

DINING

First look at La Casa Purchase, Mexican restaurant's expansion into northern Westchester



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[La Casa Bronxville](#), which has been in Bronxville for three and a half years, has a new sibling. [La Casa Purchase](#), which is still not fully decorated, has its soft opening Jan. 10 in Purchase in what had been Tredici North. Diners can expect a slightly smaller menu and limited hours — it's dinner service only for now — though hours and an expanded menu are to come in the next few weeks.

Owner Spencer Pingle said he was excited about the opportunity for expansion, widening the Mexican restaurant's footprint to appeal to those in Northern Westchester and southern Connecticut.

"It's a great space and perfect for us," he said. Not only was the size and layout attractive — there's now room for private dining, something he doesn't have in Bronxville — but it's close to all the major highways including 284, 684 and the Hutchinson River Parkway.



What's the same, what's different at La Casa Purchase

If you've been to [La Casa Bronxville](#), [which made the Michelin Guide list in 2022](#), you're familiar with its finely-curated seasonal menu, commitment to quality and freshness — they're big into sustainably-sourced ingredients — and the fact that they don't overpower dishes with sauces and heat.

Mexican native Erik Ramirez, who's been at La Casa for three years and previously worked at Casa Enrique in Manhattan (awarded a Michelin star during his tenure), is in charge of the kitchen, and has more than 15 years experience.

Both he and Pingle are big into offering a spin on traditional items as well as dishes that are more sophisticated than what people generally think of when they think of Mexican food, meaning entrees like octopus and lamb shank.