The Skinny Pig Inc.

NEW YORK

PIZZA

- A GUIDE THAT DOESN'T SUCK

Pizza Guide 2025

This is a list of what I believe to be some of the best pizza in NYC, broken down by neighborhood, as well as style and delivery options.

I've eaten at a lot of these places more than once, so one of my factors for inclusion is consistency in taste/quality. I give you my personal faves (or the "Skinny Pig Pick") on a few of them as well.

If you know me, you know that I've been a pizza enthusiast for a very long time, and have been writing about food in this city for an even longer time. Please see the next page for a little more about me!

And THANK YOU for downloading this guide!!!

Nice to Meet You

Hi friend! I'm Dara - born and raised New Yorker by way of Queens (no BS here) and I'm one of the OG food bloggers in NYC.

I started my blog, <u>The Skinny Pig NYC</u>, in 2008, reviewing restaurants and shooting food (the latter was done poorly at first), and I couldn't get enough. As I continued to write and develop my photo skills, I started Instagram in 2014 under the moniker @skinnypignyc (now I'm just me, <u>@darapollak</u>). Foodporn and funny captions were my bread and butter (or pizza and tomato sauce?), and I grew my following to 60K in one year (back when IG was cool). Now, I run The Skinny Pig Inc. (DBA Misfit Creatives), a social media and creative consultancy, working primarily with restaurants in NYC.

All this is to say...I know my shit and you can trust me.

Let's dive in to one of my favorite topics: PIZZA. I also happen to have a pizza tattoo on my arm, so you know I really mean it.

A Quick Note

When it comes to pizza in New York, there are a few things to ask yourself when selecting which spots you want to visit.

- Are you going for the classic NYC slice? Aka a little triangle of happiness? Or are you looking for more creative options?
- What matters most to you? Crust? Sauce?
 Cheese? You're probably thinking all 3, but I have learned over my many years of pizzahoovering, that this is subjective. I love a good sauce and a crisp crust, unless it's Neopolitan style, in which case, "chewy yet crisp" is king.
- NYC is a pricey place, no doubt, but when it comes to pizza, the range can go from cheap(ish) to very expensive. If you're looking to try more places, I'd choose the ones that have slices available (see legend at the bottom of the page for what the graphics mean)!

PART 1

MANHATTAN



Downtown

Joe's Pizza 150 East 14th Street (212) 388-9474 joespizzanyc.com







A classic NYC triangle slice, perfect any time of day. Seriously I would eat it for breakfast.

Neopolitan style pies, really

light and chewy crust. Nice

place to eat inside, too.

2 Ribalta 48 E 12th Street (212) 777-7781 ribaltapizzarestaurant.com



3 Prince Street Pizza 27 Prince Street A (212) 966-4100 princestreetpizzamenu.com





You'll wait during peak times but it will be 200% worth it.

SKINNY PIG PICK Get the Spicy Spring (square

4 Rubirosa 235 Mulberry Street ((212) 965-0500 rubirosanyc.com



Super-thin and crispy crust. Prepare to wait!

slice with pepperoni).

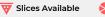
SKINNY PIG PICK Get the Vodka Pie.

5 Pasquale Jones 187 Mulberry Street (917) 453-0339 (text only) pasqualejones.com



Wood-fired pizzas. Dining in is fun if you like an upscale experience (and good wine).

SKINNY PIG PICK Try the Clam Pie.











Downtown



Una Pizza Napoletana 175 Orchard Street (646) 476-4457 unapizza.com

Brick oven, rustic pie - chewy and doughy. Recently named best pizza in the world by TimeOut. And one of my personal faves!

7 Scarr's 22 Orchard Street 212-334-3481 scarrspizza.com

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Classic, crispy, NYC-style triangle slice shop. If you're into Joe's, you'll love Scarr's.

8 Adrienne's Pizzabar 54 Stone Street (212) 248-3838 www.adriennespizzabarnyc.com **⋒** 🗱 👿

I normally dislike a lot of stuff in the Stone Street area (a plethora of Patagonia vests), but the thin crust bar pies at Adrienne's make the trip worth it.





Uptown



Made in New York 421 Amsterdam Avenue (646) 484-6200 madeinnewyorkpizza.com

Square slice with pepperoni – similar to Prince Street Pizza. Heavy but damn it's good.

Mama's Too 2750 Broadway (212) 510-7256 mamastoo.com

Square pies are very popular, but I truly liked the regular pie better with fresh basil and charred bottom.

Patsy's 2287 1st Avenue (212) 534-9783 patsys.com

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An NYC institution with coal-oven pies. Nice crust with good sauce/cheese ratio can't go wrong here.



The Pepperoni Pizza

PART 2

BROOKLYN



Restaurants

- L'Industrie
- Ace's Pizza
- Mo's General
- Emmy Squared
- Motorino
- 6 Fini
- Rosa's

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- Fornino
- Paulie Gee's
- Roberta's
- Emily
- Speedy Romeo
- F&F Pizza

- Juliana's
- 16 Lucali
- Di Fara
- L&B Spumoni Gardens
- 10 Totonno's

North

1 L'Industrie 254 S 2nd Street (718) 599-0002 www.lindustriebk.com



2 Ace's Pizza 637 Driggs Avenue (718) 764-8200 acespizzaspot.com

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4 Emmy Squared 364 Grand Street (718) 360-4535 emmysquaredpizza.com

5 Motorino 139 Broadway (718) 599-8899 motorinony.com



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Honestly, one of my new faves. Like classic NY-style mixed with brick oven pizza. Airy and crispy.

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Try the burrata slice, it's heaven.

Detroit style pies with a retro vibe inside. Make sure you get a side of their homemade ranch for dunking.

Really solid square pepperoni slice here, but do NOT sleep on the "fried cheese" aka mozzarella sticks either.

Sister restaurant to Emily. Detroit style, square pie with a super cheesy crust. Like, you will need a nap after.

Neopolitan style, been around forever and usually doesn't disappoint.

SKINNY PIG PICK

Try the brussels sprouts pie (seriously).



North



Fini 305 Bedford Ave (929) 969-3073 finipizza.com



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7 Rosa's 374 Metropolitan Avenue (718) 963-2378 rosaspizzanyc.com



people also enjoy the vodka ravioli slice, but ravioli on pizza feels Insane to me.

don't ask questions. A lot of

Get the Upside Down slice and

From Sean Feeney, co-owner of

Tomato slice w breadcrumbs or

Lilia and Misi. Nuff said?

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White slice w lemon

Currently full 16" pies only, no slices. But super delicious NY style pies.

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The classic cheese or pepperoni. No need to get fancy here.





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Legend

North



Fornino 849 Manhattan Avenue (718) 389-5300 fornino.com



Neopolitan style, great chewy crust and very unique topping combos.

Paulie Gee's 60 Greenpoint Avenue (347) 987-3747 pauliegee.com



Roberta's 261 Moore Street (718) 417-1118 robertaspizza.com

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Neopolitan style, and you'll wait a bit. Or try their Slice Shop in Greenpoint!

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The Hellboy w Mike's Hot Honey.

Neopolitan style with great outdoor space in the warmer weather.

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Get the Bee Sting pie (w soppressata and hot honey)









Central

12 Emily 919 Fulton Street (347) 844-9588 pizzalovesemily.com

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Speedy Romeo 376 Classon Ave

> (646) 542-1848 speedyromeo.com







459 Court Street (718) 407-6575 franks.pizza





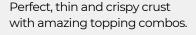
19 Old Fulton Street ((718) 596-6700 julianaspizza.com





575 Henry Street (718) 858-4086 lucali.com

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Try The Colony w pepperoni and hot honey.

Brick oven, unique/creative toppings.

SKINNY PIG PICK

Try The White Album pie w toasted garlic chips.

Sourdough crust, really unique flavor and delicious for a classic NYC style slice. Highly recommend.

That perfect, light, bubblycharred crust. And a great place to sit outside in the nice weather!

Neopolitan style, perfect crispy crust, freshest pizza ever. And calzones. That's literally all they serve and you will wait a long while before getting in.

South



Di Fara 1424 Avenue J (718) 258-1367 difarapizzany.com





Arguably one of the best in NYC, but you will PAY (\$6 for a slice) and wait a while. Plus, it's a trek. Worth it maybe if you're from out of town.

18 L&BSpumoniGardens 2725 86th Street (718) 449-1230 spumonigardens.com







Square slice, heavy on the sauce (on top, cheese on bottom). Delicious. Use the pick up window if you can't get inside.

19 Totonno's 1524 Neptune Avenue (718) 372-8606 www.totonnosconeyisland.com





Thin crust since 1924. A hike, but a classic! And if you're in Coney already, not a hike.

SKINNY PIG PICK

Get the margherita pie w lots of fresh basil.





PART 3

ELSEWHERE

Elsewhere



Umberto's

633 Jericho Turnpike New Hyde Park, NY 11040 (516) 437-7698 umbertosfamily.com





I love Umberto's for the old school Italian food, but the pizza is awesome too.

SKINNY PIG PICK

The Grandma pie is the move.

Rizzo's

30-13 Steinway Street Queens, NY 11103 (718) 721-9862







Since 1959 in Astoria, thin crust, square pie with a great red sauce.

Amore

30-27 Stratton Street Queens, NY 11354 (718) 445-0579

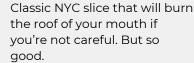




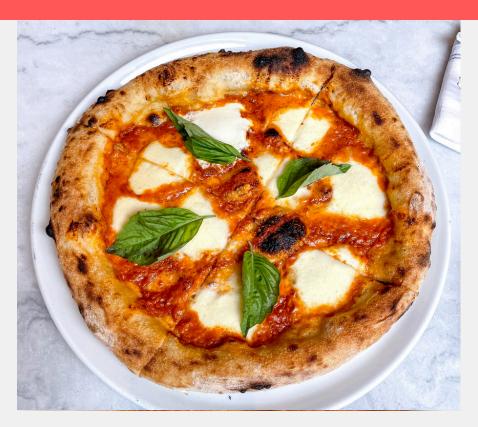








Elsewhere



Saverio's

929 N Broadway North Massapequa, NY 11758 (516) 799-0091 saveriospizza.com



Milkflower

34-12 31st Avenue Astoria, NY 11106 (718) 204-1300 milkflowernyc.com



Neopolitan style, and theres an Italian shop connected to it

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The Saverio's Margherita or Alla Vodka Pie is perfect.

Delicious Neopolitan style with lots of veggie options. Nice spot to eat inside too!

