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## RESTAURANTS

### Mixtura

148 Lake St. S.  
Kirkland, WA  
Phone: 425-803-3310

[Web site](#)

### Kirkland / Juanita

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#### PRICE/RATINGS

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Food \*\*\*\*

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#### THE BASICS

Elegance meets equality at Mixtura, the "novo-Andean" kitchen of chef Emmanuel Piqueras. The chef-owner, who won major plaudits for similarly themed fare at Andina in Portland, primps humble ingredients such as quinoa and potatoes here into elegant dressed-up plates. He also has a handle on finer fare, with fresh fish ceviche, an intensely meaty strip of grass-fed beef, and a "lasagna" dessert crowned in coiled spun sugar that looks like copper wire. The menu is over the top, and flavors are sometimes more subdued than the wowza descriptions imply, but all in all the food is beautifully presented and fresh, with ingredients we don't see every day. Can't complain about that. For the best experience, sit at the chef's bar, where you can observe the kitchen staff and more fully appreciate their effort and precision. And by all means, start with a pitch-perfect Pisco Sour. Dinner.

#### P-I review (Rebekah Denn, 6/23/2006)

- Humble food is treated royally at Mixtura

#### Cuisines

- South American (Other)
- Peruvian

#### Best bets

Pulpito Crocante, \$5.50 small, \$10 large; Raices del Ande, \$5.50 small, \$10 large; El Cebiche Mixtura, \$12; La Causa Morada Marina, \$10; Entrecote, \$32; Pollo a la Brasa, \$24; Lasagna Amazonica, \$7; Pisco Sour, \$9

#### THE DETAILS

**Payments accepted:** cash, credit

**Bar:** full bar

#### Parking

Free lot can be crowded

#### Accessibility

No barriers

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