

Rafiqi's Delicious Food
NW corner of East 39th Street and Third Avenue
New York, NY 10016

Oh, My Gyro!

In Manhattan, there are street vendors on nearly every corner, it seems. Rafiqi's, however, is a standout. They have four carts throughout Midtown, operated by five brothers from Afghanistan, who started their lunch cart business in 1995. While you can get hot dogs, burgers, and cheesesteaks, the food is mostly Middle Eastern.

I have been to the cart on 39th and Third in Murray Hill several times. While I have only had the gyro, I can say it is as good as any you will get anywhere. Tender lamb is served on a warm pita with the traditional toppings of lettuce, tomatoes, and onions. I get extra tzatziki sauce and a little hot sauce. This delicious and generous portion is a steal for only \$4.00. And the young man at this particular location always serves it with a big smile and superb customer service.

For a quick, tasty, and inexpensive bite on the go, try Rafiqi's.

