

"Top Things To Do in Honolulu"

Brimming with history, natural attractions and cultural sites, Honolulu is often referred to as the heavenly 'Crossroads of the Pacific'. While its neighborhoods such as Waikiki, Waimea and Manoa shelter pristine beauty, its Pacific Rim gastronomy and snorkeling sites hold a charm of their own. In this spellbinding state capital, East meets West in every aspect and the warm spirit of Aloha embraces it all.

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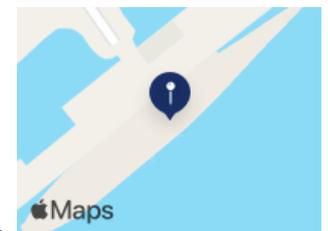
USS Missouri (BB-63)

"Historic Battleship from WWII"

Stand on the deck of this imposing old structure that has been painstakingly cared for and extensively renovated. The "Mighty Mo" is where General Douglas MacArthur proclaimed the end of World War II in September of 1945 in Tokyo Bay. The great vintage battleship now sits at permanent anchor across from the Arizona Memorial in Pearl Harbor. Visit the Arizona Memorial first to get a sense of the complete story.

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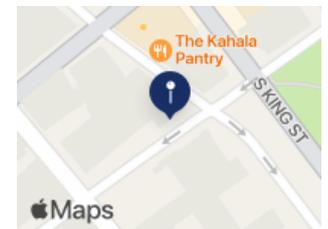
Iolani Palace

"Capitol of Old Hawai'i"

Built in 1882 by Hawai'i's last king, David Kalākaua, this stately three-story building is a real treat to explore. After the overthrow of the King's sister Queen Lili'uokalani in 1893, the structure served as the territorial and state capitol until 1969. The Palace Galleries showcase jewels and regalia from the days of Hawai'iian royalty. Guided tours are offered every 30 minutes and reservations are suggested.

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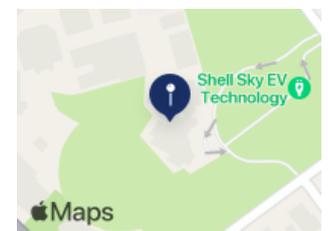
Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum

"Peek Into Honolulu History"

Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum provides a fascinating look into Hawai'i's colorful past. Established in 1889 by Charles Reed Bishop for his wife, the last descendant of the Kamehameha family, the museum has multiple permanent and special exhibits. From diverse subjects including Hawai'iian royalty to hands on science exhibits to contemporary works by native American artists, it contains an array of artifacts.

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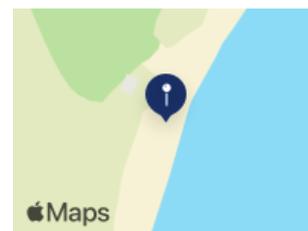


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Hanauma Bay Nature Preserve

"Snorkeling Paradise"

Famed for its beautiful horseshoe-shaped sandy beach and clear, calm turquoise waters, this natural marine sanctuary is home to thousands of colorful tropical fish. The waist-deep water inside the reef is perfect for novice snorkelers to explore. More experienced snorkelers might want to check with the lifeguard before venturing beyond to deeper waters to see sea turtles and other marine life. The Bay is least crowded in the early morning or late afternoon.



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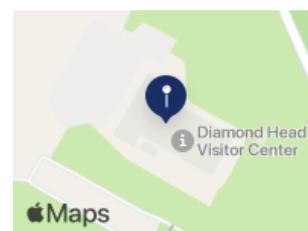


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Diamond Head

"Crown of Honolulu"

Also known as Lē'ahi, this crater of an extinct volcano got its name when Western explorers mistook calcite crystals they found there for diamonds. Framing the fabric of the island, the crater is riddled with a tracery of vents and volcanic remnants. The historic trail to the 761-foot (231.9 meter) summit starts inside the crater and is an easy, but steep, 0.8 mile (1.3 kilometers) hike to the top. Adorned with craggy corrugations and tufts of sun-bleached grass, Diamond Head affords astounding views of O'ahu's charming landscape, including some exceptional views of its beaches and locales.



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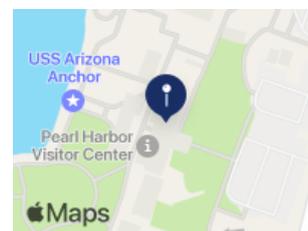


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Pearl Harbor

"Commemorating a Tragedy"

When an unexpected military attack initiated by the Japanese Navy Air Service on America's naval base in Pearl Harbor jolted the entire nation, it spurred the United States' entry into World War II, thus changing the history of the world as people knew it. The attack caused subsequent world-changing events, and rendered this naval base in Hawaii a crucial part of American history and heritage. Today, Pearl Harbor is dominated by five historic sites that serve as solemn reminders of this day in American history. The USS Arizona Memorial, Battleship Missouri Memorial, USS Bowfin Submarine Museum Park, USS Oklahoma Memorial and the Pacific Aviation Museum are all part of the site of this war incident. The USS Arizona Memorial in particular pays homage to the sunken vessel.



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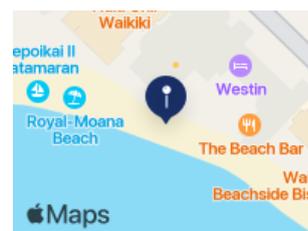


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Waikiki Beach

"Surfing Paradise"

Never has a beach been as fabled as Waikiki. Since the 1950s, this beach has been a tourist destination extraordinaire. Upon seeing the white sand beaches and crystal blue waters, there won't be any question why this legendary beach is so popular. If that wasn't enough, the beach is also one of the best places to surf on the island. During the night, the hipsters strut their clubwear on the beachwalk, and lovers find peaceful little nooks under the cover of sweeping palm trees. Affording scenic views of the Diamond Head, the beach exists quite in tandem with Hawaii's laid-back spirit.



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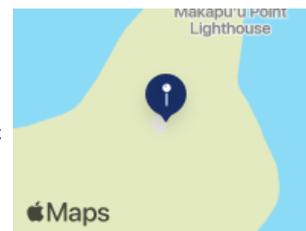


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Makapu'u Point Light

"Country's Largest Lighthouse Lens"

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1977, Makapu'u Point is the southeastern most point of O'ahu. The Makapu'u Lighthouse was constructed in 1909 and automated in 1974. A cylindrical brick tower, with a balcony and a lantern, the lighthouse has a masonry basement foundation. Equipped with a hyper radiant Fresnel Lens, it has the largest lens of any lighthouse in the United States. Sitting atop a volcanic point, the lighthouse is ideal for whale watching. The surrounding rocky cliffs are popular with hang gliders.



Waimānalo, Honolulu HI

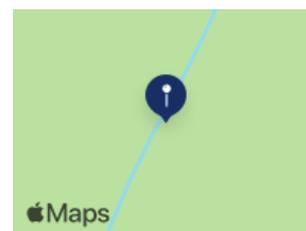


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Mānoa Falls

"Natural Beauty of Waikīkī"

Tucked in the back of lush Mānoa Valley is Mānoa waterfall, which is commonly thought to be one of the most beautiful sights of O'ahu. It rushes over a precipice and drops 100 feet to the pool below. The briskly cold water makes a refreshing change from the sticky Hawai'ian air. The hike to the waterfall takes approximately an hour and is not particularly difficult. The trail can get slippery during the rain, but on sunny days, it's clearly marked and easy to follow.



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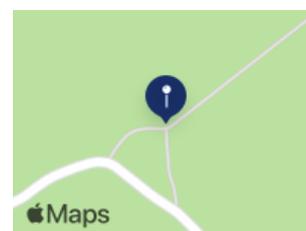


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Koko Crater Railway Trailhead

"Trek Through Rails"

Koko Crater Railway Trail is a trail for every nature enthusiast. The old railway tracks here, which were used once for transporting goods, are now defunct and used as stairs to head up to the mountain. The trail covers a large part of the Koko Head and offers spectacular views of the Honolulu shoreline. The panorama is a major highlight and is definitely worth the challenging climb. The visitors can also explore the Botanical Garden located at the top of the Koko Crater.



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