



POMEGRANATE BISTRO

Backgrounder

The quintessential destination for homegrown cooking, Lisa Dupar's Pomegranate Bistro is one of the Eastside's most popular neighborhood eateries. Nestled in the heart of Redmond, Pomegranate's 80-seat restaurant is the brainchild of husband and wife chef-extraordinaires Lisa Dupar and Jonathan Zimmer. As co-owners of Lisa Dupar Catering and Pomegranate Bistro, their combined culinary zest has made the pair a household name in the catering business and among the West coast restaurant and wine community.

The fare at Pomegranate Bistro is a sassy blend of Northwest cuisine and comfort food favorites, inspired by Lisa's southern upbringing. Pomegranate's "hot from the oven" signature fire bread is topped with anything from tequila rock shrimp to arugula with shaved pecorino. Seasonal menus rotate regularly, as does the hip cocktail menu and extensive wine list.

A combination of dark wood tables, oilcloth tablecloths and the Indonesian wood community table complete the sense of community and casual bistro environment inspired at Pomegranate. A convenient grab-and-go counter within the restaurant offers daily breakfast sandwiches, anytime bakery-fresh breads, pastries, "To-Go" lunches and an espresso bar featuring Sleepy Monk organic roast espresso. The bistro also offers free WIFI Internet access during non-restaurant hours.

Recently featured in *Seattle Metropolitan* magazine's "Best of Seattle Dining Guide" and *Seattle Magazine's* "Best Of" issue, Pomegranate is renowned for its excellent service bar and wine list, and was awarded the Washington Wine Commission's Award of Distinction and *Wine Spectator's* "Award of Excellence" for its broad selection of regional wines and commitment to Northwest varietals. Perfect wine pairings and the extensive cocktail program is an obsession of the two owners.

The catering prep is always a "circus show" with the kitchen action right behind a huge wall of glass windows. Between the party prep work and the restaurant buzz, there is never an end to the temptations in sight.

You can find Pomegranate at 18005 Northeast 68th Street, #A150 in Redmond and online at www.pomegranatebistro.com. The bistro hours are Sunday and Monday, 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (espresso and lunch only), Tuesday through Saturday, 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. (lunch and dinner daily). On weekends, the bistro features a brunch menu. Ample lot parking is available.

Pomegranate's recipe for a sassy neighborhood Bistro:

Ingredients:

- Start with the freshest staff, extra crisp.
- Add a kitchen full of whirling chefs.
- Sprinkle in a little jazz, spicy menu choices and sizzling cocktails.
- Reduce the snobbery from the wine list.
- Sit back, relax and melt into Redmond's newest "home kitchen."