

## Bistro Cacao

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The Turkish nationals Chef Kemal Deger and entrepreneur brothers Bolukbasis make unlikely ambassadors for French cuisine in our nation's capital. Such is the power of our melting pot society in the United States. I have encountered Chinese nationals running Austrian restaurants, Germans successfully serving Turkish dishes in Leesburg and now, veteran Turkish restaurateurs debuting a French country bistro in the heart of Capitol Hill. Vive Les Etats Unis! When we visited this new Bistro, it had only been open for 3 days and it still operated in a "soft opening" mode.

Situated in the quaint building that housed Two Quails for more than twenty years, Bistro Cacao is warmly decorated in rich red colors that make this locale eccentric, warm and cozy. Tables are closely situated in petite chambers offering plenty of privacy and romance, masked by red velvet drapes. The senescent wooden floors and the strewn art work hanging on the walls add to the allure of this eatery. We were greeted by very dainty and amiable French manager Veronique Onteniente.

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