Darden Restaurants Inc.

DRI

NYSE; shops; SIC 5812, Retail-Eating Places; CIK 0000940944

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middle fifth of 253 graded peers in shops

rank 127 of 253; percentile 50.0; sampling error 3.0 points; lower is stronger

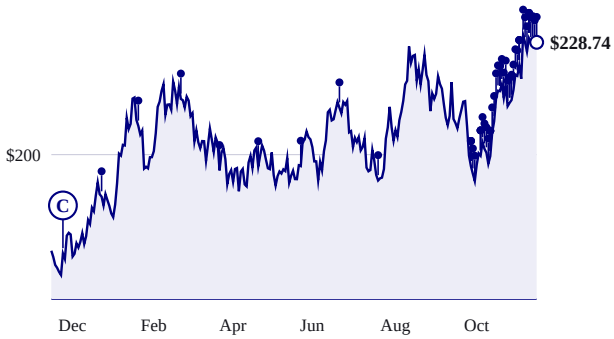
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C, the tortoise



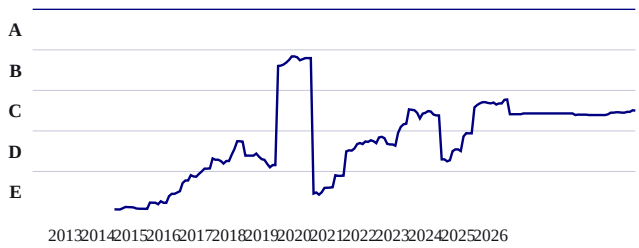
Scoreboard	
Profitability	B/C percentile 39.8
Solvency	D percentile 65.0
Growth and financing	C percentile 43.2
Reliability	0.94 AUC filers with over $2.67B assets; 95% interval 0.88 to 0.97; 61 events, 2020 to 2025
Peer failure rate	0.52% a year Item 1.03 bankruptcies, same asset band, 2012 to 2025
Size band	over $2.67B assets total assets $12.9B
Standard universe	inside revenue above $1M and assets above $10M
Warnings	none triggered not computable: distress
Inputs computable	12 of 14
Graded from	filings received through Jul 24, 2026 113 days before the rescan; latest periodic filing 10-Q received Oct 2, 2026
Last close	$228.79 2026-11-13; market equity $25.9B; no price enters the letter

Share price, twelve months to the rescan



Split-adjusted close. Each lollipop is a rescan and carries the letter held then.

Letter at every rescan, 2012 to 2026



Sector percentile at each rescan, stronger toward the top; facts filed by each date only.

Business, in the company's words

opening of Item 1 of the 10-K received Jul 24, 2026

Darden Restaurants, Inc. ("Darden," the "Company," "we," "us," or "our") is a full-service restaurant company, and as of May 31, 2026, we owned and operated 2,202 restaurants through subsidiaries in the United States under the Olive Garden®, LongHorn Steakhouse®, Yard House®, Ruth's Chris Steak House® ("Ruth's Chris"), Cheddar's Scratch Kitchen®, The Capital Grille®, Chuy's®, Seasons 52®, Eddie V's Prime Seafood® ("Eddie V's"), Bahama Breeze®, and The Capital Burger® trademarks.

The fourteen inputs

lower percentile is stronger; sleeves and inputs within a sleeve carry equal weight

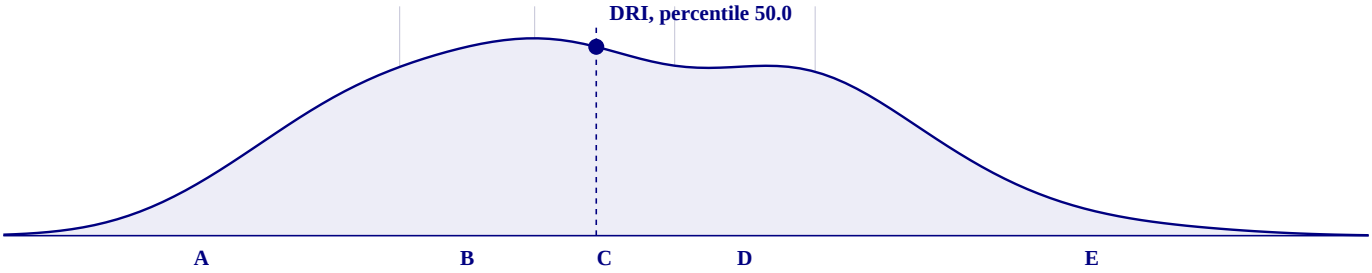
Input	Value	Peer median	Percentile, 0 to 100	Pct	Peers	Period end
Profitability, sleeve percentile 39.8						
Gross profitability	20.9%	42.9%		80.1	237	2026-05-31
Return on invested capital	35.4%	11.2%		14.6	83	2026-05-31
Accruals ratio	(5.1%)	(4.9%)		49.1	282	2026-05-31
Gross margin stability, five years	0.5 pts	1.3 pts		15.4	215	2026-05-31

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Solvency, sleeve percentile 65.0					
Twelve-month failure probability	not computable	0.03%			
latest liabilities, cash plus short-term investments, book equity, and shares are required					
Altman Z double-prime	(0.03)	1.93	68.8	203	2026-05-31
Net debt to EBITDA	0.66x	1.38x	30.9	98	2026-05-31
Interest coverage	not computable	3.27x			
latest aligned inputs end 2023-05-28; latest annual assets end 2026-05-31					
Current ratio	0.31x	1.37x	95.2	294	2026-05-31
Growth and financing, sleeve percentile 43.2					
Revenue growth, three-year compound	8.0%	1.6%	20.2	264	2026-05-31
Free cash flow growth, three-year compound	4.2%	4.6%	51.7	150	2026-05-31
Reinvestment rate	(41.9%)	16.4%	87.3	151	2026-05-31
Asset growth, three years	7.9%	3.1%	28.3	266	2026-05-31
Net share issuance, one year	(2.5%)	(0.6%)	28.7	210	2026-05-31

Among 253 peers

shops; letters are fifths of this list



Composite score of every graded peer, smoothed; vertical rules are the letter band edges; stronger to the left.

Rank	Company	Percentile	Letter	Warnings
122	Titan Machinery Inc. (TITN)	48.0	C	fortress balance sheet
123	Boise Cascade Co. (BCC)	48.4	C	
124	TD Synnex Corp. (SNX)	48.8	C	
125	Scansource, Inc. (SCSC)	49.2	C	fortress balance sheet
126	Universal Corp. (UVV)	49.6	C	late filer
127	Darden Restaurants Inc. (DRI)	50.0	C	
128	Foster L B Co. (FSTR)	50.4	C	
129	Walmart Inc. (WMT)	50.8	C	
130	Mckesson Corp. (MCK)	51.2	C	
131	Bath & Body Works, Inc. (BBWI)	51.6	C	
132	Reliance, Inc. (RS)	52.0	C	

What the price implies

at the 2026-11-13 close; none of these enters the grade

Measure	Value	Peer median	Percentile
Twelve-month price change, skipping the latest month	8.9%	(0.7%)	61
Distance from 52-week high	(0.8%)	(20.3%)	96
EBIT to enterprise value	5.8%	5.1%	57
Free cash flow yield	4.3%	3.8%	56
Book value to price	0.08	0.34	21
Sales to price	0.51	1.51	18
Composite equity issuance, five years	(31.7%)	(16.9%)	22
Relative strength against the sector, log excess return	0.18	0.08	61

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Diagnostics

shown on every report; none enters the grade

Measure	Value
Piotroski F-score 6 of 9, period end 2026-05-31	
Return on assets above zero	pass
Operating cash flow above zero	pass
Return on assets improved	pass
Operating cash flow exceeds net income	pass
Long-term leverage fell	pass
Current ratio improved	fail
No new shares issued	pass
Gross margin improved	fail
Asset turnover improved	fail
Cash, filings, liquidity	
Cash and equivalents	$220.5M
Operating cash flow, four quarters	$1.8B
Months of runway	not finite
Days since last periodic filing	43 (10-Q received Oct 2, 2026)
Median daily dollar volume, 63 sessions	$219.9M

Sources

every fact behind the inputs; each row links to its filing index on sec.gov

#	Concept	XBRL tag	Value	Period end	Received	Form	Accession
1	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$2.7B	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
2	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$12.9B	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
3	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	$1.6B	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
4	pretax income	us-gaap:IncomeLossFromContinuingOperationsBeforeInc...	$1.4B	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
5	income tax	us-gaap:IncomeTaxExpenseBenefit	$174.9M	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
6	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	$1.6B	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
7	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	$2.2B	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
8	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$219.5M	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
9	total debt	us-gaap:LongTermDebt	$2.1B	2025-05-25	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
10	book equity	us-gaap:StockholdersEquity	$2.3B	2025-05-25	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
11	cash	us-gaap:CashAndCashEquivalentsAtCarryingValue	$240.0M	2025-05-25	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
12	net income	us-gaap:NetIncomeLoss	$1.2B	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
13	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivitiesC...	$1.9B	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
14	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$12.6B	2025-05-25	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
15	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$13.2B	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
16	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$2.5B	2025-05-25	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
17	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$12.1B	2025-05-25	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
18	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$2.3B	2024-05-26	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
19	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$11.4B	2024-05-26	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
20	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$2.0B	2023-05-28	2025-07-18	10-K	25-000038
21	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$10.5B	2023-05-28	2025-07-18	10-K	25-000038
22	gross profit	us-gaap:GrossProfit	$1.9B	2022-05-29	2024-07-19	10-K	24-000035
23	revenue	us-gaap:RevenueFromContractWithCustomerExcludingA...	$9.6B	2022-05-29	2024-07-19	10-K	24-000035
24	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$942.9M	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
25	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$3.0B	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
26	retained earnings	us-gaap:RetainedEarningsAccumulatedDeficit	-$108.4M	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
27	liabilities	us-gaap:Liabilities	$10.7B	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
28	depreciation amortization	us-gaap:DepreciationDepletionAndAmortization	$561.1M	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
29	operating income	us-gaap:OperatingIncomeLoss	$1.2B	2023-05-28	2025-07-18	10-K	25-000038
30	interest expense	us-gaap:InterestExpense	$50.2M	2023-05-28	2023-07-21	10-K	23-000037
31	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$734.0M	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025

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32	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivitiesC...	$1.7B	2025-05-25	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
33	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$644.6M	2025-05-25	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
34	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivitiesC...	$1.6B	2024-05-26	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
35	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$601.2M	2024-05-26	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
36	operating cash flow	us-gaap:NetCashProvidedByUsedInOperatingActivitiesC...	$1.6B	2023-05-28	2025-07-18	10-K	25-000038
37	capital expenditure	us-gaap:PaymentsToAcquirePropertyPlantAndEquipment	$564.9M	2023-05-28	2025-07-18	10-K	25-000038
38	current assets	us-gaap:AssetsCurrent	$937.7M	2025-05-25	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
39	current liabilities	us-gaap:LiabilitiesCurrent	$2.2B	2025-05-25	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
40	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$11.3B	2024-05-26	2025-07-18	10-K	25-000038
41	assets	us-gaap:Assets	$10.2B	2023-05-28	2024-07-19	10-K	24-000035
42	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	114,077,969	2026-05-31	2026-07-24	10-K	26-000025
43	shares outstanding	dei:EntityCommonStockSharesOutstanding	117,033,830	2025-05-25	2025-07-18	10-K	25-000038

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