



Oahu, Hawaii

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Surrounded by the green verdant mountains of dormant volcanoes, and the roar of the Pacific beating down upon palm-fringed white beaches, the island Oahu is an incredibly idyllic holiday destination. With an abundance of natural beauty and the attractions of the vibrant and buzzing metropolis Honolulu, Oahu is sure to please all those who plan and come to visit, providing every experience, from beach bum to culture culture.



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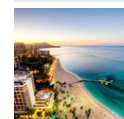
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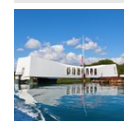
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THE ISLAND



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While hula-clad dancers, sun-kissed beaches and killer surf shape Oahu's image, this island has all this and more: The downtown district of Honolulu, the most populous city, features many of the island's finest landmarks, such as the Aloha Tower and the Iolani Palace, and it is also home to some of Honolulu's finest restaurants and cultural institutions.

Nearby, Chinatown is one of the most interesting and vibrant areas, as in between its beautiful temples, cutting-edge cultural and entertainment venues and a fine array of restaurants take place, while a host of Chinese herbal and medicinal shops sell a range of cure-alls.

To the North of the city, Pearl Harbor reminds of the Japanese surprise attack that led to American intervention in World War II. To the East, the famous suburb of Waikiki awaits with its beautiful beaches, pounding surf, resort hotels, bars, and restaurants. Manoa, Hawaii's university town, is a tranquil yet beautiful suburb tucked in between the mountains and towering above everything, while Diamond Head dominates the impressive skyline over all.

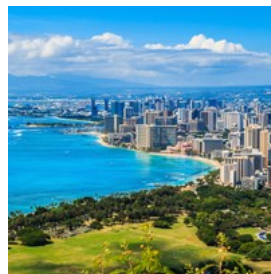
DO & SEE



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The breath-taking island of Oahu offers an endless array of activities and sights. While relaxing on the beaches or braving the surf will always be Hawaiian specialties, culture and adventure should also be on the bucket-list: celebrate Polynesian culture at a luau, get a dose of modern culture in Honolulu or admire the mesmerising natural reserve wildlife.

Honolulu



Hawaii's capital, its largest city and centre of commerce, history and entertainment, is a true metropolis with Polynesian flavour.

Although visitors might prefer to laze on the beautiful beaches or to explore the island's natural, a visit to The Big Pineapple should not be passed up, as you do not want to miss the dining options, the student scene, the historical sights or the cultural delights.

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Address: Honolulu

Internet: www.honolulu.gov

Iolani Palace



Iolani Palace is the only official royal residence in the United States, and the last king of Hawaii, David Kalakaua, ruled the kingdom in the late 1800s. However, when Hawaii became an American territory in 1900, almost 60 years later, it was pronounced the 50th American state.

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Address: 364 South King Street, Honolulu

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-4pm

Phone: +1 808 522 082 2

Internet: www.iolanipalace.org

Email: info@iolanipalace.org

Waikiki



The two-mile stretch of beach south of central Honolulu is the island's main resort area and, thus, one of the biggest draws for tourists who flock here for laid-back vibes, gentle surf, dining, entertainment, nightlife and shopping. Lying in the shadow of Diamond Head makes not only stunning views but also an easy access to one of Hawaii's most famous landmarks.

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Address: Waikiki

Internet: www.waikiki.com

World War II Valor



The United States naval base at Pearl Harbor was surprised by a Japanese military strike on the morning of December 7, 1941: all eight U.S. Navy

battleships were damaged, more than 2,000 Americans lost their lives, and this very attack led to the American involvement in World War II. Today, a memorial reminds of those who died in the assault, while two museums and outdoor exhibits present the historical happenings and their backgrounds. The visitor centre in general also features exhibits and interpretive programs for other Pacific National Parks: Kalaupapa National Historical Park on the island of Molokai, American Memorial Park in Saipan, and War in the Pacific National Historical Park in Guam.

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Address: 1 Arizona Memorial Place, Honolulu

Opening hours: Daily 7am-5pm

Phone: +1 877 444 677 7

Internet: www.pacifichistoricparks.org/park/valor

Email: tours@pacifichistoricparks.org

Diamond Head State Monument



Hawaii's most famous landmark, the Diamond Head, is a volcanic crater with a 360-degree view over the island, and its name comes from English sailors who thought that its calcite crystals were pure diamonds. The scenic hike up to the summit, taking the so-called stairway to heaven, will not be soon forgotten, and so it happens to the views from atop.

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Address: Honolulu

Opening hours: Daily 6am-6pm

Phone: +1 808 587 0300

Internet: www.dlnr.hawaii.gov/dsp/parks/oahu/diamond-head-state-monument/

Email: dlnr@hawaii.gov

Waikiki Aquarium



The Waikiki Aquarium, located right on the shores and run by the nearby university, attempts to recreate diverse tropical Pacific reef habitats to function as home to a number of aquatic species, including some rare fish species from the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands and moon jellyfish.

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 Address: 2777 Kalakaua Avenue, Waikiki
 Opening hours: Daily 9am-4:30pm
 Phone: +1 808 923 974 1
 Internet: www.waikikiaquarium.org

Hanauma Bay Nature Reserve



Hanauma Bay is a marine nature reserve set in a stunning bay and consequently one of the best snorkeling sites in Oahu. As this reserve is dedicated to protecting the marine life in the bay, visitors are most encouraged to promote this endeavor.

Photo: I. Noyan Yilma/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 100 Hanauma Bay Road, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Wed-Mon 6am-7pm
 Phone: +1 808 396 422 9
 Internet: www.hanaumabaystatepark.com
 Email: parks@honolulu.gov

Polynesian Cultural Centre



Sample a traditional Hawaiian luau feast and learn about Polynesian island culture at the Polynesian Cultural Centre. The luau has

been an opportunity for Hawaiians to celebrate the good things in life with friends and family for generations, so the bright and festive luau clothes turn any frown upside down.

Photo: Deborah Kolb/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 55-370 Kamehameha Highway, Laie
 Opening hours: Mon-Sat 8:30am-9pm
 Phone: +1 800 367 706 0
 Internet: www.polynesia.com
 Email: customercare@polynesia.com
 More Info: Hukilau marketplace is open Mon-Sat 11am-9:30pm

Surfing



People from all over the world dream of catching waves on the shores of Hawaii, and a trip to the islands would not be complete without this adventure. Once upon a time, surfing was a sport reserved for royalty, but today, thankfully just about anybody can take lessons and, thus, experience the thrill of the ocean up close - try out Hans Hedemann Surf School.

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 Address: 2586 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu
 Phone: +1 808 924 777 8
 Internet: www.hhsurf.com
 Email: info@hhsurf.com

Whale and Dolphin Watching



Experience the gracefulness and the beauty of aquatic mammals as you now get the chance for it. While most tours involve

dolphin, whale, and turtle encounters, Wild Side offers personal and high quality tours with many different options.

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Address: 87-1286 Farrington Highway, Waianae

Opening hours: Daily 8am-4pm

Phone: +1 808 306 727 3

Internet: www.sailhawaii.com

Email: reservations@sailhawaii.com

Honolulu Zoo



Honolulu Zoo is home to over 900 different animals from the tropics, including Komodo Dragons, orang-utans, elephants, primates, and a variety of African mammals. Distributed on 42 acres of tropical greenery, the aviary is especially charming, as visitors can here admire a variety of native Hawaiian birds, including the nene and 'apapane.

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Address: 151 Kapahulu Avenue, Honolulu

Opening hours: Daily 9am-4:30pm

Phone: +1 808 971 717 1

Internet: www.honolulu zoo.org

Email: info@honzoo soc.org

Byodo-In Temple



Ring the 5-foot and 3-ton brass bell for good luck, feed droves of eager carp, ducks and swans in the garden's 2-acre pond, or just relax in the ambiance of the Byodo-In Temple. However, make sure to visit the 2-ton carved wooden statue of the Buddha sitting placidly inside the replica Temple, hearkening 11th century Uji, Japan.

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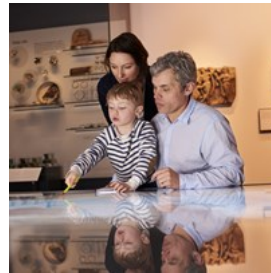
Address: 47-200 Kahekili Highway, Kaneohe

Opening hours: Daily 8:30am-5pm

Phone: +1 808 239 881 1

Internet: www.byodo-in.com

Bishop Museum



Bishop Museum provides excellent exhibits of Hawaiian and Polynesian culture, including Hawaiian artifacts and royal family heirlooms.

The museum was founded in 1889 in honor of the royal Kamehameha family and it is definitely one of the must sees when being in Honolulu.

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Address: 1525 Bernice Street, Honolulu

Opening hours: Daily 9am-5pm

Phone: +1 808 847 351 1

Internet: www.bishopmuseum.org

Email: webmaster@bishopmuseum.org

Chinatown Cultural Plaza



The sprawling Cultural Plaza in Chinatown is a shopping square surrounding a courtyard that hosts an incense-enveloped shrine

and the Moongate stage for holiday performances most popular features. Near the canal, you will meet local members of the community who play cards and mah-jong.

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Address: 100 North Beretania Street, Honolulu

Phone: +1 808 521 493 4

Internet: www.chinatownculturalplaza.com

Email: culturalplazahi@gmail.com

Dole Plantation



The days of pineapple plantations were pivotal for the economic success of Hawaii, and visitors are now given the chance to explore this rich

history. At Dole Plantation, exhibits will tell you more about this far-reaching market, while a gift shop, a snack concession, educational displays and the world's largest maze will serve your entertainment.

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 Address: 64-1550 Kamehameha Highway, Wahiawa
 Opening hours: Daily 9:30am-5:30pm
 Phone: +1 808 621 8408
 Internet: www.dole-plantation.com
 Email: admin@doleplantation.com

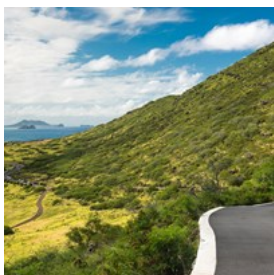
Foster Botanical Gardens



For peace and relaxation away from the bustle of tourist areas, head to the Foster Botanical Gardens and walk among a variety of placating bromeliads, orchids and other tropical plants. Many of the trees are still in residence from 1853, when Queen Kalama leased a portion of her land.

Photo: Hulabear/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 180 North Vineyard Boulevard, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Daily 9am-4pm
 Phone: +1 808 768 713 5
 Internet: www.honolulu.gov/cms-dpr-menu/site-dpr-sitearticles/568-foster-botanical-garden.html
 Email: hbq@honolulu.gov
 More Info: Free guided tours are offered every day at 10:30am, and reservations are recommended.

Makapu'u Point Lighthouse Trail



This 2-mile hike at Kaiwi State Scenic Shoreline Park takes visitors over beautiful hills to the historic Makapu'u lighthouse, and it always provides places for having a break and for admiring the breath-taking scenery. During the winter months, it is possible to view humpback

whales during their long migrations.

Photo: E.J.Johnson Photography/Shutterstock.com
 Address: Kaiwi State Scenic Shoreline Park, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Apr 7am-7:45pm. May-Mar 7am-6:45pm
 Internet:
dlnr.hawaii.gov/dsp/parks/oahu/kaiwi-state-scenic-shoreline

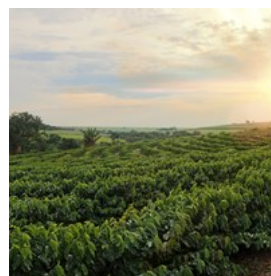
Shangri La



This beautiful former home of Doris Duke is now a museum housing the Foundation for Islamic Art, which promotes the study and understanding of Islamic arts and cultures. Do book a guided tour ahead for exploring the five acre complex with the house itself, a playhouse, a pool, courtyards, terraces, gardens, and water feature, as access to Shangri La is by reservation or business appointment only.

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 Address: 4055 Papu Circle, Honolulu
 Phone: +1 808 734 1941
 Internet: www.shangrilahawaii.org
 Email: shangrilatickets@honolulumuseum.org

Green World Coffee Farm



On this 7-acre farm, 2,000 arabica coffee trees grow out of green beans from all over the Hawaiian islands. While free samples of at least 5 varieties of coffee are always available in the store, and you can also enjoy a fresh cup at the espresso bar. However, do not forget to go on a self-guided tour to learn more about the production on the farm itself.

Photo: Andre Nery/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 71-101 North Kamehameha Highway, Wahiawa
 Opening hours: Mon-Thu 6am-5pm. Fri 6am-6pm. Sat-Sun

7am-6pm

Phone: +1 808 622 232 6

Internet: www.greenworldcoffeefarm.com

Lyon Arboretum



The Harold L. Lyon Arboretum is 200-acre of real nature rather than a cosmetically designed and landscaped garden. On the trails winding through this impressive scenery, you can find some of the most representative Hawaiian plants and trees, such as breadfruit and sugarcane, so do go here for a lovely and relaxing stroll.

Photo: Lisa Strachan/Shutterstock.com

Address: 3860 Manoa Road, Honolulu

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-4pm. Sat 9am-3pm

Phone: +1 808 988 045 6

Internet: manoa.hawaii.edu/lyonarboretum

More Info: All visitors are required to sign in at the Visitor Center.

DINING



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The cuisine of Oahu has naturally been influenced by its surroundings – seafood, therefore, plays a large part in the local cuisine, complemented by excellent roast meats, and the traditional kalua pork should not be missed, as well as by daring Asian influences. Dishes are served with a wide range of fresh fruits and vegetables including the local root vegetable

taro, which is usually mashed to provide the staple poi.

Chef Mavro



Chef Mavro serves exquisite contemporary Hawaiian cuisine that will make you come back for more quite soon. French technique is paired with global flavors and local ingredients, and the menu changes quarterly, while every dish (including dessert) is matched with a select wine.

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Address: 1969 South King Street, Honolulu

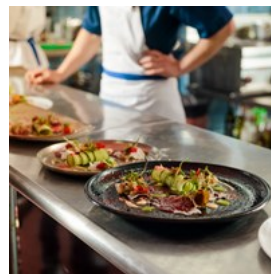
Opening hours: Wed-Sun 6pm-9pm

Phone: +1 808 944 471 4

Internet: www.chefmavro.com

Email: chef@chefmavro.com

Chef Chai



Chef Chai is claimed as one of Hawaii's top Hawaii Regional Cuisine chefs, and his menu fuses fresh Hawaii ingredients with flavors from Asia in order to celebrate Oahu's cultural diversity. Chai's restaurants have been praised and recommended by Bon Appetite, Brides, Sunset, Cooking Light, Travel & Leisure, Gourmet Magazine, and many more, so do have a try and figure its value out yourself.

Photo: Yuriy Golub/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1009 Kapiolani Boulevard, Honolulu

Opening hours: Tue-Sun 4pm-10pm

Phone: +1 808 585 001 1

Internet: www.chefchai.com

Email: Chai@Chaisislandbistro.com

More Info: Happy hour from 4pm-6pm.

Buzz's Original Steakhouse



Veritably unchanged since its opening in 1967, Buzz's has beckoned hungry visitors for decades and up to this very day. While offering a variety of salads and meat dishes, with steak, burgers, teriyaki chicken, and fresh fish, the he mai tai is one of the strongest around.

Photo: T photography/Shutterstock.com
Address: 413 Kawaioloa Road, Kailua
Opening hours: Daily 11am-9pm
Phone: +1 808 261 466 1
Internet: www.buzzsoriginalsteakhouse.com
Email: buzzslanikai@gmail.com

Tanaka Of Tokyo West



Tanaka is a Japanese restaurant serving a wonderful array of seafood and steak. Your chosen meal is artistically prepared on your table-top grill. A few examples of what's on the menu are lobster tails, scallops, Black Angus sirloin, King salmon, and teriyaki chicken.

Photo: hlphoto/Shutterstock.com
Address: 1777 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu
Opening hours: Daily 11am-2pm and 5pm-closing
Phone: +1 808 945 344 3
Internet: www.tanakaoftokyo.com
Email: tanakarestaurants@gmail.com

Little Village Noodle House



This 'little house' is a trendy restaurant serving delicious home-cooked Chinese dishes. While its history began way back in the 70s when the owners

arrived in Honolulu, straight from China, it still pleasures both regulars and newcomers day by day, with fresh food and great service.

Photo: Timolina/Shutterstock.com
Address: 1113 Smith Street, Honolulu
Opening hours: Mon-Thu 10:30am-9:30pm, Fri-Sun 10:30am-10am
Phone: +1 808 545 300 8
Internet: www.littlevillagehawaii.com

Arancino

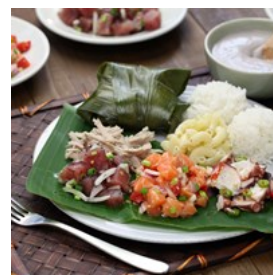


Arancino is an upscale Italian restaurant serving different typical dishes accompanied with great wines. As cheese, meat, and pasta get imported

all the way from Italy, all the dishes get that specific taste, and they are as authentic as Italian food far away from its source can possibly be.

Photo: Yulia Grigoryeva/Shutterstock.com
Address: 255 Beachwalk Avenue, Honolulu
Opening hours: Daily 11:30am-2:30pm and 5pm-10pm
Phone: +1 808 923 555 7
Internet: www.arancino.com/arancino-beachwalk
Email: info@arancino.com
More Info: There are Arancino venues at the Waikiki Beach Marriott Resort and The Kahala Hotel & Resort as well.

Helena's Hawaiian Food



Helena's is a renowned Honolulu diner serving home-cooked specialties such as smoked short ribs pipikaula-style and squid luau. While being a local favorite for more than 60 years, the restaurant and its chef Helen Kwock Chock received the James Beard Award back in 2000.

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Address: 1240 North School Street, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Tue-Fri 10am-7:30pm
 Phone: +1 808 845 804 4
 Internet: www.helenashawaiianfood.com
 Email: info@helenashawaiianfood.com

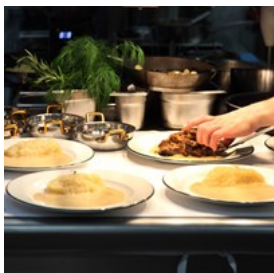
Kai Market



A regional "farm-to-table" menu and international flavors is what you can expect from Sheraton's Kai Market, as you will find everything from a prime rib carving station to Chinese-style steamed fish and clams in a ginger-black-bean sauce. Daily open-air luau-style shows take place as well.

Photo: LIU ANLIN/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 2255 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Daily 6am-11am and 5.30pm-9.30pm
 Phone: +1 808 921 460 0
 Internet: www.sheraton-waikiki.com/dining/kai
 Email: TDRC.Hawaii@starwoodhotels.com

Town



The voguish Town is a hotspot for Honolulu's hip and "in-the-know" locals. With a Mediterranean-eclectic menu, serving delights such as polenta with egg and asparagus or buttermilk panna cotta, however, tourists are most attracted and welcome as well.

Photo: Ricwhite/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 3435 Waialae Avenue, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Mon-Thu 11am-2:30pm and 5:30pm-9:30pm.
 Fri-Sat 11am-2:30pm and 5:30pm-10pm
 Phone: +1 808 735 590 0
 Internet: www.townkaimuki.com

La Mer



La Mer is arguably the most beautiful dining facility of Oahu, as both art deco and haute-French cuisine reins in evenings of romance. Choose from three prix-fixe options and just enjoy an evening full of miracles.

Photo: Lucy Liu/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 2199 Kalia Road, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Daily 5:30pm-9:30pm
 Phone: +1 800 367 234 3
 Internet: www.halekulani.com/living/dining/la_mer

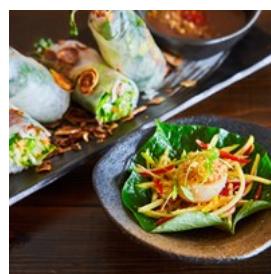
Opal Thai Food



This small restaurant started off as a food truck but expanded in order to keep up with its ever-growing band of loyal customers. While serving delicious Thai food – tom kha soup, green curry, and drunken noodles – the owners are friendly, and they love to help customers pick the right dish.

Photo: ARENA Creative/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 1030 Smith Street, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Tue-Sat 11am-3pm and 5pm-10pm
 Phone: +1 808 381 809 1
 Internet: www.opalthai.com/

The Pig and the Lady



Mixing Vietnamese tradition with island flavours, this restaurant acts as both an unassuming noodle house for the busy lunch crowd by day and a fine dining experience at night. Dishes are daring and flavourful, and they

include combinations such as porchetta with pomegranate-arugula salsa verde, and the desserts are equally innovative and delicious.

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Address: 83 North King Street, Honolulu

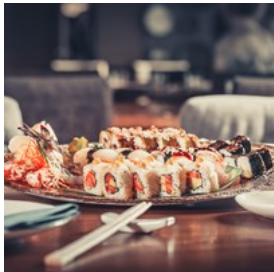
Opening hours: Mon 11am-3pm. Tue-Sat 11am-3pm and 5:30pm-9:30pm

Phone: +1 808 585 825 5

Internet: www.thepigandthelady.com

More Info: The restaurant has another venue at 1200 Ala Moana Boulevard and a truck at the Farmers Market.

Akasaka



Hawaii's Japanese heritage again gets evident in this tiny sushi bar. While its location might not be the most inviting, the sushi, sashimi, butterfish and other grilled specialties served here most certainly are.

Photo: Volodymyr Goinyk/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1646 Kona Street, Honolulu

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 11am-2:30pm and 5pm-12am.

Fri-Sat 11am-2:30pm and 5pm-2am

Phone: +1 808 942 446 6

Cholo's Homestyle Mexican



Hawaii's multicultural heritage does not only include Asian and Polynesian influences, and this Mexican restaurant gives visitors

that other side of the Hawaiian melting pot, offering all the fixings you would expect: tacos, fajitas, burritos, enchiladas and much more. Also, the fish tacos are made with the freshest catch, and the margaritas with the juiciest mangoes.

Photo: Joshua Resnick/Shutterstock.com

Address: 66-250 Kamehameha Highway, Haleiwa

Opening hours: Daily 9:30am-9:30pm

Phone: +1 808 637 305 9

Greens and Vines



Like a true world city, Honolulu has kept up with the demand for healthy dining options in the recent years, so this raw-food restaurant

popped up, serving dishes like the delicious Living Lasagne. While serving proper dishes and also regular wine-tastings, the café area has quick eats ready to go.

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Address: 909 Kapiolani Boulevard, Honolulu

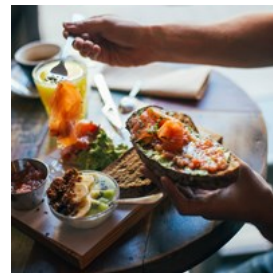
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 11am-2pm and 5pm-9pm

Phone: +1 808 536 968 0

Internet: www.greensandvines.com

More Info: Thsi restaurants also serves at the Farmers' Markets, just check out their website.

Cinnamon's Restaurant



Cinnamon's self-proclaimed goal is "good food at reasonable prices, courteously served in a clean, friendly, smoke-free

atmosphere." Specialising in breakfast foods, the dishes here strive to be fresh and free from chemicals, preservatives and additives, providing wholesome and balanced meals. Although its name implicates sweet treats, you will also find savoury dishes on their menu.

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Address: 315 Uluniu Street, Kailua

Opening hours: Daily 7am-2pm

Phone: +1 808 261 872 4

Internet: www.cinnamons808.com

Hank's Haute Dog



At this beloved restaurant, Chicago-style hot dogs undergo all kinds of transformations, as local and international sausages and toppings

are combined in order to create unique and explosive flavours. Try the wild boar sausage with cran-apple relish or gourmet with the butter-seared lobster sausage topped with garlic-relish aioli.

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Address: 324 Coral Street, Honolulu

Opening hours: Mon-Thu 11am-4pm. Fri-Sun 11am-6pm

Phone: +1 808 532 426 5

Internet: www.hankshautedogs.com

Email: office@hankshautedogs.com

Kua Aina Sandwich



A favourite among locals and tourists since its opening in 1975, Kua Aina, serves huge and immensely savoury hand-formed burgers.

From bacon to cheese, salsa and, of course, Hawaiian pineapple, everything can be added, so this is a treat which should not be missed.

Photo: veryulissa/Shutterstock.com

Address: 66-160 Kamehameha Highway, Haleiwa

Opening hours: Daily 11am-8pm

Phone: +1 808 637 606 7

Sorabol



Sorabol is the largest Korean restaurant in the city, lending to a vast menu of Korean cuisine and sushi favorites. Head here for experiencing

both tasteful Korean dishes and an authentic atmosphere.

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Address: 805 Keeaumoku Street, Honolulu

Opening hours: Sun-Thu 8am-1am. Fri-Sat 8am-8am

Phone: +1 808 947 311 3

Internet: www.sorabolhawaii.com

Email: info@sorabolhawaii.com

Po To Chau



To Chau will always be the default Vietnamese restaurant of Oahu, as they were the pioneer Vietnamese venue. While you will find legions of

loyal customers during the week, it also attracts newcomers each day, so do expect long lines and expert service. However, it is worth its time.

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Address: 1007 River Street, Honolulu

Opening hours: Daily 8:30am-2:30pm

Phone: +1 808 533 454 9

CAFES



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Coffee culture is on the rise on Oahu, and skilled baristas can whip up special coffees for any taste. Do sit down and savour a coffee while also enjoying the most spectacular atmospheres. Let the gentle sea breeze caress your face, while the fragrance of the colourful flowers soothe your

soul, and the views of the Pacific Ocean tantalise your imagination.

Tea at 1024



Go all out and choose a hat and feather boa for delighting in the quirky and fun atmosphere. As this playful experience is memorable even before they will serve you cookies and afternoon tea, you should not miss this out.

Photo: AlexandriaBryjak/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1024 Nuuanu Avenue, Honolulu

Opening hours: Wed-Fri 11am-1pm. Sat-Sun 11am-3pm

Phone: +1 808 521 959 6

Internet: www.teaat1024.net

Tangö



Finnish chef Göran Streng nods to his heritage with a clean and trendy setting in his cafe, where you can enjoy a clever and eclectic

cuisine blending Scandinavian and American classics. Featuring fresh, natural, and house-made ingredients, you can savour excellent dishes nearly all day long: for breakfast, brunch, lunch and dinner.

Photo: Foxys Forest Manufacture/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1288 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 7am-10am and 11am-4pm. Mon-Sat 5pm-9:30pm. Sat-Sun 8am-2pm

Phone: +1 808 593 728 8

Internet: www.tangocafehawaii.com

Email: tango.hokua@gmail.com

veranda at the beachhouse



As veranda is located at the Moana Surfrider hotel, this cafe is surrounded by elegant Victorian architecture right by the shores of Waikiki. Sit back and enjoy breakfast, lunch or afternoon tea under the shade of an imposing Banyan tree, and your day could not have started (and passed) any better.

Photo: Supreecha Samansukumal/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2365 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu

Opening hours: Daily 6am-10:30am and 11:30pm-2:30pm.

Phone: +1 808 921 460 0

Internet: www.moana-surfrider.com/dining/veranda

Email: centraldiningreservations@pleasant.net

Island Vintage Coffee



Island Vintage Coffee Company carries 100% gourmet Kona coffee, so they only feature the finest coffee beans chosen from volcanic

soils of Hawaii. While having a coffee is almost mandatory, trying their tasty poke and acai bowls as well as their sandwiches will also enrich your stay (and day).

Photo: zjuzjaka/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2301 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu

Opening hours: Drinks: daily 6am-11pm. Food: 7am-3pm

Phone: +1 808 926 566 2

Internet: www.islandvintagecoffee.com

Email: info@islandvintagecoffee.com

More Info: This cafe has many other venues that are presented on their website.

Barefoot Beach Cafe



Barefoot Beach is a safe bet for breakfast, especially when it comes to thinking of your budget (again) – however, do also head here for lunch and dinner. Located right at the beach, they do not only serve great menus but also a wonderful atmosphere, hold up by tiki torches after nightfall.

Photo: Hanna Summer/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 2699 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Daily 7am-8:30pm
 Phone: +1 808 924 223 3
 Internet: barefootbeachcafe.wordpress.com
 Email: Info@BarefootBeachCafe.com

Moana Surfrider



In conjunction with its sister cafe, the veranda at the beachhouse, Surfrider Cafe is Moana Surfrider Resort's trendy morning and early afternoon option. This venue serves healthy dishes at its beachfront location, and you will find a variety of specialty coffees, island fruit bowls, freshly prepared lunch dishes and sandwiches on the menu.

Photo: Natalie magic/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 2365 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Daily 7am-4:30pm
 Phone: +1 808 922 311 1
 Internet: www.moana-surfrider.com/dining/surfridercafe

Sugoi Bento & Catering



Sugoi Bento is a breakfast-and-lunch diner, and they were among the very first restaurants at Oahu that took the onslaught of healthy menu options. Today, they serve wonderful and tasty alternatives to formerly fattening fare, and their menu somehow includes every flavour and every influence. Although their atmosphere does invite you to stay, do (also) build your own bento (=take-out portion) and you will not be disappointed.

Photo: Tobin C/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 1286 Kalani Street, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Daily 8am-3pm
 Phone: +1 808 841 798 4
 Internet: www.sugoihawaii.com

Olive Tree Cafe



The Olive Tree is a self-serve café offering taramasalata, falafel, and souvlaki. As it is BYOB (=bring your own booze) without any corkage fee, this will relieve your budget but increase your Hawaii experience.

Photo: FoodAndPhoto/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 4614 Kilauea Avenue, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Daily 5pm-10pm
 Phone: +1 808 737 030 3
 Internet: www.olivetreecafe.food-24h.com

India Cafe



India Cafe is an incredibly friendly venue run by an Indian family by way of Malaysia. Feasting on authentic South Asian cuisine,

including dishes like dosai, daal, curries, samosas and shrimp sambal, this will be one of your highlights.

Photo: Joe Gough/Shutterstock.com

Address: 600 Kailua Road, Kailua

Opening hours: Daily 10:30am-8pm

Phone: +1 808 262 180 0

Internet: www.indiacafehawaii.com

Email: indiacafe@msn.com

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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After soaking up the sun or pounding the surf all day long, it is time for hitting the town and for sampling the famous Mai Tai cocktail - dive in, kick back, and enjoy the 'aloha' vibe. If the Mai Tai's have hit their mark and your feet begin to dance, then head out to one of Honolulu's many clubs or experience Hawaiian culture by catching a show or by devouring a luau buffet.

Hanks Cafe Honolulu



This bar serves features live contemporary Hawaiian music while serving great drinks accomplishing a most chilled atmosphere. As

owner Hank Taufaasau describes, he "opened it as an art gallery to showcase my paintings and prints. But I put the bar in to pay the rent. Artists starve!" but here, no one will.

Photo: Thitinun Lerdkijsakul/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1038 Nuuanu Avenue, Honolulu

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 1pm-2am. Sun 1pm-12am

Phone: +1 808 526 141 1

Internet: hankscafehawaii.com

Polynesian Cultural Centre Luau



The Polynesian Cultural Centre hosts an amazing luau and buffet six nights a week, and it also offers a show entitled "Ha: Breath of Life." As this

luau and the show are widely considered to be one of the most authentic experiences visitors can have of Hawaiian tradition and culture, make sure to not miss it.

Photo: Deborah Kolb/Shutterstock.com

Address: 55-370 Kamehameha Highway, Laie

Phone: +1 800 367 706 0

Internet: www.polynesia.com/dining_and_luau.html

Email: internetrez@polynesia.com

More Info: Opening hours of the luau vary so do check them on their website.

The Mai Tai Bar



The Mai Tai Bar at The Royal Hawaiian Resort has an inspiring happy hour that already won countless awards so do head here for starting into the night (and maybe stay). When night falls, you can enjoy island-style live music while sipping cocktails like Cucumber Melon Crush, Mango Mai Tai, and Mandarin Sweet Tea Cooler.

Photo: Ditty_about_summer/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2259 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu

Opening hours: Daily 10:30am-11:30pm

Phone: +1 808 923 731 1

Internet: www.royal-hawaiian.com/dining/maitaibar

Barefoot Bar



This lively beachfront bar at Duke's Waikiki - a complex of restaurant and bar -serves in the memory of Duke Kahanamoku who was

THE legendary Waikiki surfer, winning Olympic medals in swimming and introducing surfing to Australia and New Zealand. Head here for getting some spirit and for learning more about this legend..

Photo: Maira Tessa/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2335 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu

Opening hours: Daily 11am-12am

Phone: +1 808 922 226 8

Internet: www.dukeswaikiki.com

More Info: Opening hours for breakfast, lunch and dinner vary so do check their website.

O'Toole's Irish Pub



O'Toole's is a small pub with a big atmosphere. While savouring good drinks and lots of live music, as the Doolin Rakes perform here every weekend, you will also meet great and relaxed people that you want to spend the night with.

Photo: Bignai/Shutterstock.com

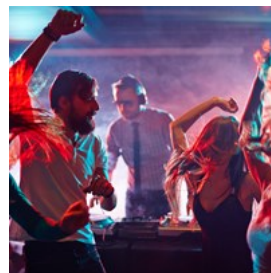
Address: 902 Nuuanu Avenue, Honolulu

Opening hours: Daily 10am-2am

Phone: +1 808 536 413 8

Email: questions@otoolesirishpub.com

Nextdoor



Nextdoor is a cool and funky club located in vibrant Chinatown playing an eclectic range of music, from dance over electro to reggae. As this club also features local and international talents, you may even discover new trends.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com

Address: 43 North Hotel Street, Honolulu

Opening hours: Wed-Fri 5pm-2am, Sat 9pm-2am

Phone: +1 808 200 447 0

Internet: www.nextdoorhi.com

Email: michael@nextdoorhi.com

Boardriders Bar & Grill



Designed as a cool and laid-back surfers' bar, this venue includes a pool table, dartboards, plenty of large TVs for watching sports, and of course, delicious and refreshing drinks. However, the main attraction here is the live music every Friday and Saturday, and the performers are

usually local bands playing rock or reggae.

Photo: Evannovostro/Shutterstock.com
Address: 201 A Hamakua Dr, Kailua
Opening hours: Daily 11am-2am
Phone: +1 808 261 460 0
Email: brianboardriders@gmail.com

Addiction



Addiction for sure one of the hottest nightclubs on Honolulu, as this haute location offers intimate seating for VIP tables and bottle service. While red-velvet ropes line the way to the entrance and Dj's spinning house and hip-hop music, the people on the dancefloor get crazy.

Photo: bbernard/Shutterstock.com
Address: 1775 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu
Opening hours: Thu-Sat 10:30pm-3am
Phone: +1 855 970 416 1
Internet: www.addictionnightclub.com
Email: info@AddictionNightclub.com

Magic of Polynesia



Illusionist John Hirokawa has created a show unlike anything else on the Hawaiian islands, as this highly entertaining event contains sleight of hand magic and death-defying illusions as well as contemporary hula and Island music acts. Dramatic special effects and mesmerising Polynesian fire knife performances will perfect your experience that you will not forget that fast, or maybe never.

Photo: Ollyy/Shutterstock.com
Address: 2300 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu
Phone: +1 808 971 432 1
Internet: www.magicofpolynesia.com

More Info: The showroom is located at the Holiday Inn Waikiki Beachcomber Hotel.

Jazz Minds Arts & Cafe



The Jazz Minds Arts & Cafe hosts amazing live jazz shows that bring the vibe of New Orleans to downtown Honolulu. Check out their program and make sure to experience the cool ambiance of this cafe.

Photo: BlurryMe/Shutterstock.com
Address: 1661 Kapiolani Boulevard, Honolulu
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 7pm-2am
Phone: +1 808 945 080 0
Internet: www.honolulu jazzclub.com
Email: jazzminds@yahoo.com

Sharkey's Comedy Club



For a bit of a different night out, stop by at Sharkey's Comedy Club in Waikiki for enjoying live stand-up comedy on Tuesdays and Saturdays. While local comedians delight audiences with their observational humour, the staff provides you with everything you need.

Photo: totojang1977/Shutterstock.com
Address: 2055 Kalia Road, Honolulu
Opening hours: Tue and Sat 7:30pm-10pm
Phone: +1 808 531 424 2
Internet: www.sharkeyscomedyclub.com
Email: info@sharkeyscomedyclub.com

Hula's Bar And Lei Stand



Hula's is Hawaii's oldest and best-known gay-friendly nightspot. Enjoy the view of Diamond Head during the daylight and head for the soundproof and glassed dance floor for the night, dancing to past patrons including Elton John, Adam Lambert and Dolly Parton.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com
Address: 134 Kapahulu Avenue, Honolulu
Opening hours: Daily 10am-2am
Phone: +1 808 923 066 9
Internet: www.hulas.com
Email: contact@hulas.com

Nashville Waikiki



Nashville is the place for paniolos (Hawaiian cowboys) and paniolos-to-be. While free dancing lessons are offered five nights a

week, the weekend boasts wall-to-wall crowds that you do not want to miss out.

Photo: VTT Studio/Shutterstock.com
Address: 1 Aloha Tower, Honolulu
Opening hours: Daily 11am-2am
Phone: +1 808 926 791 1
Internet: www.nashvillewaikiki.com

The Dragon Upstairs



The Dragon Upstairs is located in the heart of Chinatown, and it attracts with a welcoming atmosphere and great service. Sip on classic

cocktails while listening live music and you will enjoy your stay here best.

Photo: PopTika/Shutterstock.com
Address: 1038 Nuuanu Avenue, Honolulu
Opening hours: Mon-Sat 6pm-2am
Phone: +1 808 526 141 1
Internet: <http://thedragonupstairs.com/>

Genius Lounge

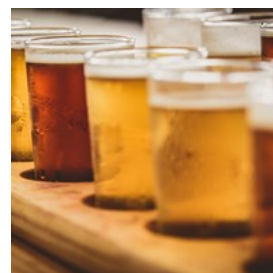


The intimate and candle-lit ambiance at Genius Lounge is sophisticated but laid-back and, as very inviting, regularly

attracts locals and tourists alike. The full bar offers anything that might tickle your taste, including home-made sangria, and the Japanese-inspired dishes are very delicious.

Photo: Cabeza de Marmore/Shutterstock.com
Address: 347 Lewers Street, Honolulu
Opening hours: Mon-Sun 6pm-2am
Phone: +1 808 626 536 2
Internet: www.geniusloungehawaii.com
Email: geniusloungewaikiki@gmail.com

Gordon Biersch



Located adjacent to the Honolulu Harbour, this breezy outdoor bar offers the city's best views of the luxury yachts that spend their days bobbing

up and down in the harbour. Live jazz, funk and rock can be heard while enjoying one of Gordon Biersch's international style beers. Head also here for enjoying a beer tasting.

Photo: IntoTheWorld/Shutterstock.com
Address: 1 Aloha Tower Dr, Honolulu
Opening hours: Sun-Thu 11am-11pm, Fri-Sat 11am-1am
Phone: +1 808 599 487 7
Internet: www.gordonbiersch.com/locations/honolulu/

Wai'olu Ocean Cuisine



Boasting breath-taking sunset views and a sophisticated vibe, the Wai'olu Ocean View Lounge at Trump International Hotel is one

of the spiffiest places in town. The drinks are good and there is live music of all sorts, while a special draw is the fact that customers can get absinthe served in the traditional drip.

Photo: N K/Shutterstock.com

Address: 223 Saratoga Road, Honolulu

Opening hours: Daily 11am-11pm

Phone: +1 808 683 745 6

SHOPPING



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If you are looking for souvenirs or just a little self-indulgent shopping therapy, then Honolulu has everything you could possibly desire. From the bustle of the marketplace to the refined shopping experience of the designer boutique, Honolulu caters to all and everything. However, local shops tend to specialise in designer and vintage items and knickknacks, making Oahu a perfect place to shop for unique gifts.

Luxury Row



Luxury Row brings the latest high fashion to Honolulu and Oahu, as offering luxury brands including Chanel, Coach, Tiffany & Co, Yves Saint Laurent, Bottega Veneta, Gucci, Hugo Boss, and Tod's. As the centre is located in the heart of the Waikiki beach resort and urban retail district, you probably do not even have to travel far.

Photo: NaiyanaB/Shutterstock.com

Address: 2100 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu

Opening hours: Daily 10am-10pm

Phone: +1 808 922 224 6

Internet: www.luxuryrow.com

Hilo Hattie



Hilo Hattie at Moana shopping centre is Honolulu's best destination for Hawaiian fashion, gifts, souvenirs, home and beach

accessories, beauty products, gourmet foods and stunning island jewelry. In fact, you can here get almost everything, so this is where tourists in the know go to get that Hawaiian shirt that visitors simply have to take back home.

Photo: ChameleonsEye/Shutterstock.com

Address: 1450 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9:30am-9pm. Sun 10am-7pm

Phone: +1 808 973 326 6

Internet: www.hilohattie.com

Ala Moana Shopping Center



Ala Moana is the world's largest open-air shopping mall, hosting over 240 stores and 60 restaurants in the 50-acre complex and, thus, an impressive blend of international, national, and local boutiques. Gucci, Louis Vuitton, Christian Dior, and Armani are some of the brands located on site but you can also experience many more.

Photo: Daniel Ramirez/Flickr.com (image cropped)
 Address: 1450 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9:30am-9pm. Sun 10am-7pm
 Phone: +1 808 955 951 7
 Internet: www.alamoanacenter.com

Aloha Tower Marketplace



The Aloha Tower Marketplace is a festival market featuring restaurants, entertainment venues, shops, and kiosks. Go here for experiencing a vibrant and colorful shopping experience and take home some souvenirs.

Photo: Johnny Silvercloud/Flickr.com (image cropped)
 Address: 1 Aloha Tower Drive, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-9pm. Sun 9am-6pm
 Phone: +1 808 544 143 2
 Internet: www.alohatower.com

Tin Can Mailman

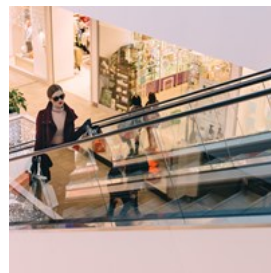


Tin Can Mailman is a vintage shop in Chinatown, full of Hawaiiana and memorabilia, from postcards, books and pinup girls to clothes and jewellery. Browsing

through the huge selection of items is like turning back time to see a Hawaii from long ago that indeed knows how to compete with the current one.

Photo: DutchScenery/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 1026 Nuuanu Ave, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Mon-Fri 11am-5pm. Sat 11am-4pm
 Phone: +1 808 524 300 9
 Internet: www.tincanmailman.net

T-Galleria



Hawaii's largest beauty and cosmetic store makes its home at the DFS Galleria. As there are stores such as Hermès, Cartier, Michael Kors, and Marc Jacobs shops, you can browse nearly all day long before having a break at the Kalia Grill or Starbucks, for instance.

Photo: StockSnap/Pixabay.com (image cropped)
 Address: 330 Royal Hawaiian Avenue, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Daily 9:30am-11pm
 Phone: +1 808 931 270 0
 Internet: www.dfs.com/en/tgalleria-hawaii

Global Village



At this beloved boutique, the eclectic selection of apparel and handcrafted one-of-a-kind jewellery, fashion, gifts and accessories from around the globe regularly changes and, thus, always stays exciting. The family-run business supports local designers and manufacturer, as well as green businesses and it therefore become a real local's favourite.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 539 Kailua Road, Kailua
 Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-7pm. Sun 10am-5pm

Phone: +1 808 262 818 3

Internet: www.globalvillagehawaii.com

Kahala Mall



Kahala is an upscale residential neighborhood with a shopping mall boasting over 100 stores and restaurants. Find Macy's, Reyn Spooner, an

Apple store, Island Sole footwear, and T&C Surf as well as local boutiques here, and you will not be disappointed.

Photo: [estherpoon/Shutterstock.com](https://www.shutterstock.com/estherpoon)

Address: 4211 Waialae Avenue, Honolulu

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10am-9pm. Sun 10am-6pm

Phone: +1 808 732 773 6

Internet: www.kahalamallcenter.com

King's Village



Fashioned in the monarchy era of Honolulu, the King's Village shopping centre even has a

changing-of-the-guard ceremony every evening at 6:15pm. If you are only here for shopping, look to The Jade Tree Jewelry, Honolulu Surf & Sport, and Solid Stone but, anyways, enjoy this special atmosphere.

Photo: [Daniel Ramirez/Flickr.com](https://www.flickr.com/photos/danielramirez/) (image cropped)

Address: 131 Kaiulani Avenue, Honolulu

Opening hours: Daily 10am-11pm

Phone: +1 808 944 685 5

Internet: www.kings-village.com

Email: kingsvillagehi808@gmail.com

Bookends



This independent neighbourhood bookstore has a quaint and familiar feel to it. As all the walls are lined with both new and used books, and the large children's section invites families to come and linger for a good while, browsing through the extensive selection is always a great experience here.

Photo: [George Rudy/Shutterstock.com](https://www.shutterstock.com/GeorgeRudy/)

Address: 600 Kailua Road, Kailua

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-8pm. Sun 9am-5pm

Phone: +1 808 261 199 6

North Shore Marketplace



North Shore is an open-air plaza housing art galleries, clothing stores, and a surf museum. Moreover, Jungle Gems is located here, with its precious and semiprecious gemstone jewelry that you do not want to miss out. The Silver Moon Emporium, however, is another favorite.

Photo: [Brian A Jackson/Shutterstock.com](https://www.shutterstock.com/BrianAJackson/)

Address: 66-250 Kamehameha Highway, Haleiwa

Opening hours: Daily 9am-9pm

Phone: +1 808 637 441 6

Internet: www.northshoremarketplacehawaii.com

Royal Hawaiian Center



The Royal Hawaiian Center composes a three-block radius with more than 100 stores and restaurants, including local stores Aloha Aina Boutique, Honolulu Home Collection, and Koi Boutique. Head here for having an authentic

experience of shopping.

Photo: Vera Petrunina/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 2201 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Daily 10am-10pm
 Phone: +1 808 922 229
 Internet: www.royalhawaiiancenter.com
 Email: media@royalhawaiiancenter.com

Aloha Stadium Swap Meet & Marketplace

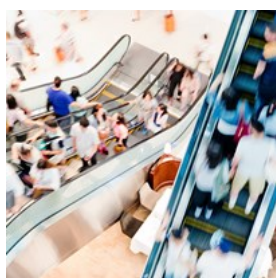


On Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays, the parking lot of the Aloha Stadium becomes a huge marketplace, where vendors push everything

from Hawaii themed clothes, accessories and souvenirs to ethnic food, silk flowers and other decorations. If you're patient and search thoroughly you can come across really unique find.

Photo: goodluz/Shutterstock.com
 Address: Aloha Stadium, Aiea
 Opening hours: Wed, Sat, Sun 8am-3pm
 Phone: +1 808 486 670 4
 Internet: www.alohastadiumswapmeet.net
 Email: alohaswapmeet@centerplate.com

Waikele Premium Outlets



This outlet features AIX Armani Exchange, Calvin Klein, Coach Luggage, and Saks Fifth Avenue as anchor stores, and many more that please almost

every taste. If you come hear, you can be sure about some proper shopping experience.

Photo: estherpoon/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 94-790 Lumiaina Street, Waikele
 Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-5pm
 Phone: +1 808 676 149 7
 Internet: www.premiumoutlets.com/outlet/waikele

Under a Hula Moon



This shop offers unique Hawaiian and souvenirs, and visitors will find interesting table-top decorations and typical Pacific designer items

such as clothes, shell wreaths and night-lights, Hawaiian quilts, frames, and one-of-a-kind handcrafted gifts.

Photo: Cloudia Spinner/Shutterstock.com
 Address: Kailua Shopping Center, Kailua
 Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9:30am-6pm. Sun 10am-5pm
 Phone: +1 808 261 425 2

Waikiki Beach Walk

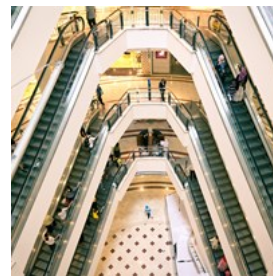


At the Beach Walk, 70 locally owned stores and restaurants greet eager shoppers and invite them to purchase one (or more) bargains. From stores

like Mahina and Under the Koa Tree to souvenir shops, everything can be found here.

Photo: Stockforlife/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 226 Lewers Street, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Daily 10am-10pm
 Phone: +1 808 931 359 1
 Internet: www.waikikibeachwalk.com

Waikiki Shopping Plaza



The Shopping Plaza is a five-floor shopping centre right across from the Royal Hawaiian Shopping Center. As Sephora, Armani Exchange, Guess,

Alter Ego, and Tanaka of Tokyo Restaurant are just several of 50 venues, it is definitely worth a visit.

Photo: Elena Ermakova/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 2250 Kalakaua Avenue, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Daily 9:30am-10pm
 Phone: +1 808 923 119 1
 Internet: www.waikikishoppingplaza.com
 Email: arlened@topofwaikiki.com

Lanikai Body and Bath



The products for sale at Lanikai comprise everything for health, hygiene and beauty: from creams, lotions and soaps to bath slats and scrubs.

All products are made in Hawaii, using natural ingredients and extracts from all sorts of natural sources, including fruits, nuts and weeds.

Photo: fiphoto/Shutterstock.com
 Address: Kailua Shopping Center, Kailua
 Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 10am-4pm
 Phone: +1 808 262 326 0
 Internet: www.lanikaibathandbody.com
 Email: info@lanikaibathandbody.com

Ward Village



The Ward Village is its own and self-sustaining entertainment and shopping destination with more than 80 specialty shops and 40 eateries. In

addition, it also hosts 16 movie theaters so you can really spend a whole day here.

Photo: Stockforlife/Shutterstock.com
 Address: 1050-1200 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu
 Opening hours: Mon- Sat 10am-9pm. Sun 10am-6pm
 Phone: +1 808 591 841 1
 Internet: www.wardcenters.com
 Email: vwardinfo@howardhughes.com

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



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Passport / Visa



Citizens of the Schengen countries, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Japan, South Korea,

Taiwan and the Kingdom of Brunei can visit the United States for up to 90 days without applying for a visa (as well as citizens of Andorra, Lichtenstein, Monaco and San Marino). Citizens of these countries must obtain an ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorization) before traveling. All other travelers must obtain a visa before visiting the United States. International travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the country.

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Best Time to Visit



Oahu has great weather all year round and is thus considered to be one of Hawaii's best islands. However, the winter from November until March

can be more rainy, especially on the island's east coast, so this season can be considered as a less popular one with visitors. While the winter offers best chances for whale watching, the period between May and September is the warmest, and thus tourists' favourite. Do consider travelling in off-season periods, as prices will be lower and both sights and streets less crowded.

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Honolulu Airport



Honolulu International Airport is located approximately 2 miles (3 km) from Downtown Honolulu. Bus numbers 19 and 20 run from the

airport to Downtown Honolulu and then on to Waikiki from 5am-11:45pm.

Robert's Hawaii (tel: +1 808 954 8652) operates a shuttle bus from the airport to any hotel in Waikiki, and another option is Oahu Airport Shuttle (tel: +1 808 664 3630): www.oahuairportshuttle.com.

There are also a number of taxi services waiting outside the terminal.

Photo: Juan Garces
Address: Honolulu Airport
Phone: +1 808 836 641 1
Internet: www.honoluluairport.com

Public Transport



Waikiki Trolley, the local transport service, has 40 drop off points between Downtown Honolulu, Waikiki, and Hanauma Bay, and they run

regularly. You can buy single tickets as well as 1, 4 or 7 day passes, and they will allow you to take every bus and even a ride at Double Deckers.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair
Address: 330 Royal Hawaiian Avenue, Honolulu
Phone: +1 808 593 282 2
Internet: www.waikikitrolley.com
Email: aloha@waikikitrolley.com

Motorbike / Bicycle Rental



Big Kahuna Motorcycle Rentals provides you with all kinds of mobility device: from harleys to mountain bikes, just what suits you best.

Photo: PATIWIT HONGSANG/Shutterstock.com
Address: 407 Seaside Avenue, Honolulu
Phone: +1 808 924 273 6
Internet: www.bigkahunarentals.com
Email: info@bigkahunarentals.com

Taxi



There are several taxi services operating across the island, and Charley's Taxi is one of the most known. However, there are other ones

recommendable as well:

Honolulu Taxi Service
750 Amana Street, Honolulu
+1 808 699 999 9

Kailua Coast Taxi
200 Kuulei Road, Kailua
+1 808 261 375 5

Photo: Taxi

Address: 1251 South King Street, Honolulu
Phone: +1 808 531 133 3
Internet: www.charleystaxi.com

Pharmacy



Oahu offers a huge variety of pharmacies located across the whole town, and a central one in Honolulu is at Bishop Street. However, they

spread over the island so they can be found in every bigger town. Mind their differing opening hours.

CVS Pharmacy

345 Hahani Street, Kailua
+1 808 489 932 0

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-6pm. Sat 10am-5pm

Walgreens Pharmacy

94-223 Farrington Hwy, Waipahu
+1 808 676 223 0

Opening hours: daily 8am-9pm

Photo: Gemma Garner

Address: 1188 Bishop Street, Honolulu

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8:30am-5pm

Phone: +1 808 533 888 7

Post Office



The United States Postal Service (USPS) mainly operates around Honolulu island, and the main office is at Ala Moana Boulevard. However,

there are several more and you recognize them by their blue logo. here, you can get any service from buying stamps to sending packages.

3600 Aoele Street, Honolulu
+1 800 275 877 7

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9am-8pm

438 Hobron Lane, Honolulu
+1 800 275 877 7

Mon-Fri 10am-1pm and 1:30pm-4:30pm. Sat 9am-10:30pm

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Address: 1450 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-5pm. Sat 9am-4:15pm

Phone: +1 808 532 198 7

Internet: www.usps.com

Telephone



Country code: +1 Area code: 808

Photo: Jardson Almeida

Electricity

120 V, 60 Hz, A/B



Photo: Stirling Tschan

Population

Oahu: 953,200

Honolulu: 387,170

Currency

1 US Dollar = 100 Cents

Opening hours

Most stores are open daily from 10am to 6pm or even longer, while most of the bars and clubs close down at 2am.

Newspapers

Honolulu Star Advertiser

Waikiki News
East Oahu Sun

Emergency numbers
911

Tourist information
Hawaii Visitors & Convention Bureau
2270 Kalakaua Avenue, Suite 801
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