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Tucked away in a tranquil corner of Manhattan is a hidden culinary gem. Do people go to Riverpark for the top-notch New American cuisine or scenic East River views? As it turns out, it's both. And the lauded service makes them feel pretty special too.

The elegant space, enhanced by floor-to-ceiling windows offering panoramic water views, offers elevated yet relaxed dining in the Kips Bay neighborhood. Inspired by local flavors and sustainable ingredients, the seafood-forward menu draws rave reviews. "The culinary journey at Riverpark was exceptional," says one online appraisal. "Each dish was a masterpiece, showcasing the chef's creativity and expertise. The menu featured a diverse range of flavors, from delicate seafood to savory meat dishes, all prepared with the finest ingredients. The attention to detail was evident in every bite, leaving me wanting more."

Nor does the service leave anything to be desired. "We mentioned briefly to our wonderful server, Jerome, that we were celebrating my mother's birthday," reveals a recent guest. "Guess what? He brought the Almond Cake out with a candle and a chocolate that says 'Happy Birthday' on top! And not only that, he brought it out while singing Happy Birthday! It made my mother so

happy. The cake was as amazing as the special celebration."

With a variety of spaces, Riverpark offers backdrops for all sorts of occasions. In addition to the restaurant, there's a private dining room with space for a plated dinner accommodating up to 150 people and celebrations up to 375. And if you're just in the mood for after-work drinks during summer months, The Terrace Bar is an ideal riverfront outdoor spot from which to wind down the day. Needless to say, the locale positions Riverpark perfectly for watching Fourth of July fireworks.

"The restaurant's location along the East River provides a unique and picturesque setting," exults a diner. "I enjoyed breathtaking views of the water while indulging in a delicious meal, creating a truly captivating atmosphere." With reviews like these, it's no wonder that Riverpark received the Best of Award of Excellence Award from Wine Spectator Magazine in 2022 and 2023 and was named one of Manhattan's Best Waterfront Restaurants by Gotham Magazine in 2023. So, next time you're in the neighborhood, and even if you're not, take the opportunity to spoil yourself at Riverpark while you watch the world sail by. **P**

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