



Cinema Winehouse: The perfect laid back night out

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Venue information

Cinema Winehouse

59/61 Samsen Rd,
Samphraya, Phra Nakorn
Bangkok, Thailand 10200

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Venue Type

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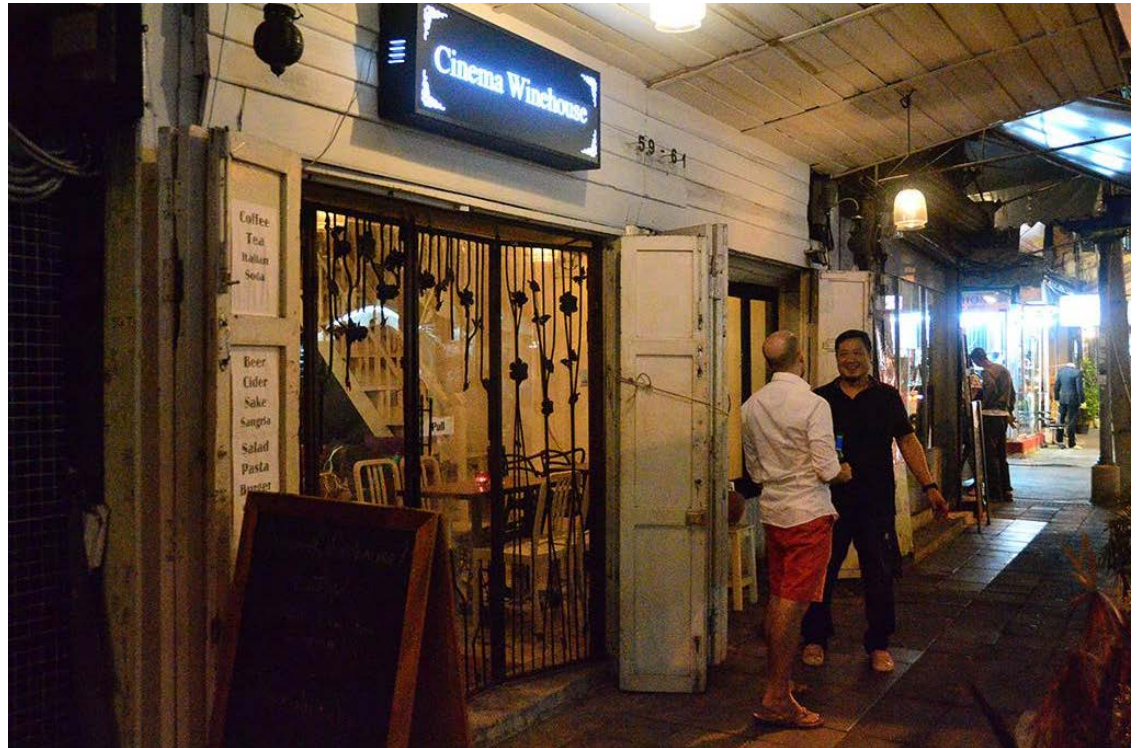
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If you are a movie buff or really just a lover of vino, head over to Samsen Road to spend an evening with Lily and Shanik at Cinema Winehouse.



Cinema Winehouse, located off of Samsen 1 Alley beside CHOMP! The Comfort Café, opened its doors in July 2014. Shanik had a friend back home in the States, who opened a restaurant in San Francisco that served five star quality food and played foreign films for customers to enjoy. This restaurant soon became a favorite among San Fran locals and Shanik wanted to bring this concept to Bangkok. After living and working here for five years, Shanik, along with his girlfriend and co-owner Lily, opened up Cinema Winehouse. His

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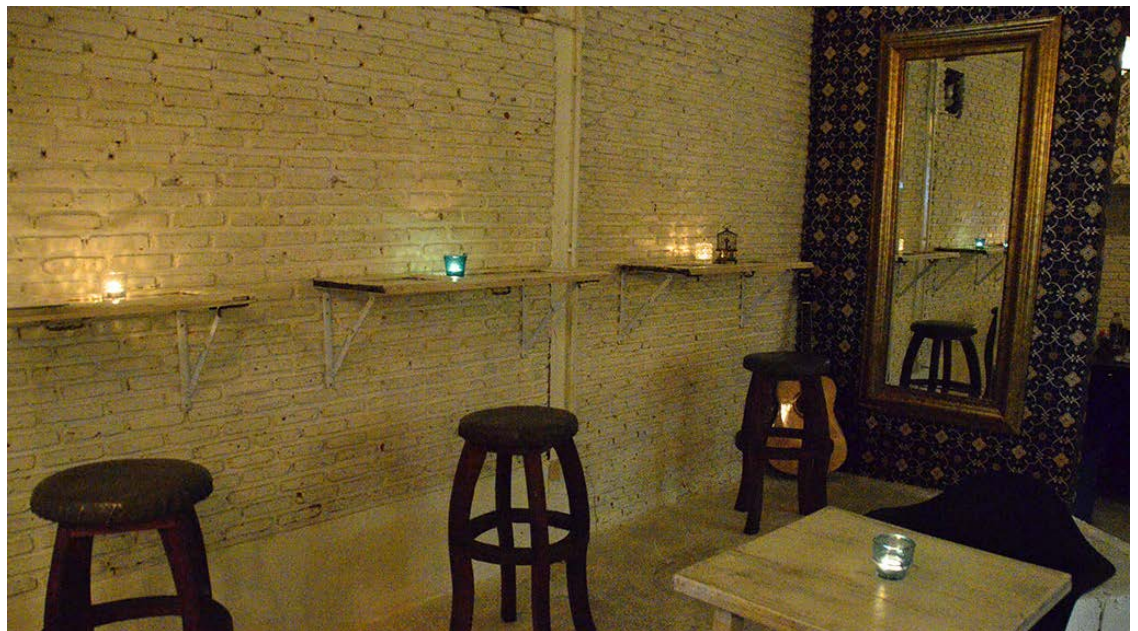
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hope was to provide his customers with a comfortable and affordable, night out while educating them on the art of cinema; focusing primarily on American classics.

As soon as I walked into Cinema Winehouse a smile formed on my face, in part

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because of the decor but also my favorite movie of all time was playing; the 1980s classic *The Blues Brothers*. The bottom floor was full of soft candlelight, different style seating areas, pillows, and the bar displaying the many offerings of beverages. The upstairs is a loft with couches covered in colorful pillows and stuffed animals to cuddle, bean bag chairs, and small tables for you to set your drinks or snacks on. The movie plays on the main white wall with a projector. The white wall provides a nice screen and Shanik has set up a powerful sound system so you will have no problem hearing the movie. I love movies and I love wine, so the idea of spending an evening relaxing with my date was one I gladly welcomed.



Cinema Winehouse - Inside

Waiting for the 7:30pm showing of Nicolas Cage's God of War, we got to know Shanik a little better. I could see by his interaction with his usual customers that he is the type of business owner who wants to get to know his customers and form a personal relationship. I almost think he can't help it being from Texas and I should know being from South Carolina; we can't help ourselves, we can't help but be friendly and we want everyone to feel welcome. After talking with Shanik for a while, I felt that we had been friends for a long time. This created an atmosphere of being in someones home enjoying a drink, dinner and a movie; making for a very laid back night out.

Obviously Cinema Winehouse offers wine from around the world but they also offer different brews, ciders, sake, non-alcoholic beverages and quite possibly the best sangria I have had while in Bangkok. This isn't your typical sangria with red wine and some fruit thrown in there; this was poached pear, red wine, and cinnamon sangria that tasted like Christmas; which is a good thing! There are three other sangria options I will be testing out on my next visit. The food menu was planned out to ensure the wine offered would complement the different dishes. If you are in the mood for snacks, or as Shanik and Lilly like to call them "tidbits", while you are watching your movie, may I recommend the chicken satay, spring rolls and onion rings- they were delicious. If you are looking for a more substantial meal, they offer pastas, salads, sandwiches, and much more.



Cinema Winehouse - Bar

As the night progressed, more and more people came in to enjoy the movie, dinner, drinks and Shanik's company. Without a word, he would pull out their favorite bottle of wine and serve them. Now that's service that you can't find everywhere!

Bottom Line

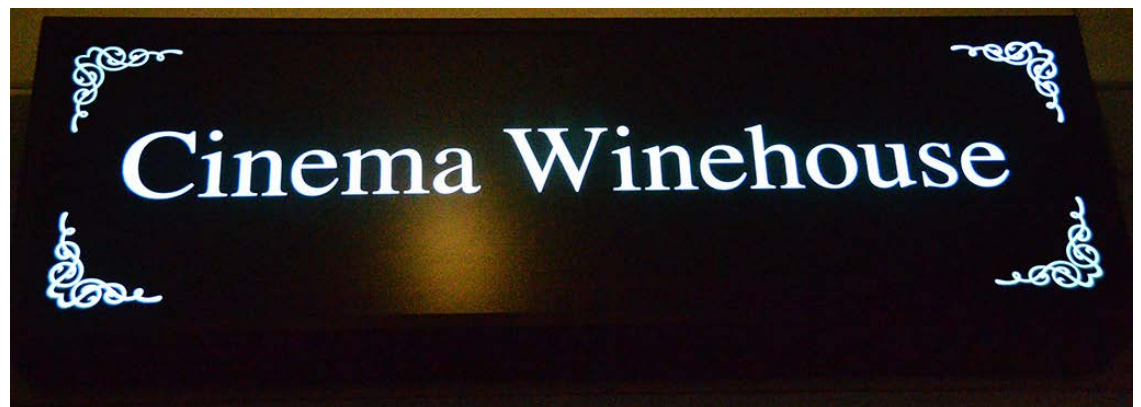
Cinema Winehouse is the easiest and most laid back night out with friends or your love you can have in Bangkok. The atmosphere is cozy and warm, making you feel right at home on their comfy couch with a glass of wine or beer in hand.

Cinema Winehouse is open Monday from 5pm-12pm and Wednesdays through Sundays from 5pm-12pm.

For more information or to book a private event please check out their [website](http://www.cinemawinehouse.com) or send an email to shanik@cinemawinehouse.com.



Cinema Winehouse - Selection of food



Cinema Winehouse - Outside sign

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