

El Patio del Fisgón in Plaza de Chamberí

The post about the original [El Patio del Fisgón](#) was subtitled “*Feel like you’ve discovered Narnia.*” If the Barrio de Salamanca location seemed to be a turn-off for those who prefer galavanting around Malasaña and Chueca, my very own neighborhood, Chamberí (which is becoming more and more *de moda* by the minute) has its very own Patio del Fisgón to enjoy. If the location was a caveat in the original location, the Chamberí locale has an unbeatable one: on the very Plaza de Chamberí. This *castiza* plaza is not as big as nearby Olavide, but its strategic location equidistant from Bilbao, Alonso Martínez, Ponzano, and Rubén Darío makes it a great place to be when the weather gets warmer.

Daphne and I made our way there one early Sunday afternoon in the dead of winter, and we imagined how satisfying it will be to sit outside on the outdoor furniture they have set up right on the plaza once it’s finally *terraza* weather. We found ourselves very lucky to be able to get a table without a reservation (this was at about 1:30 PM) as the crowds started to pour in about 20 minutes after we sat down.



Much like in the original, the interior transports you to days with better weather, like the back wall with its lush greenery

that makes you feel like you're in a garden rather than in one of the city's residential hubs.

Each place-setting is unique with whimsical furniture, from the chairs, the tiles on top of some of the tables, and the choice of placemats.



So now that the wonderful ambience is covered, let's get to the [menu](#). There's a great variety, so if you watch very

carefully what you eat (like me), this is a perfect place to go where it won't be painstakingly difficult to find something you'll love and be satisfied afterwards. During the week, there's a special *menu depurativo* with a choice of salad or gazpacho and then a *tortilla francesa* or grilled chicken. This will definitely come in handy once Operación Bikini preparations come into high gear.

The first thing that made me fall in love with this place was the fact that gazpacho was on the menu all year round.



I must have been andaluza in a past life because my love for gazpacho knows no bounds

It was a perfectly-sized cazuela that was a great way to kick off the meal. The texture was just the way I liked it; I probably could have slurped it in a glass had I been given the option. As my next option, I went with the *huevos rotos sobre*

alcachofas y butifarra negra. I have to admit that I'm a sucker for eggs on Sundays and I'm also really into artichokes. These were some of the best artichokes I've ever had.



They were grilled instead of fried, preserving the softness from a cooked artichoke and not too heavy. The addition of the

butifarra added for an extra flavor element, but there was definitely more egg and artichoke (just the way I wanted it). I savored every single bite and I'm dreaming of the next time I'm going to be able to order it.

As for Daphne, her *milhojas de berenjena y queso de cabra* were amazing.



Just on presentation alone they look out of this world...

The tomato sauce was perfect and the eggplant and goat cheese was perfectly balanced. This dish is on the *Para Compartir* section of the menu, but the portion size was definitely satisfying for one. When you come here, you MUST get the *milhojas*. You will not regret it. The rest of the menu has a lot of variety, giving you options for any mood. From Wednesday to Saturday, the kitchen always stays open during the day, which makes it ideal if you're in the neighborhood,

hungry, and everywhere else isn't able to make you something.

If you're coming for dinner, definitely make a reservation, and follow Cat's advice from the last post and try to make the reservation later so you have more time to savor your time on the Patio del Fisgón.

Info

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