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National Fried Chicken Day

There is no denying that fried chicken is one of America's most delicious and indulgent comfort foods. What was once an expensive delicacy before World War II, is now available in almost every city around the world. Celebrate National Fried Chicken Day by checking out one of these local spots or at home with these fun and simple recipes.

Best Fried Chicken in NYC

If you're a foodie looking to find the best fried chicken in New York City, [check out this list of fried chicken destinations from TimeOut](#). For Nashville-style hot chicken, try [Peaches Hot House](#) in Bed-Stuy or swing by [The Dutch](#) in SoHo for hot fried chicken with honey butter biscuits and slaw for brunch.

Not Your Average Fried Chicken

Head over to [Unidentified Flying Chickens](#) in Flushing for some of the very best wings Queens has to offer. The restaurant was rated the number one spot for Korean fried chicken by The New York Times and New York Magazine. While you're enjoying the extra crispy, double fried wings, be sure to check out their selection of craft beers.

Brooklyn Bowl

Enjoy some of the finest fried chicken in Williamsburg and get your bowl on! [Brooklyn Bowl](#) is an offspring of SoHo's Blue Ribbon restaurant, most known for their buttermilk, Cajun-spiced fried chicken perfection. Grab some friends for a fun evening of bowling and delicious soul food.

Best Chicken & Waffles in NYC

Some will say the best way to enjoy fried chicken is with waffles and maple syrup! If you're interested in the classic combo, check out [Foursquare's top 15 spots for chicken and waffles](#) in New York City. The list includes spots like Sweet Chick on the Lower East Side, Melba's American Comfort Food in Harlem and more!



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Oven-Fried Chicken Tenders

If you're looking for a lighter "fried" chicken recipe, [this quick and easy recipe from The Lemon Bowl](#) is perfect. Instead of using flour or traditional breadcrumbs, try panko breadcrumbs, which add a delightful crunchy texture to your chicken when baked in the oven.

Southern-Style Buttermilk Chicken

This recipe title is enough to stop you in your tracks! [Allrecipes' highly recommended southern-style buttermilk recipe](#) is sure to please. The double coat of batter makes for extra crispy chicken. Get your apron on and give this perfectly seasoned fried chicken recipe a try.

Side Dishes

Fried chicken pairs well with just about anything. To complete your meal, [check out some of these side dishes from Taste of Home](#). Choose from classics like [buttermilk biscuits](#) and [collard greens](#) or fresh alternatives like [sautéed zucchini](#) and [lemon pesto salad](#).

Popcorn Chicken

KFC is well known for their bite-sized popcorn chicken. [This air-fryer popcorn chicken recipe](#) is a great dupe for the fast-food favorite and a guaranteed crowd pleaser. Switch it up and serve the bites on a bed of greens, on a sandwich, kabob-style or even alongside waffles!