



GEOGRAPHY

Northernmost and oldest geologically, Kaua'i is the fourth largest of the main Hawaiian Islands. Nearly circular in shape, Kaua'i's land area encompasses roughly 552 square miles. Only 3% of the island is developed for commercial and residential use.

Kaua'i's 72,029 residents live and work primarily in the coastal areas, leaving the island's interior beautiful and pristine.

CLIMATE

Kaua'i's weather is ideal year-round. Daytime temperatures range from the mid-70s to mid-80s, with the northeast tradewinds providing a refreshing breeze. Rain showers fall predominately over the mountain ranges. The ocean temperature is a warm 68° F to 75° F.

TRANSPORTATION

Just a 25-minute jet flight from Honolulu, Kaua'i is serviced by Hawaiian Airlines and Southwest Airlines with more than 20 regularly scheduled flights daily into Lihue Airport. United Airlines, Alaska Airlines, American Airlines, Delta Air Lines, WestJet, Air Canada, Hawaiian Airlines and Southwest Airlines fly nonstop from Denver, San Diego, San Jose, Oakland, Portland, Seattle, Vancouver, Los Angeles, San Francisco and Phoenix to Lihue.

Ground transportation is plentiful including hotel shuttles, taxi cabs, limousines, rental car companies and rideshare services. Several tour companies provide guided tours aboard motor coaches, mini-buses, vans, and four-wheel-drive vehicles.

POINTS OF DIFFERENCE

Kaua'i is famed for its diverse and scenic wonders, such as the 3,567-foot deep Waimea Canyon, popularly known as "the Grand Canyon of the Pacific," stretching 14 miles across the western end of the island, and the 3,000-foot high mountain cliffs that rise from the ocean floor to form the magnificent, unspoiled Nāpali Coast.

A number of qualities make Kaua'i unique from the other islands:

- No structure can be built more than four stories high, the height of a mature coconut palm tree.
- Kaua'i has been the location for many popular movies, including *South Pacific*, *Blue Hawaii*, *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, *Jurassic Park*, *Tropic Thunder*, *Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides*, *The Descendants*, *Jurassic World* and *Hobbs & Shaw*.
- Kaua'i is home to four of the top 15 golf courses in Hawai'i.
- 62% of Hawai'i's taro production is grown on 200 acres in the North Shore community of Hanalei.
- Kaua'i has the only navigable rivers in Hawai'i.
- Kaua'i offers an abundance of hiking trails and 50 miles of golden sand beaches.
- The National Tropical Botanical Garden (NTBG) is headquartered on Kaua'i. Its goal is to advance scientific research, public education and plant conservation.

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RESORT AREAS

Kauai has five major resort areas:

NORTH SHORE: Following a scenic 45-minute drive from Lihue Airport, you will come upon Princeville, Hanalei, and the North Shore. This idyllic setting is highlighted by majestic mountains, wide-open pasturelands, quaint communities, and the beautiful Hanalei Bay.

EAST: The Royal Coconut Coast runs 10 miles along Kauai's east side and was once the favored area of Hawaiian royalty. Today, it is home to one of the largest variety of accommodations, shops, and historical sites on the island.

LIHUE: Kauai's gateway city overlooks the island's major seaport, Nawiliwili Harbor. It is also home to Wailua Falls, the Kauai Museum, shopping centers, Kalapakī Beach and Lihue Airport.

SOUTH SHORE: Po'ipū Beach boasts some of the most spectacular snorkeling and other watersport sites on Kauai. Old Kōloa Town offers a glimpse of the island's sugar plantation history and is filled with eclectic shops.

WEST: Old-fashioned plantation-style towns that used to dominate the islands are on the west side of Kauai. Waimea and Hanapēpē are charming towns with an affinity for art. You will also find Waimea Canyon, dubbed "the Grand Canyon of the Pacific," Kalalau Valley Lookout and boat tours to the stunning Nāpali Coast.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodations range from luxurious resort hotels to spacious condominiums, cozy cottages, bed and breakfasts, and vacation rentals. Prices and locations are equally varied with the majority of properties located along the coastline.

The major resorts offer on-site restaurants and shops, as well as pool and beach facilities, tennis courts, golf courses, and often a spa or fitness center.

Several of the condominium complexes provide hotel-quality services, such as on-site restaurants, house keeping, guest activities, and entertainment.

ACTIVITIES

Kauai is well-known for its diverse range of activities.

Aerial Tours — See lush valleys and towering waterfalls

Agricultural Tours — Visit taro farms, coffee plantations and Chocolate farms

ATV Tours — See the backcountry with easy-to-use All-Terrain Vehicles

Boat Tours — Ocean and river, power or sail

Cultural and/or Craft Exhibits — Enjoy the art of Kauai

Eco Adventures — Sailing, hiking and biking

Entertainment — Polynesian shows, concerts, plays, cultural events and festivals

Fishing — Deep-sea or fresh water bass

Food Tours/Food Trucks — Experience unique eateries

Mini Golf — Enjoy putting along 18 holes set amongst botanical gardens

Gardens and Museums — Enjoy stunning botanical gardens and see the diversity of Kauai's heritage

Golf/Tennis — Six world-class golf courses, one 18-hole disc golf course, major resort areas also offer lessons and clinics

Horseback Riding — Trail rides along coastal paths and vistas

Land Tours — 4x4 tours through Kauai's backcountry

Mountain Tubing Adventure — Ride through tunnels and flumes on Hawaii's only tubing adventure

Photo Tours and Movie Tours — See Kauai in a comfortable vehicle while learning about movies or photography

Plantation Tour — Tour one of Kauai's historical plantations, whether it's on a narrow gauge train ride or open air vehicle during the Safari Tour at Kilohana Plantation, or take a guided stroll through Grove Farm's preserved 100 acre sugar plantation estate.

Spas and Fitness Centers — Located islandwide in major resorts and select locations

Spectator Sports — Marathon, outrigger canoe races, rodeos

Watersports — Snorkeling, scuba, snuba, water skiing, surfing, windsurfing, Stand Up Paddle (SUP), boogie boarding and kayaking

Zipline Tours — See Kauai while soaring above trees and across valleys

