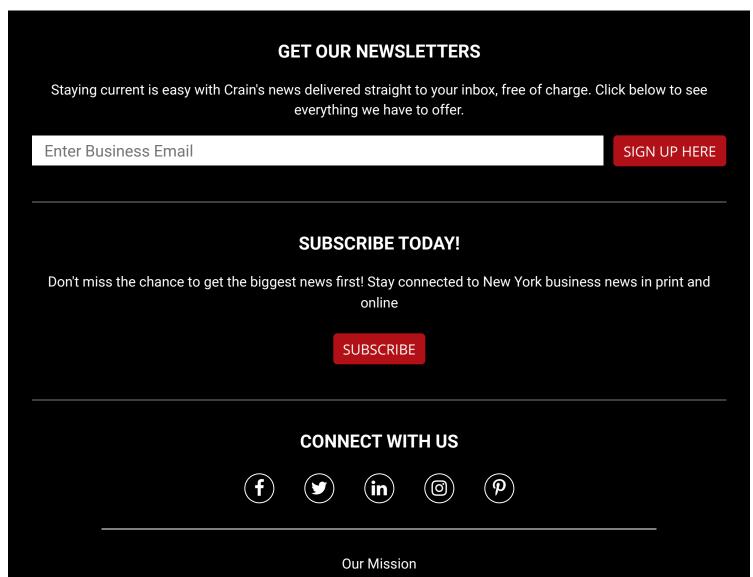
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