

Aloha Friday



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Off The Beaten Path In The Garden Isle



Clients may have ticked off Waimea Canyon and Wailua River State Park, but the island of Kauai has many options for the adventurous traveller.

While clients may have viewed Waimea Canyon from above, agents can recommend the Kukui Trail (which descends 609m to the canyon floor) or the Iliau Nature Loop Trail (which skirts the canyon's west rim) for a more intrepid experience. If sightseeing from a two-wheelperch is more your client's thing, a sunrise or afternoon downhill bicycle tour with Outfitters Kauai is recommended.

HA's Cool Collab ... The Garden Isle

Kauai is known as the 'garden isle' for a reason, and Wailua River State Park isn't the only spot where clients can discover how it got the nickname. Highlighted spots include the beautiful gardens of the non-profit National Tropical Botanical Garden organisation; Allerton Garden which features ornamental and tropical flora and McBryde Garden, which offers tropical flora from Hawaii and around the world. See gohawaii.com

Hilton's Native Focus

Hilton Waikoloa Village has appointed Raymond Keenan director of landscaping, with the horticulture expert to focus on replacing imported plants across the property with those native to Hawaii. Raymond says he hopes the Hilton can become a model for the rest of the hotel industry.

Get Paddling!

The 2019 Queen Lili'uokalani Long Distance Canoe Race is kicking off in Kona 29 Aug, welcoming paddlers from around the world.

The five-day event features a multitude of races as well as festivities such as the Historic Kailua Village Cultural Walk, a Cultural Fair featuring Artisans and Cultural Practitioners, Torchlight Parade and the Queen Lili'uokalani Canoe Race Luau. See qlcanoerace.com



Celebrating Aloha

Aloha Festivals, presented by Hawaii Tourism, will debut a new event 07 Sep, In the Southern Sun. It celebrates the aloha spirit and includes a free concert with performances by local acts such as Common Kings. In The Southern Sun will be held at Queen's Surf Beach from 1700, with a pre-party at Queen Kapiolani Hotel from 1500. See alohafestivals.com

Cooking Classes



The popular Moana Masters cooking class series ends this Sep, with its last class to focus on how to elevate Thanksgiving and Christmas Feasts. Chef Colin Sato will teach clients how to prepare the perfect turkey, while enjoying bites such as turkey jook arancini and holiday cocktails. Following the lesson, clients will be treated to a family-style lunch with dishes such as Turket-ta with bacon and brussel sprouts. The class will be held on 14 Sep at Moana Surfrider, a Westin Resort & Spa, Waikiki.

HA On Sale

Hawaiian Airlines has tactical Hawaii fares on sale, priced from \$399 one way in Z class. Offer is for sales to 25 Aug, travel 01 Nov-11 Dec 2019 with add-ons to neighbour islands available.



Hawaii's Sweetest Spot

Hawaii is the only US state where cacao is grown, so if you have clients visiting Oahu, sampling the local chocolate is a must.

Madre Chocolates offers a Make Your Own Chocolate Bar Class, where clients can create their own custom chocolate bar with fun spices, nuts, and dried fruits. Alternatively, clients can visit the North Shore's award-winning Nine Fine Mynahs Cacao Farm, for a three-hour tour that explores the bean-to-bar chocolate bar process at the on-site factory.

Clients can also find Madre Chocolates is at KCC Farmers' Market every Sat 0730-1100. See madrechocolate.com

latest collaboration, and it's pretty cool! Together with 7-Eleven Hawaii the airline has launched the HA Slurpee, inspired by its signature passion-orange-guava-nectar in-flight juice. The Slurpees, which come in specially designed HA themed cups, are available at 7-Elevens across Hawaii until the end of the month.

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