

El Quijote
226 West 23rd Street (between Seventh and Eighth Avenue)
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The Best Argument for Not Keeping Kosher

If you enjoy lobster as much as I do, you will love El Quijote, a legendary restaurant that has been serving Spanish seafood in the heart of Chelsea for 80 years. I went here with a friend on a Saturday night without a reservation. The place was packed but a table just opened up and they seated us right away, which was nice.

The menu is predominantly seafood with a Spanish twist. My friend had escargot in puff pastry for an appetizer. I am not really a fan of snails but these were really terrific thanks to a wonderfully rich and flavorful sauce.

El Quijote offers various sizes of whole lobsters as well as lobster with different sauces. I went for a 3 lb. lobster stuffed with crabmeat. It came with a nice green salad. The lobster was tender, buttery, and delicious. Lobster is expensive so I do not eat it often – when I do, however, I am reminded that there are few things that are as sublimely and decadently satisfying. And call me juvenile, but I get such a kick when the waiter puts the lobster bib on me.

The restaurant is large and beautifully appointed with many comfortable booths. As you might expect, none of this comes cheap – they charged \$26.00 extra just for the crabmeat stuffing, which is ridiculous, but hey, I wasn't paying and my rich friend insisted I order whatever I want. I did not want to argue with him. I'm very considerate like that.

For a great lobster dinner, you cannot do much better than El Quijote.

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