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Food for the unfashionable



What does Fashion Week mean for us sartorially challenged food lovers? Not much — except for all those models hanging around. Sometimes I feel like I have to wear stilettos or \$400 leather-embossed leggings.

But there are spots where you won't have to worry about impressing Ms. Wintour.

Home Restaurant (20 Cornelia St., homerestaurantnyc.com, 212-243-9579) is an intimate escape from the hells of Bryant Park, and it won't matter if you spill some of their delicious homemade ketchup on your T-shirt.

At **The Meatball Shop's** (1462 Second Ave., themeatballshop.com, 212-257-6121) delectable brunch, order the Balls Benedict: Perfect for you, and a little too suggestive for the runway crowd (we hope).

Let the juices drip down your chin at **Umami Burger** (432 Sixth Ave., umami.com, 212-677-8626). The place may be packed, but you can devour your burger (with umami flavor-packed toppings) in whatever outfit you want.

And for swanky cocktails without the snob, head to **Gin Palace** (95 Ave. A, ginpalace.ny.com, 212-614-6818).