

Discover The Menu ()

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Overview

DESCRIPTION

Data includes 45,000 menus from the 1840s to the present.

SUMMARY

Data generated through NYPL's crowdsourcing project *What's on the menu?*

Here you will find The New York Public Library's transcribed historical restaurant menus, dish by dish, so that they can be searched by what people were eating back in the day. With approximately 45,000 menus dating from the 1840s to the present, The New York Public Library's restaurant menu collection is one of the largest in the world, used by historians, chefs, novelists and everyday food enthusiasts.

The New York Public Library's menu collection, housed in the Rare Book Division, originated through the energetic efforts of Miss Frank E. Buttolph (1850-1924), who, in 1900, began to collect menus on the Library's behalf. Miss Buttolph added more than 25,000 menus to the collection, before leaving the Library in 1924. The collection has continued to grow through additional gifts of graphic, gastronomic, topical, or sociological interest, especially but not exclusively New York-related. The collection now contains approximately 45,000 items, about quarter of which have so far been digitized and made available in the NYPL Digital Gallery (<https://digitalcollections.nypl.org/collections/the-buttolph-collection-of-menus#/?tab=about>).

The Rare Books Division of The New York Public Library houses approximately 200,000 titles, covering five centuries of printing—from the 1450s to the present—and representing Continental Europe, England, and the Americas.



There's a lot of data behind *What's on the Menu?*: a mix of simple bibliographic description of the menus (created by The New York Public Library) and the culinary and economic content of the menus themselves (transcribed by volunteers).



For more information about each file, check the `readme.txt`.

These data are updated on the 1st and 16th of every month.

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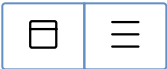
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Source: <http://menus.nypl.org/data> (<http://menus.nypl.org/data>)

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Dish.csv

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#	id	updated	name	description	#	menus_appeared
1	1	2017-11-01	Consomme printaniere royal	No data.		8
2	2		Chicken gumbo	No data.		111
3	3		Tomato aux croutons	No data.		14
4	4		Onion au gratin	No data.		41
5	5		St. Emilion	No data.		66

426,740 rows, 9 columns

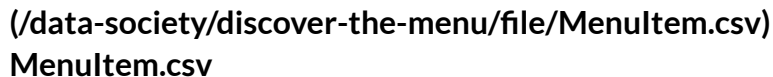
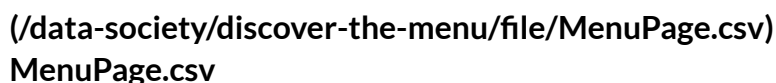
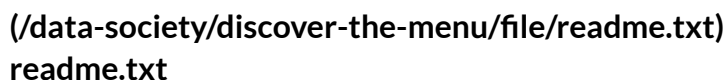
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Menu.csv

#	id	name	sponsor	event	
1	12463	No data.	HOTEL EASTMAN	BREAKFAST	COM
2	12464	No data.	REPUBLICAN HOUSE	[DINNER]	COM
3	12465	No data.	NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD BREMEN	FRUHSTUCK/BREAKFAST;	COM
4	12466	No data.	NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD BREMEN	LUNCH;	COM
5	12467	No data.	NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD BREMEN	DINNER;	COM

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This dataset is split into four files to minimize the amount of redundant information con

Files :


Menu.csv

• The core element of the dataset. Each Menu has a unique ident


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