

CINEMA OUT TO SEA GOLF AROUND TOWN FOOD & DRINK EASTER SPECIALS EARTH DAY AWARDS KITE EVENTS

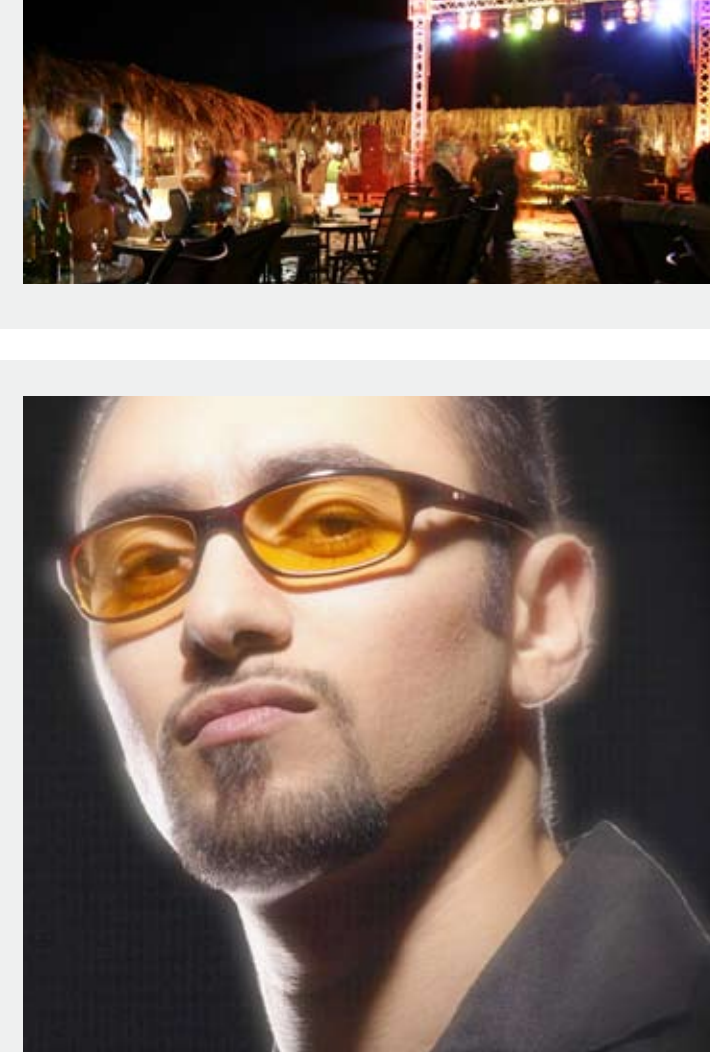
PARTY TIME

ALWAYS SOMETHING GOING ON!

El Gouna's famed outdoor entertainment has resumed after the winter break. Join the party!

- Abu Tig Marina Street Festival** every Friday and Monday starting at 8 pm
- Tamr Henna Folklore Show** and Belly Dancer every Sunday and Thursday starting at 8:30 pm
- Downtown Kafr Live Music** and Belly Dancer every Tuesday and Saturday starting at 8 pm

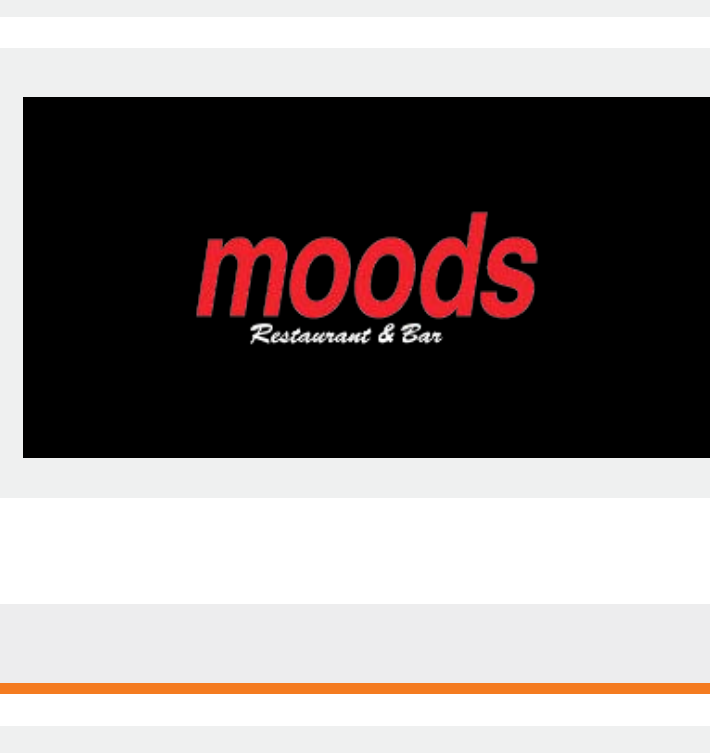
For details on events contact the Info Center at ext 32100



PEANUTS GIVES IN TO DISCO FEVER

Peanuts will turn into a Motown disco the first Thursday of every month, starting April 2. Create your own costume and dance all night to disco funk fever sound from 9:30 pm onwards.

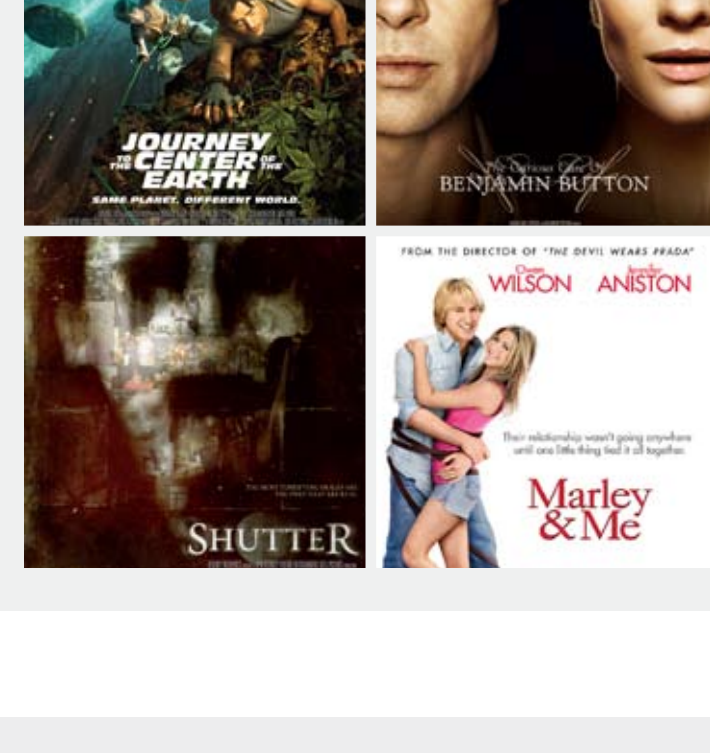
Peanuts, Abu Tig Marina, ext 32326



BEACH PARTIES CELEBRATE KITE SEASON

Red Sea Zone celebrates the opening of kite season with a series of beach parties on April 16, 19, 22, 25, 28, and May 1. Live concerts, karaoke evenings, night kiting (wind permitting), and good old chilling out on the beach are in order.

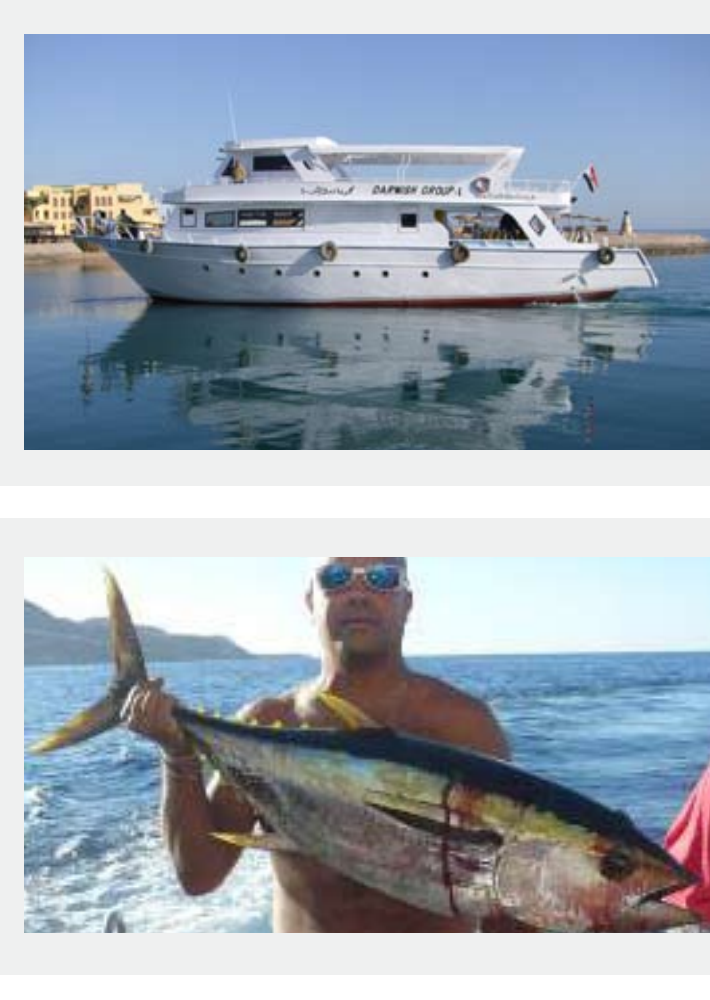
Red Sea Zone, North Mangroovy Beach, +2 010 295 5209
www.redseazone.com



SHADY IS BACK!

The Sheraton welcomes back one of its favorite entertainers, Shady Sheha. Born in 1977, Shady grew up in Cairo and Vienna. After graduating from German high school he went on to study languages at university with the hope of becoming a certified interpreter for the German government. During his studies he started singing in 5-star hotels and resorts around the Red Sea where he quickly became known for his power on stage and his ability to communicate with the crowd. His favorite music genres are pop, rock, country, soul and ballads. He speaks fluent German, English, French, Italian and Arabic and is back to entertain El Gouna every Friday and Sunday at the Sheraton Miramar Resort at 8 pm.

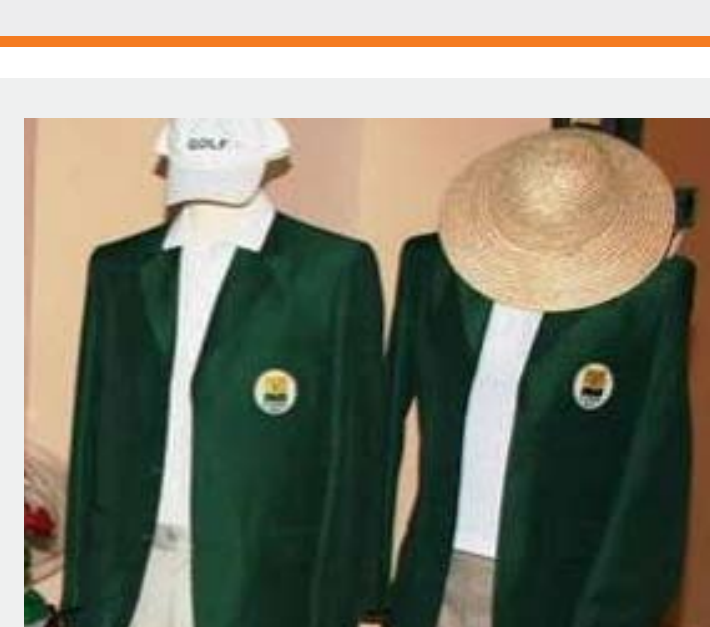
Sheraton Miramar, ext 110



PARTY PEOPLE CELEBRATE RA'S BIRTHDAY

Celebrate with "Party People" on the occasion of Ra's birthday! The party is taking place on April 17 at Moods. Happy Hour all night starting at 9 pm. DJ Devil mixes chill out tunes till 11 pm, then let the party begin! Everyone is invited!

Moods, Abu Tig Marina, ext 77966



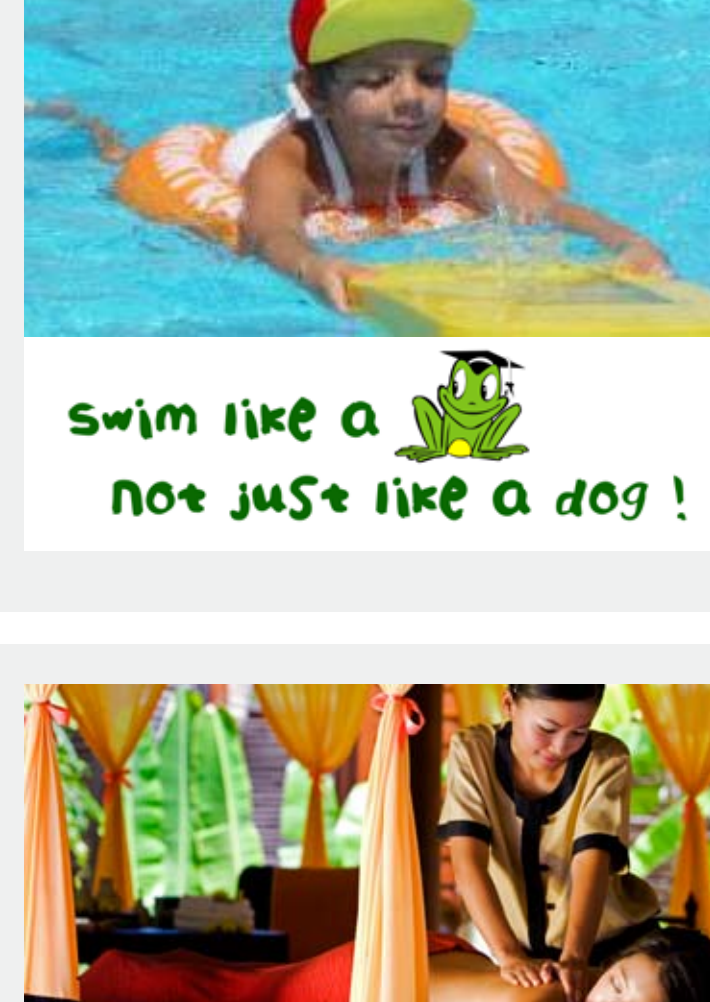
CINEMA

MIRAGE MOVIE NIGHTS

Big time blockbusters are always playing at Mirage, El Gouna's open-air movie theatre in Downtown El Balah where a new movie is featured every week and entrance is free! Showings take place every Sunday and Tuesday at 7 pm, with a double showing every Thursday at 7 pm and 9 pm. Drinks and light snacks are catered by the Arena Inn.

- 05-11 April **Shutter**
- 12-18 April **Journey to the Center of the Earth**
- 19-25 April **Marley and Me**
- 26-02 May **The Curious Case of Benjamin Button**

For more information, call the Info Center at ext 32100

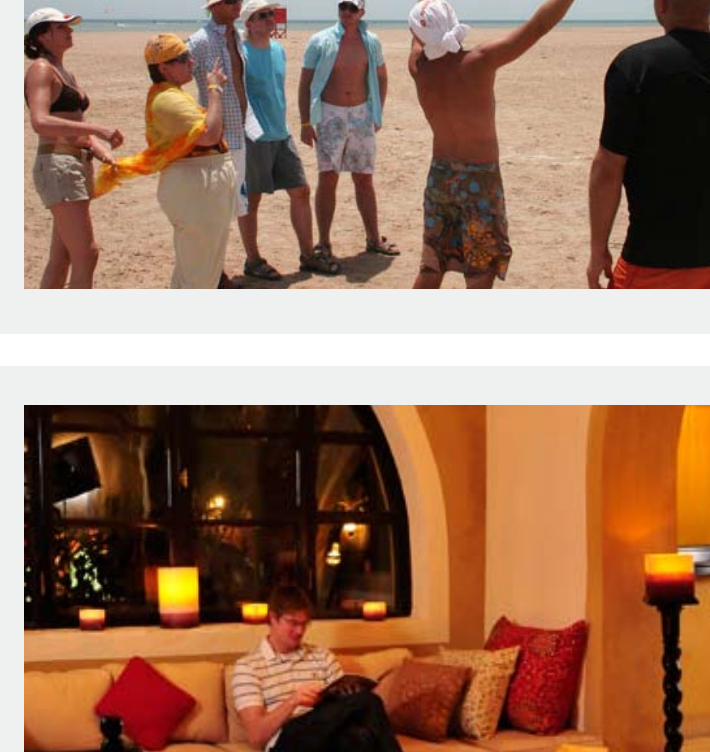


OUT TO SEA

BLUE BROTHERS GOES NIGHT DIVING

Blue Brothers Diving has obtained a license to operate night dives. All related requirements were fulfilled while the boat was on dry dock, preparing for the new season. This additional service makes diving with Blue Brothers even more attractive.

Blue Brothers Diving, TTC Ocean View
ext 77597, +2 012 345 9362
www.bluebrothersdiving.de



YELLOW FIN TUNA

The Yellow Fin Tuna season has just started but as it lasts only a month, catch it while you can! Day and overnight trips are offered by Yellow Fin Fishing Safari whose promise is, "We know where the best fish hide."

Yellow Fin Fishing Safari Abu Tig Marina, +2 010 301 7200
www.yellow-fin.net

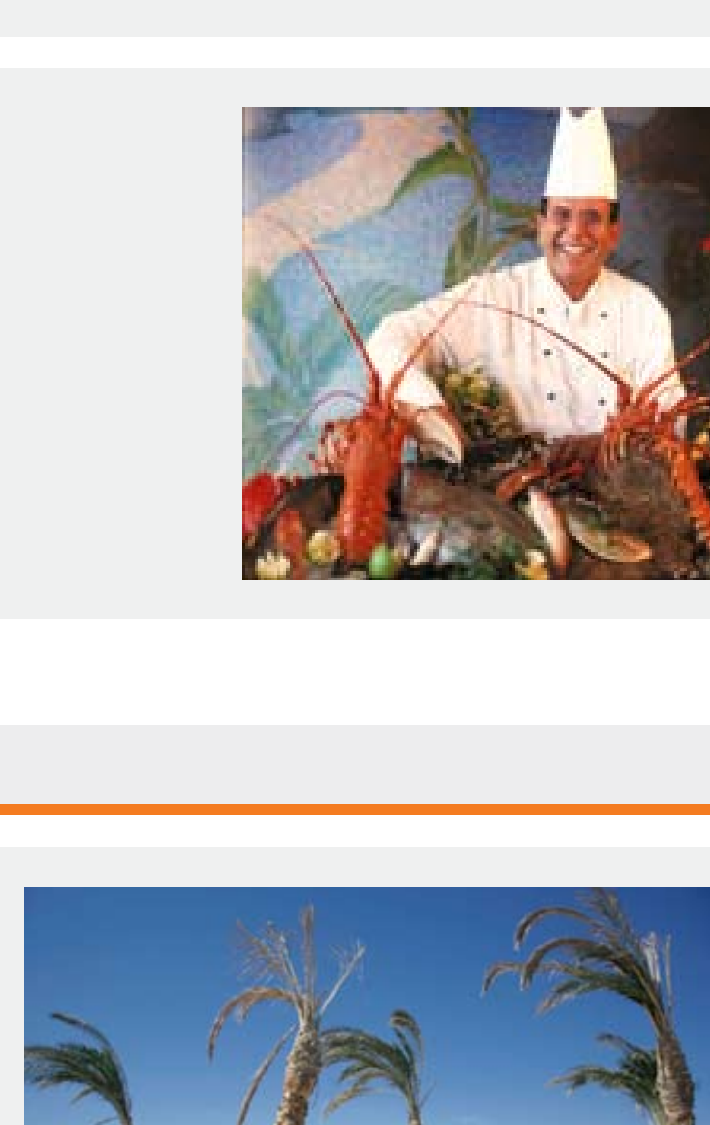


GOLF

4TH GREEN JACKET TOURNAMENT

Don't forget to take part in the traditional Green Jacket Tournament hosted on April 5 by Steigenberger Golf Resort and El Gouna Golf. Several international amateurs have already signed up alongside El Gouna residents. Delicious breakfast and lunch buffets will be provided by the Steigenberger Golf Resort and the awards ceremony will take place immediately after the tournament and will include the presentation of the male and female Green Jackets as well as many other attractive prizes.

El Gouna Golf Club, ext 32285, +2 012 746 4712
golf.club@elgouna.com

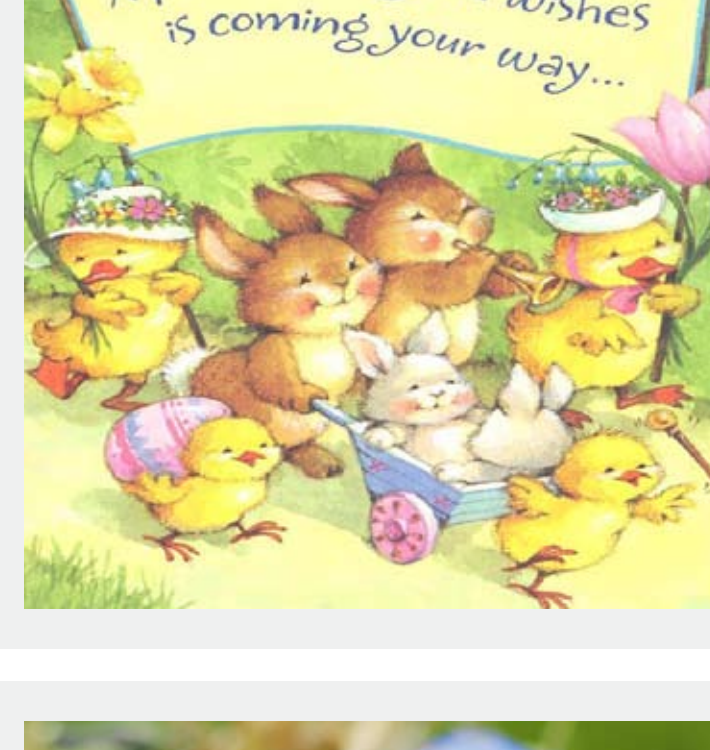


AROUND TOWN

INTENSIVE KIDS' SWIMMING COURSE

Sign your child up to become a swimmer during the Easter vacation! Fred's Swim Academy is now offering an intensive swimming course for children from April 16-25 at The Club House. The course consists of 10 daily lessons starting at 9 am. Minimum age requirement is 5 years; price is LE 450 per child and places are limited. For the first time Fred's offers a swimming guarantee: you don't need to worry if your children need more than 10 lessons. Fred's will teach them until they are able to swim, no matter how many lessons are required!

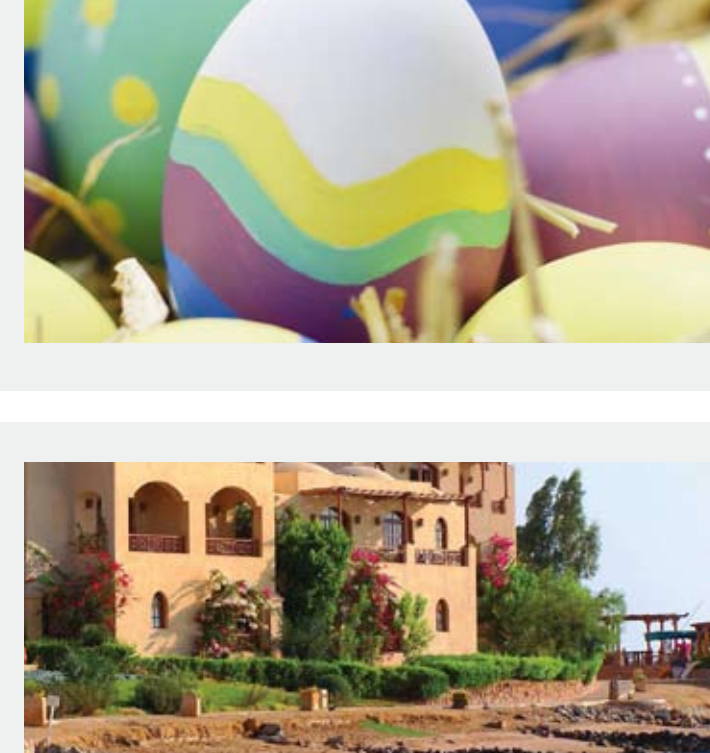
Fred's is at The Club House every Tuesday from 12:30-1:30 pm
Downtown Kafr El Gouna, +2 011 303 1724
www.swimtrainer-egypt.com



APRIL SPECIALS AT ANGSA NA SPA

Angsana Spa is offering a 30% discount on body massages and spa packages throughout the month of April 2009.

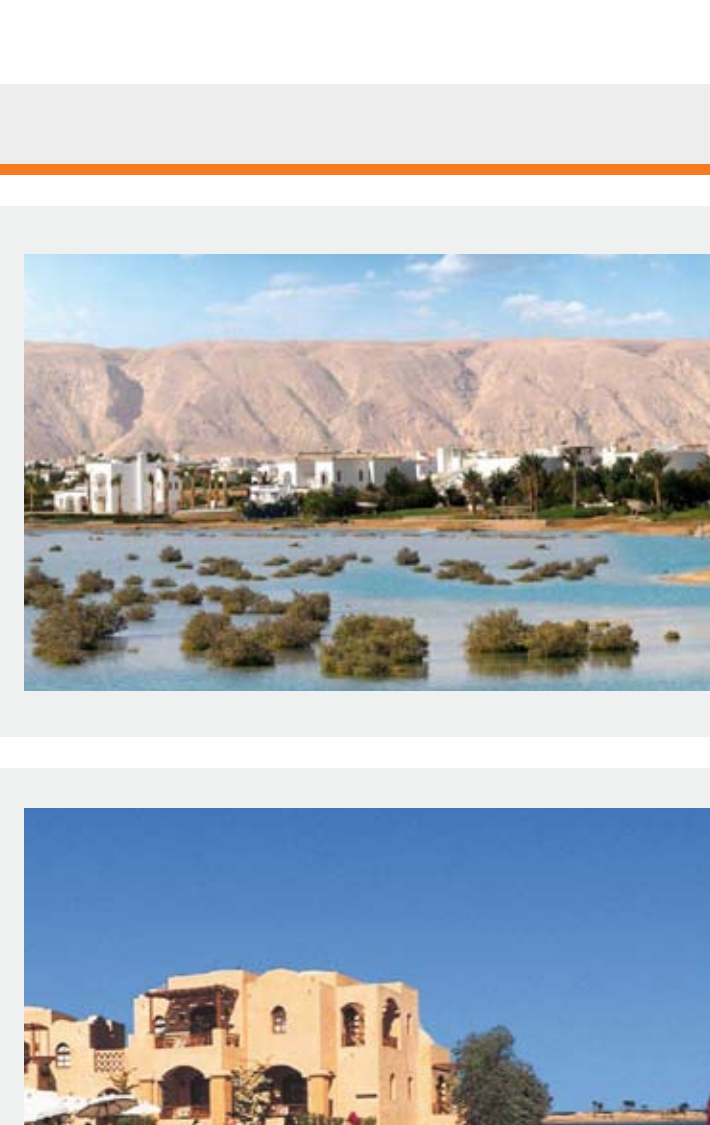
Angsana Spa, ext 120, +2 065 354 4501
www.angsanaspaspa.com



KITESURFING INSTRUCTOR TRAINING COURSES

Interested in becoming an International Kiteboarding Organization certified instructor? Red Sea Zone is organizing two IKO Instructor Training Course (ITC) sessions: the first one will take place from April 26-30, and the second one from May 03-07. Additionally, a First Aid course will be given between those two courses. Neil Godbold from the UK will be the specially-appointed examiner. The ITC course price is Euro 680 and the First Aid course costs Euro 100 per person. Maximum number of participants per course is set at 8 with only a few spots still up for grabs.

RedSeaZone Watersports Academy, +2 010 295 5209
rta@redseazone.com



CANDLE LOVERS' CORNER

Those wishing to create a beautiful atmosphere for their homes without excessive expense can visit the Candle Corner located in Dawar El Omda boutique hotel. The different aromas and shapes of the candles will add a sense of serenity and tranquility and fill your home with soothing scents while setting the perfect ambiance for a cozy night. Different shapes and sizes are available on stock; special requests are welcomed and will be made-to-order.

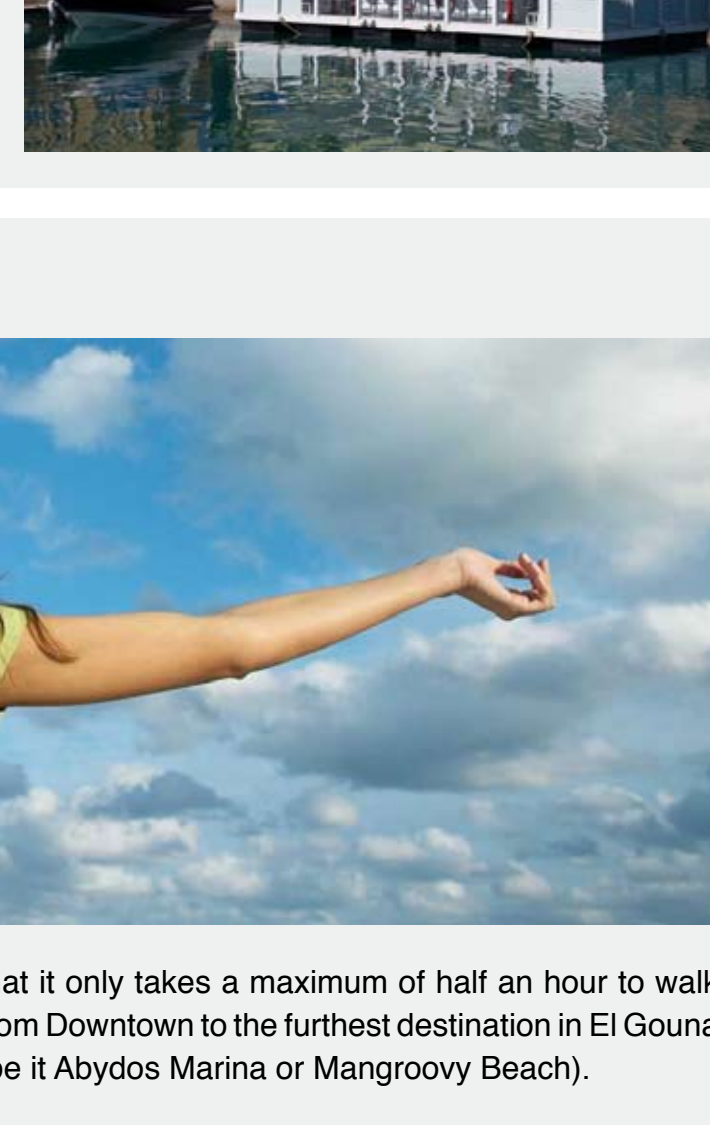
Dawar El Omda, Downtown Kafr El Gouna
ext 122, +2 065 358 0063/4/5



SKATE PARK COMING UP!

A skate park adjoining a renovated youth club is due to open soon next to the go-kart track. The site will be a supervised care out place for teenagers and will offer after school care including study groups and homework help in addition to internet access, sports activities, and community projects. Recreational activities will include disco evenings, movie nights, art contests, trips and more. Parents can rest assured that their youth will be welcome in a safe, alcohol-free, smoke-free, and drug-free environment.

For information call Meike Cowan, +2 010 399 1658



FOOD & DRINK

SULTAN BEY À LA CARTE BY THE LAGOON

Sultan Bey has opened a small, romantic, full à la carte restaurant on the hotel's lagoon terrace, one of the most desirable dining spots in El Gouna. Food served from the show kitchen is themed "Arabian Crossover" and combines traditional Middle Eastern recipes with classic European cuisine.

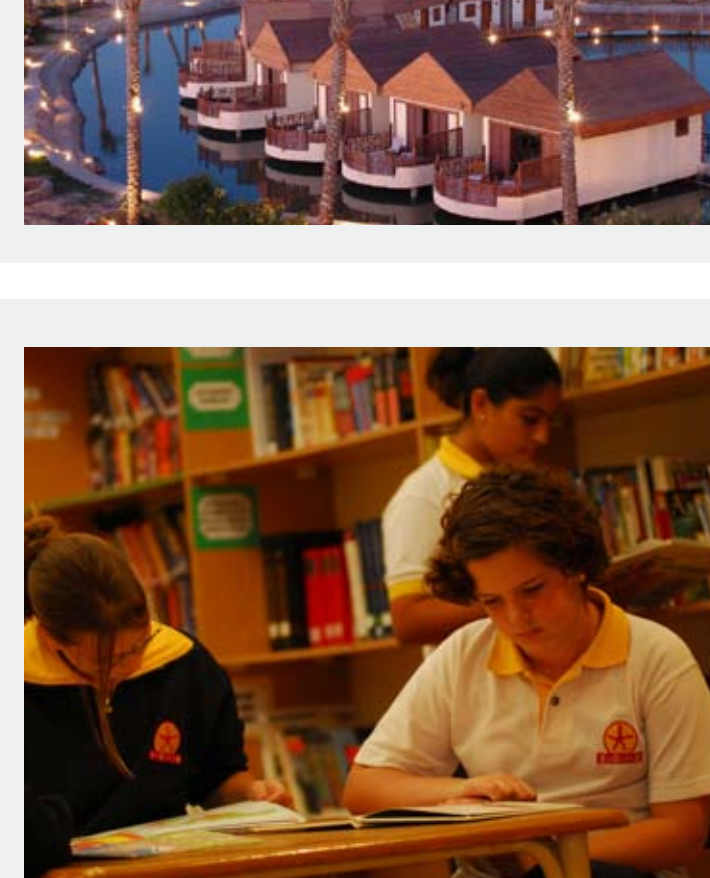
Open from 6:30 pm to 10 pm
Downtown Kafr El Gouna, ext 140



LOBSTER ACADEMY EXTENDED THROUGH JUNE

Don't forget! El Sayadin Restaurant is hosting the Lobster Academy offering fresh lobster through June. Choose your own lobster from the daily display and let the talented chefs prepare it to your liking: grilled, fried, sautéed or baked.

For reservations call ext 120 and ask for Guest Relations



EASTER SPECIALS

BUZZHA BEACH CHILL-OUT BRUNCH

On Western Easter Sunday, April 12, Buzzha Beach will be offering a large brunch for all residents and guests. Sparkling wine and everything you may expect from a European brunch will be served in a relaxed atmosphere from 11 am until 2 pm. Childcare will be provided. Price is LE 90 for adults and LE 40 for kids (up to 12).

Please book in advance, +2 012 741 2100

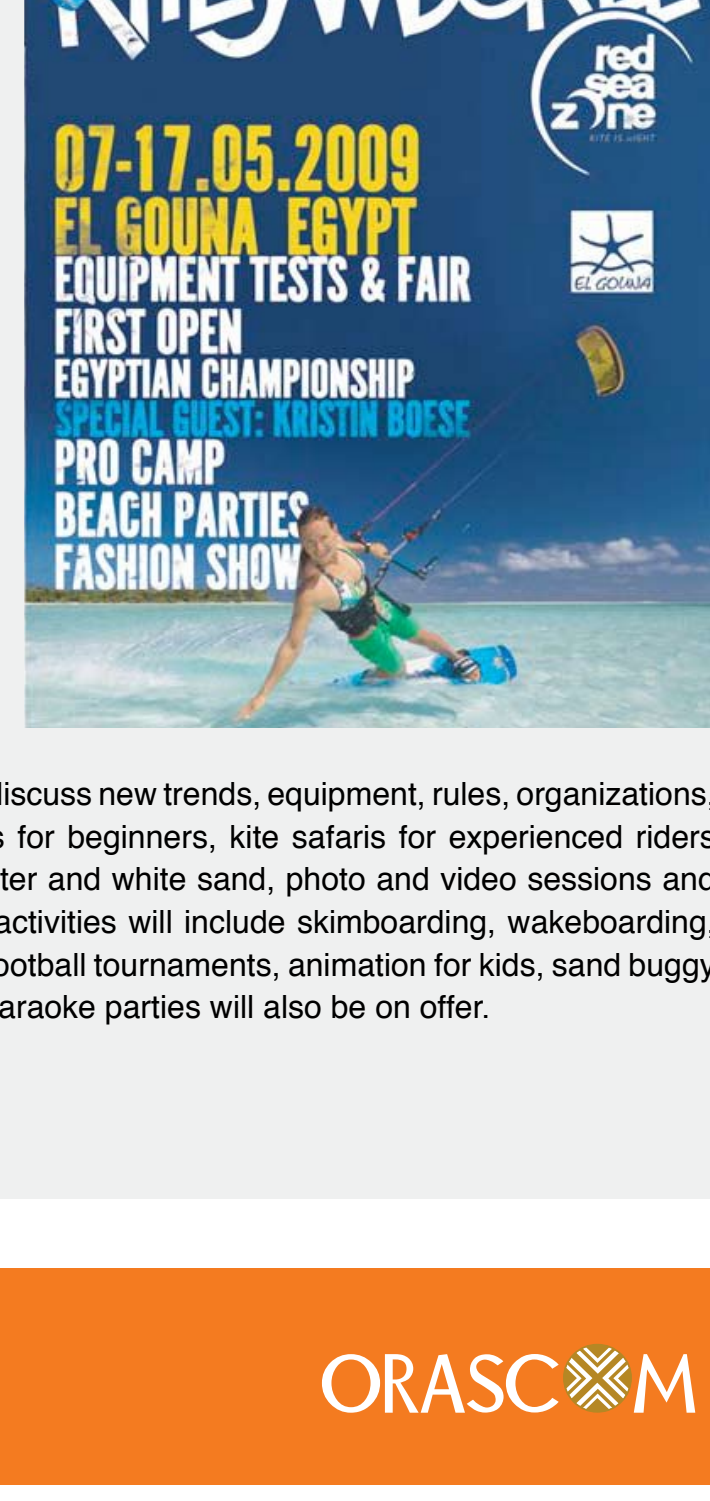


FAMILY TIME AT SHERATON

Treat yourself to a relaxing afternoon at the Sheraton Miramar Resort while your children enjoy "agocellent" entertainment with our Kids Club Team. The celebration starts with an Easter Kids Buffet at 12 noon, followed by many other "egg-citing" activities all around the hotel throughout the afternoon, including the Easter Egg Hunt and a Kids Tombola.

The children's program (for kids up to age 12) including special Easter Kiddies Buffet will be organized on both Western Easter Sunday, April 12, and Coptic Easter Sunday, April 19. Price is LE 75 per child; children under the age of five must be accompanied by a parent.

Reservations required, call ext 110 and ask for Guest Services.



CELEBRATIONS AT MOEVENPICK

A special program is being organized to celebrate Western Easter Sunday, April 12, and Coptic Easter Sunday, April 19. The Palavrin Buffet Restaurant will feature plenty of Easter dishes and a delicious set menu will be served at El limone and El Sayadin restaurants, accompanied by the sound of live music. For the little guests, an Easter Egg Hunt will take place in the resort's gardens on Sunday, April 12. Last but not least, don't forget to get your Easter Chocolates at the Ice Cream Boutique located in the hotel's Piazza, where freshly baked pastries are also served.

Call ext 120 and ask for the Guest Relations desk.



EASTER MONDAY LUNCH AT SULTAN BEY

Sultan Bey invites you to celebrate Coptic Easter Monday on April 20 with a special Easter Lunch by the lagoon with soft guitar music from 1 pm - 3 pm. Price is LE 75 per person.

Sultan Bey, ext 140, +2 010 466 6163
fb.sultanbey@optima-hotels.com

EARTH DAY: APRIL 22

EARTH DAY ACTIONS

Earth Day is celebrated worldwide on April 22. In many countries and cities, the celebration is extended to cover the entire week from April 16 to 22. In El Gouna, Egypt's leading environmentally-friendly destination, hotel guests and community members volunteer their time and efforts to contribute to several Earth Day actions (schedules are subject to change, please confirm details with each organizer).

SULTAN BEY

The Sultan Bey Hotel's environmental program is as follows:
April 21 (4:30 pm): Information stand in El Bustan focusing on photographs of rubbish pollution.
April 22: All-day Beach cleanup action.
April 22: Guided tour of the environmentally friendly hotel and visit to the recycling plant, fish farm, and companies linked into the environmental cycle of the Sultan Bey Hotel. Morning tour starts at 10 am, afternoon tour at 2:30 pm. Maximum number of participants is fixed at 25 unless own transport is provided.

For information write to gsm.sultanbey@optima-hotels.com

MOEVENPICK RESORT & SPA

This year the Moevenpick will extend "Earth Day" into Environmental Awareness Week culminating on April 22 in order to involve as many people as possible.

The entire week will be dedicated to learning about healthy and sustainable environmental initiatives. All El Gouna hotels guests and residents are invited to participate in activities such as a tour of the "back of the house" in which the hotel's environmental work practices will be demonstrated, a visit to El Gouna's recycling plant, a botanical tour of the hotel's gardens showcasing a variety of indigenous plants, arts and crafts activities for children using recycled materials, and an intercultural football match between the resort's team members and guests. Information about marine life, coral reefs, and the Red Sea ecosystem will be provided by The Dive Tribe.

On Earth Day, April 22, all hotel guests and the El Gouna community are invited to beautify the gardens and plant their own tree in a designated area of the hotel. As a grand finale, everybody is invited to participate in a lagoon clean up competition followed by a cocktail reception.

For information contact! Brigitte Gobran
brigitte.gobran@moevenpick.com

ECO-ROMANCE AT PIER 88

On the evening of Earth Day, April 22, Pier 88 will be themed in candlelight only. Enjoy an environmentally friendly dinner with your sweetheart and get in the mood for romance. Pier 88 is located in Abu Tig Marina, in front of the Duty-Free shop. Please book your table in advance as seating is limited.

Pier 88, Abu Tig Marina, +2 018 410 8820

RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPATION

Diving centers, kite stations, and YOU, as a volunteer in general, are invited to participate in the traditional El Gouna beach and underwater cleanup action. This is a massive cleanup day at the beach, in the desert, and underwater, with the dive centers, hotels, kite stations, schools, and participating businesses. In addition, the following activities will be organized (dates to be announced):

Air-Conditioning Free Day: Encourage all business and homeowners not to use the AC throughout the day to save energy (unless absolutely necessary in some business places).

Leave Your Car at Home Day: Organize car-pools or rediscover El Gouna's beauty by foot. Remember

that it only takes a maximum of half an hour to walk from Downtown to the furthest destination in El Gouna (be it Abydos Marina or Mangroovy Beach).

Kids Saving the Earth Day: The Club House will dedicate an entire day to children. The program will include the showing of an environmental cartoon such as Fern Gulley, a short lesson on why we should take care of the environment, and an art competition where kids can make collages and installations out of recycled material. An open buffet will be provided for the children and volunteers helping the children. Your support will be highly appreciated!

The program will be finalized and posted at The Club House in Downtown Kafr El Gouna.

AWARDS

"MARQUE OF EXCELLENCE" AWARDS

Thomas Cook UK presented their "Marque of Excellence" Awards during a special lunch organized at the Moevenpick's El Sayadin restaurant. Egypt received five awards and two of them went to El Gouna hotels: the Moevenpick Resort & Spa and the Sheraton Miramar Resort. The fact that El Gouna won two of the awards is testament to the high standards of customer care that both hotels demonstrate, as guests voted for the winners based on their positive experiences.

PANORAMA CHEF WINS COOKING COMPETITION

Hesham Fathey Amin, Garden Manger Sous Chef at Panorama Bungalows, distinguished himself in Sharm El Sheikh at a cooking competition organized by the Egyptian Chefs Association. He made El Gouna proud by winning second and third prize in the showpieces and live-carving competitions.

EXCELLENCE AWARDS FOR EGIS PUPILS

Two El Gouna International School pupils are the proud recipients of an Excellence Award by the Cambridge Exam Board. Michael Kettler has been awarded the "Best in the Middle East and North Africa" award for IGCSE English as a Second Language, and Nadia Omar has been awarded the "Best in Egypt" award for IGCSE English Literature. The awards were presented at a ceremony held on March 15 at the British Embassy in Cairo. Congratulations to both students and their teachers who helped Michael and Nadia achieve these outstanding results!

KITE EVENTS

KITE CUP AT KITEPOWER

Kitepower on Mangroovy Beach will host a kite event from April 12-14, with a boarder-cross contest as the main focus. The competition will be split into three ability levels and the basic requirement to take part is the ability to ride upwind. The race will take place on a defined track marked by obstacles on the water. The main idea behind this event is the opportunity for everyone to take part in a competition and feel the thrill of a real race. Additionally, a freestyle contest will provide advanced riders with the ultimate challenge.

Several side events are also planned and sponsors will provide a selection of material prizes. North Kiteboarding will be present with their newest test equipment and will also host some workshops. Two beach volleyball courts, a stand up paddle contest, a kids entertainment program, beach catering and much more will ensure a fun-packed few days. A special BBQ with live music will take place on the beach and the event will be topped-off by a final night awards party on the beach on Tuesday, April 14.

Kitepower, ext 32506, +2 012 265 9596
www.kitepower-elgouna.com

KITE JAMBOREE AT RED SEA ZONE

The IKO-licensed center Red Sea Zone will host the Kite Jambooree 09 from May 7-17. Professional and KIPWT world class riders from 2005 to 2008 in various disciplines, will be a special guest at the event. Kristin will run Pro Camps and introductions to kitesurfing for kids and youngsters up 16. During her stay she will reside at the Captain's Inn, one of the event's main sponsors.

The event will include a Kite Show Test during which the newest water sports equipment including kites, boards, wakeboards, etc. will be presented. Those attending the exhibition will be able to test the equipment and talk to the team riders. Competitions will be organized for pros and amateurs with an open formula and a variety of categories ensuring that not only pros can win. Spectators are encouraged to take part in judging, alongside the professional judges. The first Egyptian Championships are also scheduled to take place.

Other activities will include meetings and symposiums to discuss new trends, equipment, rules, organizations, and safety in kite boarding as well as kite introductions for beginners, kite safaris for experienced riders with boat trips to amazing islands with extremely flat water and white sand, photo and video sessions and reviews, and daily photo contests. Further recreational activities will include skimboarding, wakeboarding, waterskiing, parasailing, kayaking, beach volleyball and football tournaments, animation for kids, sand buggy competition, aerobics, and a fashion show. Beach and karaoke parties will also be on offer.

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