

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

FORM 4

Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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SUBJECT COMPANY

DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC

CIK: **940944** | IRS No.: **593305930** | State of Incorporation: **FL** | Fiscal Year End: **0526**
Type: **4** | Act: **34** | File No.: **001-13666** | Film No.: **784836**
SIC: **5812** Eating places

Mailing Address
5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE
ORLANDO FL 32809

Business Address
5900 LAKE ELLENOR DR
ORLANDO FL 32809
4072454000

REPORTING OWNER

DIMOPOULOS LINDA J

CIK: **1071251**
Type: **4**

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
 WASHINGTON, DC 20549
 FORM 4
 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

() Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 DIMOPOULOS, LINDA J.
 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE
 P. O. BOX 593330
 ORLANDO, FL 32859-3330
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 DARDEN RESTAURANTS, INC. (DRI)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year
 11/2000
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 TABLE I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
 <CAPTION>

1. Title of Security	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of In- direct Bene- ficial Owner- ship
			Code	V	Amount	A/D			
<S>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>	<C>
Common Stock	11/15/2000	M		6518	A	\$9.856900		D	
Common Stock	11/15/2000	S		-6518	D	\$23.750000		D	
Common Stock	11/21/2000	M		16015	A	\$10.677000		D	
Common Stock	11/21/2000	S		-16015	D	\$25.750000	41210.137	D	

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 TABLE II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
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1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	
Title of Derivative Security	Conver- sion or Exercise Price of Deriva- tive Security	Transac- tion Date (Month/ Day/Year)	Transac- tion Code	Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D)	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security at End of Month	Benefi- cially Owned at End of Month	ity: Direct (D) or In- direct (I)	Nature of In- direct Owner- ship
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Stock Option	\$9.8569	11/15/2000	M	6518	06/24/1994 07/24/2001	Common Stock	6518	\$0.000000	0	D	
Stock Option	\$10.677	11/21/2000	M	16015	05/01/2000 10/16/2001	Common Stock	16015	\$0.000000	0	D	

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 Explanation of Responses:

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
 /s/ LINDA J. DIMOPOULOS

DATE
 12/07/2000