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Noodles & Company Introduces Its Boldest Flavors Yet With Two New Menu Items

Company invites guests to embark on a "flavor awakening" with launch of Thai Green Curry and Pork Adobo dishes; continues to enhance menu with focus on bold flavor

BROOMFIELD, Colo., Feb. 15, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- <u>Noodles & Company</u> (NASDAQ:NDLS), serving classic noodle and pasta dishes from around the world, today announced two bold new additions to its globally inspired menu: Thai Green Curry with Shrimp and Pork or Chicken Adobo. To showcase its focus on flavor, Noodles' new menu items, now available nationwide, are amongst the company's boldest flavors yet and aim to spark a flavor awakening among quests.

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The new dishes go far for those who appreciate a little heat, offering unique and undeniable flavor profiles that allow guests to step beyond traditional comfort zones of taste. The South Asian-inspired **Thai Green Curry with Shrimp** pairs a sweet and spicy coconut green curry sauce, rice noodles, pineapple, broccoli, red onion, snap peas, lime, black sesame seeds and cilantro with sautéed shrimp. The authentic Mexican influence of the **Pork or Chicken Adobo** starts with a cavatappi noodle base and adds smoky adobo sauce, red onions, roasted mushrooms, olives, sour cream, lime and cilantro topped with slow-braised pork or grilled chicken.

"Authentic flavor is everything at Noodles & Company, and we're confident our new chef-created dishes will provide our guests a flavor experience so bold that it will elicit a flavor adventure," said Jonathan Tress, Vice President of Marketing at Noodles & Company. "Our menu takes guests near and far with something for everyone from the bold and spicy flavors found in our new Thai Green Curry with Shrimp and Pork or Chicken Adobo, to more familiar flavors like the ones found in our Wisconsin Mac and Cheese or our Pesto Cavatappi."

Noodles & Company offers the world's favorite noodle dishes, salads, soups and shareables, all in one restaurant. Each dish is carefully hand-made to guests' specifications, using only the freshest ingredients, including 14 fresh vegetables that are prepped throughout the day along with other high-quality ingredients including cage-free eggs; organic milk and tofu; and naturally raised pork, bacon and meatballs.

For more information on Noodles & Company or to find a location nearest you to dine in or order online for carryout or group catering, please visit www.noodles.com.

About Noodles & Company

Noodles & Company is a fast-casual restaurant chain where its globally inspired dishes come together to create a World Kitchen. Recognized previously by Parents magazine as a Top Family Friendly Restaurant and by Health magazine as one of America's Healthiest Fast Food Restaurants, Noodles & Company is a restaurant where Japanese Pan Noodles rest comfortably next to Penne Rosa and Wisconsin Mac & Cheese, but where world flavors don't end at just noodles. Inspired by some of the world's most celebrated flavor combinations, Noodles & Company's menu offers soups, salads and shareables. Noodles & Company makes everything fresh to order, just as you like it, using quality ingredients. Servers deliver dishes to the table, allowing guests to sit and relax or grab a quick bite. With more than 400 locations nationwide, from California to Connecticut, guests can find a location near them and tour the global menu by visiting www.noodles.com.

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