

HONOLULU

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PACKING TIPS

1. Most hotels have beach supplies, or they're cheap enough to buy in Honolulu. "Packed beach towels, but **never needed them!**"— Trip Advisor Member, Reisterstown, Md.
2. Leave the heavy fabrics and materials at home. Pack **tropical wear** like "shorts and capri pants. No need for jeans really, unless you plan to hike through the brush."— Trip Advisor Member, Indianapolis, Ind.
3. Honolulu is in the tropics, so don't be surprised by the bugs. "My local sports store had little travel sizes of **insect repellent with DEET**. This is supposed to be the best for the monster mosquitoes near the waterfall areas."— Trip Advisor Member, Texas
4. "The sun is so strong in Oahu. If you burn on day one, you will have a lousy vacation. Take a **cap** for your head because your scalp will burn too, even if you have a lot of hair."— Trip Advisor Member, Indianapolis, Ind.

Inside HONOLULU

Thanks to Don Ho and the Brady Bunch, Honolulu may not seem like the once perfect paradise the wealthy steamship cruisers of the '20s and '30s found. Waikiki is now lined with malls and cement hotels, but you couldn't find a more ideal place to put them – along one of the world's truly great stretches of sand, with the mystical Diamond Head Crater looming beyond. The weather is nearly always warm, but not too hot, and the whole city is cooled by gentle trade winds. With its multi-ethnic populace, Honolulu is the perfect marriage of American convenience and alluring exotic flavor.

The island of Oahu is nicknamed "The Gathering Place," because the vast majority of the state's population lives here. Away from Honolulu, the rest of the isle is surprisingly rural and untouched. But Honolulu's cleanliness, friendliness, sheer beauty and spirit of "aloha" still shine through magnificently after all these years.

Top VIEWS



HONOLULU'S BEST VIEWS



"The walk up **Diamond Head** is sensational. We did it with our toddler this time; my husband carried our son on his shoulders the whole way. It is quite rocky from about one third of the way up, and you can't take a stroller. The stairs close to the top are a killer. Once you get there, the view is superb!"—Trip Advisor Member, Sydney, Australia

Diamond Head, Diamond Head Road, 808 587 0300

Enjoy the view that comes with a Mai Tai at **Chuck's**. "I had a fabulous table by the rail, overlooking Waikiki Beach at night. The ocean at night, Waikiki Beach all lit up, the soft breeze—it was great!"—TripAdvisor Member, Boise, Idaho

Chuck's Steak House, 2335 Kalakaua Ave., 808 923 1228

A lot of tourists miss the **Ala Moana Beach Park**, a local favorite. "Soak up the rays or walk along the beach and around adjacent Magic Island for spectacular views of the harbor and skyline. Sit on the end of Magic Island and watch the local surfers do their thing."—Trip Advisor Member, Honolulu

Ala Moana Beach Park, 1201 Ala Moana Blvd.,

Where to PLAY

TOP 10 Attractions

1. Oahu Diving, 1778 Ala Moana Blvd., 808 721 4210
2. Hawaiian Fire Surf School, 3318 Campbell Ave., 808 737 3473
3. Rainbow Scuba Hawaii, Kewalo Basin Harbor, 808 224 7857
4. Hawaii Food Tours, 808 926 3663
5. Girls Who Surf, 808 772 4583
6. Diamond Head, Diamond Head Road at 18th Avenue, 808 587 0285
7. USS Arizona Memorial, 1 Arizona Memorial Place, 808 422 0561
8. Hanauma Bay Nature Preserve, 7455 Kalaniana'ole Hwy., Route 72, 808 396 4229
9. Manoa Falls, End of Manoa Road
10. Ala Moana Beach Park, 1201 Ala Moana Blvd., 808 949 2500

FAMILIES



To bond with our mammal cousins of the Pacific, book a trip on **Wildside Specialty Tours'** dolphin snorkeling excursions. "My husband got to snorkel next to the dolphins. He loved it! We then went and stayed right by the dolphins for close to an hour. The biologists were friendly, knowledgeable and very helpful."—Trip Advisor Member, Colleyville, Texas

Wildside Specialty Tours, Waianae Boat Harbor, Slip A-11, 808 306 7273

The **Polynesian Cultural Center**, on the island's northern shore, has shows, hands-on activities and games all tailored for kids. "Maybe the place has gotten a little commercialized over the years, as so many places do. But I still loved it. The grounds are beautiful; the employees are very friendly and the Horizons show was a great welcome to the Islands."—Trip Advisor Member, Newport Beach, Calif.

Polynesian Cultural Center, 55-370 Kamehameha Hwy., Laie, 808 293 3333

"The **Bowfin** was incredible. My kids loved exploring the submarine and couldn't believe people could live in such tight quarters for that long."—TripAdvisor Member, Boise, Idaho

USS Bowfin Submarine Museum and Park, 11 Arizona Memorial Dr., 808 423 1341

"...a great welcome to the Islands."

ROMANCE



"**Cocktail cruises** give you the opportunity to look at Waikiki from the ocean as it lights up for the night. Dance and dine the evening away from the deck of the ship."—TripAdvisor Member, Acton, Mass.

Na Hoku Cocktail Cruises, Waikiki Beach, <http://www.nahokuii.com>

Ride horses on a rural ranch overlooking the ocean, not far from Honolulu. "We went horseback riding at **Kualoa Ranch**, the two-hour ride. It was BEAUTIFUL."—Trip Advisor Member, San Antonio, Texas

Kualoa Ranch & Activity Club, 49-560 Kamehameha Hwy., Kaaawa, 808 237 8515

"If you're going for a romantic getaway, I highly suggest you visit **Mount Tantalus** when the stars are out. It's a beautiful view of Honolulu and Waikiki. If you don't make it all the way to the top, not to fret because you will see all kinds of amazing spectacles on the road up."—Trip Advisor Member, New York, N.Y.

Mount Tantalus, Round Top Drive

Where to PLAY



BUDGET

The Dole Plantation is “lots of fun, has a great gift shop and reasonable prices. My son loved taking their pineapple train around the pineapple fields, the gardens and the maze.”—Trip Advisor Member, Los Angeles, Calif.

The Dole Plantation, 64-1550 Kamehameha Hwy., Wahiawa, 808 621 8408

For just a five-dollar entrance fee, the **Hanauma Bay Nature Preserve** is the perennial favorite for snorkeling on Oahu. “The snorkeling is amazing, gets better the further out you go. The coral is not sharp, which is nice. The fish are plentiful, and there are some turtles, too.”—Trip Advisor Member, Reno, Nev.

Hanauma Bay, 7455 Kalaniana'ole Hwy., Route 72, 808 396 4229

Honolulu Academy of Arts has an impressive array of Western and Asian works. “Fantastic art museum. A must see. Great collection, facility and presentation. Surprise was the absolutely wonderful dining experience at museum cafe.”—Trip Advisor Member, Cave Junction, Ore.

Honolulu Academy of Arts, 900 S. Beretania St., 808 532 8700



ADVENTURE

“Check out the **glider rides** at Dillingham Airfield on the North Shore near Haliewa. You'll go up to 4,000 feet and stay aloft a half hour or so. You can see all the way back to Honolulu and you get great views of the North Shore, the ocean, the mountains.”—Trip Advisor Member, Maryland

Honolulu Soaring, Dillingham Airfield, Waialua, 808 637 0207

Want to get up close to Jaws? Sign aboard with **Hawaii Shark Encounters**. “I was so excited that I didn't even notice how cold the water was. I think we were in the water for about a half hour. I could have stayed in there much longer. There were a few times that I was underwater just watching the sharks, and I forgot I needed to breathe and had to remind myself. The whole experience was incredible.”—Trip Advisor Member, Ashburn, Va.

Hawaii Shark Encounters, Haleiwa Boat Harbor, 808 351 9373

With **Kailua Sailboards and Kayaks**, “we kayaked to several of the offshore islands in Kailua Bay, and then we snorkeled on Lanikai Beach. Then we went kayak surfing. This was for sure the most exciting thing I have done in...maybe ever!”—Trip Advisor Member, Carlton, Ga.

Kailua Sailboards and Kayaks, 130 Kailua Road, Kailua, 808 262 2555

“...I forgot I needed to breathe”

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EDUCATIONAL/HISTORICAL

The seasonal home of tobacco heiress Doris Duke, **Shangri La** is “a beautiful home with one of the finest collections of Islamic art I've seen anywhere. The guides are fantastic, friendly and knowledgeable. The house offers an intimate glimpse into the life and vision of a very wealthy woman, and that's not something one can do every day.”—TripAdvisor Member, London, England

Shangri La, 4055 Papu Circle, 808 734 1941

“The feeling that you sense when standing at the **Arizona Memorial** is difficult to describe. The best word I can think of is 'sacred.' The National Park Service does a wonderful job of getting people in to see the film and then tour the memorial in a timely manner. A great final touch to our visit was to spend a few minutes with one of the Pearl Harbor war veterans who are on hand and happy to speak with you.”—Trip Advisor Member, Corona, Calif.

USS Arizona Memorial, I Arizona Memorial Place, 808 422 0561

“My husband and I recently took the docent-guided tour of the **ʻIolani Palace** and would highly recommend it to anyone wanting an interesting taste of Hawaiian history. You'll learn things you won't read in books and have the opportunity to see how Hawaiian royalty lived. One of our best experiences on Oahu. Don't miss it!”—TripAdvisor Member, Washington

ʻIolani Palace, 364 S. King St., 808 522 0822

“...many hidden secrets to be discovered”



RELAXATION

The SpaHalekulani is the perfect respite from Waikiki's bustle. “So unbelievable, better than any massage I've ever gotten. No wonder it was ranked so high in magazines! Highly recommended!”—Trip Advisor Member, New York

SpaHalekulani, 2199 Kalia Road, 808 931 5322

Honolulu's most scenic golf course is at the **Koʻolau Golf Club**. “A great challenge for serious golfers and a beautiful scenic ride for the duffers. Don't miss it if you are on Oahu.”—Trip Advisor Member, Kailua, Hawaii

Koʻolau Golf Club, 45-550 Kionaole Road, Kaneohe, 808 247 7088

Just behind Waikiki is a secret nature preserve, the **Lyon Arboretum**. “The lush tropical valley setting by itself is worth the visit. From rare to unusual, from flowering shrubs to very mature trees, the vibrant colors excite. There are waterfalls and many hidden secrets to be discovered.”—Trip Advisor Member, South Hadley, Mass.

Lyon Arboretum, 3860 Manoa Road, 808 988 0456

What's the **TOUR**

How to Get Around



With two-dollar fares taking you around the entire island of Oahu, **The Bus** "is too cheap not to use, and it allows one to have a mai tai any time and to see the sights instead of worrying about big city traffic."—Trip Advisor Member, Colorado Springs, Colo.

The Bus, 808 848 5555

Countless films and TV shows have been made in Hawaii, including Lost and Jurassic Park. "One of the highlights of our trip was the **KOS Hummer Tour**. We had a wonderful time learning about all the films that were made in Hawaii. We never felt rushed and saw so many beautiful sights and places we'll never forget."—TripAdvisor Member

KOS Tours, 808 561 2440

"Many tourists enjoy riding the **Waikiki Trolley** to get a sense of the atmosphere of Oahu. The trolley, which is reminiscent of the famous cable cars of San Francisco, takes tourists to all of the popular destinations and provides information about the area."—TripAdvisor Member

Waikiki Trolley, 808 593 2822,
<http://www.waikikitrolley.com>

Map of HONOLULU, OAHU



WHERE to eat



FAMILIES

“My family and I are great fans of good Mexican food, and we scored a hit when we ran across **Cha Cha Cha**. What’s not to like about a place where the food is plentiful and affordable, a rarity in Waikiki! The kids have a special menu to order from, but the restaurant will fix almost anything to accommodate the little ones’ tastes.”—Trip Advisor Member, Palm Springs, Calif.

Cha Cha Cha Restaurant, 342 Seaside Ave., 808 923 7797

“What’s not to like?”

The **Oceanarium Restaurant** has a three-story aquarium inside the dining room, with scheduled underwater feedings sure to delight diners of all ages. “The diver feeds the manta ray at each window so everyone in the restaurant has a chance to see the event. It was great fun for our five-year-old and affordable after having picked up the 25% off coupon in the lobby.”—TripAdvisor Member, Vancouver, British Columbia

Oceanarium Restaurant, Pacific Beach Hotel, 2490 Kalakaua Ave., 808 921 6111

Complete with “Keiki” (children’s) menu, **d.k Steak House** is “so good. Skip the chain steakhouses and head to d.k. The patio has a nice view of Waikiki, and the food is amazing.”—TripAdvisor Member, Los Angeles, Calif.

d.k Steak House, Waikiki Beach Marriott, 2552 Kalakaua Ave., 808 931 6280

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TOP 10 Restaurants

1. Roy’s Waikiki Beach, 226 Lewers St., 808 923 7697
2. Alan Wong’s Restaurant, 1857 S. King St., 808 949 2526
3. La Mer, Halekulani Hotel, 2199 Kalia Road, 808 923 2311
4. Leonard’s Bakery, 933 Kapahulu Ave., 808 737 5591
5. House Without a Key, Halekulani Hotel, 2199 Kalia Road, 808 923 2311
6. Hau Tree Lanai Restaurant, 2863 Kalakaua Ave., 808 921 7066
7. Orchids, Halekulani Hotel, 2199 Kalia Road, 808 923 2311
8. Sushi Sasabune, 1419 S. King St., 808 947 3800
9. Hula Grill Waikiki, Oceanfront at the Outrigger Waikiki, 2335 Kalakaua Ave., Waikiki, 808 923 4852
10. Ono Hawaiian Foods, 726 Kapahulu Ave., 808 737 2275

ROMANCE

“We visited the **House Without a Key** several times during our visit to Oahu. The food is good, but the ambiance and the environment are unforgettable. They have musicians that play tranquil Hawaiian music and a hula dancer, as well. It’s a very romantic and relaxing environment.”—TripAdvisor Member, Dallas, Texas

House Without A Key, Halekulani Hotel, 2199 Kalia Road, 808 923 2311

La Mer is Hawaii’s only five-diamond restaurant. “We chose the Menu du Soir, which was nothing short of amazing. The food, all five courses, was delicious and inventive. The hostesses, wait staff, sommelier and bus staff were all perfect. A GREAT spot for special evenings, celebrations, wedding proposals.”—Trip Advisor Member, Los Angeles, Calif.

La Mer, Halekulani Hotel, 2199 Kalia Road, 808 923 2311

“The **Hau Tree Lanai** is the quintessential Hawaiian restaurant: oceanfront, waves lapping a few feet from your table, palm trees swaying in the breeze. Order any one of the delectable island fish entrees, prepared fresh, in a number of creative ways. Come early to enjoy the gorgeous sunset. This is the kind of place where memories are made.”—TripAdvisor Member, Toronto, Ontario

Hau Tree Lanai, 2863 Kalakaua Ave., 808 921 7066

BUDGET

The **Side Street Inn** is “definitely a favorite—would go again and again! The Clams Pochu is heavenly and the fried rice divine! Very large portions and great prices. Also tried the tomato and pesto encrusted tuna and couldn’t get enough of it!”—TripAdvisor Member, Spring Hill, Fla.

Side Street Inn, 1225 Hopaka St., 808 591 0253

“The **Rainbow Drive-In** on Kanaina Avenue offers reasonably priced plate lunches, accompanied with the requisite mac salad and rice. The plates are big, so you may want to share.”—TripAdvisor Member

Rainbow Drive-In, 3308 Kanaina Ave., 808 737 0177

You won’t go hungry for the price at **Ezogiku**, with large helpings of “charsui ramen, which came with fried rice and four gyoza for \$9. The lunch special was a great deal, but there was no way I could eat all that food.”—Trip Advisor Member, Frederick, Md.

Ezogiku, 2420 Koa Ave., 808 922 2473

WHERE to eat



HEALTH-CONSCIOUS

With a menu full of fresh fish, vegetables, tofu, rice and more, **Ahi & Vegetables** is a great healthy option in downtown Honolulu. "They are amazing. They have the best spicy ahi, hands down. I highly recommend them."—TripAdvisor Member

Ahi & Vegetables, 1126 Fort St. Mall, 808 599 3500

Well Bento serves food minus any "GMOs, boxes, bottles or cans. The menu includes meat, fresh fish, tofu, seitan or tempeh served over organic brown rice, with their signature tahini sauce."—TripAdvisor Member

Well Bento, 2570 S. Beretania St., 808 941 5261

"We had lunch at the wonderful **Legend Vegetarian Restaurant**. It was a treat for us to not have to worry about what was in each dumpling. We could just point to anything on the cart and all was totally vegetarian and delicious."—TripAdvisor Member, Rockwall, Texas

Legend Vegetarian Restaurant, 109 N. Beretania St., 808 532 8218

HIDDEN GEMS

La Mariana is "the way places in Honolulu looked in the 1950s: bamboo, fishnet, glass balls, stuffed fish, twinkling lights all adorn the walls. A trip to Hawaii just isn't complete without a stop at this hard-to-find but well-worth-the-hunt spot on the way to airport from downtown. Go, have a mai tai, pretend Ike is still president and life is still slow and easy."—Trip Advisor Member, San Diego, Calif.

La Mariana, 50 Sand Island Access Road, 808 848 2800

Known for its garlic ahi (tuna), the hole-in-the-wall, kitschy Japanese-themed **Irifune Restaurant** is walking distance from Waikiki and a real local secret. "The seared ahi was soft as butter. Perhaps the most wonderful piece of fish I have ever tasted."—Trip Advisor Member, West Palm Beach, Fla.

Irifune Restaurant, 563 Kapahulu Ave., 808 737 1141

Arancino has a "lovely location, good service and fantastic food—an alternative to high priced ocean front restaurants. I liked their variety of pastas and pizza; some were quite unique. The Spaghetti con Tobiko e Calamari was so good I literally licked my plate clean—no joke."—San Francisco, Calif.

Arancino Di Mare, 255 Beachwalk, 808 923 5557

SPECIAL EVENTS



Savor the delicious offerings of some of Honolulu's premier restaurants and bars during the annual **Chopsticks & Wine**, an evening of hosted tastings, fine food and a silent auction. (October 6)
Chopsticks & Wine, Sheraton Waikiki Hotel, 2255 Kalakaua Ave., 808 949 5531, <http://www.honolulu.japanesechamber.org>

Fall under the spell of rhythmic music, eye-catching costumes and of course world-class dancing at the **18th Annual World Invitational Hula Festival**. (November 12 – 14)

18th Annual World Invitational Hula Festival, Waikiki Shell, 2805 Monsaratt Ave., 808 486 3185, <http://www.worldhula.com>

Watch top surfers from all over the world ride the waves in a series of major events at the **Vans Triple Crown of Surfing**. Beginning with the Reef Hawaiian Pro at Haleiwa, followed by the O'Neill World Cup of Surfing and women's Roxy Pro at Sunset Beach and capped off with the Billabong Pipeline Masters at the Banzai Pipeline, the events showcase surfing's most skilled men and women in action. (November 12 – December 20)

Vans Triple Crown of Surfing, North Shore, 808 258 8533, <http://www.triplecrownofsurfing.com>

Work up an appetite for that Thanksgiving bird at the Honolulu Marathon Clinic's **35th Annual Turkey Trot**, a 10-mile fun run with unconventional prizes. (November 26)

Honolulu Marathon Clinic's 35th Annual Turkey Trot, Kapiolani Park Bandstand, <http://honolulumarathonclinic.org/turkey-trot>

December is luminous during the **Honolulu City Lights** festival, a month-long celebration featuring a light parade down King Street, the annual lighting of the city Christmas tree, a concert and lots of great food. (December 5 – January 1)

Honolulu City Lights, Honolulu Hale and Civic Center grounds, 530 S. King St., 808 527 5759, <http://www.honolulu.gov/csd/citylights>

See the sights while you get your heart—and your feet—pumping at the **Honolulu Marathon**, a 26-mile scenic course that runs alongside Waikiki Beach, Diamond Head and Koko Head Craters. (December 13)

Honolulu Marathon, Along Waikiki to Hawaii Kai and back, <http://www.honolulumarathon.org>

Take in free live entertainment and then watch the sky light up over Aloha Tower during the **New Year's Eve Fireworks Celebration**. (December 31)

New Year's Eve Fireworks Celebration, Aloha Tower Marketplace, 1 Aloha Tower Drive, 808 566 2337, <http://www.alohatower.com>

Feel the rhythm of the Latin beats with instructors and performers from around the world at the annual **Hawaii Salsa Festival**. (February 11 – 14)

Hawaii Salsa Festival, Queen Kapiolani Hotel, 150 Kapahulu Ave., 808 255 8768, <http://hawaiisalsafestival.com>

Where to STAY



FAMILIES

“The **Hawaii Prince** is a really great hotel with a superb location and amazing views. The room was very spacious, and the bathroom was huge! The hotel looks out over the marina, but the beach is only a five-minute walk and the hotel provides beach towels. I can highly recommend this hotel. You won't be disappointed!”—
TripAdvisor Member, Bournemouth, U.K.

Hawaii Prince Hotel, 100 Holomoana St., 808 956 1111

“The **Embassy Suites Waikiki Beach Walk** is the perfect place to stay. You get more than just a room! The best part is all the free stuff. There was a nightly manager's reception around the pool area, a very nice hot food buffet, free internet and phone calls. You can walk to the beach in five minutes, and many rooms have very nice views. A very good family place.”—
TripAdvisor Member, Wiesbaden, Germany

Embassy Suites Waikiki Beach Walk, 201 Beachwalk St., 808 921 2345

“I'd highly recommend the **Aston Beach Tower** for families who want a washer/dryer and kitchen. We were able to eat breakfast (coffee provided) in the room and take a quick walk across the street to the beach. Maid service brought candy, rice treats and cinnamon toast for us all.”—
TripAdvisor Member, Texas

Aston Waikiki Beach Tower, 2470 Kalakaua Ave., 808 926 6400

ROMANCE

“We spent five nights at the **Outrigger Waikiki on the Beach** for our honeymoon, and it was absolutely fantastic. The location of the hotel is spot on, with Waikiki's shops on one side and the ocean on the other. The service was excellent. The Hula Grill and Duke's were both fantastic: great service and lovely views.”—
TripAdvisor Member, Newcastle, U.K.

Outrigger Waikiki on the Beach, 2335 Kalakaua Ave., 808 923 0711

“The **Kahala Hotel & Resort** was the perfect honeymoon hotel. Everything was relaxing, from check-in to the staff. The room was lovely, with absolutely no flaws, plus the biggest and most comfortable bed I've ever slept in. I cannot recommend and praise the Kahala and its staff enough. They made our honeymoon perfect. It really was paradise.”—
TripAdvisor Member, Glasgow, Scotland

Kahala Hotel & Resort, 5000 Kahala Ave., 808 739 8888

“I'm not a fan of huge resorts, so **Renew** seemed the ideal choice. There's a relaxing and intimate bar that's never crowded—perfect for an evening Mai Tai. The hotel is lovely: laid-back and relaxing, but still right in the middle of the action.”—
TripAdvisor Member, Maniago, Italy

Hotel Renew, 129 Paoakalani Ave., 808 687 7700

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BUDGET

“We have no regrets at all about choosing the **Royal Grove Hotel** for our stay. I cannot imagine better value for money. If cleanliness, friendliness, helpfulness and economy are the important factors, you cannot go wrong here.”—
TripAdvisor Member, New Zealand

Royal Grove Hotel, 151 Uluniu Ave., 808 923 7691

“You can't beat the price at **Waikiki Prince**, and for that, you get SO much. Let's please not forget you are a block from Waikiki beach! If you stay here, you will not regret it.”—
TripAdvisor Member, Wilmington, N.C.

Waikiki Prince, 2431 Prince Edward St., 808 922 1544

“...an oasis of calm and elegance”

The **Halekulani** is “an oasis of calm and elegance amidst the craziness of the Waikiki tourist maelstrom. In contrast to its neighbors, the Halekulani is serene and offers a peaceful getaway. The service was always excellent and cheerful, and the staff was incredibly attentive. It was a fantastic experience from start to finish.”—
Trip Advisor Member, New York City, N.Y.

Halekulani Hotel, 2199 Kalia Road, 800 923 2311

Aloha Bed and Breakfast was “everything we imagined and more. The personal touch was really what made it a perfect holiday—the host and hostess provided us with suggestions, ideas and directions catered to our expressed interests.”—
TripAdvisor Member, Cobden, Ontario

Aloha Bed and Breakfast, 909 Kahauloa Place, 808 395 6694

At the **Hyatt Regency Waikiki Resort & Spa**, “the Regency Club floor is excellent and the staff were top-notch. They remember your name and previous stays. If the price difference is not much, then make sure you go for it.”—
Trip Advisor Member

Hyatt Regency Waikiki Resort & Spa, 2424 Kalakaua Ave., 808 923 1234

LUXURY

“We enjoyed our stay at the **Moana Surfrider** so much that we would never consider staying anywhere else if we were to return. The whole atmosphere at this hotel is relaxed, child friendly as well as ‘honeymoonish’ at the same time. The views along the beach are beautiful, and everyone treats you like you are an important guest.”—
Trip Advisor Member, Sydney, Australia

Moana Surfrider, a Westin Resort, 2365 Kalakaua Ave., 808 922 3111

Where to **STAY**



HIDDEN GEMS

“If you have had enough of the craziness of Honolulu, or want to avoid it altogether, take a ride to the other side of the mountain and stay in Kailua at **Paradise Palms**. The beach there is beautiful, wind-surfing is great, restaurants are wonderful. Ah, Paradise!”—TripAdvisor Member, Graham, Wash.

Paradise Palms Bed & Breakfast, 804 Mokapu Road, Kailua, 808 254 4234

“Ah, Paradise!”

“Listed on the national historic registry,” **Manoa Valley Inn** is “a historic B&B for those who want something unique. Rooms were airy and bright, with antiques that made me feel I was in a very pleasant time warp. We enjoyed the hustle and bustle of Waikiki, but then delighted that we were able to sleep in peace and quiet!”—TripAdvisor Member, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Manoa Valley Inn, 2001 Vancouver Drive, 808 947 6019

“If you’re thinking of staying in Oahu, do yourself a favor and plan to stay at **Turtle Bay Resort**. Although located 40 minutes from the airport, the North Shore is quietly inhabited by local shops and stores that will provide you with all your needs for a seven-day stay. And as far as Turtle Bay is concerned, everyone is friendly; the accommodations are outstanding.”—Trip Advisor Member, Florida

Turtle Bay Resort, 57-091 Kamehameha Hwy., Kahuku, 808 293 6000

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