



The Meatball Shop is Worth the Wait

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D A few weeks ago, I went to the Lower East Side location of [The Meatball Shop](#). The dark, cozy space was packed with diners eating and waiting for tables, so I was told the hostess would call when seating was available. (Tip: Check [their website's FAQ page](#) for off-peak hours so you'll have less of a wait.) When I finally sat down, I was handed a dry erase marker to check off boxes on the menu denoting my meatball, sauce and side preferences. There were also sandwich and salad options as well as a wide variety of wine, beer and desserts. I chose chicken meatballs with Parmesan cream sauce and a side of sautéed broccoli, all of which was delicious and worth the wait. The portions are fairly small (one order is four meatballs, which are about the size of ping-pong balls), so I recommend going with friends and sharing a few varieties and sides. If you want to make them yourself, the Shop now offers a cookbook with recipes on its site. For daily specials and directions to the four locations, check out themeatballshop.com.



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