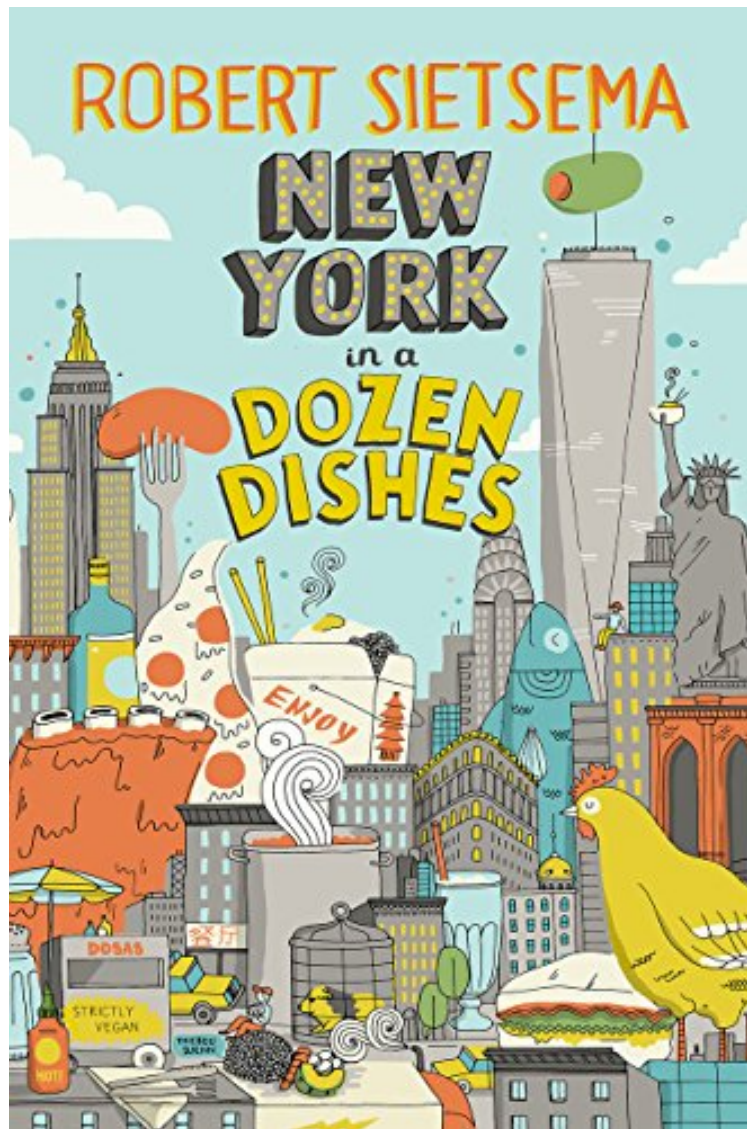


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A great gift for any gourmandizer on your listBy Byron ColeyRobert Sietsema has been one of the best writers dealing with food for a long time now. His writing is conversational and funny, but it brims with history and details about food and also the ways NYC has changed over the decades he's lived there. Each of the chapters here focuses on a different dish he sees as somehow emblematic of the Five Boroughs, and the lengths he goes to explore his gustatory desires is a sheer pleasure to read. Because each of the chapters is self-

contained, this is a great book to read while traveling or on the run, or even while dining alone. Bought extra copies for my kids -- who love food as much as anyone -- and they dug it as well. The recipes that accompany each chapter seem a little pro forma, but Sietsema's best writing has always been about the enjoyment of food more than the creation of it. A great gift for any gourmandizer on your list. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By cornmom great book, great service! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. captivating By William K. Sietsema great read of eclectic New York fare. the restaurant lists and recipes are also very useful. this book would make a great gift for a foodie friend.

Join New York City's most intrepid eater—Robert Sietsema, pioneer of outer-boroughs dining—in an urban adventure like none other. Through essays on the city's defining dishes, some familiar, others obscure, Robert paints a portrait of New York's food landscape past and present, and shares a life spent uncovering the delicious foods of the five boroughs. Gobble up a century of New York pizza, from the coal-fired pies of a thriving Little Italy to the slice joints of a burgeoning rock 'n' roll East Village. Discover Katz's Delicatessen as Robert did, on a foray into the hard-scrabble Lower East Side of the 1970s. Take Robert's hand and he'll bring you through the Mexican taquerias of Bushwick—with their papalo leaves and piled-high sandwiches—then visit the underground Senegalese dining scene hidden in plain sight in 1990s Times Square. See the evolution of New York fried chicken from Harlem's spare, ancient style to the battered-and-brined birds of hipster Brooklyn. Hunt with Robert for Hangtown fry and a vanishing Chinese-American cuisine, and follow him as he ferrets out the city's most elusive foods, including the Ecuadorian guinea pig.

A big, fat, juicy slice of what makes New York City the greatest city in the world—by the dean of food critics, the ONE guy who's bothered to hunt down the very best wherever it might be. Sietsema KNOWS what's good. When you visit a city, you should always ask yourself, "What do they do that's better than everywhere else? What's special? Iconic? Unmissable?" If you're talking New York, the answers are here.—Anthony Bourdain  
"Nobody knows—or appreciates—New York restaurants better than Robert Sietsema. But this wonderful book is not really about food; it's an entirely new way to see this city. If you live in New York, or ever plan to visit, you need this book.—Ruth Reichl  
"Robert Sietsema knows New York restaurants on an almost molecular level. In *New York in a Dozen Dishes*, we get to see him sequence the DNA.—Jonathan Gold  
"New York in a Dozen Dishes is the culmination of a lifetime of culinary discovery. There's a valuable history represented in every stand-alone chapter, each one worth the cover price. If you don't live in New York, you'll be planning a trip to discover the city's food through Sietsema's eyes. You'll get hooked by the pastrami chapter, but stick around for the barbecue brisket.—Daniel Vaughn, author of *The Prophets of Smoked Meat: A Journey Through Texas Barbecue* and Barbecue Editor of *Texas Monthly*  
"Sure, *New York in a Dozen Dishes* is a tour de force that shows Sietsema's unrivaled knowledge of the city from tip to tail and back and forth through time. But that's not the reason to buy it. You'll do that because Robert has written the book in a style that puts you in a seat across the table from him in some out-of-the-way restaurant while he holds court. The rhythm of his writing is hypnotic; he makes Senegalese geography seem approachable and he blazes through Chinese-American history as breezily as most guys talk about last night's game. There's an intimacy, an honest humor, and—what I feel is Robert's true superpower—a contagious enthusiasm that makes this book a pleasure craft ripping a wide wake through a turgid sea of food history books.—Peter Meehan, editor of *Lucky Peach*