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Thai Derm

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AT A GLANCE

Thai Derm

939 Bonifant St.
Silver Spring/Takoma Park, MD
Phone: 301.589.5341

Cuisines:
Thai

Wheelchair Accessible:
No

Nearby Metro Stops:
Silver Spring

Price Range:
Inexpensive

Dress:
Informal

Noise Level:
N/A

Reservations:
Not needed

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Thai Derm isn't one of those glitzy Thai restaurants. Homey and family-run, this welcoming address has other things going for it--fresh daisies on the tables, Thai art, and a kitchen that turns out bright renditions of traditional fare. Open-face dumplings of crab and pork get a gloss

of sweet winey sauce. Thai salads, such as the jumble of ground pork, peanuts, red onion, and chiles, are authentically spiced. Two delicate soups--shrimp with lemongrass, and chicken with coconut milk--offer solace.

Classic noodle dishes like pad Thai and drunken noodles are deftly done, as are stir fries of basil and hot chili or ginger root and onion, each with a choice of beef, pork, seafood, or poultry. It's hard not to love garlicky black-pepper shrimp or spicy panang curry. Look for more elaborate specials like deep-fried whole fish with three sauces and spicy duck. But leave room for dessert. House-made coconut ice cream and Thai custard satisfy the sweet tooth and then some.