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IS THE SRIRACHA SHORTAGE FINALLY OVER? HERE'S WHAT TO KNOW AND WHERE TO BUY IT

Hot sauce lovers may be in luck



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It looks like the worst of the **Sriracha shortage** that plagued spicy food lovers for months is finally behind us.

For months, what once was under \$5 a bottle skyrocketed to \$30 a bottle thanks to scarce supply and fierce demand. Those looking to get their spicy fix resorted to literally begging (through social media), borrowing, and stealing (from restaurants) to satiate their hot cravings.

Fortunately, the iconic sauce seems to be lining the shelves once more. We can't say we exactly know what caused the shortage to end, but like the jalapeño grower who received a **mysterious request** to grow 500 acres of the vegetable that makes Sriracha so delicious, we aren't too worried about the mystery.

Here are places to get your hands on the restocked Sriracha hot sauce online, as well as some substitutes to consider trying.

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Why is there a Sriracha shortage?

In 2022, Huy Fong Foods named poor weather conditions as the culprit for its Sriracha shortage. The company sources the red chili peppers vital to the recipe in California, Mexico, and New Mexico, all of which experienced severe droughts in early 2022 linked

to climate change.

When will the Sriracha shortage end?

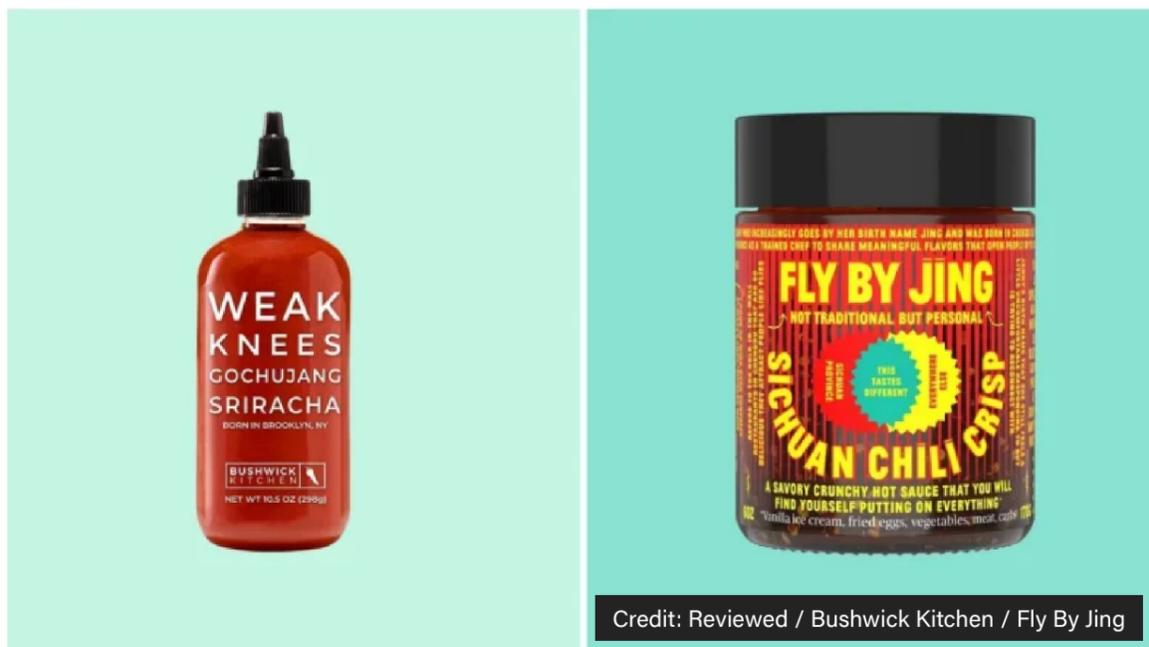
There are signs that the shortage is abating, with the sauce popping back on shelves in larger numbers than in previous months. That said, Huy Fong Foods states that their production still isn't as high as they'd like. It's unknown exactly when production will return to high capacity. Whether or not there will be a drought this year seems to be the best indicator of Huy Fong Foods Sriracha supply.

Where you can buy Sriracha online

Fortunately, there are several places online where you can buy Huy Fong's Sriracha sauce at a reasonable price.

- **\$4 at Target**
- **\$13 at Amazon** (2-pack)
- **\$20 at Walmart** (2-pack)
- **\$2 at Walgreens**

What other hot sauces should you buy?



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There are tons of hot substitutes to try out.

If you're still having trouble finding Huy Fong's Sriracha, you can give alternatives a try. While they won't have quite the same taste, if you shop around (and perhaps do a little experimenting), we're sure you'll find one that can hold you over until Huy Fong's Sriracha sauce comes back in full force.

Alternative hot sauces to consider

- **Yellowbird Sriracha Sauce: \$11 at Amazon**
- **Humble House Guajillo Red Jalapeno: \$10 at Amazon**
- **Weak Knees Gochujang Sriracha Hot Sauce: \$11 at Amazon**
- **Sichuan Chili Crisp: \$17 at Fly By Jing**
- **Zhong Sauce: \$17 at Fly By Jing**
- **Tabasco Sriracha: \$12 at Walmart**
- **Sky Valley Sriracha Sauce: \$15 at Walmart**
- **Frank's Red Hot: \$4 at Amazon**

- **Melinda's Craft Pepper Sauce Condiment Gift Set: \$40 at Amazon**

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