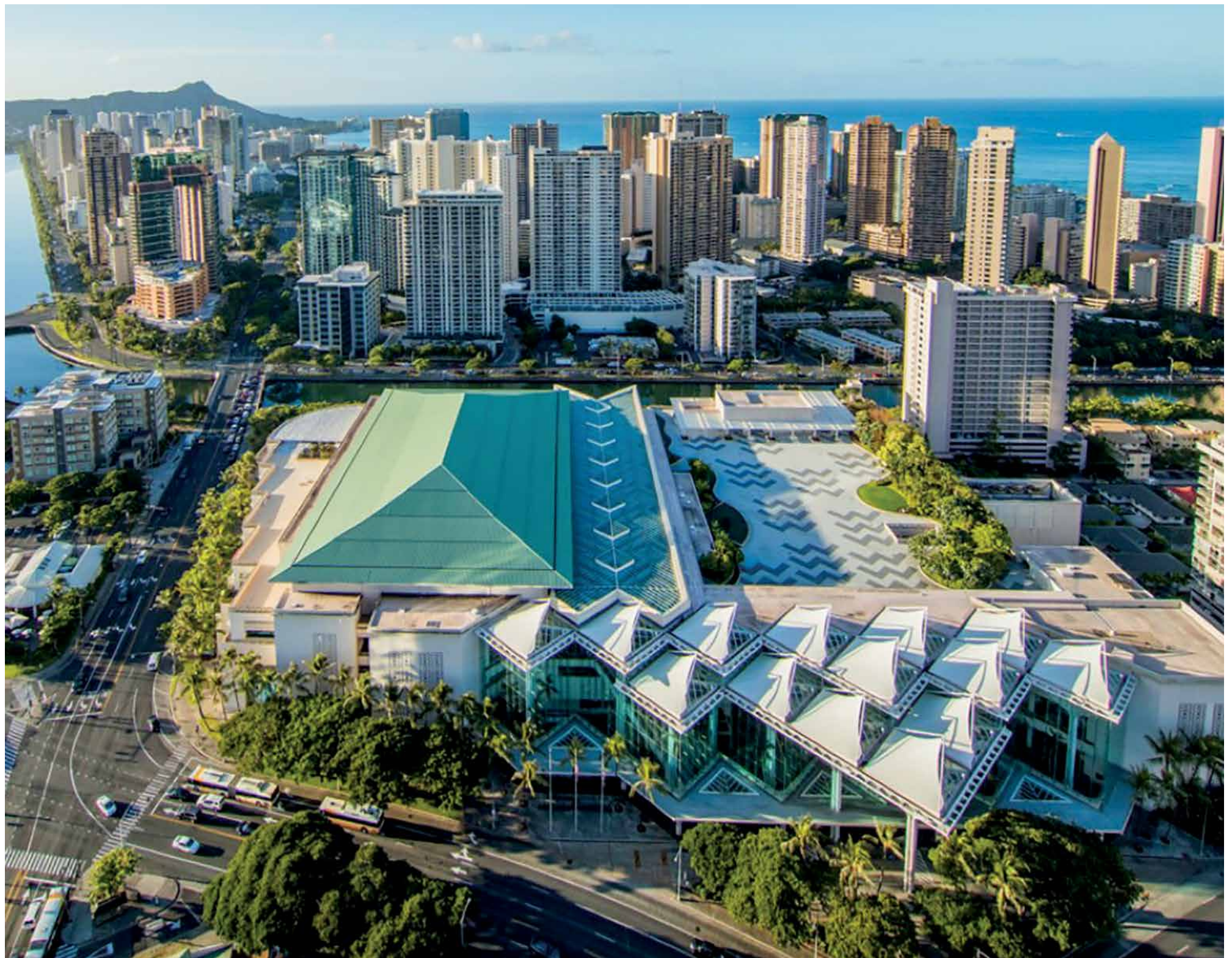


A GUIDE TO MEETINGS, CONVENTIONS AND INCENTIVES IN THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

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Aloha

THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

Not one, but six extraordinary islands—each offering a unique experience for gatherings of all sizes—
from intimate board meetings and corporate conventions to conferences and incentives.





PLAN TO MEET IN PARADISE

Individual island sections are located in the folder pocket of this guide. More information can be found at meethawaii.com.

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(Cover, clockwise, from top) Experience a sunset from any of the islands; abundant supply of meeting rooms at various resorts and at the Hawai'i Convention center. (Previous page) The rhythmic beauty of hula. (This page) Maui Arts & Cultural Center.



Special Message from Governor David Y. Ige
Presented to Meet Hawai'i

On behalf of the people of the State of Hawai'i, I extend my best wishes to the success of your event, convention or incentive program. It is our hope that this guide will serve as a useful resource as you explore all the unique options available throughout the Hawaiian Islands — Kaua'i, O'ahu, Moloka'i, Lāna'i, Maui and Hawai'i.

Our islands' renowned natural beauty may sometimes outshine our reputation as a proven and highly competitive meeting destination. But the array of scenic wonders is equaled by our rich, multicultural tapestry and ability to accommodate events of any size, from professional conferences, to exclusive special events, to international summits.

As the anchor of the Pacific, Hawai'i is uniquely situated between the East and West to serve as a center of international commerce and a gathering place for innovation, offering an inspirational destination experience that captures the imaginations and creativity of visitors and business travelers alike. From the moment your invitations, itineraries or other advance materials are received, you will inspire both anticipation and enthusiasm, while offering exceptional accommodations, facilities and services.

Meet Hawai'i's dedicated sales and marketing teams stand ready to help you. Mahalo for allowing the Aloha State to assist you in setting your meeting or event apart from the rest.



With warmest regards,

DAVID Y. IGE
GOVERNOR, STATE
OF HAWAII





Hawai'i

Discover all the advantages the islands have to offer.

Palm trees, sunny skies, warm waters. With its picture-postcard views, Hawai'i is the very definition of paradise. Towering mountains set against the backdrop of pristine, clear, blue beaches mean you can work up a sweat hiking and cool off almost immediately. A true melting pot, Hawai'i provides the best of both worlds—modern, urban living as well as bucolic backdrops, rich with long-standing tradition and cultural history. From activities catered for adrenaline junkies to more leisurely options for those whose main goal is to relax and unwind, there is something for everyone. With such tantalizing options for both work and play, there is no doubt that Hawai'i lives up to its reputation as a dream destination.

It's a place of unparalleled beauty and big-hearted hospitality—the 'aloha spirit,' as it's affectionately known. Visitors from all corners of the globe are welcomed with warmth and hospitality to Hawai'i, and are treated to weather that never disappoints: Gentle ocean breezes and the sun's warmth relax and rejuvenate at the same time. In this island paradise, travelers—for both business and leisure—recharge.

INSPIRATIONAL QUALITIES FOR MEETINGS AND CONVENTION GROUPS Attendees find focus with mindsets cleared of everyday distraction and take on tasks with a fresh approach. Outlooks gain new perspective, thinking moves out-of-the-box, and ideas flourish with

newfound enthusiasm. The shared Hawai'i experience affords attendees opportunities to better connect; to strengthen working relations and forge new business ties.

With luxurious resorts, first-rate venues, and a strong infrastructure, Hawai'i supports business programs with poise. As a host destination for meeting, convention, and incentives programs, Hawai'i delivers beyond expectation.



(Opposite page) Hawai'i Convention Center rooftop event. (Above) Traditional tī leaf lei making.

ADVANTAGE AND EXPERTISE

World-Class Meeting Venues Hawai'i has the right venues for any size group and any type of program with the capacity to host groups from 10 to 30,000. The centerpiece of Hawai'i's meetings market is the Hawai'i Convention Center (HCC),

which is just eight miles from Daniel K. Inouye International Airport and within walking distance of major Waikīkī hotels and resorts.

Exceptional Accommodations Hawai'i's hotels consistently rank among the best by such leading publications as *Travel + Leisure* and *Condé Nast Traveler*. The statewide room inventory stands at 54,472, with a number of available rooms located within one mile of the world-class Hawai'i Convention Center on O'ahu.

Educational Enrichment Hawai'i offers great resources and experts in the fields of astronomy and astrophysics, defense technology, geophysics, health and wellness, international relations and trade, renewable energy, medical research, ocean sciences, and telemedicine.

Top Technology World-class telecommunications infrastructure makes it easy for attendees to stay connected around the globe during their stay.

ALLURE AND ATTRACTION

Six Hawaiian Islands, One Hawai'i

Kaua'i, O'ahu, Moloka'i, Lāna'i, Maui and the island of Hawai'i each offer a distinct experience, providing meeting planners endless possibilities and flexibility in creating a unique and successful program for groups of all sizes and objectives.

Sunshine Expected With near perfect weather year-round, activity options and locations broaden, which also means less contingency planning. Year-round temperatures average 77°F/25°C.



Hawai'i Convention Center's
"Water Giver."

Largest Attendance Numbers Everyone wants to visit Hawai'i, and travelers for business are certainly no exception. The exotic draw of the destination contributes to impressive attendance numbers.

Exotic Appeal As an offshore, tropical place with its own unique culture, Hawai'i delivers all the magic, excitement, and intrigue of destination travel.

Comfort and Convenience No currency barriers, technology discordance, or passport requirements mean U.S. attendees feel familiar in their surroundings and at ease in their travel. Hawai'i is the only state with two official languages: English and Hawaiian. Guests can expect to see many street names and other common terms in Hawaiian.

Motivation and Momentum Attendees work hard to qualify for Hawai'i programs, and surveys reveal that a Hawai'i destination location is proven to increase results.

Made for Memories Attendees can plan for a pre- and/or post-meeting vacation with family, allowing them to experience six different islands, thanks to easy and affordable inter-island flights. Each island offers a unique, memorable experience.

ACCESS AND ATTENDANCE

A Meeting at the Midpoint Hawai'i's prime mid-Pacific location often results in increased international attendance. Because of its time zone, attendees from New York to Singapore are still able to conduct business during their regular workday.

Abundant Airlift Nearly every major U.S. carrier and several international carriers provide year-round scheduled nonstop service to Hawai'i from gateway cities in North America and Asia-Pacific. The number of air seats and flights to Hawai'i continually expands.

Easy Island Transfers More than 300 interisland flights a day allow seamless and efficient connectivity among the six major Hawaiian Islands.



Native Hawaiians once used *lei* as an ornament, in ritual, and as a sign of affection. Visitors to Hawai'i began receiving floral *lei* upon their arrival by sea vessel in the 1800s. Today, groups continue to experience such a fragrant, floral welcome.



ISLAND EFFECTS

Generosity in Spirit *Ho'okipa* (hospitality) toward visitors is Hawai'i's number-one priority. The enchanting spirit of *aloha* is one of warmth and affection.

Unexpected Experiences Hawai'i's diverse landscape and rich cultural heritage lead to a variety of creative, unconventional meeting venues and group activities that stimulate different perspectives and build closer connections.

Out-of-the-Box Inspiration Awe-inspiring, vibrant surroundings activate thinking

outside the norm and creative brainstorming during programs.

Hospitality Is Our Heritage With a multi-ethnic population of Native Hawaiian, Japanese, Chinese, Korean, Filipino, Portuguese, Spanish, and more, Hawai'i embraces everyone from East to West.

Attributes of Aloha Cultural specialists and built-in cultural experiences help enrich group activities in a distinctly Hawaiian way including learning *hula*, stringing *lei*, weaving *lauhala* (leaves from the *pandanus* tree) and hearing stories of wayfinding peoples.

(Opposite page, from left) Fronting the Honolulu Convention Center, the "Water Giver" statue symbolically acknowledges the Hawaiian people for their generosity and expressions of goodwill. A *lei* is used to express welcome and other sentiments.

SATISFACTION ASSURED

For years now, the Hawaiian Islands have accumulated an impressive resume of accolades and testimonials from the meetings industry.

- Satisfaction surveys reveal that 98 percent of U.S. visitors rated their vacation in Hawai'i as excellent or above average.
- 89 percent of U.S. visitors express the likelihood to recommend Hawai'i as a destination.
- 98 percent of U.S. visitors stated they would be likely to recommend that others visit Hawai'i.
- More than 73 percent of Hawai'i visitors in 2018 were repeat guests, indicating strong satisfaction from groups on previous trips.

• Awards for the Hawai'i Visitors and Convention Bureau and Hawai'i Convention Center include the 2019 Venue Excellence Award from the International Association of Venue Managers (IAVM), the 2017 and 2018 Stella Award for Best Convention Center in the Far West Region, 2018 Prime Site Award from *Facilities & Destinations* magazine, Platinum Choice Awards from *Successful Meetings* magazine, 24 consecutive Gold Service Awards from *Meetings & Conventions* magazine, and Platinum Partner Awards from *Incentive* magazine.

Want more feedback? Let us share with you what planners have to say about their Hawai'i experience! Call us at (808) 923-1811 for meeting planner referrals.



Roberts Hawaii is the state's largest tour and transportation company,

with an unmatched fleet of approximately 900 vehicles and a full line of tours, entertainment options, and ground transportation services. Hawaii's transportation provider since 1941, we take pride in providing outstanding services to our valued guests.

From arrival to departure, Roberts Hawaii is the "go-to" transportation and sightseeing company for groups of any size. We have the largest and most flexible ground transportation fleet with over 900 vehicles throughout Oahu, Maui, Kauai and Hawaii Island. Roberts Hawaii also offers to meet & assist, flower lei greeting, baggage handling and a variety of transportation and shuttle services and sightseeing tours that can be tailored to your groups needs statewide.

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The Roberts Hawaii Airport Express Shuttle is the fast, friendly, and convenient way to transport guests between the airport and your chosen lodging property. With shuttles that run to service most flights in and out of the Daniel K. Inouye International Airport, Kahului Airport, Kona International Airport, and Lihue Airport, we'll take your guests in comfort to start and end their visit.



Located in the heart of Waikiki, the Magic of Polynesia is a convenient and attractive location for your event. Food and beverages can be conveniently catered through us and multiple entertainment options can also be arranged.



Meet Hawai‘i

This Hawai‘i program partner streamlines and simplifies planning.

Multifaceted, mesmerizing, and one-of-a-kind, Hawai‘i is complex in nature; but planning a program doesn’t have to be.

Hawai‘i is more accessible and approachable for planners than ever before through Meet Hawai‘i, a worldwide collaborative initiative among the Hawai‘i Visitors and Convention Bureau, Hawai‘i Convention Center, and Hawai‘i Tourism Authority. Turning meetings, conventions, and incentives from idea to achievement in Hawai‘i is easy and efficient with help from the Meet Hawai‘i team. Here’s how:

One-Stop Support One point of contact on the Meet Hawai‘i team can assist with the development of all Hawai‘i programs, no matter the size, type, or location.

Island Selection As experts on the nuances of the destination, the Meet Hawai‘i team can help choose the best island and resort area within that island tailored to a specific program.

Lead Generation Meet Hawai‘i’s fast and easy online RFP process allows for quick and competitive leads on locations, products, services, and pre-/post-meeting activities to satisfy program requirements.

Site Inspection Assistance The Meet Hawai‘i team can develop and coordinate itineraries

for pre-program inspections of hotels, venues, and attractions across all islands.

Convention Collaboration Meet Hawai‘i is composed of sales teams from both the Hawai‘i Visitors and Convention Bureau and Hawai‘i Convention Center for seamless support inside and outside the facility.

Island Expertise On-location Island team members contribute expert knowledge and assist with shaping each experience to maximize program potential.

Supplier Connection Planners have access to Meet Hawai‘i’s extensive network of industry partners and suppliers, from transportation companies and tour operators to local entertainers and guest speakers.

Accessibility Meet Hawai‘i’s global sales directors are located in convenient U.S. mainland locations on the West Coast, Midwest, and East Coast to provide expert advice and information—in a local time zone—when business is done and answers are needed.

Promotional Tools Maps, posters, articles, videos and personalized microsites are available complimentary or on loan to help generate excitement about Hawai‘i programs and increase exposure and attendance.

Attracting New Audience Experienced and knowledgeable Meet Hawai‘i team members can help increase awareness and attract new attendees from such regions as Asia, Oceania, Europe, and Canada.

Hawai‘i Hospitality Meet Hawai‘i can arrange airport welcomes with fresh flower *lei*, music and Hawaiian protocols when appropriate to infuse programs with the *aloha* spirit right from the start.

AND MORE!

Extensive and up-to-date information can be found on the **meethawaii.com** website for the following:

Hawai‘i Speaker’s Bureau
Hawai‘i Free
Program Ambassador
Corporate Social Responsibility
Destination Management Companies
Conservation Program
Event Recycling Guide
Communications Resource Guide
Knowledge Bank: image, video assets



Six Islands, Six Experiences

A group's adventure is best when it takes shape from its surroundings.

Kaua'i, O'ahu, Moloka'i, Lāna'i, Maui, and the island of Hawai'i. Together, they are the Hawaiian Islands; individually, each of these islands is a business program host worthy of its own distinction. From product launches and educational conferences to sales incentives and international conventions ... there's a perfect place for every group on one of these six esteemed islands.

KAUA'I

AVAILABLE GUEST ROOMS: 4,448

ACCESS: Līhu'e Airport (25-minute flight from Honolulu)

LARGEST MEETING/BANQUET FACILITY: 16,552 square feet; 900-person banquet capacity

RESORT AREAS: Kapa'a, Po'ipū, Līhu'e, Princeville, Waimea

HIGHLIGHTS: Nāpali Coast, Waimea Canyon, Wailua River, Spouting Horn, National Tropical Botanical Garden, Daniel K. Inouye Kīlauea Point Lighthouse

Lush and scenic beauty abounds, making Kaua'i a celebrated backdrop in many movies and television shows. The scenery and relaxing atmosphere make it an ideal setting for attendees to rejuvenate the mind, body, and spirit. Activities range from grand outdoor activities, including zip-lining and river kayaking to helicopter tours over Waimea Canyon and sailing along the stunning Nāpali coastline.



O'AHU

AVAILABLE GUEST ROOMS: 31,548

ACCESS: Daniel K. Inouye International Airport

LARGEST MEETING/BANQUET FACILITY: Hawai'i Convention Center; 204,249 square feet; 13,000-person banquet capacity

RESORT AREAS: Honolulu/Waikīkī, North Shore, Kāhala, Ko'olina

HIGHLIGHTS: Waikīkī Beach, Pearl Harbor, Lē'ahi, or Diamond Head, North Shore, Ko Olina, 'Iolani Palace, Bishop Museum

O'ahu is home to nearly 70 percent of Hawai'i's population and more than half of the statewide room inventory. Honolulu is the capital city and the business center of the state. A combination of world-class shopping, spectacular restaurants, vibrant nightlife and entertainment, and endless activities provides an energizing experience.

Its countryside provides a charming contrast to the contemporary city life of Honolulu and Waikīkī, and can be found

just a little more than an hour away on the Leeward Coast (West Coast) and North Shore where must-see sights include Dole Plantation, Waimea Valley, Hale'iwa Town, the Polynesian Cultural Center and the famous wave breaks at Sunset Beach and 'Ehukai Beach, or Banzai Pipeline.



(Opposite page) A view of O'ahu's Kahana Valley from an ocean perspective. (This page) Maui's Kapalua Resort offers several meeting options.

MOLOKA'I

AVAILABLE GUEST ROOMS: 70

ACCESS: Moloka'i Airport (25-minute flight from Honolulu)

HIGHLIGHTS: Pāpōhaku Beach, Kaunakakai Town, Hālawā Valley, Kalaupapa National Historical Park

Moloka'i remains true to its island roots, with a high percentage of its population being of Native Hawaiian ancestry who continue to preserve their small-island lifestyle. Natural countryside, empty beaches and outdoor activities harmonize with authentic cultural experiences, which need to be approached with an open mind and heart. Moloka'i has one hotel but plenty to take in: The world's tallest sea cliffs measuring 3,000-feet high are here, as well as Hawai'i's longest continuous fringing reef.

LĀNA'I

AVAILABLE GUEST ROOMS: 213

ACCESS: Lāna'i Airport (30-minute flight from Honolulu); 60-minute ferry ride from Maui

LARGEST MEETING/BANQUET FACILITY: 7,690 square feet; 500-person banquet capacity

RESORT AREAS: Lāna'i City

HIGHLIGHTS: Keahiakawelo, Lāna'i City, Polihua Beach, Hulopo'e Bay

The smallest inhabited island, measuring 141 square miles with just more than 3,500 residents, Lāna'i has the feel of a private, exclusive enclave. Once the site of Hawai'i's largest pineapple plantation, it is now home to one small hotel and two luxury resorts—one

(This page, clockwise from top) Wai'ānapanapa State Park, Maui; Saint Damien Church, Moloka'i; Pū'upehe, Lāna'i. (Opposite page) Waihilau Falls, Waimanu Valley, Hāmākua.





beachfront and the other upcountry amid highland forests. There are no traffic lights, but there are cultural activities, golf, clay shooting, archery, horseback riding, off-road Jeep adventures, a spa, a rock garden, ocean activities, and more.

MAUI

AVAILABLE GUEST ROOMS: 11,561

ACCESS: Kahului Airport (30-minute flight from Honolulu); also Kapalua and Hāna Airports

LARGEST MEETING/BANQUET FACILITY: 26,700 square feet; 1,620-person banquet capacity

RESORT AREAS: Hāna, Kahului, Kihei, Kā'anapali, Kapalua, Wailea

HIGHLIGHTS: Haleakalā National Park, Road to Hāna, Molokini Island, Kā'anapali Beach, Lāhainā Town, whale watching (December-May)

Maui is beach and resort splendor at its best. There's something for everyone on Maui: golf, dining, shopping, and a wide array of activities for the energetic, as well as spas and small, peaceful areas for those who seek relaxation. Hospitality is one of Maui's specialties—even with such a range of hotel and condominium properties from which to choose, there's still a small-town feel on Maui.

ISLAND OF HAWAII'I

AVAILABLE GUEST ROOMS: 6,632

ACCESS: Ellison Onizuka Kona International Airport (45-minute flight from Honolulu); also Hilo International Airport (50-minute flight from Honolulu)

LARGEST MEETING/BANQUET FACILITY: 24,720 square feet; 1,560-person banquet capacity

RESORT AREAS: Kohala Coast, Kona (Historic Kailua Village and Keauhou), and Hilo

HIGHLIGHTS: Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park, Punalu'u Black Sand Beach, Historic Kailua Village, Pololū Valley, 'Akaka Falls State Park

The largest of the Hawaiian Islands, the island of Hawai'i is home to unique settings that are some of the most inspiring in the world, from rugged landscapes and black-sand beaches, to active volcanoes, and lush rainforests and valleys. All but four of the world's sub-climate zones can be found on the island of Hawai'i, making the island's reputation as a sportsman's paradise well deserved. The sunny Kohala Coast is home to the island's finest meetings resorts, but rural accommodations and event spaces set amid rolling pastures or lush coffee plantations offer unique locations for small retreats or special events.



Surfing was once a sport reserved for *ali'i* (chiefly/royal class).

Olympic swimmer Duke Kahanamoku made it popular for everyone in the waters of Waikiki. Only in Hawai'i can attendees ride the same waves as the "father of modern surfing" during an invigorating group lesson.

Incentives on the Islands

Hawai'i surpasses expectations each and every time.

With eyes on Hawai'i as the prize, workers get smarter. Motivation to succeed and achieve more gains new momentum. Hawai'i is, after all, consistently voted among the top travel destinations in the world for incentive programs and for good reason: This is a place that everyone wants to experience.

Hawai'i rewards those lucky incentive winners with unique options for once-in-a-lifetime travel experiences: helicopter rides over volcanic activity and cascading waterfalls; sunset sails alongside towering sea cliffs; horseback riding atop rolling hills; world-class shopping and spas. No two incentive programs will ever be the same in Hawai'i. The activity choices are endless, and the resorts luxurious with amenities. There is something for everyone to enjoy—from active, outdoor adventure to distinctive culture and arts, to blissful beachfront lounging.

It's easy to incorporate two (or more) islands into the mix for Hawai'i incentive travel, as interisland flights are frequent. Incorporating families into programs is easy, too: Hawai'i has a worry-free environment, diverse multicultural population that makes everyone feel welcome, and activities to suit every age. Groups can return to Hawai'i again and again, and experiences will be ever varied, enchanting, and exhilarating.

THE MAKINGS OF MEMORIES

- Watch the sun set at Haleakalā National Park on Maui; feel the steam from Kilauea



Caldera at Hawai'i Volcanoes National Park on the island of Hawai'i at Hawai'i; hike to the summit of *Lē'ahi*, or Diamond Head, on O'ahu; or stand at the edge of the mile-wide, 3,600-foot-deep Waimea Canyon on Kaua'i.

- For the active traveler, explore Hawai'i by ocean and land. There's kayaking, snorkeling and scuba, horseback riding, zip-lining, biking, ATV tours and hiking trails, deep-sea fishing, stand-up paddling and body boarding, and, of course, surfing.

- Spread across the six islands, more than 70 golf courses challenge every level of player. The Hawaiian Islands are home to several notable PGA TOUR events, including the Sony Open on O'ahu and the Sentry Tournament of Champions on Maui, and many of its courses are rated among the best in the world.

- There are more than 60 museums and cultural attractions in Hawai'i devoted to everything from natural history to modern art.



Any golfer looking for a slice of heaven need look no further than Hawai'i. Every golf hole boasts a stunning scene and the weather is close to perfect all year round.

- Shopping choices are plentiful with everything from world-class malls selling top brand names to small, local boutiques and mom-and-pop shops.

- Hawai'i-made products, *koa* (Native Hawaiian hardwood) arts and crafts, or vintage Hawai'i clothing and posters make one-of-a-kind take-home gifts and memorabilia.

- With year-round growing conditions and a pristine natural environment, the sustainable movement in Hawai'i has a wide following with many chefs sourcing fresh, locally grown ingredients to use in their unique, multicultural dishes. This vibrant culinary scene attracts top chefs who participate in world class food and wine festivals

(From left) Timbers Kaua'i's championship golf course; 12th hole Challenge at Manele on Lāna'i.



Trouble-Free Transportation

Getting clients and materials to Hawai'i is as easy as our famous tradewinds. The major airlines have daily direct flights to O'ahu, Maui, Kaua'i, and the island of Hawai'i from gateway cities throughout North America, Asia, and Oceania.

Last year, more than 10.9 million passengers traveled between Hawai'i and gateway airports across North America and Asia-Pacific regions. The 9.8 million

people who stayed to visit and the 1.4 million people who live in Hawai'i depend on overseas shipments.

Consequently, Hawai'i has one of the most sophisticated air and sea transportation networks in the world. Whether passengers or cargo, few places can match Hawai'i's transportation infrastructure.

BY AIR

- 9.7 million scheduled air seats are available to Hawai'i annually from the U.S. Mainland; 3.3 million from Asia/Pacific.

- Over 300 interisland flights each day connect all islands, including Kaua'i, O'ahu, Moloka'i, Lāna'i, Maui, and the island of Hawai'i.

BY LAND

- On average, a brief 30-minute ride connects all of Hawai'i's airports to the major resort areas on any island.
- Major rental car companies are located at the airports on every island (except Lāna'i), making it easy to pick up a car and be on your way.

- A large fleet of modern, public and private buses, tour buses, taxis, ride-sharing programs and limousines provide additional alternatives for getting around the islands.

BY SEA

- Honolulu Harbor is one of the largest container-handling ports in the U.S.
- There are several shipping companies that offer service between the U.S. Mainland and Honolulu, as well as from Asia.
- Goods leaving from the U.S. West Coast arrive in about a week. Shipments originating on the East Coast usually require two to three weeks.
- A system of interisland barges can transport

Daniel K. Inouye International Airport is a nexus for inter-island, national and international flights.



The 'ukulele came to Hawai'i as the braguinha, brought in by Portuguese. It was quickly adapted by Native Hawaiians who proved adept as musicians. Their fast-moving style gave the braguinha a new name, 'ukulele (jumping flea).

Direct U.S. & Canada Flights to Daniel K. Inouye International Airport From:

UNITED STATES

ANCHORAGE, AK
Alaska Airlines

ATLANTA, GA
Delta Air Lines

BOSTON, MA
Hawaiian Airlines

CHICAGO, IL
American Airlines
United Airlines

DALLAS, TX
American Airlines

DENVER, CO
United Airlines

HOUSTON, TX
United Airlines

LAS VEGAS, NV
Hawaiian Airlines

LONG BEACH, CA
Hawaiian Airlines

LOS ANGELES, CA
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Hawaiian Airlines
Sun Country Airlines
United Airlines

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PHOENIX, AZ
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PORTLAND, OR
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United Airlines

CANADA

CALGARY, ALBERTA
Air Canada
WestJet

EDMONTON, ALBERTA
WestJet

TORONTO, ONTARIO
Air Canada

VANCOUVER, BRITISH
COLUMBIA (BC)
Air Canada
WestJet

• Flights subject to change.



Flying Times and Distances to Honolulu

From	Approximate Hrs.	Miles	Kms
San Francisco, CA	5	2,397	3,857
Los Angeles, CA	5	2,563	4,125
Vancouver, BC	6	2,707	4,357
Phoenix, AZ	6	2,911	4,684
Denver, CO	7	3,344	5,382
Dallas, TX	8	3,795	6,108
Chicago, IL	9	4,254	6,847
Toronto, Canada	11	4,467	7,479
Miami, FL	11	4,865	7,829
New York, NY	11	4,968	7,995
Boston, MA	11	5,095	8,200



The history of outrigger, or double-hulled, canoeing dates back nearly 2,000 years, with long ocean voyages culminating on Hawai'i's shores. Only in Hawai'i can your group draw inspiration from the amazing feats of teamwork required for group canoe races.

Hawai‘i and You

To know it is to love it.

Familiarizing yourself with Hawai‘i is the first step in planning to meet in Hawai‘i.

HISTORY

The Hawaiian Islands were born of volcanoes millions of years ago and discovered by Polynesian voyagers who arrived in outrigger canoes more than 1,500 years ago. Throughout the 19th and 20th centuries, immigrants from many other lands joined the Native Hawaiians. What resulted is a unique, multi-ethnic and diverse society that characterizes the paradise that has evolved into the Hawai‘i of today. This island kingdom became a territory of the United States in the late 19th century and was admitted as the 50th State in 1959.

CULTURE

The majority of Hawai‘i’s people are descended from Polynesians, Europeans, Japanese, Chinese, Koreans, Filipinos, Okinawans, Puerto Ricans, Pacific Islanders, and Southeast Asians. Festivals and parades celebrating this diverse heritage are held throughout the year, offering unique opportunities to enhance your program.

The indigenous Native Hawaiian culture permeates all aspects of life in the islands, including its language (‘Ōlelo Hawai‘i or Hawaiian) and dance (*hula*), which are time-honored traditions that continue to be practiced today.

ECONOMY AND INDUSTRY

Hawai‘i’s diversified economy consists of tourism, agriculture, military, manufacturing,

finance, transportation, technology, education, health services, communications, and construction. Hawai‘i’s expanding technology base is leading to increased productivity and ensures its ability to compete in a global economy. Hawai‘i attracts significant investment from the Asia-Pacific region. Currency is the U.S. dollar. Hawai‘i has a 4.166 percent general excise tax (4.712 on O‘ahu) for most business activities and a 10.25 percent transient accommodations tax. (For more information, visit hawaii.gov/tax.)

GEOGRAPHY

Hawai‘i is strategically located at the center—geographically and culturally—of the Asia-Pacific region. Hawai‘i Standard Time (HST) is GMT-10, which is five to six hours behind Eastern Standard Time and two to three hours behind Pacific Standard Time. Hawai‘i does not observe Daylight Savings Time, so between March and November, the time difference increases by one hour. The land area of the six major islands that make up Hawai‘i is roughly equal to that of Connecticut.



‘Uli‘uli: hula implements

Over 70 percent of the population resides on the island of O‘ahu, where the state capital, Honolulu, is located.




The Language of Hawai‘i






Hawai‘i is the only state with two official languages, which are Hawaiian (‘ōlelo Hawai‘i) and English. There are only 13 letters in the Hawaiian alphabet: A, E, H, I, K, L, M, N, O, P, U, W and the ‘okina (‘). The ‘okina is a glottal stop like the sound between the ohs in “oh-oh” and is a consonant. The ‘okina or glottal stop, and *kahakō* or macron, change the pronunciation and meaning of a word.

Hawaiian Glossary 101

- *Āina*: Land
- *Ali‘i*: Chief, chiefess or royalty
- *Aloha*: A greeting with love, hello, good-bye, and more
- *Hale*: House or building
- *Kama‘āina*: A local resident
- *Kāne*: Man
- *Keiki*: Child
- *Kuleana*: Responsibility, privilege
- *Kupuna*: Elder
- *Lānai*: Balcony, patio or porch
- *Mahalo*: Thank you
- *Ma kai*: Toward the Sea
- *Ma uka*: Toward the Mountain
- *‘Ohana*: Family
- *Pau*: Finished
- *Wahine*: Woman

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VENUE	LARGEST EVENT SPACE	LARGEST BANQUET CAPACITY	INFORMATION
KAUAI			
 Iliahi Estate At Grove Farm (808) 245-3678 grovefarm.com	7,000 sf	350/seated	House perched atop a knoll with a spacious backyard for outdoor events
■ Lawn			
Kaua'i Veterans Center (808) 246-1135 kauaiveteranscenter@gmail.com kauaiveteranscenter.com	6,000 sf	400/seated	Modern facility, multiple conference rooms, full-facility ballroom, commercial-sized kitchen
■ Main Ballroom			
Kaua'i War Memorial Convention Hall (808) 241-6623 kauai.gov	9,700 sf	1,096/seated	Multi-media, A/C
■ Convention Hall			
 Kilohana Plantation (808) 245-5608 kilohanakauai.com	105 acres	800-1,000/seated	Historic attraction, restaurant, shops, carriage rides, special events
■ Lawn			
 Kipu Ranch (808) 246-9288 reservations@kiputours.com kiputours.com	3,000 acres	Varies by event needs	Private ranch
 Na 'Aina Kai Botanical Gardens (808) 828-0575 events@naainakai.org naainakai.org	12,800 sf	150/seated	Three adjacent lawn areas
■ Lotus Meadows			
 National Tropical Botanic Garden (808) 332-7324 administration@ntbg.org ntbg.org	Varies by event needs	350/seated	Outdoor garden with tents and tables for corporate events, weddings, etc.
■ McBryde Garden			
O'AHU			
Aloha Tower (808) 544-1432 alohatower.com	25,000 sf	3,000/seated	Outdoor
■ Pier 9/Promenade			

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 Battleship Missouri Memorial (808) 455-1600 events@ussmissouri.org ussmissouri.com	12,000 sf	1,800/seated	Open-air; tenting is optional but recommended
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pier Foxtrot 5 			
 Bishop Museum (808) 843-7654 events@bishopmuseum.org bishopmuseum.org	3 acres	800/banquet 4,000/concert	Sweeping view of downtown Honolulu and historic Hawaiian Hall; evening events only
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Great Lawn 			
Dillingham Ranch (808) 637-8088 dillinghamranchweddings@gmail.com dillinghamranchhawaii.info	3,000 sf	Varies by event needs	Includes hardwood floors and a fireplace, kitchen and eight bedrooms
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Great Lawn 			
 Hawai'i State Art Museum (808) 586-9959 hisamrentals@gmail.com sfca.hawaii.gov	11,700 sf	1,500/standing 600/seated	Suitable for nonprofit fundraisers, corporate celebrations, large receptions
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Front Lawn 			
 Honolulu Museum of Art (808) 532-8700 info@honolulumuseum.org honolulumuseum.org	Varies by event needs	120/seated 500/standing	Facility rental available for current members of the museums
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beretania Street 			
Honolulu Zoo (808) 729-1002 hlzcatering@kmssa.com tasteofthewildhawaii.org	6 acres	200/seated	On-site catering available
 'Iolani Palace (808) 330-4537 events@iolanipalace.org iolanipalace.org	Varies by event needs	4,000/standing 1,000/seated	Suitable for corporate and other large events
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coronation Lawn 			














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 Kualoa Private Nature Preserve (808) 237-7321 reservation@kualoa.com kualoa.com <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concert Pasture 	5 acres	12,000/concert	
 Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum (808) 441-1004 specialevents@pearlharboraviationmuseum.org pearlharboraviationmuseum.org <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Control Tower Tarmac 	32,500 sf	2,500/banquet 5,000/reception 5,000/theater	Open-air venue for receptions, ceremonies, theme parties
 Polynesian Cultural Center (800) 367-7060 mci@polynesia.com polynesia.com/groups-and-conventions.html <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pacific Theater 	24,500 sf	2,700/theater	
 Queen Emma Summer Palace (808) 595-3167 info@daughtersofhawaii.org daughtersofhawaii.org <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emmalani Hale 	1,704 sf	100/seated	Indoor space with kitchen and projection screen
Sunset Ranch (808) 638-8333 admin@sunsetranchhawaii.com sunsetranchhawaii.com <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sunset Stables 	9,600 sf	100/seated (with flex)	Total of six venues and two guestrooms
 Waikiki Aquarium (808) 440-9015 events@waquarium.org waikiaquarium.org <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lawn 	9,000 sf	600/standing 400/seated	Exhibit galleries remain open until 9 p.m.
 Waimea Valley (808) 638-5858 info@waimeavalley.net waimeavalley.net <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Main Lawn 	10,780 sf	600/seated	Outdoor space suitable for large receptions

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MAUI Gannon Estate (808) 572-4946 celebrationsmaui.com	7 acres	200/seated indoors 500/outdoors	Corporate events on a case-by-case basis
 Haiku Mill (808) 575-9994 info@haikumill.com haikumill.com	Varies by event needs	120/seated 140/buffet 175/standing	Private, intimate venue with the atmosphere of a secret garden. Lush, green flora, stunning restored ruins
Ka'anapali Coffee Estate (888) 523-6284 Sales@Kaanapalicoffee farms.com kaanapalicoffee farms.com	500 acres	175/seated 250/reception	
 King Kamehameha Golf Club (808) 572-4946 banquet@kamehamehagolf.com mauibanquets.com <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Waikapu Ballroom 	Varies by event needs	350/seated 450/reception	Expansive views of the course, with panoramic views from Maui's North Shore to Mā'alaea Bay and beyond
Lahaina Loft (808) 868-0540 lahainaloft.com	2,000 sq. ft.	25-35 guests	
 Maui Arts & Cultural Center (808) 243-4235 info@mauiarts.org mauiarts.org <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alexander & Baldwin Amphitheater 	Varies by event needs	5,000/seated	Outdoor amphitheater
 Maui Tropical Plantation (808) 244-7643 mtpmaui@gmail.com mauitropicalplantation.com <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concert Area 	Varies by event needs	6,000/standing	Culinary staff will create customized menu for events
 Maui Ocean Center (808) 270-7088 info@mauiocenter.com mauiocenter.com	Varies by event needs	700/seated	Various venues offer up-close viewing of Hawai'i's marine life; award-winning restaurant with catering and ocean views



Maui Ocean Center's new "Humpbacks of Hawai'i Exhibit & Sphere" exhibit offers a virtual whale encounter.

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Molokini Lookout (808) 875-8080 gannonsrestaurant.com	Varies by event needs	500/standing outdoors 350/seated outdoors	Inside seating also available
Olowalu Plantation House info@OlowaluPlantationHouse.com olowaluplantationhouse.com	15,000 sf	300/max	Oceanfront historic property with indoor and outdoor event space
O'o Farm (808) 667-4341 reservationist@pacificomaui.com oofarm.com	Varies by event needs	50/seated	8.5 acres of natural farm
Ponomakena Sanctuary (808) 874-9899 ponomakena.com	3 acres	80/seated outdoors	Outdoor event space
Sugar Beach Events (808) 856-6151 sugarbeacheventshawaii.com	Varies by event needs	350/standing outdoors 200/seated outdoors	Oceanfront, custom created menus available
ISLAND OF HAWAII'			
 Anna Ranch Heritage Center (808) 885-4426 programs@annaranch.org annaranch.org	11,500 sf	70/seated	Historic buildings, gardens, full kitchen, cocktail/reception patio overlooking Wai'au'ia stream
 Holualoa Inn (808) 324-1121 sales@holualoainn.com holualoainn.com ■ Malulani Pavilion	1,500 sf	150/seated	Enclosed pre-facility, open-beam vaulted ceilings, ample parking and sweeping views of Kona Coast
Ho'olulu Complex (808) 936-3840 HooluluComplex@hawaiiicounty.gov ■ Afook-Chinen Civic Auditorium	11,342 sf	2,868/bleachers 700/chairs	Conventions, concerts, pageants, performing arts, sporting events, craft fairs

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Hulihe'e Palace (808) 329-9555 info@daughtersofhawaii.org daughtersofhawaii.org/facility-rentals/hulihee-palace/ ■ Ocean Lawn	1 acre	300/seated	Hill views, lānai, certified kitchen, movie-size projector screen
 'Imiloa Astronomy Center (808) 932-8901 events@imiloahawaii.org imiloahawaii.org ■ Moanahoku Hall	3,000 sf	350/standing 163/seated	Projection screen, AV, stage and tiered seating
 Parker Ranch (808) 885-2307 info@parkerranch.com parkerranch.com ■ Rodeo Arena	6.14 acres	1,200/seated	Racetrack, covered grandstand seating, room for tents and bandstands, nearby barn and lawn area
Pukalani Stables (808) 854-1541 paniolo@paniolopreservation.org paniolopreservation.org/event-rentals/	8,000 sf	200/seated	Historic ranching site
University of Hawai'i at Hilo (808) 932-7840 uhhconferencecenter@gmail.com hawaii-conference.com ■ Conference Center	28,000 sf	441/seated	Outside covered lānai and closed lobby area
 Waikoloa Bowl at Queens' Garden sales@waikoloaland.com waikoloabeachresort.com/index.php/meetings-convention-facilities/	33,000 sf	5,500/max	Largest venue outside O'ahu
Wainaku Executive Center (808) 365-5380 wainaku@olsontrust.com wechilo.com	12,000 sf	100/indoors 250/outdoors	Panoramic view of Hilo Bay, royal palm and coconut trees, tables and chairs, bar service included, amphitheater with bay right below

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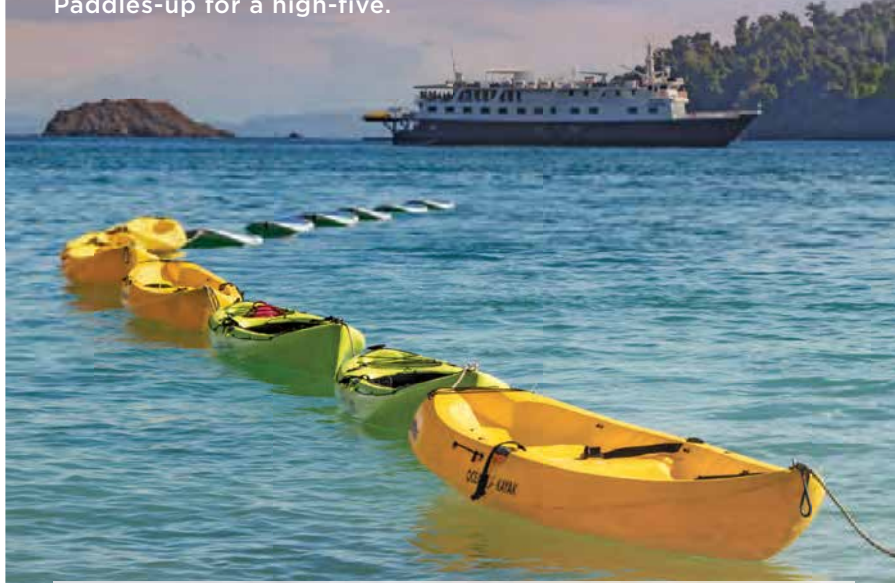
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