

## Just minutes from Waikiki is Hawaii's only Egyptian restaurant. Pyramids

You may not notice it at first because it sits in a row of shops on Kapahulu Ave. In the business district. Once inside the soft colors and decor take you on a journey to the middle east. Every evening at 7:30 & 8:30 Pyramids features live belly dancing. While you dine on superb middle Eastern cuisine you are entertained by lovely ladies who have mastered the dance.



Since the reign of pharaohs in ancient Egypt, belly dancing has mesmerized audiences everywhere.

Raks Al - Baladi, the dance of the people, uses body isolations and complex rhythms, expressing joy, sensuality, playfulness, even lament.

Styles reflect the setting, music and dancer's personality.

An artist may dance with:

- \*Zills, finger cymbals, create rhythmic patterns with in the music.
- \*Scimitar, the sword, balances beauty with dancer.
- \*Veil Invokes the delicacy and fluidity of the feminine spirit.
- \*Cane Resembles a shepherd's crook or pharaoh's staff is traditional among Bedouin.

Celebrations such as weddings always include belly dancing. Audiences clap, dance or give the Zhagoreet, a high-pitched ululation. The tradition of tipping continues; whereas coin tips were once sewn to costumes, today dancers are showered with bills (Arabic style) or gently tipped at the waist (Mediterranean style)

Raks Al - Sharki, the dance of the East, endures because it moves the soul and expresses the joy of life!



### The Pyramids Restaurant

758-B Kapahulu Ave. Honolulu

(808) 737-2900

Lunch Buffet \$9.95 (Served Mon.-Sat.)

Lunch 11 a.m.-2p.m.

Dinner 5:30 p.m.-10 p.m.

Free parking available in the back

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