

A Night on the Nile: A Culinary Trip to Egypt
Announcing the Next Wolfe Pack Special Event
Monday, June 3, 2019, 7:00 p.m.

Because of Mr. Wolfe's connection with Egypt (he owns a house there), members of the Steering Committee thought that an Egyptian dinner would make an interesting Wolfe Pack event. We will be dining at Mombar, a cozy and quaint restaurant located at 25-22 Steinway St. in Astoria with excellent food and an interesting atmosphere including mosaic tables, floor, and ceiling

The food, which has been well-reviewed in both *New York Magazine* and *The New York Times*, is prepared by the chef/owner Moustafah El Sayed (the Fritz of Cairo). On a recent visit, what we sampled was tasty and authentic. The portions were generous and service excellent. Therefore, we have decided to join Mr. Wolfe (at least for a night) and dine at his manse on the Nile. The event will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 3. As befitting Mr. Wolfe's dictum about hospitality, the restaurant will be closed to others for the night.

The following menu will be presented:

- For the table: platters of three spreads (humus, baba ganoush and fava bean) with warm pita. Two salads: roasted beets and cauliflower.
- Entree: a choice of lamb or chicken tagine, tilapia baked with vegetables, or a stuffed eggplant vegetarian alternative. All served with rice or couscous.
- Followed by a typical Egyptian Dessert.

Directions:

- Take the R Train to Broadway (Broadway and Steinway St. in Astoria)
- Get the Q 101 bus on the side of Steinway Street with Mama's Empanadas and exit the bus at 25th Avenue.
- The restaurant is directly across Steinway from the bus stop.

OR

- Take the R Train to Broadway and then take a yellow green cab (\$8-10)

OR

- I (we) would like to travel with Ira from Manhattan: _____

As he did for the Spanish dinner in Queens, Ira will organize a group to travel together from Manhattan. If you would like to travel with Ira, please check the space above. Ira will meet you at Grand Army Plaza (between 58-59th Streets on Firth Ave. across from the Plaza Hotel.) Please be there by 6:15 p.m.

NOTE: If you like to walk and have the time, Steinway St. is great for shopping or window shopping. The restaurant is about 5 long blocks (20 minutes) from the subway station.

Soft drinks will be available at a nominal cost (pay at the event). The restaurant, however, does NOT have a liquor license, so BYOB wine or beer.

While the chef/owner is a bit shy, his brother Ali is quite ebullient and a good story teller. He will be there to explain various aspects of Egyptian cuisine. In addition, a Wolfean quiz will be part of the festivities.

Fill out the following form and send to: **Jonathan Levine, 84-09 35th Ave. Apt. 6E, Jackson Heights, NY 11372.**
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "The Wolfe Pack."

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Yes I/we will attend the Egyptian dinner at Monbar. Enclosed is my check for _____ people at \$40 per attendee. Price includes gratuities (we are tax-exempt). Please list your name, phone number and email, and the names of others in your party.

Name Phone Numbers

Address

Email

Other Names: _____

In order to help Fritz (oops, Moustafah) plan, please select one entree per person:

Lamb Tagine: _____

Chicken Tagine: _____

Baked Tilapia: _____

Baked and stuffed eggplant: _____