

Party
Happenings
By Jorge Granda

## **Photography by Jessie Palanca**

No Friday brunch is complete without a bit of an after-party — that's why we headed over to **The Grand Hyatt** to experience the new **Liquid Brunch** at **Dunes**. Where great tunes, stellar vibes, and a winning atmosphere rock the house all night long.

he Grand Hyatt Doha has quickly become my favourite hangout hub. Not only is the hotel regally opulent, but each one of its outlets has its own ambiance that makes every experience unique. The themed brunches at The Grill are superb for example – full of life and with an unparalleled ambiance; while Isaan is, in my opinion, the best Thai restaurant in Doha and I've always held a soft spot for Mediterranean restaurant and party-hub Rocca. However, their Dunes lounge wasn't one of my particular favourites for the longest time – before its overhaul, it lacked atmosphere, essence, and wasn't, in my opinion, a very good place to party. Now, this has changed dramatically.

Under the guidance of hotel General Manager, Christoph Franzen, he and his team have turned it into the place to see-and-be-seen, drawing party-goers from across the city to the newly revamped hot-spot. Come on any given Thursday night and Dunes is party-central, with prominent DJs rocking the decks, while during the week it still maintains a great after-work ambiance. But on Fridays...that's when Dunes really turns up the heat.



The Hyatt dream-team recently launched a concept that I guarantee many hotels in the city will follow if they haven't already — The Liquid Brunch. The idea is simple — offer regular Friday brunch guests another venue to continue the party right after the buffet closes. From 4:00 p.m. till 8:00 p.m. you can keep enjoying your favourite beverages while dancing to the tunes played by Hyatt resident DJ Santiago Vittorelli. The crowds are already in the party mood after sipping away the afternoon at The Grill or Isaan brunches so the atmosphere afterwards at Dunes is terrific — everyone is in the spirit and ready to party.

And party they do — it really does turns into a full-on dance-floor, the music is awesome, and the people are cheerful and enjoying. Plus, the venue is spacious enough so it doesn't get crowded *too* easily, although on Thursdays, and now Fridays, it does — expect to be bumping elbows by the end of the evening.

The price for the Liquid Brunch is more than reasonable taking into consideration the amount of beverages you can choose from. I've been to the Liquid Brunch twice and have had an incredible time − it's really a fabulous way to cap off a Friday afternoon *après*-brunch. Two thumbs up to The Grand Hyatt Doha. ■

## LIQUID BRUNCH

**Location:** Dunes Lounge, lobby level, The Grand Hyatt

Timings: Fridays from 4:00 p.m. till 8:00 p.m.

**Pricings:** Enjoy the regular package for QR 199, the house beverages package for QR 299, or the premium package for QR 499. All packages are inclusive of an unlimited flow of selected refreshments.

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