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New + Noteworthy CANTINA LAREDO This Dallas-area franchise operation seems to have found a happy home in Houston. One of us had a Tex-Mex fix with beef-fajita-filled quesadillas, but the rest chose the restaurant's self-described "gourmet Mexican": freshly made, shrimp-loaded ceviche and a shrimp-stuffed grilled chicken breast topped with sautéed spinach, mushrooms, and a chipotle wine sauce. The warmly lit space with cozy booths attracts everyone from mingling happy-hour singles to celebrating families. Next time, we intend to investigate the tequila menu. Bar.

1129 Westheimer Rd (713-952-3287). Lunch 7 days 11-3. Dinner Sun-Wed 3-10, Thur-Sat 3-11. Reservations accepted.

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