Yatai Market: Asian Street Food in the City Center

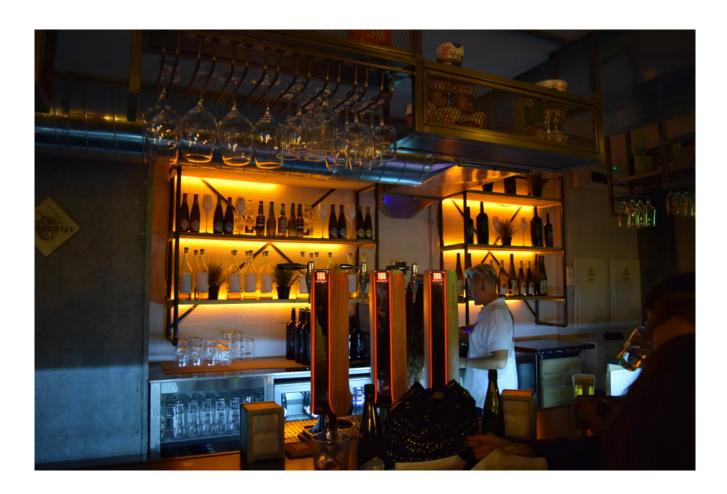
Move over San Miguel and San Antón—there's a new kind of market in town.

Let the buzzing neon signs and colorful lights lure you in to the latest addition to Madrid's foodie scene, the new mecca of an increasingly trendy culinary genre: Asian street food.

Located just off Plaza de Tirso de Molina, Cortezo Yatai Market unites several different vendors under one roof, letting diners sample all the greatest hits of East Asian comida callejera. It preserves the essence of the street food experience, with an atmosphere that's both casual and chaotic, laidback and lively. Its creative concept combines the shareable dishes, miniature portions, and social atmosphere of Spanish tapas culture with the **flavorful flair of Asian fusion cuisine**.



Various vendors are arranged around the perimeter of a large room, with high top tables and stools in the center. There's a bar in the back offering beer, wine, and cocktails—but if you want something a little more exotic, try a can of tamarind soda or coconut water.



Once you've got a drink in your hand, take a few minutes to wander around and explore your options (there are plenty). At HOTBAO you can take your pick from a variety of stuffed bao buns and several kinds of dimsum.



Right next door, Funky Chen offers pad Thai, noodles, and rice topped with everything from veggies to duck to soft-shell crab.

On the other side of the room, colorful curries tempt customers to the counter of Asia Cañi. Don't forget to try one of their rolls, with creative fillings like *ceviche de chicharrones* and *cocido madrileño* (yes, you read that right).



To the right of Asia Cañi you'll find Le Japonais, offering sushi, nigiri, maki, and poke bowls. To the left, there's Ramen Suk, with steaming noodles that are a far cry from the powdered soup you might be picturing.

Before you make any decisions, don't forget to check out Smok Mok, tucked away in the market's smaller and quieter back room. It may be set apart from the main area, but with everything from vegan options to smoked Japanese BBQ meatballs—and the only dessert on offer at the market—you definitely don't want to miss it.



The best thing about Yatai Market? It's got something for everyone. Whether you're looking for a hearty bowl of curry to warm the soul or you want to sample several smaller dishes, you can design your dinner (or lunch) experience to match your mood.



Pad Thai from Funky Chen

Not to mention the fact that prices are more than reasonable: you can get a roll or dimsum for as little as €1 or a bao for €4. Larger dishes range from €6 to €14. Asia Cañi even offers combo meals that include 2 rolls, curry, rice, and a drink for just €9.



Veggie fried rice

If you're in the mood for something different than the same old neighborhood bar or quiet café, this is the place for you. With the spirit of a classic Madrid market, the hipster vibes of a Malasaña pop-up, and the exotic flavors of a faraway continent, Yatai Market should be at the top of your list.

Info

• <u>Facebook</u> & <u>Instagram</u>

• Address: Calle Doctor Cortezo, 10

• Metro: Tirso de Molina and Sol

Rave Market - Special Psychedelic Edition

The highly popular <u>Rave Market</u> is hosting a psychedelic-themed edition at <u>Shoko</u> nightclub in La Latina this Sunday. More than 40 stands will be selling design and second-hand items, including clothing and accessories. There'll also be live music, performances, art exhibits and drinks to go around!

Ciento y Pico Market Spring Edition

<u>Ciento y Pico Market</u> presents its Spring edition of the fashion, art and decoration event. Explore the latest trends of the spring so you know how to dress and what colors and designs to decorate your home with! This three day event is sure to get you into the springtime vibes!

Sweet Treat MADREAT - Street Food Festival

Travel the world through food at this unique mobile market open one weekend a month. With a variety of countries represented and blended by cuisine, Madreat is an inspiring mix of chefs and customers sharing the spices of life. They

even take gastronomic suggestions through their website to keep the melting pot bubbling. Stop by their temporarily new location in Casa de Campo on **March 19th and 20th** for an exciting edible experience. If you miss Saturday (from 12pm-12am), remember it closes early on Sunday at 6 pm!



Picture from Facebook

K'Moon Market — All-day fashion, music, drinks and more...

The advertising and PR agency, <u>K'Moon</u>, is holding a unique market all day Thursday at its office on Calle Príncipe 12, 3B, near metros Sol and Sevilla. At the event, the company will be offering special prices on collections of the brands it works with, as well as a raffle, activities, music, a beauty corner and cocktails, among other surprises in store!

Lost & Found Market — An Open-air Vintage Market in Conde Duque!

Another new market is coming to town. This time it's taking place in one of our absolute favorite cultural centers in Madrid — Conde Duque. If you haven't been here, go! It was an old barracks and apart from holding free art exhibits on a daily basis, it's also home to outdoor concerts and film festivals throughout the summer. On October 3rd and 4th, Lost&Found Market will be taking over its gigantic courtyard, with food trucks and stands selling vintage and second-hand treasures. If you want to have your own stand, it costs €40.

Don't miss it... we definitely won't!

Here's the <u>Facebook Event Page</u>