



Anahi

After the departure of its original owners, sisters Carmina and Pilar Lebrero, this bijou South American bistro had rather fallen from grace. However, restaurateur and meat importer Riccardo Giraudi has given the place a new lease of life, luring Carmina back as hostess and refining the menu with his stellar selection of produce. The corner locale was once a butcher's and retains a scruffy charm with chipped white wall tiles,

though the cracks are now filled with gold leaf, and a pretty painted glass ceiling. Designers Humbert & Poyet have added red-veined marble tabletops and terrazzo floors. The meat is of course the star, and is dusted in a blend of spices, and grilled over coals by chef Gabriele Faiella. Try the Angus empanadas or Kobe beef 'jamon'. 49 rue Volta, 3^e, T 83 81 38 00, www.anahi-paris.com