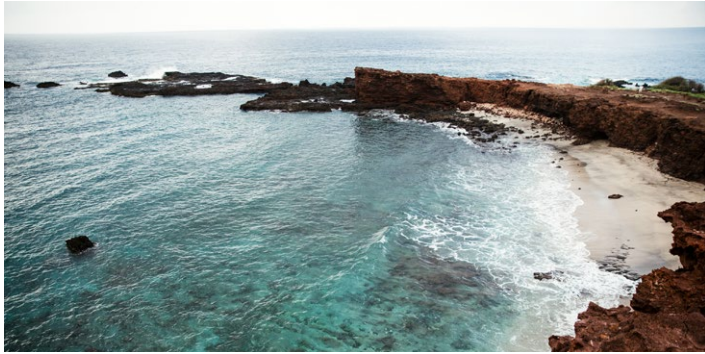


Uncover Lanai, Hawaii's Little Gem



Only 14km from Maui the island of Lanai can feel like it's a world away; and while it's the smallest inhabited island in Hawaii, it offers a multitude of activities catering to all types of travellers.

The island itself is home to 29km of coastline, ready to explore. Highlighted stops include Hulopoe Bay for snorkelling, Puu Pehe Beach (pictured) is a short hike away and is a great picnic spot and the pristine Polihua Beach is recommended for clients looking for an adventure, and some privacy—it's more often than not empty of people.

The destination also offers a wealth of trails to wow any hiker. For a challenge, try the Munro Trail. The trail begins at Four Seasons Resort Lai and ventures through mountains, grasslands and rainforest before

climbing to the peak of Lanaihale (1027m). Also recommended is Lanai Adventures woodland horseback rides and clay shooting at Lanai Archery and Shooting Range.

On the water, agents can recommend sunrise and sunset sails as well as whale watching tours with Lanai Ocean Sports.

... Five Star Food

Lanai is also highlighted for its food, being home to both mom-and-pop cafes in Lanai City and high-end resort restaurants. Recommended spots to grab a bite include Blue Ginger Cafe, Cafe 565 and Richard's Market in Lanai City. Those looking for some romance are advised to head the Lanai City Grille.

... Where To Stay

For luxury, there is the Four Seasons Resort Lanai. It overlooks marine reserve Hulopoe Bay, which is perfect for snorkelling and swimming with green sea turtles, spinner dolphins and colourful reef fish. For avid golfers, two world-ranked courses are on offer, and a spa.

Alternatively, clients can stay at the recently renovated Hotel Lanai, located in the heart of Lanai City. The 1930s era hotel boasts only 11 rooms, as well as a restaurant.

Seafood & Steak

Featuring a new menu with local fresh seafood, steak and a raw bar is Pa'akai restaurant at Turtle Bay Resort, Oahu. Designed by Pa'akai executive chef Joe Rose, the menu is based in simple food with high quality ingredients. Recommended dishes include prime New York strip, the whole fish and the seasonal cheesecakes. See turtlebayresort.com

Say Aloha To The Top

The Ritz-Carlton Residences, Waikiki Beach has been voted the Best Hotel in Hawaii in *USA Today's* 10 Best Reader's Choice Awards.

The 552-room property is Waikiki's newest resort, boasting 246 suites as well as two infinity pools with private cabanas, a premier fitness centre, yoga room, movie theatre, and a spa. Looking to dining, the resort features sushi and a high-end global market, with three new dining options also slated to debut this year. See ritzcarlton.com/Waikiki



Maui Whiskey Blend

Sheraton Maui Resort and Spa has partnered with whiskey distiller Maker's Mark to design Sheraton Maui's Private Select, a blend of bourbon whiskey exclusive to the hotel. The whiskey is available at the Kaanapali resort's restaurants and bars.

For The Love Of Beer



The fifth Annual Great Waikiki Beer Festival is on 23 Aug, and to celebrate Hilton Hawaiian Village is offering an exclusive beer pairing dinner, in conjunction with Kona Brewing Company. The dinner is available to beer festival attendees with VIP tickets, and includes a four course meal with expertly paired beers. See hiltonhawaiianvillage.com/events

Girls Night Out

Agents are reminded that tickets are now on sale for the International Market Place's Girls' Night Out. The 26 Jul event features 'chic cocktails, delicious dishes and giveaway swag', with tickets priced from USD95. See hawaiiifoodandwinefestival.com



Where To Find Wild Dolphins

For clients wanting to see dolphins in their natural habitat, recommend Wild Side Specialty Tours. Located in the west of Oahu, the company offers eco-friendly and intimate excursions with a crew of marine biologists and naturalists who share their expertise and insights on Oahu and Hawaii's cultural, natural, and marine environments. The tour includes watching dolphins from catamaran Alakai, as well as snorkelling with Hawaiian green sea turtles and tropical reef fish. See sailhawaii.com

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