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**Meatpacking District/
Chelsea**

TheAmericano

Housed inside the Hôtel Americano, this modern French restaurant is becoming a go-to spot for more than just tourists. Jay-Z and Beyoncé have dined here, as have Chelsea Clinton, Linda Evangelista and Rubén Blades. Executive Chef Joseph Buenconsejo spices up the French fare with a touch of Latin flair, creating rich dishes like Chilean sea bass with black olives, crushed peas and melted leeks. Interior designer Arnaud Montigny creates a sophisticated atmosphere in the spacious dining room with black banquettes, floor-to-ceiling windows, large mirrors and marble tables. In the summer, the place to be is on the patio, where the views are fantastic—as is the fare coming off the outdoor grill. 518 W. 27th St./10th Ave., 212.525.0000 \$\$

