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## Asian Spinoffs Take New York

Established restaurants from Japan and China are opening local offshoots this fall.

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Many of New York's most intriguing new Asian restaurants in recent years have been imports — spinoffs of established places in Japan and China, often with a distinct innovation or specialty. This season's newcomers follow suit.

At Wokuni, the first American outpost for Tokyo Ichiban Foods, which runs 50 restaurants in Japan, bluefin tuna and king yellowtail will arrive by air from the company's own aquaculture farm in Japan. Those fish and others will be prepared in traditional fashion — sushi, sashimi, tempura or grilled — and sold at a retail counter.

**Wokuni** 325 Lexington Avenue (39th Street),  
September.

