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## Fall Food Fests



Last year's Food Network New York City Wine & Food Festival  
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The upcoming season is chock-full of food events, including these four to mark on your calendar:

### 4th Annual StarChefs.com International Chef Congress

September 20–22: This year's fest asks the question, "What is American cuisine?" Participants include: Eric and Bruce Bromberg of the [Blue Ribbon](#) restaurants; Richard Blais of Trail Blais; [Marcus Samuelsson](#) of [Aguavit](#); and mixologist Albert Trummer of [Apotheke](#). Business seminars will follow up-to-the-minute trends, such as The Power of Twitter and Restaurant Food in Trucks and Carts (Park Avenue Armory, 643 Park Ave.; click [here](#) for information).

### New York Culinary Experience

October 3–4: The French Culinary Institute and *New York* magazine give guests the chance to cook alongside renowned chefs such as [Masaharu Morimoto](#), Jacques Pépin and [Dan Barber](#). There will also be wine tastings, Q&A sessions and a silent auction to benefit The Future Chefs Scholarship Fund (French Culinary Institute, 462 Broadway; for tickets and information, contact 646-314-4413 or [nycx@conundrummarketing.com](mailto:nycx@conundrummarketing.com)).

### 2nd Annual Food Network New York City Wine & Food Festival

October 8–11: Following in the footsteps of South Beach and Aspen, this three-day fete, presented by *Food & Wine* and *Travel + Leisure* magazines, offers a dizzying array of informative and fun food-centric events, including talks with luminaries such as Frank Bruni, Anthony Bourdain and Ina Garten; in-depth wine seminars at the Astor Center; the popular "Meatball Madness" tribute, hosted by Giada De Laurentiis; and the "Blue Moon Burger Bash" hosted by Rachael Ray. All proceeds go to the hunger relief organizations [Share Our Strength](#) and [Food Bank for New York City](#) (various venues; click [here](#) for ticket and event information, or call 1-866-696-2933).

### The Gourmet Institute

October 23–25: Chef demonstrations, wine tastings, book signings, exclusive dinners, walking tours and more make up this celebration, with a portion of proceeds benefiting [City Harvest](#). Expect some of the biggest names in the business, including [Daniel Boulud](#), [Jean-Georges Vongerichten](#), Sara Moulton, Ruth Reichl, [Eric Ripert](#) and Anthony Bourdain (various venues; click [here](#) for ticket and event information).

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