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Blissful Dinner in Paradise

The delightful Blue Water Shrimp restaurant is located in the Hilton Hawaiian Village, Waikiki Beach Resort. We weren't staying at that hotel, but we were still welcome to eat there. Diners can find it refreshing after an exhausting day of swimming and going on adventures to eat at this place. Guests are able to enjoy a delicious meal in the heart of beautiful Waikiki.

Blue Water Shrimp was a busy restaurant, with a long line to order; however, the line goes by fast. Guests will order at the counter and then wait a little longer to be seated by a server. There were only two servers; however, they were really efficient. They could get customers' seats and bring food out in a timely manner, all while they kept smiles on their faces and had short conversations with customers. When guests are done eating, they shouldn't expect to be able to linger and talk on busy nights. A waiter will ask the guests to leave, rather quickly, so the next customer can have a seat. Overall, the service was great.

Blue Water Shrimp serves seafood, steak, fresh coconut drinks, and fabulous pineapple smoothies. The food was prepared well, which made it look appealing. Before delivering the food to the guests, the cooks decorated the plate with beautiful, purple dendrobium orchid flowers.

The Crispy Coconut Shrimp was excellent. The shrimp was peeled, except for the tail, which provided a handhold while eating the shrimp. The coconut-breaded shrimp was good, and the coconut sauce, drizzled over the top, made it ten times better. Alongside the coconut shrimp,

there was a scoop of steamed rice, a house salad, and boiled corn. The rice was a bit dry but still had a good flavor. The house salad was drizzled with a yummy ranch. The corn was okay. It didn't taste like fresh corn, but instead tasted like corn out of a can. The portions that the food came in were perfect, not too big, not too small. The food was filling.

Their fresh pineapple slices were also fabulous. They were so good that our group had to keep eating them even though our tongues had been killing us. These slices were the perfect amount of sweet and juicy.

The environment was fun. It was a family-friendly restaurant. The restaurant had a kids' menu and, most, if not all, drinks were non-alcoholic. All the seating was outside, in the paradise of Hawaii.

Above the tables, there were big blue umbrellas with cute, yellow lights attached to them. They transformed the dark cobblestone alley, where guests eat, into a pretty scene with comforting and pretty lights.

The only downside of the environment was the fact that there were lots of pigeons everywhere. They don't bother the customers too much, but they obnoxiously hang around the tables, waiting for food to fall from the guests. For all the pigeons, there wasn't pigeon poop all over the ground. In fact, I don't recall seeing any droppings on the ground.

Blue Water Shrimp was one of my favorite restaurants we went to. We also went to a restaurant called Moani's Waikiki, which also served steak and shrimp, but it was a little fancier. While Moani's was family-friendly, it's not as nice of an environment as Blue Water Shrimp. It was kind of loud because there were lots of drunk people talking, laughing, and carrying on. On the positive side, our server at Moani's wasn't rushed and could give us more of her attention than the servers at Blue Water Shrimp could. The food from both restaurants was superb, and the

flavors from both of them were really good. We weren't as rushed at Moani's, which was nice, but I liked our experience and the Blue Water Shrimp better.

Overall, the meal, service, and environment were great. The Crispy Coconut Shrimp was delicious. The side dishes could have been better, but they were still okay. The food earned a 4/5. The service was fantastic, given how busy the restaurant was, and with only two servers. The servers were kind and the wait for food wasn't long at all. 5/5 is the rating the service gets.

Last but not least, the environment was really fun, and got a 4/5. The Hawaiian evening was beautiful, and it was a pleasure to sit outside. The only downside to the atmosphere was the annoying pigeons that were everywhere. If someone's trying to find a good place to eat (and they're not scared of birds), in or around Honolulu, this is a good choice.