

CULINARY EVENTS

Kids in the Kitchen: Ravioli Making

May 1, 5 p.m.

Moms, make this a Mother's Day gift to your future self. Get your kids started early, and you will reap the rewards. Kids ages 9–14 will learn how to cook ravioli with ricotta filling and spring pesto, Caesar salad with roasted lemon-parmigiana vinaigrette, and zucchini olive oil cake. Then students get to sit down and enjoy their meal together.

Ciao Thyme 207 Unity St., Bellingham | ciaothyme.com

Soups of the World

May 3, 6:30 p.m.

You can't get this from a can. Cooking instructor Karina Davidson will be providing instruction for delicious soups culled from different countries: Senegalese chicken and peanut soup, Cuban pork and pinto bean stew, French potage crécy and, from Greece, fish and vegetable soup with a touch of ouzo.

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DeLille Cellars Wine Maker Dinner

May 18, 5:30 p.m.

To start the night off, guests will be greeted with a glass of wine and appetizers. Semiahmoo Resort chefs Bruno Feldeisen and Devin Kellogg will then pair wines from DeLille Cellars with a five-course meal, which includes; geoduck sashimi, crab strudel, pistachio-crusted pork shoulder and grape leaf wrapped lamb loin.

Semiahmoo Resort 9565 Semiahmoo Pkwy., Blaine | semiahmoo.com

Best Chinese Home Cooking

May 22, 6:30 p.m.

Chef Robert Fong will be teaching you how to make his favorite home-style dishes: steamed chicken soup (including Chinese herbs, sigua or Chinese okra, almond seeds, red dates, and mushrooms), beef tendon stir-fried and braised (turnips, cinnamon, star anise, and Sichuan peppercorns) and ginger onion chicken.

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Dining Guide

be hungry, your main course options include the traditional Greek spin on veggie, lamb, chicken, steak, and seafood prepared with rice or pasta. Mykonos offers excellent value for the price. Pheidippides would be proud.



PEL' MENI Russian

1211 N. State St., Bellingham 360.715.8324

Step off busy State Street after your late night festivities for an inexpensive and satisfying fill of plump dumplings. Stuffed with either meat or potatoes, these dumplings are piping hot and sprinkled with cumin, paprika, and cilantro. Because they pair so well with tasty libations, Pel' Meni manages to consistently have a line out the door as soon as the sun goes down. For \$7, you'll get a plastic, clam-shell container full of savory dumplings. Smother them with vinegar, sour cream, and hot sauce for the full effect.



PEPPER SISTERS Southwest

1055 N. State St., Bellingham 360.671.3414, peppersisters.com

Customers have been diving into their plentiful plates of comforting burritos, quesadillas, and other specialties since 1988. The spunky atmosphere only elevates the already upbeat mood of the place. With bright booths, samplings of art, and lively music, it's nearly impossible to feel sour. Regular patrons groove to Stevie Wonder as they plunge their forks into massive burritos filled with red chili pesto, sautéed mushrooms, grilled onions, potatoes, green chilies, and cheese. To mellow the burn, they would, naturally, wash it down with bites of crisp cabbage salad dolloped with a cool, creamy dressing. The finale of every meal at Pepper Sisters is the basket of sopaipilla, served with a dish of honey butter. Some might not want to bring a date on this culinary excursion—no one wants to have to share that delicious honey butter.

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THE RUSTY WAGON American

6937 Hannegan Rd., Lynden 360.354.5236, rustywagongoodeats.com

The menu of The Rusty Wagon overflows with options. Breakfast is served until 2 p.m. every day and has diner favorites like biscuits and gravy or French toast. Burgers are clearly their specialty. Both the dinner and lunch menus have burgers, gourmet burgers, and chicken burgers, all served with soup, salad, fries, or waffle fries. Don't miss the full bar with sports screens, top shelf liquors, beer, and more. Beyond the catch phrases and cowboy hats, the Rusty Wagon is a family-friendly place to grab a burger.

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SUPER MARIO'S Salvadorian

3008 Northwest Ave., Bellingham 360.393.4637

Serving fresh, healthy meals with the customer in mind is what Super Mario's is all about, and it's the consistent flavor and quality of the food that keeps bringing people back. The veggies are chopped fresh daily, nothing is frozen, and nothing is cooked until it's ordered. In addition, nothing is deep fried.

