

# Westchester's Twenty Greatest Meals Under \$20

(plus five fast roadside feasts)

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Sure, we'd all like to eat at Blue Hill at Stone Barns every night, and maybe make the occasional foray over to L'Escale or La Panetière. But let's face it: the stuff that usually fuels our days comes in at a much lower price point. Even so, cheap food doesn't have to be bad food. A great burger is, after all, still great, and there are many expensive meals that can never claim greatness.

What follows are tabs from some of the greatest—and, incidentally, the cheapest—meals in Westchester, with tax and tip not included. (And you're on your own for beverages, too, unless otherwise noted.) So dig around the upholstery cushions, empty out that penny jar, and come on out with us!

...At number two:

(2) \$5.95

## Tomatillo

*13 Cedar St, Dobbs Ferry (914) 478-2300*

**Meal: Breakfast Burrito**

Tomatillo disproves the notion that all cheap food is bad for you. Drop by Tomatillo's cute Dobbs Ferry dining room and you'll see how it's done: Chef Scott Starkey's "Mexchester" take on Mexican cuisine is light on gloppy cheese, light on lard, and long on textures and flavors. Plus, most of Tomatillo's produce is locally raised, with all of its salads and much of its produce coming from Stone Barns Center for Food and Agriculture. And if that's not ethical enough for you, Tomatillo is an excellent choice for vegetarians—there are loads of non-meat entrées on its colorful chalkboard menu.

You can't beat the value of Tomatillo's lunch specials. All lunch entrées come with chips, salsa, and a fountain soda for a budget-friendly \$5.95. Our lunchtime pick is the hearty breakfast burrito. Here, a soft flour-tortilla gently envelops Stone Barns's

scrambled eggs; smoky, fiery chorizo; gooey melted Jack; and creamy guacamole for a sensuous take on the mundane scrambled eggs and sausage. It's wise to aim for a late lunch. If you linger until 5 pm, you can glide right into Tomatillo's equally decadent Happy Hour—\$3 margaritas and \$3 draft micro brews.