

Food Culture Daily

TASTING TABLE NEW YORK

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Basket Case

Pick a park: Your ready-made picnic is waiting nearby



With what little sunshine we're given, who wants to eat indoors? Take to the grass with these expert picnics, each prepared for you within a short distance of your favorite urban oasis.

We've also included the perfect bottle to pair with your meal (not that we're suggesting you break the law, but don't forget to pack a corkscrew).

Bryant Park ([map this planner](#))

Eat: When [La Cense](#) decided to open a burger truck to feature its grass-fed beef, the company tapped chef [Adam Perry Lang](#) for his perfect burger recipe. Topped with caramelized onions and a swath of melted cheese, Perry Lang's blend of four cuts (loin, rib, round and chuck) makes for a serious meat bomb (\$7.50). The truck often sets up shop around Park Ave. and 47th St. (track it on [Twitter](#)), in perfect proximity for an impromptu alfresco lunch on the grass.

Drink: 2008 Mas De Gourgonnier Rosé (\$14) from Morrell and Co. Wine Store; [morrellwine.com](#)