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The Garden Grill, a new vegan haute cuisine restaurant, opened its doors last Friday night in Platina, the capital of Hama'Lu. The restaurant was created by Hoaka Kalama, who has been a vegan for more than 30 years now. Chef Hoaka wants to show that being a vegan isn't boring at all, it can be very exciting.

Fine dining in Platina

The Garden Grill is the very first all vegan fine-dining restaurant in Platina, Hama'Lu. Chef Hoaka says that that was one of the big reasons why he started this restaurant. 'There are many vegan restaurants in Hama'Lu, but those focus more on comfort food. I wanted to show that vegan food can be very upscale as well.'

What's on the menu?

The menu of The Garden Grill is very varied, there is something for everyone. It features special dishes such as olive caviar but also beetroot rolls with chickpea filling and a mix of avocado and mango in a seaweed waffle cone, rice with assorted mushrooms and peach resin and desserts such as creamy coconut chia pudding with red berries and agave. The restaurant also offers a special menu for the kids with dishes that make eating vegetables seem fun.

The restaurant seats 50 people and is open Thursday through Sunday from 6:00 pm to 11:30 pm. Reservations can only be made by telephone on the number (808) 762-9870. For more information you can visit their website www.thegardengrill.com.