

Ultimate Luxury – Tropical Hawaii is America's Pacific Paradise

Tropical Hawaii is America's Pacific Ocean paradise. Vacationers can enjoy world-class beaches and immerse themselves in the culture and traditions of the Hawaiian people. We can offer luxury resort vacations on the six major islands of Hawaii. We hope you enjoy reading below a brief description of each Hawaiian island. Tropical Hawaii awaits. Make your travel dream come true!

As its nickname indicates, the **Big Island** is the largest of the tropical Hawaii isles. The Big Island encompasses diverse landscapes in its 4,000-plus square miles. See black-sand beaches at Punaluu, coffee farms in the Kona region and rainforests along the Hamakua Coast. Kilauea in Hawaii Volcanoes National Park is one of the world's most active volcanoes. Visitors are treated to scorching lava flows that meet the sea. Fields of lava rocks give way to beautiful beaches on the Kohala Coast, where some of the finest resorts and golf courses are located. Snorkelers should keep an eye out for green sea turtles here. The town of Hilo hosts the Merrie Monarch Festival, a weeklong cultural celebration that takes place each April.

Maui is famous for its beautiful beaches, championship golf and some great windsurfing locations. Hawaiian legend says that an ancient hero named Maui stood atop the island's Haleakala volcano and lassoed the sun, slowing its descent in order to make daylight last longer. Nowadays, visitors can drive to the Haleakala Visitors Center at 9,740 feet and catch a spectacular sunrise. Lahaina, which anchors Maui's west end, was a busy whaling town in the mid-1800's and is now a thriving arts haven. Road warriors will enjoy driving the

legendary [Hana Highway](#), a narrow and twisting 64-mile route.



Home to **Honolulu**, the state capital, **Oahu** is a mecca for beach worshippers, shoppers and surfers. Most resorts are located along the 2-mile stretch of sand at **Waikiki Beach**. One of the most popular Oahu landmarks is the USS Arizona Memorial. This incredible location is dedicated to the 2,335 service members and 68 civilians who died during the attack on [Pearl Harbor](#) on December 7, 1941. Royal heritage is on display at Iolani Palace. It is the official residence of Hawaii's last two monarchs. November through February is the best time to watch the pros tackle the big waves at the North Shore, a prime surfing spot. The iconic [Diamond Head](#) peak rises above the Honolulu skyline. Hike to the top and enjoy stunning views to those who make the intermediate trek.

Emerald valleys, rainforests, taro fields and waterfalls create a lush spectacle in **Kauai**, known as "The Garden Isle." [Waimea Canyon](#) has been dubbed "The Grand Canyon of the Pacific." It offers lookouts that provide panoramas of the chasm, which is a mile wide and 14 miles long. Visitors can get a closer look at the velvety green, knife-edged cliffs of the Napali Coast by [boat](#) or [helicopter tour](#). Also, try hiking

the challenging Kalalau Trail. The Fern Grotto, once restricted to Hawaiian royalty. This big draw features a lava rock cave that's draped in tropical foliage and accessible by a boat ride up the Wailua River.



[Lanai](#) is Hawaii's smallest inhabited island, and it offers top-notch beaches and golf (it's home to a 6-star Four Seasons resort) and rugged adventures – like four-wheel-drive excursions to secluded Polihua Beach or hikes along the 13-mile Munro Trail through eucalyptus and pine forests. The isle's central town, Lanai City, once was the hub of a thriving pineapple industry and still celebrates the tropical fruit at an annual festival in July. Today, it offers a collection of restaurants and shops situated around Dole Park.

Low-key **Molokai** still remains largely undeveloped and is the place to experience "old Hawaii." The tallest point in its largest town, Kaunakakai, is a church steeple; the 80-year-old Kanemitsu's Bakery draws long lines of locals for its fresh breads hot from the oven. Maunaloa is a small plantation town set in the hills, and it's famous for the handmade kites produced here. Papohaku Beach is a broad swath of white sand that stretches for 3 miles, while the Kamakou Preserve houses

rare plants – most found nowhere else in the world.

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