

CRYSTAL BALL

33 Things To Look Forward To This Fall

Fall Preview: Food, drink and culture highlights

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Ah, fall. In the seasonal parts of the US, it means cooler temperatures, heavier clothing and a whole lotta butternut squash. For those of you in SoCal and South Florida, we don't wanna hear about how warm it is there. Besides, we actually like the onset of autumn, the changing leaves and crisp air and **apple picking** and all that.



Apple cider donuts, turducken and brown spirits in one season? It doesn't get better than fall. [+ ENLARGE](#)

So how do we define fall? Well, it's kind of already started here in NYC, where temperatures are only reaching highs in the 60s this week. For the purposes of this food and drink-oriented guide, let's say it's now through Thanksgiving. That's one more thing we like about fall: it all ends with a big feast. Throw on your best sweater and take a look at this comprehensive list, compiled by Food Republic's Jess Kapadia, Richard Martin, Matt Rodbard and Eleanor West:

1. **Meatball Shop cookbook** Since chef Daniel Holzman opened a restaurant devoted to meatballs with his best friend Michael "Meatball Mike" Chernow on New York's Lower East Side, the pair have been elevated to legitimate *baller status* in the clubby NYC restaurant world. Why? Because they ball—some damn fine meatballs, served with a side of downtown scene. On November 1, they release a book of 100 recipes featuring sauces, sides, salads and 20 versions of their meaty orbs. Think Bolognese, Buffalo chicken and the excellent jambalaya ball. Or if you can't wait, check out Holzman's **Mediterranean Lamb Meatballs** recipe on Food Republic.