

Taverns and Inns of Zaldara

The Prancing Elf Inn (Kalimspport)

Wealth	* *
Prices	* *
Security	* *
Authority	*
Rooms	6 singles, 2 suites
Services	Stables, Lodging, Baths, Locked Storage, Courier/Messenger, Laundry, Mending, Common Item Repair, Companionship
Talent	Painters, Bards, Poets, Musicians
Disposition	None—though some elves are offended by the signage

This sandstone structure located near the eastern gates of the city is a haven for the artistic crowd of Kalimspport. The sign out front, that of a dancing elfin figure, almost a caricature of an actual elf, beckons to those of an artistic bent. Poets, bards, artistic types from across the city and beyond flock to the Prancing Elf for ale and fellowship and inspiration.

The entryway to the inn opens straight into the common area, which is quite large. About a dozen wooden tables and chairs litter the floor, surrounded by about eight booths. Light filters in through stained glass windows depicting various fantastical beasts. There is a large hearth in the shape of a hollowed out tree. The bar, along the back wall, has kegs lining the back wall. A wide staircase leads to the second floor with the rooms and the third floor with the suites. A small corner stage is usually occupied in the lower corner, to the right of the door.

All business is handled at the bar.

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Innkeeper & Staff

Riliniot "Ril" Pynwarden (Male Half-Elf Bard): Ril Pynwarden is an accomplished bard who opened the Prancing Elf to attract other bards and to feel comfortable jamming with fellow musicians and artists in his retirement. He is a slight man who usually dresses in a purple vest festooned with gold accoutrements, medals from past exploits, brooches collected from treasure hordes, etc. He has long black hair and green eyes. He is in his middle years, but still handsome. He tends bar, acts as innkeeper, and entertains guests from time to time in the common room.

Angelet Pynwarden (Female Human Commoner): Angelet is Ril's wife and the inn's cook. She's a pretty woman in her thirties with wavy auburn hair and brown eyes with fair skin. She's curvy and fun and has a great sense of humor. But you never want to be on her bad side—never. She always roots for the underdog—and one word of advice—never pick on Sarla. Never.

Sarla (Female Half-Orc Commoner): Sarla is the steward for the inn. She generally cleans the rooms, cleans the kitchen, goes on errands, and anything else that needs to be done. She's a bit simple, but loyal as the day is long. She's tall and lanky with short black hair, brown eyes, two small snaggleteeth, and a piggy nose. Rumor has it that Ril saved her during one of his adventures and has raised her on his own. If asked, he always demurs—"Me, a father? Could you imagine that? Naw, Sarla raised herself. She's a good lass."

Sufi (Female Tiefling Rogue): Sufi is a companion-for-hire at the inn. She services literally anyone who is willing to pay—she's not particular. She enjoys her work. Sometimes, she even manages to "pluck and fuck" a little more than she bargained for. She has deep blue skin, small antelope-like horns, and long luminous black hair. Her eyes are green and catlike. Her canine teeth are a little longer than most humanoids. She also has a prehensile tail that she uses to enhance her voluptuous figure.

Menu & Services

Lodging

Private Room	2 gp
Suite	4 gp

Stabling	5 sp
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Laundry (4 articles)	1 sp
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Mending (per article)	4 cp
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Bath	6 cp
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Courier/Messenger	2 cp/mile
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Common Item Repair	½ cost
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Companion

Hour	1 gp
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Nightly	5 gp
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Storage

Unguarded	3 sp/day
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Meal

Bowl of soup	1 cp
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Bread and cheese	3 cp
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Cabbage stew	1 sp
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Salted goose and barley bread	2 sp
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Stewed bear and beetroot	3 sp
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Roasted beef w/ vegetables	4 sp
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Beverages

Ornish White/Red (glass)	7 cp
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Ornish White/Red (bottle)	5 gp
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Ornish Whiskey (cup)	1 sp
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Kahve (cup)	2 cp
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Applejack (mug)	8 cp
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Ornish Ale (mug)	5 cp
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Ornish Ale (pitcher)	3 sp
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Eacanian Lager (mug)	7 cp
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Eacanian Lager (pitcher)	4 sp
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Vale Brandy (cup)	1 sp
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Rumboozle (cup)	1 sp
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Kaldrick Chenwyth (Male Human Expert): Kaldrick is Angelet's younger brothers. He performs minor repairs about the inn—both for Ril and for the patrons. He also runs errands and other such work in exchange for a room in the livery stable—where he also works. He's a hardworking young man and loves his sister and brother-in-law dearly. He stands about 6'5" and is lean of build. He has a mop of red hair and freckles.

Notable Patrons

Aben Byne (Male Human Necromancer/Bard): Aben is short and stout, with copper hair and bright brown eyes. He usually wears dark robes over fine clothing and carries a dagger behind his back. He is a local actor, and a fine one at that. But he is also secretly a necromancer and murderer-for-hire.

Dicca Witheue (Female Half-Elf Bard): Dicca is a bardic adventurer who frequents the Prancing Elf. She is rugged in appearance, with thick silver hair and green eyes. She wears leather armor and carries a pair of short swords. She is seeking adventurers to help her retrieve The Luminous Codex of Witheue from a rival who stole it from her family vault.

Martom Palk (Male Human Bard): Martom is a wonderful singer and quite a draw to the inn. He is a large man, with broad shoulders, a thick brown beard and mop of hair. He is soft-spoken and shy otherwise, but as a singer, he has a full-range of sounds: bombastic, soft and gentle, and rousing. He is a close friend to Sarla, bordering on a crush.

Artistic Accommodations

The accommodations at the Prancing Elf are adorned with murals depicting the city life of Kalimspout. Otherwise, they are simple and comfortable--nothing fancy, but they get the job done. The single rooms contain a single bed, small desk, a clothes-rack, and basin-stand. The two standard suites contain four small bedrooms with a single adjoining room. The suite rooms contain a single bed and basin-stand; the adjoining room contains a lounge/couch and a table. Outside the inn is a bathhouse with 3 bathrooms for bathing.

Rumors and Secrets

Songs of Doom: Aerinthal Farsinger, a traveling elven bard with a reputation for singing the future arrives in the inn. She sings a song to the PCs, a harbinger of doom for one of them. Is there any truth to it? Or is Randi up to something.

The Portrait of Lady Nelwyn Withiel: The Lady Nelwyn Withiel has commissioned that a portrait be done of herself for her hall. But she has been of ill health ever since the artist, one Andrus Derrofell from Ebongate, took the commission. Is this a coincidence?

Stoned: There is a new sculptor in town, Tarla Fortenel, who is releasing some very realistic pieces depicting the common folk of the city. There has also been a series of disappearances in the Southern Market District. Coincidence?