





## MAPERU!

To celebrate her 15th anniversary as the owner of East Hampton's Baker House 1650 hotel, native Peruvian Antonella Bertello throws a festive party that celebrates her country's colorful heritage and deep traditions

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## **FOREIGN FLAIR**

(CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT) Antonella Bertello (at right) and her mother, Pepa Bertello, wear traditional Peruvian ribboned braids. The buffet meal was Peruvian ribboned braids. The buffet meal was prepared by Paterson, New Jersey's Peru Mixtura restaurant. Beef skewers on the grill. Pachamanca, a national dish consisting of slow-cooked meats and vegetables, is an ancient homage to Mother Earth. Dancers Stefano Herrera, Rosangel Conde, and Angel Conde in native Andean dress. Tamale con pollo. Causa con camarones, appetizers made with shrimp and chopped vegetables wrapped in mashed yellow potatoes. (ABOVE) Guests were encouraged to carry signs bearing glad tidings in Quechua on one side and English and Spanish on the other; "Yupaychay!" is Quechua for "Give thanks!" or "¡Da graçias!" (opposite) Maíz morado, or purple corn, is a staple of Peruvian cuisine. See Resources.

















(TOP LEFT) Yuri Juárez, a famous guitarist in his native Peru, entertained the guests, including Sarah Loewenberg and Russ Steele (CENTER). (ABOVE AND TOP RIGHT) Desserts included a mousse made with lúcuma, a Peruvian fruit, and a caramel pudding and mazamorra morada, a pudding made with purple corn and pineapple. (TOP MIDDLE) For dancing, guests donned alpaca-wool chullos (Andean hats with earflaps) and fajas, or belts. (NEAR RIGHT) Bertello, in red at far right, mingles with the crowd. (OPPOSITE) A plate of alfajores, delicate cookies filled with dulce de leche. See Resources.



"I wanted to do something different and bring Peru to the Hamptons—the country, the people, the food, and the culture"

