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21 Best Bars in New York City

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Above all else, New York is a drinking town. Here, where the locals go for a tipple.

New Yorkers love a drink. And being an open-minded bunch, they embrace dives, wine bars, and cocktail joints in equal measure, meaning you won't go wrong when looking for a place to knock back a few. Read on for our picks for some of the best places to drink in NYC.



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The little round marble bar and a whiff of New Orleanian dishabille catch your attention first. This Williamsburg standby is renowned for its cocktail program, oyster happy hour, and general Southern Gothic vibe. The light, which pours in, is made for Instagram, and you'll see brunchers taking full advantage of it. Absinthe addicts, attention: This is your bar. There's a whole separate menu devoted to absinthe cocktails, a real vintage drip in-house, and barkeeps who know what they're doing with it all. Brews are locally sourced and tasty, and the non-absinthe drinks shine, too.