

Food

Good Fortune

NEW YORK CHEFS ARE GIVING THE TRADITIONAL FLAVORS OF CHINA A FRESH TWIST.

Make like a modern-day Marco Polo and follow the trail of the new Chinese cuisine. At **Mimi Cheng's** in the East Village, Hannah and Marian Cheng, sisters who learned the art of dumpling-making from their Taiwanese mother, reinvent the pot sticker (think chicken-parm dumplings with marinara dipping sauce). For a rich take on Shanghai-style soup dumplings, stop by New American spot **Annisa**, where chef Anita Lo pays tribute to her Chinese-Malaysian heritage with a foie gras-topped version. At **Tuome**, Thomas Chen fuses flavors of his parents' native Hong Kong with the haute cuisine he perfected at Eleven Madison Park. Joe Ng's two **RedFarm** locations serve dim sum with greenmarket ingredients, while Per Se vet Jonathan Wu elevates classics—jianbing becomes a crepe with braised beef and watercress—at Chinatown's **Fung Tu**. *Fresh Off the Boat* author Eddie Huang makes irresistible fried-chicken buns at **Baohaus** in the East Village; around the corner, **Han Dynasty's** dry pots sizzle with Sichuan flavors, from pungent cumin to tingling peppercorns. But perhaps no one has done more to spark the current fever than Danny Bowien, who continues to reimagine Chinese-American takeout—kung-pao pastrami, broccoli beef brisket—at his new incarnation of **Mission Chinese Food** on the Lower East Side.—JENNIFER CONRAD



DIVE IN
TUOME'S
SAKE-POACHED
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ON PORK XO SAUCE.

MY CHINA

SIX CHINESE-AMERICAN DESIGNERS REVEAL THEIR FAVORITE PLACES TO VISIT IN CHINA.

VERA Wang

"For me," says Vera Wang, "China is my heritage and my inspiration. I love the **Bund** in Shanghai for its history and now its sophistication—my mother always called Shanghai the Paris of the Orient. Beijing is home to the **Forbidden City**, which bears cultural significance and, even more so, an emotional resonance. I adore both cities!" When visiting the latter, Wang recommends staying at the **Grand Hyatt**. "It has the longest indoor pool in Beijing," she says. "I used to throw my daughters in there to cool them off."



THE DESIGNER WITH DAUGHTERS
JOSEPHINE AND CECILIA AT
THE POOL AT THEIR HAMPTONS
HOME, *VOGUE*, 2001.

MODEL JOAN SMALLS
STEPS OUT IN A
VERA WANG DRESS,
VOGUE, 2011.



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