DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC

Form SC 13G/A August 10, 2004

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Schedule 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment 1)

DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC ORD NPV
(Name of Issuer)

COMM
(Title of Class of Securities)

237194105
(CUSIP Number)

July 31, 2004
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)
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[X] Rule 13d-1(b)

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CUSIP No. 237194105

(1) Names of Reporting Persons.

I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, NA., 943112180

- (2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group*
- (a) / /
- (b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization U.S.A.

Number of Shares

(5) Sole Voting Power

Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting	6,063,656
Person With	(6) Shared Voting Power -
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power 6,959,791
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power
(9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owr 6,959,791	ed by Each Reporting Person
(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amour	nt in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*
(11) Percent of Class Represented by 4.32%	Amount in Row (9)
(12) Type of Reporting Person*	
CUSIP No. 237194105	
(1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of	above persons (entities only).
BARCLAYS GLOBAL FUND ADVISORS	3
(2) Check the appropriate box if a me (a) // (b) /X/	ember of a Group*
(3) SEC Use Only	
(4) Citizenship or Place of Organizat U.S.A.	ion
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	(5) Sole Voting Power 575,957
by Each Reporting Person With	(6) Shared Voting Power -
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power 579,848
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power
(9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owr 579,848	ned by Each Reporting Person
(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amour	t in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*

(11) Percent of Class Represented by 0.36%	Amount in Row (9)
(12) Type of Reporting Person* IA	
CUSIP No. 237194105	
(1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of	above persons (entities only).
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, LT	מי
(2) Check the appropriate box if a me (a) // (b) /X/	ember of a Group*
(3) SEC Use Only	
(4) Citizenship or Place of Organizat England	ion
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	(5) Sole Voting Power 552,724
by Each Reporting Person With	(6) Shared Voting Power
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power 564,124
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power -
(9) Aggregate 564,124	
(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amoun	t in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*
(11) Percent of Class Represented by 0.35%	Amount in Row (9)
(12) Type of Reporting Person* BK	
CUSIP No. 237194105	
(1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of	above persons (entities only).

BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPAN TRUST AND BANKING COMPANY LIMITED (2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group* (a) / / (b) /X/ ______ (3) SEC Use Only (4) Citizenship or Place of Organization Japan Number of Shares (5) Sole Voting Power Beneficially Owned 128,157 by Each Reporting Person With (6) Shared Voting Power (7) Sole Dispositive Power 128,157 (8) Shared Dispositive Power ______ (9) Aggregate 128,157 ______ (10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares* ______ (11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) (12) Type of Reporting Person* BK _____ CUSIP No. 237194105 (1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only). BARCLAYS LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED (2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group* (a) / / (b) /X/ ______ (3) SEC Use Only ______ (4) Citizenship or Place of Organization England ______ Number of Shares (5) Sole Voting Power Beneficially Owned 10,536 by Each Reporting Person With (6) Shared Voting Power

	(7) Sole Dispositive Power 10,536
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power
(9) Aggregate 10,536	
(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in R	ow (9) Excludes Certain Shares*
(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount 0.01%	in Row (9)
(12) Type of Reporting Person*	
CUSIP No. 237194105	
(1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above	persons (entities only).
BARCLAYS BANK PLC	
<pre>(2) Check the appropriate box if a member c (a) / / (b) /X/</pre>	f a Group*
(3) SEC Use Only	
(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization England	
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting	(5) Sole Voting Power
Person With	(6) Shared Voting Power -
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power
(9) Aggregate	
(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in R	ow (9) Excludes Certain Shares*
(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount 0.00%	
(12) Type of Reporting Person*	
CUSIP No. 237194105	

_____ (1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only). BARCLAYS CAPITAL SECURITIES LIMITED ______ (2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group* (a) / / (b) /X/ (3) SEC Use Only ______ (4) Citizenship or Place of Organization England. Number of Shares (5) Sole Voting Power Beneficially Owned 6,074 by Each Reporting Person With (6) Shared Voting Power _____ (7) Sole Dispositive Power 6**,**074 (8) Shared Dispositive Power ______ (9) Aggregate 6,074 ______ (10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares* (11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) 0.00% (12) Type of Reporting Person* CUSIP No. 237194105 _____ (1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only). BARCLAYS CAPITAL INC ______ (2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group* (a) / / (b) /X/ _____ (3) SEC Use Only (4) Citizenship or Place of Organization

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	(5) Sole Voting Power
by Each Reporting Person With	(6) Shared Voting Power
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power
(9) Aggregate	
(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Rov	v (9) Excludes Certain Shares*
(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount : 0.00%	in Row (9)
(12) Type of Reporting Person*	
CUSIP No. 237194105	
(1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above p	persons (entities only)
BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK & TRUST (ISLE (
(2) Check the appropriate box if a member of	
(a) / / (b) /X/	
(3) SEC Use Only	
(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization England.	
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	(5) Sole Voting Power
by Each Reporting Person With	(6) Shared Voting Power
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power
(9) Aggregate	
(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Rox	v (9) Excludes Certain Shares*
(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount :	in Row (9)

0.00%	
(12) Type of Reporting Person*	
CUSIP No. 237194105	
(1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above	ve persons (entities only).
BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK AND TRUST (JERSEY) LIMITED
(2) Check the appropriate box if a member (a) $//$ (b) $/X/$	of a Group*
(3) SEC Use Only	
(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization England	
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	(5) Sole Voting Power
by Each Reporting Person With	(6) Shared Voting Power
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power
(9) Aggregate	
(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in	Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*
(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount 0.00%	nt in Row (9)
(12) Type of Reporting Person*	
CUSIP No. 237194105	
(1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above	ve persons (entities only).
BARCLAYS BANK TRUST COMPANY LIMIT	ED
(2) Check the appropriate box if a member (a) // (b) /X/	of a Group*
(3) SEC Use Only	

	Sole Voting Power
(6)	
	Shared Voting Power -
(7)	Sole Dispositive Power
(8)	Shared Dispositive Power
(9) E	xcludes Certain Shares*
n Row	(9)
ersons	(entities only).
a Grou	p*
(5)	Sole Voting Power
(6)	Shared Voting Power
(7)	Sole Dispositive Power
(8)	Shared Dispositive Power
	(8) (9) E n Row ersons (5) (6)

(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in 0.00%	n Row (9)
(12) Type of Reporting Person*	
CUSIP No. 237194105	
(1) Names of Reporting Persons. I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above pe	ersons (entities only).
BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK LIMITED	
(2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a (a) / / (b) /X/	
(3) SEC Use Only	
(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization England	
Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	(5) Sole Voting Power
by Each Reporting Person With	(6) Shared Voting Power
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power
(9) Aggregate	
(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row	(9) Excludes Certain Shares*
(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in 0.00%	n Row (9)
(12) Type of Reporting Person*	
ITEM 1(A). NAME OF ISSUER DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC ORD NPV	
ITEM 1(B). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE ORLANDO FL 32809	
ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVEST	TORS, NA

ITEM 2(B).	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE 45 Fremont Street San Francisco, CA 94105
ITEM 2(C).	CITIZENSHIP U.S.A
ITEM 2(D).	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES COMM
ITEM 2(E).	
	IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A
(15 U.S (b) /X/ Bank as (c) // Insuran	or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (C. 780). defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). dec Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act (C. 78c). dent Company registered under section 8 of the Investment (Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8). dent Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b)(1)(ii)(E). de Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section (I-1(b)(1)(ii)(F). Holding Company or control person in accordance with section (I-1(b)(1)(ii)(G). de association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Depositive Act (12 U.S.C. 1813). The plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment of under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (C. 80a-3). in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)
	NAME OF ISSUER RESTAURANTS INC ORD NPV
ITEM 1(B).	ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE ORLANDO FL 32809
ITEM 2(A).	NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING BARCLAYS GLOBAL FUND ADVISORS
ITEM 2(B).	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE 45 Fremont Street San Francisco, CA 94105
ITEM 2(C).	CITIZENSHIP U.S.A
	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES COMM
ITEM 2(E).	CUSIP NUMBER 237194105
	IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A

- (a) // Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o). (b) // Bank as defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). (c) // Insurance Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). (d) // Investment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8). (e) /X/ Investment Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b)(1)(ii)(E). (f) // Employee Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F). (g) // Parent Holding Company or control person in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G). (h) // A savings association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813). (i) // A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15U.S.C. 80a-3). (j) // Group, in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J) ITEM 1(A). NAME OF ISSUER DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC ORD NPV ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES TTEM 1(B). 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE ORLANDO FL 32809 _____ ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, LTD ______ ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE Murray House 1 Royal Mint Court LONDON, EC3N 4HH ITEM 2(C). CITIZENSHIP England _____ ITEM 2(D). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES COMM ITEM 2(E). CUSIP NUMBER 237194105 ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR 13D-2(B), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A (a) // Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o).
- (b) /X/ Bank as defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (c) // Insurance Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (d) // Investment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8).
- (e) // Investment Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b)(1)(ii)(E).
- (f) // Employee Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F).
- (g) // Parent Holding Company or control person in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).
- (h) // A savings association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).
- (i) // A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

	.C. 80a-3). in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)
ITEM 1(A).	NAME OF ISSUER DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC ORD NPV
ITEM 1(B).	ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE ORLANDO FL 32809
	NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING 'S GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPAN TRUST AND BANKING COMPANY LIMITED
ITEM 2(B).	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE Ebisu Prime Square Tower 8th Floor 1-1-39 Hiroo Shibuya-Ku Tokyo 150-0012 Japan
ITEM 2(C).	
ITEM 2(D).	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES COMM
ITEM 2(E).	CUSIP NUMBER 237194105
	IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A
	or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act
(c) // Insurar	s defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). nce Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act S.C. 78c).
(d) // Investm	ment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment 7 Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8).
	ment Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b)(1)(ii)(E).
	ee Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F).
(g) // Parent	Holding Company or control person in accordance with section d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).
	ngs association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit
(i) // A church company	the Act (12 U.S.C. 1813). The plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment y under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940
	.C. 80a-3). in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)
ITEM 1(A).	NAME OF ISSUER DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC ORD NPV
	ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE ORLANDO FL 32809
ITEM 2(A).	NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING BARCLAYS LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED
	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE Unicorn House 5th floor 252 Romford Road, Forest Gate

London 37 9JB England

	London 3/ 9JB England
ITEM 2(C).	CITIZENSHIP England
ITEM 2(D).	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES COMM
ITEM 2(E).	CUSIP NUMBER 237194105
ITEM 3. 13D-2(B), CHECK	IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A
(15 U.S (b) /X/ Bank as (c) // Insurar (15 U.S (d) // Investm	or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (5.C. 780). s defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). nce Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act (5.C. 78c). ment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment
(e) // Investm (f) // Employe	Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8). Menent Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b)(1)(ii)(E). Be Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F).
240.13d (h) // A savir	Holding Company or control person in accordance with section $d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G)$. The age association as defined in section $d(b)$ of the Federal Deposit the Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).
(i) // A churc company	ch plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 .C. 80a-3).
(j) // Group,	in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)
ITEM 1(A).	NAME OF ISSUER DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC ORD NPV
ITEM 1(B).	ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE ORLANDO FL 32809
	NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING BARCLAYS BANK PLC
ITEM 2(B).	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE 54 Lombard Street London, England EC3P 3AH
ITEM 2(C).	
ITEM 2(D).	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES COMM
ITEM 2(E).	
ITEM 3.	IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A
(15 U.S	or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act S.C. 780).
(b) /X/ Bank as	s defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).

- (c) // Insurance Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). (d) // Investment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8). (e) // Investment Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b)(1)(ii)(E). (f) // Employee Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F). (q) // Parent Holding Company or control person in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G). (h) // A savings association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813). (i) // A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15U.S.C. 80a-3). (j) // Group, in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J) NAME OF ISSUER ITEM 1(A). DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC ORD NPV -----ITEM 1(B). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE ORLANDO FL 32809 NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING ITEM 2(A). BARCLAYS CAPITAL SECURITIES LIMITED ______ ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE 5 The North Colonmade Canary Wharf, London, England E14 4BB ______ ITEM 2(C). CITIZENSHIP England ______ ITEM 2(D). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES COMM _____ ITEM 2(E). CUSIP NUMBER 237194105 ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR 13D-2(B), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A
- (a) // Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o).
- (b) /X/ Bank as defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (c) // Insurance Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (d) // Investment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8).
- (e) // Investment Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b)(1)(ii)(E).
- (f) // Employee Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F).
- (g) // Parent Holding Company or control person in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).
- (h) // A savings association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).
- (i) // A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15U.S.C. 80a-3).
- (j) // Group, in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)
- ITEM 1(A). NAME OF ISSUER

	DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC ORD NPV
ITEM 1(B).	ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE ORLANDO FL 32809
ITEM 2(A).	NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING BARCLAYS CAPITAL INC
ITEM 2(B).	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE 200 Park Ave NY, NY 10166
ITEM 2(C).	CITIZENSHIP U.S.A.
ITEM 2(D).	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES COMM
ITEM 2(E).	CUSIP NUMBER 237194105
	IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A
(c) // Insurar (15 U.S) (d) // Investm Company (e) // Investm (f) // Employe 240.13c (g) // Parent 240.13c (h) // A savir Insurar (i) // A church company (15U.S.	s defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). Ince Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act S.C. 78c). Inent Company registered under section 8 of the Investment If Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8). Inent Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b)(1)(ii)(E). Inent Expense Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section Ind-1(b)(1)(ii)(F). Indiang Company or control person in accordance with section Ind-1(b)(1)(ii)(G). Ings association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Ince Act (12 U.S.C. 1813). In plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment If under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Indiana C. 80a-3). In accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)
ITEM 1(A).	NAME OF ISSUER DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC ORD NPV
	ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE ORLANDO FL 32809
ITEM 2(A).	NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK & TRUST (ISLE OF MAN) LIMITED
	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE 4th Floor, Queen Victoria House Isle of Man, IM99 IDF
ITEM 2(C).	CITIZENSHIP England
ITEM 2(D).	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES

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ITEM 2(E). CUSIP NUMBER 237194105
ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR 13D-2(B), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A
(a) // Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780).
 (b) /X/ Bank as defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). (c) // Insurance Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
(d) // Investment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8).
(e) // Investment Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b)(1)(ii)(E).(f) // Employee Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section
240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F). (g) // Parent Holding Company or control person in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).
(h) // A savings association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).
(i) // A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15U.S.C. 80a-3).
(j) // Group, in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)
ITEM 1(A). NAME OF ISSUER DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC ORD NPV
ITEM 1(B). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE ORLANDO FL 32809
ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK AND TRUST (JERSEY) LIMITED
ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE 39/41 Broad Street, St. Helier Jersey, Channel Islands JE4 8PU
ITEM 2(C). CITIZENSHIP England
ITEM 2(D). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES COMM
ITEM 2(E). CUSIP NUMBER 237194105
ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR 13D-2(B), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A
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 (b) /X/ Bank as defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c). (c) // Insurance Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
(d) // Investment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8).
(e) // Investment Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b)(1)(ii)(E).(f) // Employee Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section

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ITEM 1(A).	NAME OF ISSUER DARDEN RESTAURANTS INC ORD NPV
ITEM 1(B).	ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES 5900 LAKE ELLENOR DRIVE ORLANDO FL 32809
ITEM 2(A).	NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING BARCLAYS BANK TRUST COMPANY LIMITED
ITEM 2(B).	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE 54 Lombard Street London, EC3P 3AH, England
ITEM 2(C).	CITIZENSHIP England
ITEM 2(D).	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES COMM
ITEM 2(E).	CUSIP NUMBER 237194105
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ITEM 2(B). 10 rue d'Italie CH-1204 Geneva Switzerland	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE
ITEM 2(C).	CITIZENSHIP Switzerland
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ITEM 2(B).	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE
59/60 Grosvenor London, WIX 9DA	
ITEM 2(C).	CITIZENSHIP England
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- (g) // Parent Holding Company or control person in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).
- (h) // A savings association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).
- (i) // A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15U.S.C. 80a-3).
- (j) // Group, in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)

ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

(a) Amount Beneficially Owned: 8,248,530

(b) Percent of Class:

5.12%

- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote 7,337,104

(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote

(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of 8,248,530

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of $\bar{\ \ }$

ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following. //

- ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON

 The shares reported are held by the company in trust accounts for the
 economic benefit of the beneficiaries of those accounts. See also

 Items 2(a) above.
- ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY Not applicable
- ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP Not applicable
- ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP

 Not applicable

ITEM 10. CERTIFICATION

(a) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to section 240.13d-1(b):

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

(b) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to section 240.13d-1(c):

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

August 10, 2004
 Date
 Signature
Nancy Yeung Manager of Global Accounting
 Name/Title