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# Sensory Overload

Locals and visitors will agree: there's no place in the world like O'ahu. From the mixture of cultures and traditions to the metropolitan night-life of Waikiki, O'ahu will leave you in awe with its impressive array of smells, sights and sounds. Start with your taste buds at Dukes Lane Market & Eatery (pages 12 and 13), which is Waikiki's newest dining destination. Your taste for fashion is next on the list (page 14), as these gift items are sure to be a closet keeper. Finally, the island is only a roll away as we list our favorite "wheels" to play on (page 15).

## 90 MINUTES IN: Makapu'u Lighthouse Trail

**THE PAVED AND MODERATE** hike along Makapu'u Point Lighthouse trail welcomes visitors from around the world to see the vast views of O'ahu's southeastern coastline. What's especially exciting to witness this time of year is the pods of humpback whales visiting our backyard. They travel thousands of miles from the Pacific Northwest to the warm waters of the Hawaiian Islands to breed and give birth to their calves. Their long and magnificent journey is often captured along any of



O'ahu's coastlines as they flip their flukes and shoot plumes of water 10-20 feet straight into the air. Halfway up the trail is a whale-sighting placard that details some whale spotting information, along with a brief history of

the whaling industry that once flourished in the Islands prior to the rise of the plantation era. The park and trailhead are located off Kalaniana'ole Highway (Hwy. 72). Visitors are advised to stay on the path, and to bring water and sunscreen, and to wear comfortable shoes.

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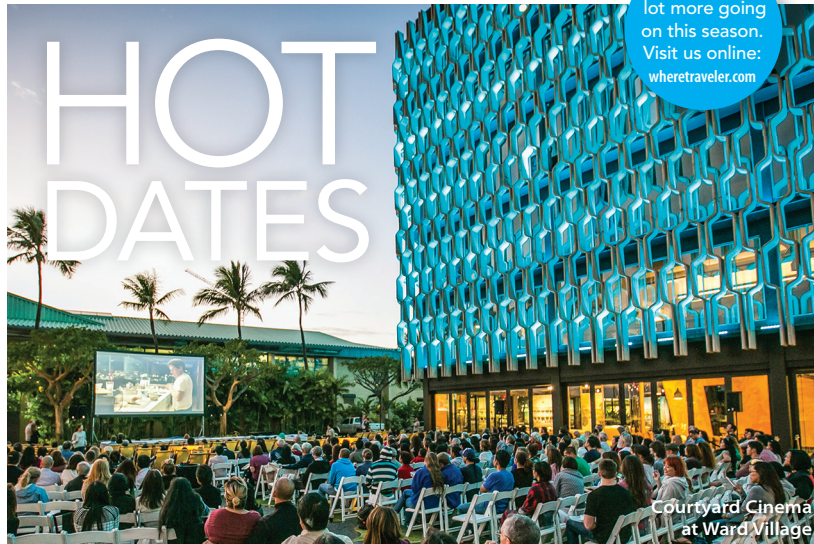
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### NOVEMBER 2-12: Grand Premieres

The perennially anticipated Hawai'i International Film Festival (HIFF) is a fall staple, often unveiling films before they are catapulted to global renown. Each year, more than 50,000 attendees throughout Hawai'i experience the art of filmmaking from 45 different countries, showcasing features, documentaries and shorts. Every month, Ward Village features a free screening of HIFF-curated films during its Courtyard Cinema. Films are also shown at Regal Dole Cannery Stadium 18 & IMAX Theaters. 735 Iwilei Rd., [hiff.org](http://hiff.org)

## 7 Great Things Not to Miss

### 1 IT'S ALL WOOD >

**SEPTEMBER 23** A premier exhibit at the Honolulu Museum of Art Gallery will celebrate the art of wood-working. [hawaiiiforest.org](http://hawaiiiforest.org)

### 2 FLORAL PARADE >

**SEPTEMBER 30** Check out this colorful procession along Kalākaua Avenue. [alohafestivals.com](http://alohafestivals.com)

### 3 TIP-OFF TIME >

**OCTOBER 1** NBA comes to Hawai'i when the L.A. Clippers play the Toronto Raptors. [etickethawaii.com](http://etickethawaii.com)



### 4 PUMPKIN PATCH >

**OCTOBER 14** Aloun Farm presents its 17th annual Pumpkin Festival in Kapolei. [alounfarms.com](http://alounfarms.com)

### 5 SLACKING OFF >

**OCTOBER 22** Listen to the sweet slack key sounds at the 6th annual Hawaiian Slack Key Guitar Festival. [slackkeyfestival.com](http://slackkeyfestival.com)

### 6 EAT AND DRINK >

#### NOVEMBER 1-5

The 7th annual Hawai'i Food and Wine Festival kicks off in Kaka'ako. [hawaiiifoodandwinefestival.com](http://hawaiiifoodandwinefestival.com)

### 7 RUN IT > DECEMBER 3

Known as the crown jewel of the trail run series, the XTERRA World Championship will be held at Kualoa Ranch. [kualoa.com](http://kualoa.com)



## TOP STOPS

Join thousands in the celebration of these upcoming events on O'ahu.

### OCTOBER 21

#### RAINBOW COALITION

More than 20,000 parade viewers, 3,000 festival-goers and 1,000 participants will come together to celebrate the Honolulu Pride Parade & Festival. It will be a full day of entertainment, special events and parties, and sharing and bringing together Hawai'i's diverse and vital LGBTQ community. From 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. [hawaiiigbtlegacyfoundation.com](http://hawaiiigbtlegacyfoundation.com)

### NOVEMBER 12-

#### DECEMBER 20

#### SURF'S UP

Once again, the beautiful and unforgiving waves of the North Shore will be the site of the 35th annual Vans Triple Crown of Surfing. This three-part series will last 39 days and begin at Hale'iwa Ali'i Beach, the gateway to the famous "7-Mile Miracle." [worldsurfleague.com](http://worldsurfleague.com)

### DECEMBER 10

#### HONOLULU MARATHON

More than 19,000 runners will lace up as the Honolulu Marathon celebrates its 45th year. Starting at Ala Moana Beach Park, the 26.2-mile course winds along a scenic route that reveals views of Diamond Head, Koko Head Crater, the Waialae Country Club and finally Waikiki Beach. [honolulu-marathon.org](http://honolulu-marathon.org)

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STYLE WATCH

# Luxe Looks

Be runway ready with these popular gift (or keepsake) luxury items.



## 1 ALLSTAR

Born and raised Hawai'i-based designer and "Project Runway" alum Kini Zamora has fiercely taken over the fashion world by storm with his innovative, luxurious and unique-to-Hawai'i designs.

*The Clique by KZ, 99-1132 Iwaena St., 2nd floor, kinizamora.com*



## 2 SWAY AWAY

Take your LeSportsac arm candy from the beach to dinner out with some friends as its versatile shapes and designs make them easily dressable for any occasion.

*Visit [LeSportsac.com](http://LeSportsac.com) for a list of all the locations on O'ahu.*

## 3

### ▶ ALOHA STATE

From street layout designs to imprints of local flowers and animals, Sig Zane aloha wear is known for representing Hawai'i's land and native culture.

*Visit [sigzanedesigns.com](http://sigzanedesigns.com) for more store information.*



## 4

### ▶ TRIPLE THREAT

Surfer-girl-turned-model-turned-swimwear designer Malia Jones is known for her relaxed and classic resort wear and splashy swimwear designs.

*Visit [maliajones.com](http://maliajones.com) for more.*





## OUT & ABOUT

# Jammin'

Since Honolulu ranks among the top cities for the worst traffic, alternatives have been set up within the tourism industry to help decrease congestion and give visitors the chance to choose a more environmentally sustainable vacation. From bicycle rentals to a vacay on wheels, the options are endless.

# Wheels of Fun

With so much to see and do on O'ahu, it's hard to pinpoint them all and then attempt to jam-pack the activities into a single vacation. Sure, "backpacking" through a new place can be fun but what if your day is wasted on just trying to walk to your next adventure? Although it's fun to explore by foot, traveling by wheels can be just as invigorating. O'ahu's summer-like weather will also help enthrall the senses as you take in the many sights and sounds throughout the island. Here are the top five "wheelee" fun activities to try out while on the island. From a dance party aboard a tricked-out, 25-passenger bus and retro accommodations in a 1970 VW Riviera to a pedal crawl to the island's favorite bars and off-road adventures on a ranch, O'ahu's got the best wheels of fun from which to choose.



Cruise around the island in Hawai'i Surf Campers' "Tango," a 1982 VW Westfalia.

### PARTY BUS

Equipped with sound systems, laser lights and ample room for your entire entourage, **O'ahu Party Bus** has become the island's favorite mode of transportation for private parties. 808.639.8687, [oahupartybus.com](http://oahupartybus.com)

### HAWAII SURF CAMPERS

Forget having to worry about checking in, **Hawai'i Surf Campers** is your accommodations on wheels, equipped

with everything you would need for an adventure-filled vacation. 808.352.3427, [hawaiiurfcampers.com](http://hawaiiurfcampers.com)

### BIKESHARE

Whether you're a visitor or resident, **Bikeshare Hawai'i** offers a convenient service for those looking for a quick way to get around the city. The beauty with Bikeshare is riders' ability to rent out a bike from one station and return it to another docking station, free of charge. [bikesharehawaii.org](http://bikesharehawaii.org)

### ATV RIDES

Embark on an ATV tour through **Kualoa Ranch's** scenic valley and get a close-up view of the Ko'olau Mountains. 49560 Kamehameha Hwy., 800.231.7321, [kualoa.com](http://kualoa.com)

### PARADISE PEDALS

From a beer lover's tour to a Farmer's Market visit, **Paradise Pedals** Hawai'i is a great way to cruise through Honolulu with new or old friends. 1011 Ala Moana Blvd., 808.397.7066, [paradisepedals.com](http://paradisepedals.com)



Bikeshare Hawai'i

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## Shopping | Fall/Winter



### Wave Rider

There's no better way to end a Friday than with an evening filled with delicious food, libations, live entertainment and, of course, shopping exclusives. Every second Friday of the month, Ward Village will play host to New Wave Friday—an event that celebrates O'ahu's creative community—at South Shore Market from 5 to 9 p.m. Free self-parking in the Ward Village Shops parking garage. 1170 Auahi St., 808.591.8411, [wardvillage.com](http://wardvillage.com)

### Apparel/Accessories

**BEN BRIDGE**—As an American fine jeweler since 1912, you're sure to find the perfect gift for any momentous occasion at one of three locations here on Oahu. There is also an official Rolex jeweler branch at Ala Moana. [benbridge.com](http://benbridge.com). Ala Moana Center, 1450 Ala Moana Blvd., 808.955.0177; Pearlridge Center, 98-1005 Moanalua Rd., 808.487.1689.

**ANTEPRIMA WIREBAG**—Vibrant colors, textures and fresh elements are part of the signature look for these one-of-a-kind wire bags and accessories. Sophisticated yet simple, Anteprema bags are perfect for a day at the beach or a night on the town. [anteprema.com](http://anteprema.com). Royal Hawaiian Center, 2201 Kalakaua Ave., 808.924.0808

**SGH SUNGLASS HUT**—This Miami-based sunwear brand was one of the first sunglass boutiques to come to Hawaii and can now be found globally with over 2,000 stores. They offer the latest high fashion, classic and sport sunglasses to fit every face shape and personal style. [sunglasshut.com](http://sunglasshut.com). 2113 Kalakaua Ave., 808.926.0630; Hyatt Regency Waikiki Resort & Spa, 2424 Kalakaua Ave., #126, 808.923.9520; Macy's Waikiki, 2314 Kalakaua Ave., 808.923.0406; Royal Hawaiian Center, 2233 Kalakaua Ave. Building A & B, Level 1, 808.926.7767; 1450 Ala Moana Blvd, 808.947.4849.

### Jewelry/Watches

**KAIMANA KEA**—One of only a handful of exclusive Rolex boutiques in the U.S., this authorized Rolex dealer offers expert guidance on the purchase and

care of the renowned Rolex watches. [kaimana-kea.com](http://kaimana-kea.com). Royal Hawaiian Center, 2301 Kalakaua Ave., 808.971.2986.

**KOBE JEWELRY**—One of Honolulu's leading fine jewelers for more than 20 years, featuring stunning pieces of gorgeous diamonds, precious gemstones and beautiful pearls. It is one of three stores on the island that sells the Pandora line. Royal Hawaiian Center, 2201 Kalakaua Ave., 808.923.2282.

**MAUI DIVERS JEWELRY**—Founded in 1959, Hawaii's largest jewelry manufacturer is renowned for unique, high-quality handcrafted designs featuring pearls, precious corals, Hawaiian gold, diamonds and gemstones. The majority of Maui Divers' jewelry is handcrafted from design sketching to casting to final stone setting in the company's world-famous





# Activities



## Kick Off

Predictions are the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa's Rainbow Warrior football team will have a winning season in 2017. Every year, thousands of locals flock to Aloha Stadium to tailgate, catch up with old friends and make new ones. From delving in the many local food choices (such as saimin—an Asian inspired noodle soup dish) to cheering on the Warriors with your seatmates, UH football games are a thrill to watch. For a complete schedule of home games, visit [hawaiiathletics.com](http://hawaiiathletics.com)

## Activities/Tours

**HAWAII NAUTICAL**—As one of Hawai'i's largest ocean-activity providers, Hawaii Nautical boasts a fleet of vessels that serve many harbors across Oahu. Tour guides emphasize safety and adhere to strict guidelines that protect all marine mammals and wildlife. They also follow the guidelines of the Coral Reef Alliance in order to establish lasting change and promote coral reef health around the world. [hawaiinautical.com](http://hawaiinautical.com).

## Air

**BLUE HAWAIIAN HELICOPTERS**—Aerial tours are a handy way to see the less accessible natural areas in Hawaii, including waterfall-laced valleys, active volcanoes, tropical rainforests and shorelines. Tours are available on Oahu, Maui, Hawaii Island and Kauai. [bluehawaiian.com](http://bluehawaiian.com). 800.745.2583; Oahu, 99 Kaulele Pl.; Kauai, 3730 Ahu-

kini Rd.; Big Island, Hilo International Airport; Maui, 2 Lelepio Pl., #105.

**MAKANI KAI HELICOPTERS**—Airplane charters fly to every airport in the state, and helicopter tours are available for Oahu, Maui, Kauai and Hawaii Island. Oahu highlights include coastal areas and shoreline, Diamond Head and Hanauma Bay. During winter, humpback whales frolic below. [makanikai.com](http://makanikai.com). 130 Iolani Pl., 808.834.5813. 877.255.8532.

**PARADISE HELICOPTERS**—See Oahu and the active volcano on the Island of Hawaii from above. Locally owned and operated since 1997, Paradise Helicopters offers various tours from several points of departure, including Turtle Bay Resort and Kapolei/Kalaehoa Airport on Oahu, and Hilo and Kona airports on the Island of Hawaii. Take a flight in a replica of Magnum, P.I.'s chopper. [paradisecop-ters.com](http://paradisecop-ters.com). 808.969.7392. 866.876.7422.; 808.293.2570.

## Boat Tours/Cruises

**ATLANTIS SUBMARINES WAIKIKI**—Submarines enable you to dive in comfort, so you can chuck the scuba gear and watch the underwater spectacle: marine life, coral reefs, sunken shipwrecks and airplanes. There is complimentary transportation from select Waikiki locations. [atlantisadventures.com](http://atlantisadventures.com). Hilton Pier, Hilton Hawaiian Village, 2005 Kalia Rd., 800.381.0237.

**NAVATEK CRUISES**—The Navatek I sails along Waikiki Beach and the Kahala Coastline during sunset. This longtime favorite cruise includes a buffet dinner with Hawaiian and contemporary music, song and dance. [atlantissubmarines.com](http://atlantissubmarines.com). Aloha Tower Marketplace, 1 Aloha Tower Dr., Pier 6, 800.381.0237.

**OCEAN JOY CRUISES**—The Kai 'Oli' 'Oli is a power catamaran yacht that cruises the Waianae coast looking for dolphins, whales, flying fish and sea turtles, which make guest appearances



OCEAN JOY CRUISES allows visitors a glimpse of O'ahu's west side, followed by a chance to meet some ocean friends. [oceanjoycruises.com](http://oceanjoycruises.com)



# Museums+Attractions



## Royal Getaway

Queen Emma, the wife of King Kamehameha IV, spent many of her summers at this retreat called Hānaiakamalama (The Southern Cross), known to many as Queen Emma Summer Palace. Today, it serves as a historic landmark, museum and tourist site preserved by the Daughters of Hawai'i. Open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., and every Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. General admission is \$10; children aged five to 17 costs \$1. 2913 Pali Highway, 808.595.3167, [daughtersofhawaii.org](http://daughtersofhawaii.org)



## Green Scene

Waimea Valley is a historical nature park filled with botanical gardens and significant cultural sites. Paddle boarders can enjoy the views as they cruise down Waimea Bay. 59-864 Kamehameha Hwy., 808.638.7766.

## Attractions

### BATTLESHIP MISSOURI MEMORIAL—

The USS Missouri, America's last battleship, served her country through three wars, and is best known as the site of the signing of the Formal Instrument of Surrender, marking the end of World War II. Today, the "Mighty Mo" stands proudly overlooking her fallen sister ship, the USS Arizona, in Pearl Harbor. Most recently, the Missouri was seen answering the call of duty once again in Universal Studio's summer blockbuster "Battleship." [ussmissouri.org](http://ussmissouri.org). 63 Cowpens St., 808.455.1600.

**DOLE PLANTATION**—You can ride on the Pineapple Express, tour the Plantation Garden and walk in the World's Largest Maze, shaped like a pineapple. The snack shop and general store sells pineapple everything, including Dole Whip Pineapple Ice Cream. [doleplantation.com](http://doleplantation.com). 64-1550 Kamehameha Hwy., 808.621.8408.

### DIAMOND HEAD STATE MONUMENT—

One of the most visited destinations on Oahu, offering a two-hour, 1.6 mile hike from the inside of the crater to the summit. At the summit, hikers are awarded with the most breathtaking views daily from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. There is limited parking during peak periods so carpooling is the best option. To avoid crowds, opt to arrive between 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Cost is \$5 per car, \$1 per pedestrian. 4200 Diamond Head Rd., For more information call the Dept. of Land & Natural Resources, 808.587.0300, [hawaii.stateparks.org](http://hawaii.stateparks.org)

### HANAUMA BAY NATURE PRESERVE—

Snorkelers of all levels of experience can explore this marine life conservation area. Visitors can rent equipment and lockers at the beach and are required to watch an educational video before entering the park. Daily except Tuesdays. Parking: \$1 per car. General \$7.50, children 12 and under and Hawaii residents free with proof of residency.

[hanaumabaystatepark.com](http://hanaumabaystatepark.com). 7455 Kalanianaʻole Highway, 808.396.4229.

**HONOLULU ZOO**—The largest zoo within a radius of 2,500 miles, Honolulu Zoo is home to 900+ mammals, birds and reptiles, in habitats that include the African savanna, tropical forest, islands of the Pacific and the children's zoo. Some of the endangered animals include the nene (Hawaiian goose), koloa maoli (Hawaiian duck) and the Sumatran tiger. [honolulu.zoo.org](http://honolulu.zoo.org). 151 Kapahulu Ave., 808.971.7171.

**IOLANI PALACE**—The magisterial palace is the former home of the Hawaiian monarchy and the only official royal residence in the United States. Self-guided audio tours: adults - \$14.75, youth ages 5-12 - \$6. Reservations recommended for docent-led tours: adults - \$21.75, youth - \$6. Basement gallery exhibits: adults - \$5, youth - \$3. [iolanipalace.org](http://iolanipalace.org). 364 S. King St., 808.522.0822.



IF YOU'RE A FAN of pineapples or love solving puzzles, Dole Plantation's outdoor maze is a challenge that awaits. [doleplantation.com](http://doleplantation.com)





## THE GUIDE | MUSEUMS + ATTRACTIONS

**KING KAMEHAMEHA STATUE**—This landmark gold-leaf statue (and popular photo opportunity) in the middle of Downtown Honolulu honors King Kamehameha the Great, who unified the Hawaiian Islands and founded the Hawaiian monarchy. Fronting Aliiolani Hale, the Hawaii State Supreme Court, 447 S. King St.

**POLYNESIAN CULTURAL CENTER**—With its six native island villages, a Hawaiian Iʻau and “Ha: Breath of Life,” a Polynesian show, the PCC is a living

museum and entertainment center. With Polynesian dance, music and fire-knife dancing, the show tells the story of Mana and his beloved Lani. Daily except Sunday. [polynesia.com](http://polynesia.com). 55-370 Kamehameha Hwy., 808.293.3333.

**USS ARIZONA MEMORIAL (PEARL HARBOR)**—The largest visitor destination in Hawaii, the USS Arizona Memorial is the final resting place for 1,117 of the ships’ crew who lost their lives on December 7, 1941. A diminishing number of World War II veterans gather yearly at the memorial, a reminder of the day when the U.S. entered World War II. Open daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tours of the Memorial are offered every 15 minutes from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. 1,300 free tickets are available every day on a first come first serve basis. Half day and full day tours available. [PearlHarborHistoricSites.org](http://PearlHarborHistoricSites.org). 1 Arizona Memorial Pl., 808.422.3300.

**VALLEY OF THE TEMPLES**—Tucked away in the Koolau Mountains, the Byodo-In Temple is a replica of 1,000 year-old Buddhist temple in Japan and features a statue of Buddha sitting on a gold-leaf lotus blossom. [byodo-in.com](http://byodo-in.com). 47-200 Kahekili Highway, Kaneohe, HI 96744., 808.239.8811.

**WAIKIKI AQUARIUM**—The third-oldest aquarium in the country is world-renowned as the first facility in the world to successfully propagate the Chambered Nautilus. With a living reef, monk seals, coral farm and reef exploration programs plus Jun Kaneko ceramic sculptures flanking the entrance, it’s one of Oahu’s jewels. [waikikiaquarium.org](http://waikikiaquarium.org). 2777 Kalakaua Ave., 808.923.9741.

**WAI MEA VALLEY**—Waimea Valley is an 1,875 acre privately-owned property run by a nonprofit organization. Filled with native flora, the valley is rich in history and a culturally significant wahi pana (storied place). Experience Waimea Valley with a walk through a sacred ahupua’a (Hawaiian land division that extends from the mountains to the sea), which happens to have a world-class Botanical Garden in the middle of it. [waimeavalley.net](http://waimeavalley.net). 59-864 Kamehameha Hwy., 808.638.7766.

### Museums

**BISHOP MUSEUM**—In Honolulu’s Kalihi district, this over 125-year-old museum is the world’s most significant repository of Pacific and Polynesian artifacts

- an imposing stone structure with more than twenty-five million artifacts in its collection. Exhibits include a planetarium and science center, the storied Hawaiian Hall, and precious artifacts from precontact times. [bishopmuseum.org](http://bishopmuseum.org). 1525 Bernice St., 808.847.3511.

**HAWAII ARMY MUSEUM**—Helicopters, tanks and vacant bunkers can be explored at this former fort in the heart of Waikiki. The structure now houses a museum that tells the military story of Hawaii, from ancient times to the Gulf War to the recent war in Iraq. Free admission. [hiarmymuseum.org](http://hiarmymuseum.org). 2161 Kalua Road, 808.955.9552.

**HAWAII STATE ART MUSEUM (HISAM)**—HiSAM features collections that promotes Hawaii’s history and culture; open Tuesdays-Saturdays 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. On the first Friday of each month, HiSAM opens for First Friday Downtown Gallery Walk. Admission is free. Donations are accepted. [sfca.hawaii.gov](http://sfca.hawaii.gov). No. 1 Capital District Building, 250 S. Hotel St., 808.586.0300.

**HONOLULU MUSEUM OF ART**—Hawaii’s fine arts museum with a collection of 50,000+ works. Its major strengths are in Asian art, European and American painting, and graphic and decorative arts. The museum’s Hawaiian collections contain pieces from the time of the first European contact in Hawaii to today. Closed Mondays. [honoluluuseum.org](http://honoluluuseum.org). 900 S. Beretania St., 808.532.8700.

**SHANGRI-LA**—Doris Duke’s artistic vision is finally available for public viewing. She called her Black Point residence Shangri-La and it lives up to its name in every way. The artwork that is showcased here is categorized as Islamic, and was purchased by Duke during her trips to the Middle East. The 2.5-hour tour takes you from room to room and then through the gardens. See how this elegant American heiress lived out her days in paradise. [shangrilahawaii.org](http://shangrilahawaii.org). Honolulu Museum of Art, 4055 Papu Circle. Tours must be booked by advance reservation, 808.734.1941.

**SPALDING HOUSE**—Formerly known as The Contemporary Art Museum, this is the only place in Hawaii devoted exclusively to contemporary art. Recently merged with the Honolulu Academy of Arts, you can now visit both museums with a single admission. 2411 Makiki Heights Dr., 808.526.1322, [honolulumuseum.org](http://honolulumuseum.org)



### Never Forget

The tour at the USS Bowfin Submarine & Museum educates visitors of the history of undersea warfare and the USS Bowfin. It covers how the Bowfin became one of the most decorated submarines of WWII. Other attractions include a Waterfront Memorial honoring 52 American submarines and 3,500 submariners, a mini theater featuring submarine videos and a museum. 11 Arizona Memorial Dr., 808.423.1341, [pearlharborhistoricsites.org](http://pearlharborhistoricsites.org)



# Navigate



## Lovely Landmark

The volcanic tuff cone, known to many as Diamond Head, is one of O'ahu's most recognized landmarks. British sailors nicknamed the crater for mistaking crystals on the beach for diamonds. Today, Diamond Head is a U.S. National Natural Monument, and welcomes visitors with a near mile hike up to the crater's rim. The park closes at 6 p.m. but signs posted indicate that you are not allowed to start the trail after 4:30 p.m. [dlnr.hawaii.gov](http://dlnr.hawaii.gov)

## Island Views

**CENTRAL OAHU**—Acres upon acres of pineapple and sugarcane fields once stretched here from the foothills of Mount Kaala. A popular draw here is Dole Plantation, just past Wahiawa on the way to North Shore, an agricultural and retail exhibit with pineapple memorabilia and treats.

**CHINATOWN**—A vibrant community dating back to the 1800s, this historic wedge in Honolulu was established by the first Chinese immigrants to Hawaii. Many buildings and storefronts from that era still remain, and during the day crowds mill past the colorful restaurants, dim sum shops, street vendors selling exotic fruits and Chinese herbal shops.

**DOWNTOWN HONOLULU**—The financial and business center of the Pacific. Located in the center of town is the Hawaii State Capital Building, Aliiolani Hale and the highly-photographed

statue of King Kamehameha and Iolani Palace. Nearby on the waterfront is the iconic Aloha Tower, once the tallest building in Honolulu that greeted arriving cruise ships.

**KAIMUKI**—Named a “culinary mecca” by Fodor's Travel Guides for its wonderful selection of restaurants, Kaimuki is one of the oldest residential neighborhoods on the island. The main thoroughfare is Waialae Avenue. [kaimukihawaii.com](http://kaimukihawaii.com).

**NORTH SHORE**—Known as Oahu's “country,” communities here lead a laid-back lifestyle, making Honolulu's hustle and bustle look like New York City by comparison. 66-434 B. Kamehameha Hwy, North Shore Chamber of Commerce, 808.637.4558.

**WINDWARD OAHU**—The lush, green side of the island, known for its striking landscapes and beaches with soft, white sand. Kailua is a cute beach town with an array of boutique shops and

locally owned restaurants, bordering some of the best beaches in the world—Kailua Beach Park and Lanikai Beach—which are popular with kayakers, windsurfers and sun worshippers.

## Public Transportation

**THEBUS**—An easy, cost-effective, and environmentally-friendly way to get around the island is via TheBus, the island's award-winning public transportation system. Many routes depart frequently from Waikiki and stop at Oahu's major attractions. Fares are the following: adults 17 and over: \$2.50 each way, seniors 65+ and people with disability: \$1 each way, youths ages 6-17, \$1.25 each way. Each trip allows for up to two transfers. Visitors may also want to consider buying the four-day pass for \$35 at ABC Stores. For route and schedule information, call 808.848.4500. TheBus.org. For route and schedule information, call 808.848.5555.



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