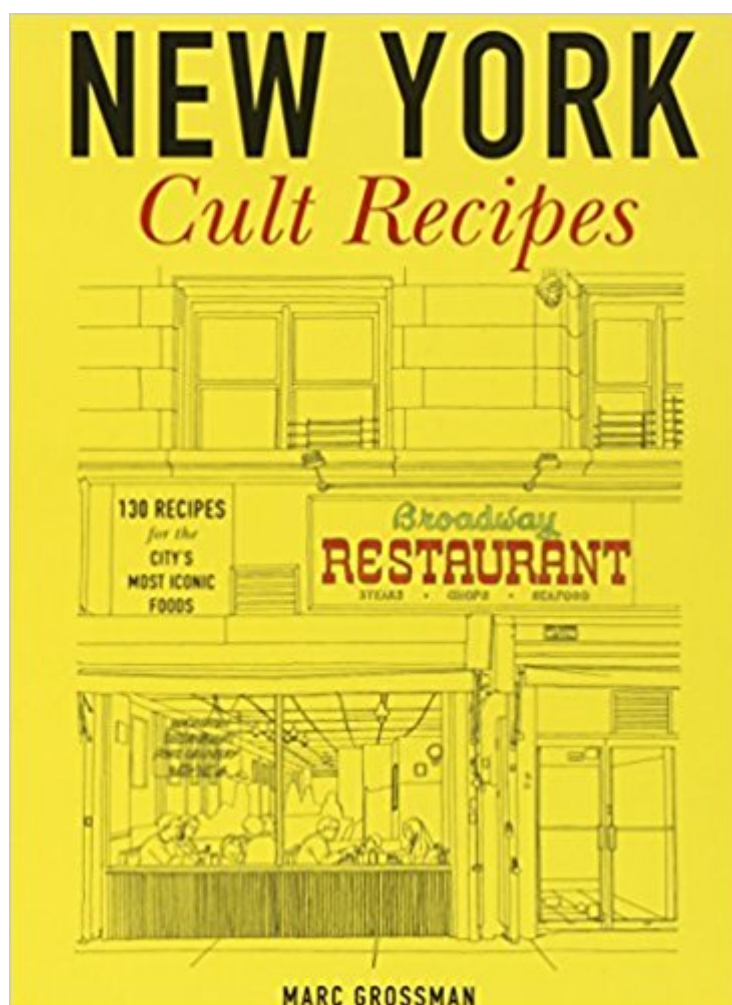


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New York Cult Recipes



Synopsis

Take a bite of the Big Apple! Paris may be the capital of haute cuisine, but expat Marc Grossman craves the comfort food he grew up with in New York and Brooklyn. So he has lovingly recreated those iconic recipes, from blintzes, bialys, and black & white cookies to pork buns, cheeseburgers, cheesecake, matzo ball soup, and everything in between. Grossman zooms in on particular neighborhoods and their special fare, and even includes addresses of his favorite places to chow down—including Greek restaurants like Tom's and Big Nick's, kosher delis like Barney Greengrass and Murray's Sturgeon shop, or Brooklyn's café-bakeries like Four & Twenty Blackbirds and Bakeri.

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If you grew up in NYC back in the day you will have problems with this book. I am being generous in my rating, if nothing more than for the use of "flapjacks." No one, but no one in New York City would EVER say this, and it almost delegitimized the whole book for me. It's PANCAKES. I almost fainted when I saw this. And "Silver Dollar Flapjacks?" Are you kidding me? First off, the title markets the book one way and the fine print and recipes another. I thought I was buying a book that dealt solely with classic dishes associated with NYC during a certain period, say maybe post-WWII through the 1980s. I have no problem giving plenty of latitude, but a green smoothie and all those cupcakes? A veggie burger? I certainly would not have jazzed up or updated classic recipes to the extent of a chicken salad with avocado instead of mayo. There are a million other cookbooks out there that take classic recipes to a place that's more acceptable to current tastes. Yes, there are numerous recipes for "iconic" NYC dishes, as well as some nice little extras, but there are things the author

could have included rather than expending real estate on dishes that make you go "huh?". Peanut butter smoothie? The author makes it clear in his intro that these recipes are specific to his unique experience (I am paraphrasing here), which basically takes him off the hook for whatever he wanted to include. No problem, but then convey that in the title. How about including a knock-off Papaya King drink recipe and Biscuit Tortoni recipe in place of some of those donuts? How about an egg and potato hero -- something that screams New York City back in the day?

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