



Media Release

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SOUTH SHIRE ANNOUNCES THE OPENING OF THEIR NEW THAI RESTAURANT NIRAMIT, CUISINE OF SIAM



Bennington – South Shire, a little hotel, is proud to unveil a brand-new experience with its new Thai restaurant, Niramit. Meaning a spectacle or grand performance, Niramit draws inspiration from the visionary King Chulalongkorn of Siam (Rama V), often called the father of modern Thailand, who reigned from 1868 to 1910, the same era as Queen Victoria in England. The menu presents an elevated rendition of classic Thai dishes of old Siam, paying homage to its rich heritage.

"Our commitment to authenticity shines through in every flavor profile, and our menu showcases the finest ingredients, prioritizing seasonality and local sourcing whenever feasible," said Managing Partner Jariya Wannapat. "Our goal is to showcase the best Thai food, staying true to its rich culinary history without altering recipes or ingredients. We present dishes the way they were intended," she said.

Joseph Polito, Niramit partner and owner of South Shire, added, "We are delighted to have Jariya and her team as part of our family. He continued, "Another important aspect will be the genuine, warm, engaging, and friendly, service. An inherent graciousness Thailand is known for.

Housed inside an 1800s Victorian mansion, Niramit exudes sophistication while maintaining a comforting familiarity. The elegant dining room seating 20 at a time adds to the intimacy of the experience. Niramit serves lunch and dinner Monday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 3 and from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Customers may order online for pick up or book reservations via their website, www.niramit.com.

About South Shire:

Built in 1887, the estate was formerly the private residence of the family of Louis A. Graves. It was designed by architect William C. Bull, who created many stately Victorian structures in the Shires of Vermont. Ten-foot ceilings, a mahogany-paneled library with an ornately carved fireplace, leaded glass pocket doors, and bookcases, and the raised plaster crown moldings of the Dining Room make the South Shire a showpiece of Southern Vermont during the Victorian Era. Nine spacious and individually period-decorated guest rooms have working fireplaces, private baths, air conditioning, and high-speed wireless internet.

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