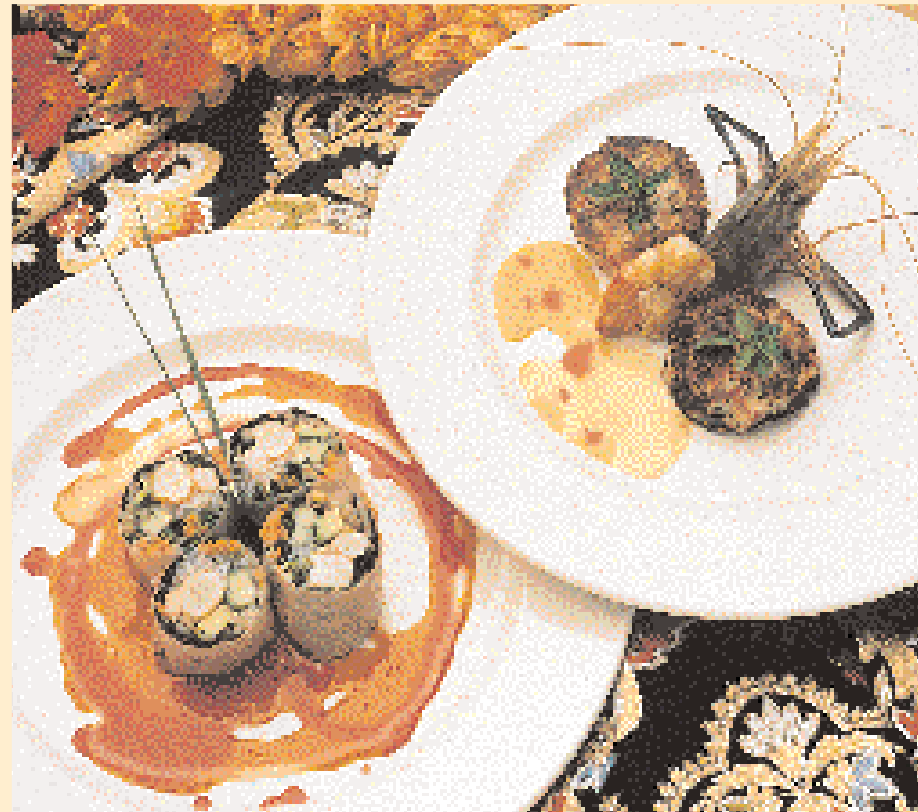


# holiday dining



Here are some of Honolulu's favorites for traditional holiday dining with imaginative island magic.

## Hy's Steak House

2440 Kuhio Ave., Honolulu (808-922-5555). Hy's Steak House is a favorite with visitors and locals alike. The Main Room and Broiler Room resemble a charming old English mansion. The centerpiece in the Broiler Room

**Above: Two great shrimp dishes (shrimp spring rolls and shrimp hash) that are served at Roy's.**

is a custom-made brass and copper cauldron that serves as an open hearth for the house specialties broiled over native Hawaiian kiawe wood. These include delicious New York

strip, porterhouse, T-bone, Delmonico and filet mignon steaks.

Hy's Steak House offers a special Christmas menu this year. Some items include lobster cake with coulis of corn and roasted trio peppers, rack of lamb with macadamia nut crust, mint cabernet wine sauce and broiled eggplant, and a choice of Hy's famous flambé desserts.

Dinner is served from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., Sunday through Thursday and 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Saturday. Reservations are recommended, and all major credit cards are accepted.

## Padovani's Bistro & Wine Bar

1956 Ala Moana Blvd., Honolulu (808-946-3456). Padovani's Bistro & Wine Bar recaptures the romance and relaxed elegance of an earlier era in Hawai'i. The decor incorporates design elements,

finishes and accents bearing hallmarks of Hawai'i's most notable private estates. Artwork by acclaimed tropical impressionist painter Zhou Ling offers island-inspired influences.

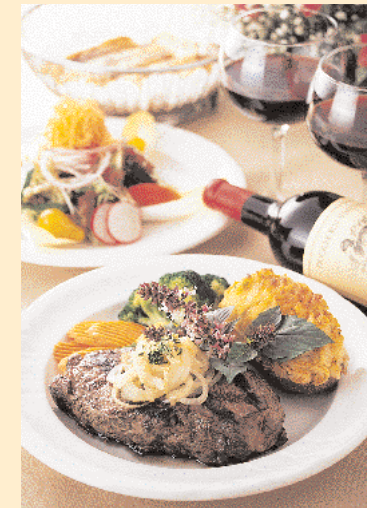
Award-winning Chef Philippe Padovani prepares gourmet dishes that include local seafood, fresh, organic Hawaiian greens and rich desserts. The cuisine is Mediterranean with an island flair.

Chef Padovani prepares a special Christmas menu that is sure to delight the palate. Menu items include minestrone of Dungeness crab, pan-fried moana, sautéed artichoke and bacon with a creamy curry sauce, roasted Cornish game hen, and a symphony of desserts.

Open for breakfast from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m., lunch Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. and dinner 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Reservations are recommended, and all major credit cards are accepted.

## Roy's

Hawai'i Kai Corporate Plaza, 6600 Kalaniana'ole Hwy., Honolulu (808-396-7697). Chef Roy Yamaguchi describes his approach to cooking as "Euro-Asian," blending French, Italian, Thai, Japanese and Chinese cuisine.



**Top right: A sumptuous steak dish with onions served at Hy's Steak House.**

**Middle: The perfect peach and strawberry dessert with wine at Padovani's Bistro & Wine Bar.**

**Bottom left: The main dining room at Padovani's Bistro & Wine Bar.**



Delicacies offered are cassoulet of escargot with caramelized onions, creamy polenta and roasted garlic, lemon-grass chicken breast with sticky rice and Thai mint curry cabernet sauce, and Chinese barbecue duck pizza with a Mandarin ginger hoisin sauce and wonton crispies. Roy's is also offering a special prix fixe menu on Christmas Eve.

Roy's is open for dinner Monday through Thursday from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Friday from 5:30 p.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday



PHOTOS: (TOP) HY'S STEAK HOUSE; (OTHERS) PADOVANI'S BISTRO