

Bloomin' Brands, Inc.
Form SC 13D/A
April 11, 2018
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN
STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT
TO RULE 13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS
THERE TO FILED PURSUANT TO
RULE 13d-2(a)

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. 3)

Bloomin' Brands, Inc.
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share
(Title of Class of Securities)

094235108
(CUSIP Number)

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Authorized to Receive Notices and
Communications)

April 9, 2018
(Date of Event which Requires
Filing of this Schedule)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(e), 13d-1(f) or 13d-1(g), check the following box. []

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The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

JANA PARTNERS LLC

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A

MEMBER OF (b) x

3 A GROUP

SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

AF

CHECK BOX

IF

DISCLOSURE

OF LEGAL

5 PROCEEDING

IS

REQUIRED

PURSUANT

TO ITEMS

2(d) or 2(e)

CITIZENSHIP OR

PLACE OF

6 ORGANIZATION

Delaware

NUMBER OF SHARES

BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY

7

SOLE VOTING POWER

EACH

5,983,966

REPORTING

Shares

PERSON WITH

8

SHARED VOTING POWER

0

SOLE

DISPOSITIVE

9

POWER

5,983,966

Shares

10

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0
AGGREGATE
AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY
11 OWNED BY EACH
PERSON

5,983,966 Shares
CHECK IF THE
AGGREGATE
12 AMOUNT IN
ROW (11) ..
EXCLUDES
CERTAIN
SHARES
PERCENT OF CLASS
13 REPRESENTED BY
AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
(see Item 5)

6.4%
14 TYPE OF REPORTING
PERSON

IA

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This Amendment No. 3 ("Amendment No. 3") amends and supplements the statement on Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on November 20, 2017 (the "Original Schedule 13D"), as amended by Amendment No. 1 filed with the SEC on January 25, 2018 ("Amendment No. 1") and Amendment No. 2 filed with the SEC on March 1, 2018 ("Amendment No. 2", and together with the Original Schedule 13D, Amendment No. 1 and this Amendment No. 3, the "Schedule 13D") with respect to the shares ("Shares") of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Bloomin' Brands, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Issuer"). Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined in this Amendment No. 3 shall have the meanings set forth in the Schedule 13D. This Amendment No. 3 amends Items 3, 5(a), (b) and (c) and 7 as set forth below.

Item 3. SOURCE AND AMOUNT OF FUNDS OR OTHER CONSIDERATION.

Item 3 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated in its entirety as follows:

The 5,983,966 Shares reported herein by the Reporting Person were acquired at an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$102.8 million. Such Shares were acquired with investment funds in accounts managed by the Reporting Person and margin borrowings described in the following sentence. Such Shares are held by the investment funds managed by the Reporting Person in commingled margin accounts, which may extend margin credit to the Reporting Person from time to time, subject to applicable federal margin regulations, stock exchange rules and credit policies. In such instances, the positions held in the margin accounts are pledged as collateral security for the repayment of debit balances in the account. The margin accounts bear interest at a rate based upon the broker's call rate from time to time in effect. Because other securities are held in the margin accounts, it is not possible to determine the amounts, if any, of margin used to purchase the Shares reported herein.

Item 5. INTEREST IN SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER.

Items 5(a), (b) and (c) of the Schedule 13D are hereby amended and restated in their entirety as follows:

(a) The aggregate percentage of Shares reported to be beneficially owned by the Reporting Person is based upon 92,932,752 Shares outstanding as of February 28, 2018, as reported in the Issuer's Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on March 8, 2018.

As of the close of business on the date hereof, the Reporting Person may be deemed to beneficially own 5,983,966 Shares, representing approximately 6.4% of the Shares outstanding.

(b) The Reporting Person has sole voting and dispositive power over 5,983,966 Shares, which power is exercised by the Principal.

(c) Information concerning transactions in the Shares effected by the Reporting Person since the filing of Amendment No. 2 is set forth in Exhibit G hereto and is incorporated herein by reference. All of the transactions in Shares listed hereto were effected in the open market through various brokerage entities.

Item 7.

**MATERIAL TO BE FILED AS
EXHIBITS.**

Item 7 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

Exhibit G: Transactions in the Shares effected since the Filing of Amendment No. 2.

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SIGNATURES

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.

Dated: April 11, 2018

JANA PARTNERS LLC

By: /s/ Jennifer Fanjiang
Name: Jennifer Fanjiang
Title: General Counsel