

DINING

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VOORHEES

People eat out frequently in Voorhees, whether they live in modest townhouses or multimillion-dollar McMansions, whether they are stay-at-home moms who wear diamond tennis bracelets, working parents with kids, or seniors sporting designer sweat suits—"Voorhees tuxedos" in local parlance. Nearby Haddonfield and Cherry Hill are also full of folks who cross municipal lines for dinner in this township in the heart of South Jersey. Not surprisingly, among the housing developments and shopping centers here, restaurants are flourishing.

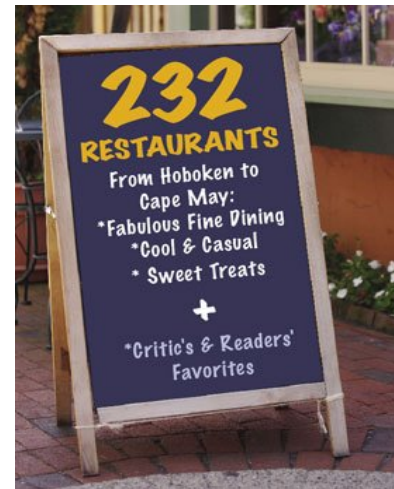


Since Voorhees doesn't really have a town center, just about every restaurant is located in a strip mall. But don't let the modest locales fool you: There is sophisticated and interesting cooking going on here.

The Ritz Center (910 Haddonfield Berlin Rd) draws loyal diners to its eateries even when they're not catching a flick at the region's best multiplex movie theater also located there (nobody under age 18 is allowed in without an adult, so there are no hordes of unsupervised teenagers to ruin your evening).

{Variety in Voorhees}

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| 1 Ritz Seafood
856-566-6650
910 Haddonfield Berlin Rd | 4 A Little Café
118 White Horse Rd
856-784-3344 |
| 2 Chez Elena Wu
910 Haddonfield Berlin Rd
856-566-3222 | 5 Laceno
1120 White Horse Rd
(Village Plaza)
856-627-3700 |
| 3 Coriander: An Indian Bistro
910 Haddonfield Berlin Rd
856-566-4546 | 6 Diane's Italian Water Ices
2999 Evesham Rd
856-751-9704 |



Another favorite at the Ritz Center is Coriander: An Indian Bistro, with food that reflects the mission of its owners, Vipul Bhasin and Amalesh Maitra: to introduce Americans to modern Indian cuisine. From the appetizers of crisp vegetable Samosas and spicy chili-ginger tilapia to the tender tandoori leg of lamb and the cardamom-infused chicken kebob, the fresh, light cooking represents many regions of India. The creamy rice pudding, made with pistachios and a hint of saffron, will have you fighting with your dining companions for the last bite.