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GARCIA'S

70-09 Austin St., Queens

Manuel Gutierrez came to Garcia's 22 years ago as a busboy and never left. Now, as owner, Gutierrez stays true to Garcia's reputation as an authentic Mexican restaurant in family-oriented Forest Hills. The second-floor eatery serves \$9 frozen and on-the-rocks margaritas, made with white tequila, triple sec and lime juice. Flavored frozen margs, popular with the ladies, include strawberry, mango and blue curaçao. But Gutierrez's favorite (and ours, too) is what he calls the Perfect Margarita, made with Cointreau and Grand Marnier (\$11), which is strong yet smooth, with a powerful finish.



Manuel Gutierrez, owner of Garcia's in Forrest Hills, holds out his famous margarita. (Jacob E. Osterhout/News)