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Two days to talks, one bite to Brooklyn

Iran’s revised proposal, Persian in translation at NYU, and Āzar’s Williamsburg opening



Photo: Noah Fecks / Eater NY

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This week moves at three tempos: a two-day proposal for returning to talks, two hours devoted to translating Persian fiction, and a restaurant opening that carries the loghmeh from home into a Brooklyn street. The cover photograph is from Āzar, the newest addition to our twelve-listing directory.

IRAN & THE WORLD

A two-day proposal to return to talks

Reuters reported November 9 that Iran defended a proposal reducing the timetable for restarting peace talks from seven days to two, while core conditions remained disputed.

Reuters

LANGUAGE & LITERATURE

Persian takes the stage at NYU’s Translation Slam

NYU’s 2026 Translation Slam spotlights Persian-to-English translation through short fiction by Moniro Ravanipour on Tuesday, November 10, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

New York University

FOOD & CITY

Āzar brings the loghmeh to Williamsburg

Chef Soroosh Golbabae’s Persian street grill Āzar opened November 7 at 740 Driggs Avenue and joins our business directory this week.

Āzar / Eater NY

Tables that bring us together

Brooklyn dining and the kitchens behind a celebration

Prospect Heights

Sofreh



Photo: Sofreh

At Sofreh, Nasim Alikhani’s restaurant on Saint Marks Avenue, Persian hospitality meets Brooklyn city life. Its official reservation page releases tables for up to six people online four weeks ahead at midnight. Dinner is listed Tuesday through Sunday, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Monday is closed. Read the cancellation and party size conditions before booking.

75 Saint Marks Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11217

Official website and current details

Bushwick

Eyval



Photo: Ellen Silverman Photography / Eyval

On Bogart Street, Eyval belongs to a newer chapter of Persian dining in Brooklyn. Chef Ali Saboor, previously of Sofreh, approaches Iranian culinary traditions through a contemporary restaurant setting. The official Eat and Drink pages are the best starting point for its current offering. This is a researched introduction, rather than a review based on an anonymous meal.

25 Bogart Street, Brooklyn, NY 11206

Official website and current details

Flatbush Avenue

Sofreh Cafe



Photo: Sofreh Cafe

Nasim Alikhani’s Sofreh Cafe brings hospitality into the everyday: coffee, chai, pastries and dishes to share. At 216 Flatbush Avenue, the table becomes a place to pause between city errands. The café also lists takeaway and catering. Published hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekdays and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekends.

216 Flatbush Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11217

Official website and current details

Williamsburg

Āzar



Photo: Noah Fecks / Eater NY

Chef Soroosh Golbabae’s Persian street grill Āzar opened November 7 on Driggs Avenue in Williamsburg. Eater NY describes a menu centered on lavash loghmeh, including beef cheek ghormeh sabzi, koobideh, chicken fesenjoon and kashk bademjoon. Published hours are Wednesday through Sunday, noon to 9 p.m. This introduction is based on published sources, not a personal visit; check the official site for current details.

740 Driggs Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11211

Official website and current details

Four addresses in Manhattan

From Madison Avenue to Chelsea and the Upper East Side

Midtown

Ravagh · Madison Avenue



Photo: Ravagh Restaurants

Ravagh’s Madison Avenue restaurant is one of four addresses currently listed by the business across Manhattan and Long Island. The restaurant describes its cooking in terms of balance and aroma. For readers looking for a Persian meal in Midtown, this is a practical address to know. Use the restaurant’s own site for menus, ordering and opening hours.

173 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016

Official website and current details

Upper East Side

Ravagh · Upper East Side



Photo: Ravagh Restaurants

This First Avenue location appears in Ravagh’s official directory. If you are on Manhattan’s east side, use the distance sorting to compare it with the Madison Avenue address. The photograph comes from the Ravagh group and does not necessarily depict this particular branch.

1135 First Avenue, New York, NY 10065

Official website and current details

Chelsea

Shiraz Kitchen · Chelsea



Photo: Shiraz Kitchen

Shiraz Kitchen brings Persian and Mediterranean cooking to West 17th Street. Weekday lunch and weekend brunch offer two ways to make this Chelsea address part of a city outing. The restaurant recommends reservations Thursday through Saturday. Check its own page for the menu and current service details.

111 West 17th Street, New York, NY 10011

Official website and current details

Upper East Side

Persepolis



Photo: Persepolis

Persepolis says founder Kazem Bayati opened the restaurant more than 35 years ago. Its website currently lists a $28 three course lunch special, offered weekdays from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and weekends until 3:30 p.m. Recheck hours and pricing when booking.

1407 Second Avenue, New York, NY 10021

Official website and current details

New York, beyond the city

Westchester and Long Island: addresses outside NYC’s five boroughs

White Plains

Shiraz Kitchen · White Plains

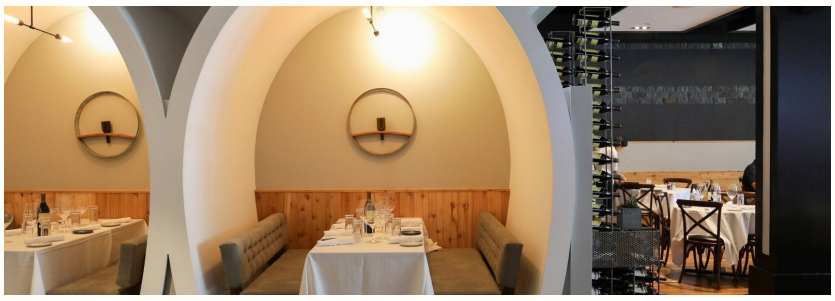


Photo: Shiraz Kitchen

Shiraz Kitchen’s White Plains address is 80 Mamaroneck Avenue in Westchester, outside New York City’s five boroughs. For a gathering north of the city, plan the journey separately. Weekday lunch is listed from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Consult the restaurant’s site for menus and reservations.

80 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains, NY 10601

Official website and current details

Roslyn Heights

Ravagh · Roslyn Heights



Photo: Ravagh Restaurants

The Roslyn Heights branch appears on Ravagh’s official location page at Mineola Avenue. It is outside New York City’s five boroughs. The photograph represents Ravagh’s food, rather than this individual branch.

210 Mineola Avenue, Roslyn Heights, NY 11577

Official website and current details

Huntington

Ravagh · Huntington



Photo: Ravagh Restaurants

Huntington is the second Long Island address on Ravagh’s official list. For readers living in the area, discovering a local option can make a Persian dinner possible without a trip into Manhattan. The photograph is from the Ravagh group.

335 Main Street, Huntington, NY 11743

Official website and current details

FROM THE EDITOR

The city we make together

Numbers can make a week look more settled than it is: two days, two hours, one opening. Yet a proposal is not an agreement, an event listing is not reporting from inside the room, and a new restaurant profile is not a review from the table. Precision is another form of respect: we keep dates, sources and the limits of what is known in clear view.

OUR METHOD & SOURCES

Text is prepared using the linked sources. Introductions are not reviews based on personal visits. Photos come from the credited sources and remain their owners’ property. This week’s sources were checked November 9, 2026; individual listing dates appear on our website. Please confirm hours, reservations and event terms before visiting. This publication is not affiliated with The New Yorker.