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Dining Finds

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L&L Market Bistro, Miramar

Address: 11338 Miramar Parkway

Phone: 954-437-0071

Type of food: International

Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday.

Dining facility: A market that caters to a takeout crowd. Enjoy the European atmosphere.

Service: Glass cases double as the main counter where orders are placed. Staff is friendly and well informed.

Delivery: Free for orders of \$20 or more within a three-mile radius.

The Dish

A posting on the market's Web site (landlmarketbistro.com) touting the daily dinner specials drew us. The owners wrote: "We love takeout pizza as much as the next person. But after a while everyone needs a break."

Hmmm ... sounded intriguing. Change can be good.

We were hooked by the rotating menu, with a nightly selection of two hot entrees, two soups and two side dishes.

We order two French-style steak and frites and cart home our entrees packed in environmentally-friendly heavy-duty paper containers.

The tender, thick fillets are cooked to order and priced by the pound. The dinners ring up at \$7.25 and \$8.27. The cost includes mounds of lightly salted, tiny, crispy shoestring fries.

As an extra, we can't resist one of the evening's special side dishes: mashed sweet

potatoes (\$6 a pound). The spuds, infused with a hint of maple, are quickly scooped up.

From the regular menu, we also order a side Greek salad (\$4) that is packed in a clear container brimming with lettuce, diced tomatoes, red and green bell peppers, cucumber slices and a generous sprinkling of feta cheese, topped with balsamic dressing. We add Italian bottled water (\$1.75) and a diet soda (\$1.50) to our order.

With dinner this well-prepared, we'll come back for breakfast and lunch, too.

— BETH FEINSTEIN-BARTL

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