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Where to eat and drink well in NYC right now

With so many former cooks and sommeliers, the W&S crew isn't easy to impress when it comes to dining out. But we do have our go-to places where drinks are taken as senously as the food. Some are long-time favorites; others are brand-new discoveries. All count as must-visits in 2017.

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Indian Accent

Manish Mehrotra's star is only burning brighter since he opened this upscale restaurant in Midtown last winter, his first venture beyond the New Delhi restaurant that launched him to fame. Here it's not only the food—innovative and exciting in its nontraditional twists—but also the wine list, compiled by Daniel Beedle, that deserves attention. His list emphasizes aroma and texture above all, key characteristics with Mehrotra's complex dishes. Riesling leads the way, with three pages showcasing German and Austrian growers as well as examples from Michigan, the Finger Lakes and Slovakia, followed up by an impressive selection of chenin blanc, grüner veitliner and sauvignon blanc, not to mention trousseau gris, Hunter semillon and Corsican vermentino. You might opt for the wine pairing to match the seven-course tasting menu, or choose a bottle like Movia's 2009 Veliko Bianco to experience how one versatile wine can match a range of intense flavors. —S.J. 123 W. 56th St.; 212-842-8070, indianaccent.com