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Year in Dining: Food World Heavy Hitters Review 2012 in Zagat Style



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Over the last three days, we've revealed our **best meals of the year**, gave you a rundown of the **hottest restaurants**, **hippest local trends** and **biggest winners and losers**, but what did chefs and food industry folks think about 2012? We tapped a slew of chefs and industry insiders to review 2012 in our signature Zagat style. (Note, normally the words in quotes in our reviews are compiled from surveyors.) Check out their reviews in the slide show below and tell us what you think on social media using hashtag #2012Eats. For more on how our Survey works, click [here](#).



Daniel Holzman, The Meatball Shop, NYC

Known for its "simple and delicious" food and "return to classic" style, 2012 is a year sure to be remembered for its "drive towards quality" and its "simplification"; it will also be remembered for its commitment to "sustainability."