

BARFLYS

# Happiest of Hours

Like everything else in a city that prides itself on endless variety, New York's happy hour scene has no shortage of options to satisfy all. But not all happy hours are created equal, and any restaurant or bar worth its lemon zest offers something special. Here's a look at several worth a visit.—*Sonia Weiser*



**MAYA**

**Happy Hour: M 3 pm-midnight, Tu-F 3-8 pm, Sa-Su 5 pm-midnight**

**Reverse Happy Hour: Th-F 9:30 pm-midnight**

Keep the drinks flowing during Maya's happy hours. Sip on half-price margaritas made with high-quality tequila, along with other discounted cocktails and Mexican beers while enjoying authentic south-of-the-border cuisine from Chef Richard Sandoval's inspired

menu. Don't forget to order dessert or opt for a dessert cocktail (not on the happy hour menu) to top off your evening. 1191 First Ave., 212.585.1818, richard.sandoval.com/mayany

**VELLAINE**

**Happy Hour: 5-10 pm daily** Since 2001, this Lower East Side lounge has been serving its famous Hanoi Lychee martinis. The unique drink goes for just \$6 during the nightly happy hour, as do

any of the sangrias, house wines and cocktails. Bottles of Yuengling are \$4 and the kitchen serves Southeast Asian tapas until late. 110 Rivington St., 212.614.2494. [vellainenyc.com](http://vellainenyc.com)

**THE HEIGHTS BAR & GRILL**

**Happy Hour: 4-7 pm daily and 11 pm-2 am daily**

Whether you're craving a drink during dinner (this resto specializes in Latin and American cuisines) or a lively alternative to a traditional nightcap, The Heights is ready to deliver with two happy hours as well as special deals on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The Morning-side Heights hot spot serves \$6 frozen margaritas and \$5 drafts from 4-7 pm, and \$5 glasses of wine starting at 5 pm. Come 11 pm, you can order frozen margaritas, drafts, well drinks and special shots for \$5. 2867 Broadway, 2nd fl., 212.866.7035, [theheightsnyc.com](http://theheightsnyc.com)

**BRICKYARD GASTROPUB**

**Happy Hour: 4-8 pm daily and 11 pm-3 am daily**

Just a hop, skip and jump from the Theater District, Brickyard Gastropub is ready for the post-curtain-call crew with a late-night happy hour starting at 11 pm and a 10 percent discount on the bill when you show your Broadway ticket stubs. Select beers, wines and drinks are only \$5 each, and the kitchen is open until 2 am. 785 Ninth Ave., 212.767.0077, [brickyardnyc.com](http://brickyardnyc.com)

**BUBBY'S**

**Happy Hour: M-F 4-7 pm**

As a tribute to the good old days of five-and-dimes, Bubby's happy hour specials are all \$5. From Monday to

Friday, order select cocktails, beers and wines and indulge in hearty menu items: The barbecued pulled pork sandwiches, jerk chicken, and burgers during happy hour go for \$7. 120 Hudson St., 212.219.0666, [bubbys.com](http://bubbys.com)

**THE DIVE BAR**

**Happy Hour: M-F 4-7 pm**

With a diverse selection of brews on tap and even more in the bottle, The Dive Bar is a go-to for a weeknight refresher. There are \$2 off draft pints and \$3 Bud Lights, as well as \$5 house liquors and wines. 732 Amsterdam Ave., 212.749.4358, [divebarnyc.com](http://divebarnyc.com)

**BAR 169**

**Happy Hour: noon-7:30 pm daily**

This Lower East Side dive has no shortage of personality, and with one of the cheapest happy hours in town, you're guaranteed to be fighting for the bartender's attention. You can get \$1 off cans and drafts, \$2 off cocktails, and a beer and a shot for just \$3 during the long happy hour. But don't worry if you miss your window—regular-price beers start at \$3 and cocktails at \$6. 169 E. Broadway, 646.833.7199, [169barnyc.com](http://169barnyc.com)

**THE JEFFREY BEER BAR & CAFE**

**Happy Hour: noon-7:30 pm daily**

You don't have to be a beer aficionado to find a perfect brew on The Jeffrey's extensive drinks menu. On weekdays, select drafts, cans and well drinks are \$5 and wines from New York State are discounted \$2, so why not have another! 311 E. 60th St., 212.355.2337, [thejeffreynyc.com](http://thejeffreynyc.com)