

Elizabeth and I used to eat Thai food often while we were dating. When it came time to plan our wedding, we wanted everything to be unique and elegant. And we wanted it to feel like “us.” Thai cuisine for the reception seemed like it might fit the bill.

Elizabeth found ***Thai Bloom!*** on-line. Since it had great reviews, we decided it might be worth the drive from Sandy to check it out. We agreed ahead of time not to make any decisions as it was the first place we visited. But things changed after we met with Walter Bowers and sampled the food. *“I know we said we wouldn’t make a decision today,”* I confessed through mouthfuls of sweet basil chicken. *“Yeah, me too!”* Liz agreed, scooping up another spoonful of curry. Our minds were made up.

Walter is awesome! He made the whole process really easy. He and the catering coordinator asked us about our likes and preferences, and took it from there. They helped us pick dishes that provided variety and options for our guests. They knew how many tables we’d need, and how they should be laid out. They had backup plans for things that might need a last minute change. We felt very comfortable leaving this crucial piece of the puzzle in their hands.

Catered food can often bear little resemblance to the dishes served at the restaurant. This was not the case with ***Thai Bloom!*** It felt like we were dining at the restaurant. The food was hot and delicious. One of my groomsmen, Brian, turned to me during dinner and said, *“The food is awesome! Everything that should be firm is still firm, and everything that should be soft is soft.”* We’re not entirely sure what he was talking about, but somehow he was exactly right. The food was perfect!

We only interacted with the servers a little bit (*we were a little distracted!*), but our family told us later how helpful they were. They handled gluten free and vegan guests as well as some very traditional meat-and-potatoes kind of guys. The catering staff helped everyone pick something they would be likely to enjoy, and took the fear out of a unique menu. They were very reassuring (*“No, don’t worry. It’s not very spicy...”*).

We heard compliments on the meal throughout the evening. We kept the servers busy, with most of the guests going back for seconds (and thirds). Everyone had something nice to say about the whole evening, and most of these well-wishers didn’t forget to mention the meal. Family friends Tim and Julie have been to their share of weddings, and they said ours was the best wedding food they have ever had. I don’t know if we can really measure that, but fully two weeks later when we ran into another friend, she said she had been dreaming about the yellow curry that whole time.

Walter and the crew at ***Thai Bloom!*** were really great. They helped us in a big way to make our event just the way we wanted it to be. I cannot picture our big day working out any better than it did, and these guys played a big part in that. Thank you so much for all the work that you put into our special event. There are only a few meals that a person remembers throughout his life, and this is definitely one of them.



– Nathan Joyner