

Maybe this is a second date, maybe it's the fifth, or maybe it's the 25th. The point is, you've both decided that you might not dislike each other, and now you need somewhere to sit down and eat while you figure out how many more times you want to do this. If you're on the Upper East Side, here's where you should go. These places are fancier than your average weeknight dinner spot, but they aren't so formal that vou'll freak out vour date.

## Eli's Night Shift

Upper East Side

9 189 E 79th St

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During the day, this place is a cafe. But at night it turns into a little restaurant/bar that's perfect for an early-in-the-game date. They have a good beer and wine selection, they make some serious cocktails, and they serve stuff like fish tacos and sliders. The only catch is, this place is is pretty small - there's a bar, a few communal tables, and some stools at the window. If they're empty, grab two of those and see if your date's pupils dilate when they look at the menu and read "pigs in a blanket." That's a good sign.

