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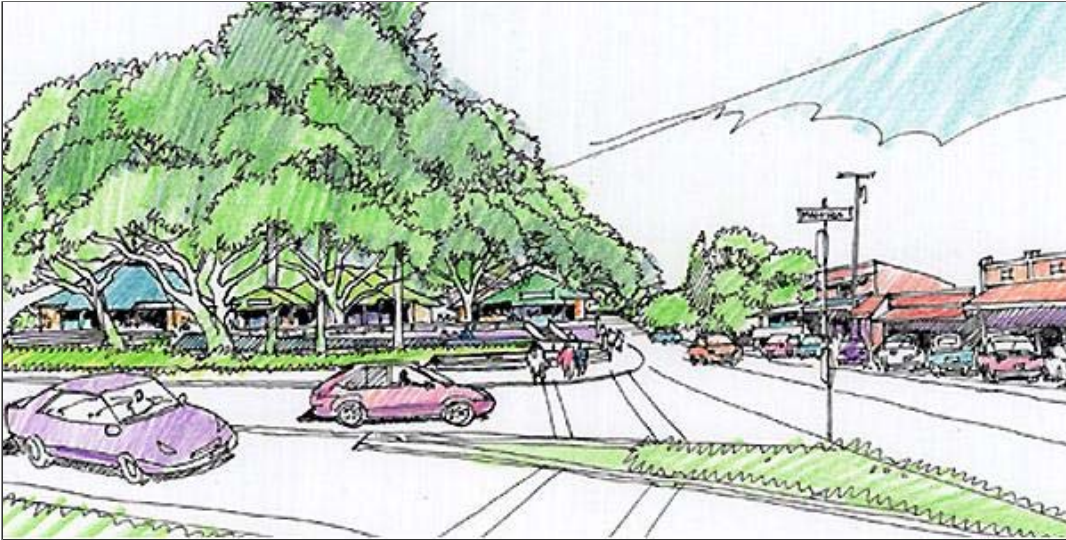


Hideaway Cove Poipu Beach Announces Airline Rebate Program

Many airlines flying to the Hawaiian Islands have increased their fuel surcharges hoping to offset the higher cost of jet fuel. To help their customers with these increased flying costs, Hideaway Cove has implemented an Airline Surcharge Rebate program for new reservations. Effective immediately anyone booking a new reservation at Hideaway Cove for stays prior to December 14th of this year will be eligible.

The amount of the rebate varies depending upon the length of stay and the accommodation reserved. A stay in a studio, for example, would earn a credit of \$280, whereas the same 7 night stay in a three bedroom garners \$560. The rebate is limited to direct bookings only and some restrictions apply. For more information please call toll free to 866-848-2426.

The Shops at Koloa Town Project



The vacant land adjacent to the post office at the corner of Maluhia (Tree Tunnel) and Koloa Roads has been in the planning process for some time. Owned by the Knudsen Trust, the eight acre commercial project was submitted to the county for approval in December of 2005. Plans called for a 76,200 foot commercial development in 12 separate buildings. The existing post office was to be relocated into the new center and additional shops and restaurants were planned. A small, high end grocery store was planned for the old post office space.

Following many public meetings and hearings, the County's Planning Commission ultimately denied the project on Sept. 26, 2006. In 2007 the project's attorneys filed a lawsuit in federal court claiming that the Planning Director did not issue a report for or against the project within the 60-day period required by the County's Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance (CZO), and therefore the plans should be deemed to be approved.

Although county attorneys requested \$75,000 to defend against the suit, the Kauai County Council decided instead to settle. The reaction from the community was mixed. A group of vocal protestors wants all of the mature monkey pod trees on the property preserved. The developer offered to move many of the mature trees and plant additional trees; however the protestors are not happy with that solution. Candlelight vigils were held in support of the trees and numerous letters to the Garden Island newspaper editorial section have been received, both pro and con. As of late January the project has not yet broken ground.

Kiahuna Golf Club Announced

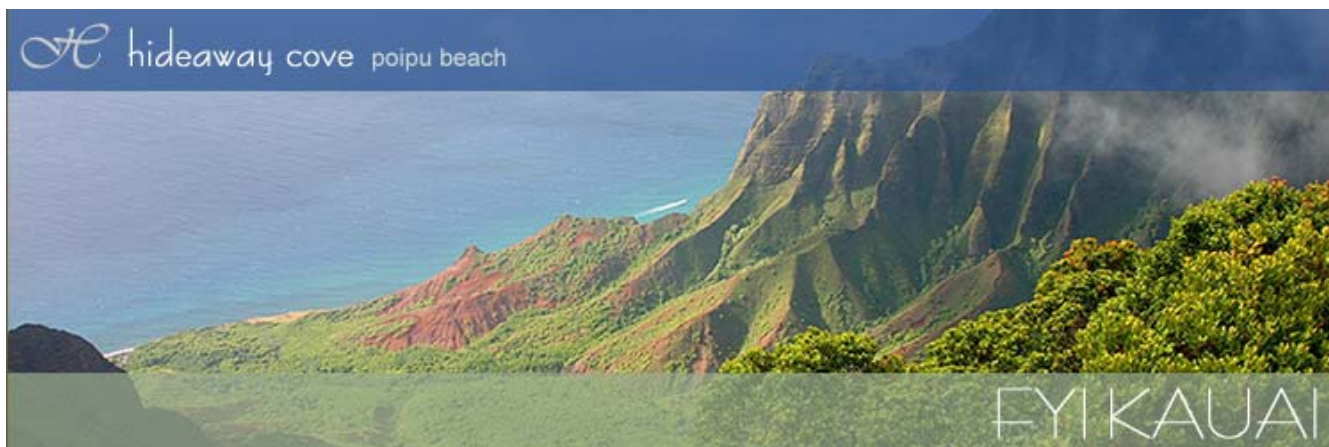
Having completed an extensive renovation of the Kiahuna Golf Course, the new owners of Kiahuna Golf Club are now turning their attention to the complete renovation of the club house. The plan includes a modernization and expansion of the kitchen facility for Joes On The Green Restaurant along with the addition of a multi use gathering and social facility for the new second floor. Also included will be expanded membership amenities such as showers and changing rooms, locker facilities and meeting rooms hosting an array of social activities and events exclusive for the new Kiahuna Golf and Social Club.



Unlike many members-only golf clubs, the new Club will not be tied to owning property in any designated area nor will membership be required in any particular residential community bordering the golf course. This golf and social club membership opportunity will be available to anyone interested regardless of where they live, what property they own or if they call Kauai their full time home or not.

The club structure will still require the payment of a onetime initiation fee as well as monthly dues. Members will enjoy unlimited golf privileges, access to the new second floor facilities and an array of member functions, activities and other incentives. Charter memberships are available now with project completion slated for late 2009.

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Kauai Coming Events



Found below are links to several different Kauai events calendars. Click on one or all of them and you'll be right up to date on absolutely everything happening on our garden island during the time you're planning to be on Kauai.



Hawaii State vacation planner
www.bestplaceshawaii.com/calendar/kauai

Visitors and Convention Bureau
www.gohawaii.com/about_hawaii/plan/events_in_hawaii

Festivals
www.kauaifestivals.com

Community events
kauai.alllocalevents.com

Off the beaten path events
www.alternative-hawaii.com/kaucal.htm

Festivals and events
www.kauaidiscovery.com/kauai_festivals+events

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What's Happening at Hideaway Cove



We're very excited about the latest addition to our Hideaway Cove team as George Kruse has joined our team. He is an extremely talented individual and there seems to be nothing that he cannot do. We have a long "to do" list of projects just waiting for him.

We've upgraded our wireless internet by installing two new Linksys "N" Routers on property. These are the latest and greatest from Linksys and are faster and broadcast further than the older "G" Routers. They were programmed to talk to one another and the addition of the second Router ensures that we now have strong signal strength in both of our buildings. Don't worry if your laptop is equipped to handle the G Routers, they will still work with the N Router.

We read a great review recently on a new clock radio that also has a built in iPod docking station so you can wake up to your own music. Pretty cool. The product is called iHome and we're trying them out in a couple of the units. They have very large numerals to tell the time, which I like a lot, and have fantastic sound quality. If they turn out to be as great as they initially seem, we'll add them to all units.

We've put new couches in the Coral, Aloha, Beachcomber and Oceanview. We are on a relentless march to replace all of our convertible couches with more comfortable couches that do not fold out into beds. We've found over the past eight years that the latest generation of inflatable mattresses are far more comfortable and easy to use than convertible couches. Each mattress comes with its own motor that automatically inflates and they also are now "double height" bringing them up to standard bed height. By summer, we expect the change out to be complete.

A new spa has now been installed in the Seabreeze and it is fantastic! It is larger, has many more jets, mood lighting, a waterfall and is so much quieter that we love it! The biggest advantage of this new hot tub is that it heats from ambient temperature to 104 degrees in just four hours. The old tub took 24 hours to heat up, which presented a problem if the prior guests turned it off. Now, if housekeeping discovers that the prior guests have turned down the temperature, they can bring it back up prior to the next check in.

We bought the hot tub on Oahu, as nothing was available here locally. It was a huge project installing it that involved taking down, and then rebuilding both the lattice privacy wall and the railing on the deck. We had to arrange for delivery to the property from the docks, then hire another company to deliver a special fork lift that could go up two stories and then out six feet with 800 pounds.

The fork lift was such a big piece of equipment that it dug two foot deep holes in the lawn that then had to be repaired. This spa also required 220 volts which we didn't have, so Ken Wheatley Electric was also on hand to wire things up. Ken is my neighbor and managed to squeeze this job in during the very busy Christmas season. Kudos to Ken!

With only a three day window to accomplish everything I'm happy to say we finished just in time for our honeymooning guests from Japan to be the first to enjoy.

**Send Your Positive Hideaway Cove Comments to TripAdvisor.com**


We're now consistently ranked number one or two on TripAdvisor. Thanks to everyone for sharing your experiences at the TripAdvisor website <http://tripadvisor.com/>. We really appreciate the time you've taken to relate your positive experiences. We've been told by several different sources that travelers not familiar with Kauai are increasingly relying on this site for advice.

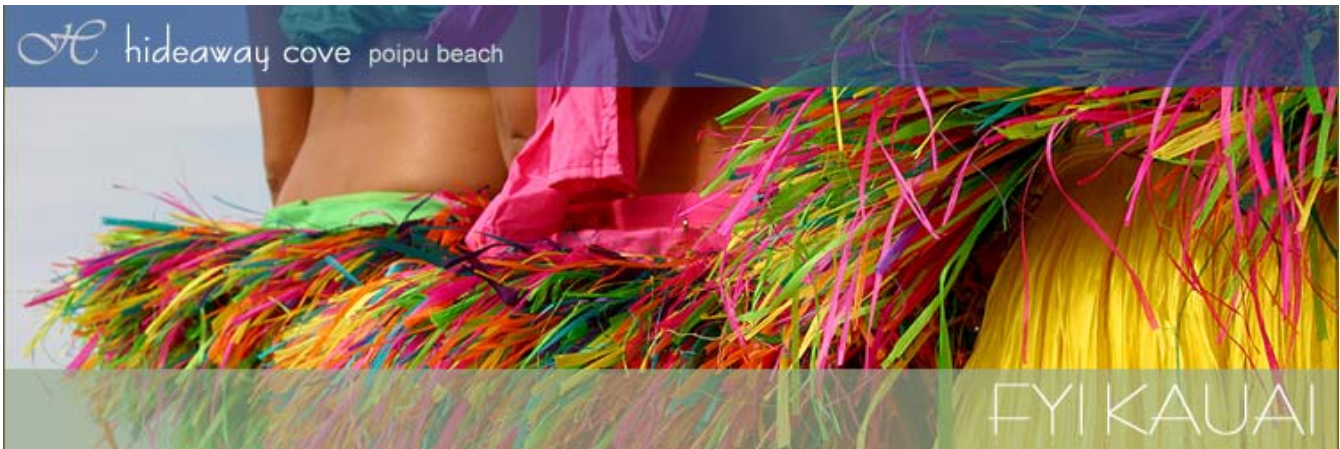
So, if you haven't already done so, please take a moment and let the rest of the world know what a great time you had at Hideaway Cove! And while you're at it, take your same comments from TripAdvisor, then cut and paste them into our online guestbook (see below). Mahalo!

Still Waiting to Sign our Online Guestbook? Now's The Perfect Time!

Thanks to everyone for the time you spend sharing your comments in our guest book. If you've been thinking of adding your comments, why not take a moment and do it now! Just click on this link: <http://www.rentors.org/guestbook>. Your comments help our future guests get a unbiased idea of what a stay with us is really like. Many mahalos (thanks) for your help!

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A Little Bit of Laughter



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Where Are We?

Two tourists were driving through Louisiana.

As they were approaching Natchitoches, they started arguing about the pronunciation of the town.

They argued back and forth until they stopped for lunch.

As they stood at the counter, one tourist asked the employee, "Before we order, could you please settle an argument for us? Would you please pronounce where we are... very slowly?"

The guy leaned over the counter and said, "Burrrrrr-gerrrrr Kiiinnnggg."

The Old Man

An old man gets on a crowded bus and no one gives him their seat.

As the bus shakes and rattles, the old man's cane slips on the floor and he falls.

As he gets up off the bus floor, a seven year old kid sitting nearby, turns to him and says,



Mister, if you put a little rubber thingy on the end of your stick, it wouldn't slip."

The old man snaps back: "Well, if your daddy did the same thing seven years ago, I would have a seat today."

Subject: Dear Abby letters that left her at a loss for words.

Dear Abby, What can I do about all the Sex, Nudity, Fowl Language and Violence on my VCR?

Dear Abby, I am a twenty-three year old liberated woman who has been on the pill for two years. It is getting expensive and I think my boy friend should share half the cost, but I do not know him well enough to discuss money with him.

Dear Abby, Our son writes that he is taking Judo. Why would a boy who was raised in a good Christian home turn against his own?

Dear Abby, I have suspected that my husband has been fooling around, and when confronted with the evidence, he denied everything and said it would never happen again.

Dear Abby, My forty-year-old son has been paying a psychiatrist \$100.00 an hour every week for two and a half years. He must be crazy.

Dear Abby, I was married to Bill for three months and I didn't know he drank until one night he came home sober.

Dear Abby, I have a man I cannot trust. He cheats so much, I am not even sure the baby I am carrying is his.

Retirement From The Navy

The Navy found they had too many officers and decided to offer an early retirement bonus.

They promised any officer who volunteered for retirement a bonus of \$1,000 for every inch measured in a straight line between any two points in his body.

The officer got to choose what those two points would be.

The first officer who accepted, asked that he be measured from the top of his head to the tip of his toes.

He was measured at six feet and walked out with \$72,000.

The second officer who accepted was a little smarter and asked to be measured from the tip of his outstretched hands to his toes.

He walked out with \$96,000.

The third was a grizzled old Chief Petty Officer who, when asked where he would like to be measured replied, "From the tip of my penis to my testicles."

It was suggested by the pension man that he might want to reconsider, explaining about the nice big checks the previous two officers received.

But the old Chief insisted and they decided to go along with him, provided the measurement was taken by a medical officer.

The medical officer arrived and instructed the Chief to "drop 'em", which he did.

The medical officer placed the tape measure on the tip of the Chief's penis and began to work back.

"My God!" he suddenly exclaimed, "Where are your testicles?"

The old Chief calmly replied..... "Vietnam"



Sadie and Yetta

Sadie and Yetta, two Jewish widows, are talking.

Sadie: "That nice tailor, Morris Finkleman asked me out for a date. I know you went out with him last week, and I wanted to talk with you about him before I give him my answer."

Yetta: "Vell.... I'll tell you. He shows up at my apartment punctual like a clock. And like such a mensch he is dressed, with a fine suit and wonderful lining.

And he brings me such beautiful flowers you would die for.

Then he takes me downstairs, and what's there but such a beautiful car.....a limousine even, uniformed chauffeur and all.

Then he takes me out for dinner....Marvelous dinner. Lobster, even.

Den ve go see a show.....Let me tell you Sadie, I enjoyed it so much I could have just died from pleasure!

So then we are coming back to my apartment and into an ANIMAL he turns. Completely crazy, he tears off my expensive new dress and has his way with me two times!

Sadie: "Oy! Vey...so you are telling me I shouldn't go out with him?"

Yetta: "No...No... I'm just saying, wear an old dress."




Do You Know, or Do You Care...?

- The catfish has over 27,000 taste buds, more than any other animal.
- The flea can jump 350 times its body length, which is like a human jumping the length of a football field.
- A cockroach will live nine days without its head. The only reason it doesn't live longer is it's unable to eat.
- Butterflies taste with their feet.
- Elephants are the only animals that can't jump. (thankfully)
- A cat's urine glows under a black light.
- An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.
- Starfish haven't got brains.

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Real Estate Corner



The real estate market on Kauai continues to fight the trend seen on many mainland markets. That trend is sharply lower prices driven by an abundance of bank foreclosures. We have definitely experienced a slowdown in numbers of transactions and sales volume. The upper end of the market, those homes above three million, and the lower end, those below \$600,000 are the most active.

The middle of the market, however, has seen a steadily increasing number of days on the market prior to sale. Overall, prices have declined 5% in the last 12 months, a modest decline considering the rapid run up of the prior three years. There is not a large foreclosure problem on Kauai as none of the exotic no money down loans were made here.

Looking ahead, most local economists expect our market to recover sometime in 2009. Until then, those homeowners with homes above \$600,000 will need to be creative in order to sell their homes.

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Thoughts to Ponder



The greater part of our happiness or misery depends on our dispositions and not our circumstances.

Martha Washington

You know "that look" that women get when they want sex? Me neither.

Steve Martin

The greatest pleasure in life is doing what people say you cannot do.

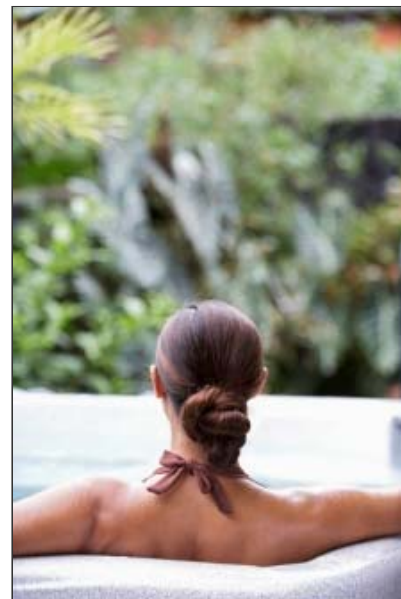
Walter Bagehot

When you're going through hell, don't stop to take pictures.

J.T. O'Hara

I told my psychiatrist that everyone hates me. He said I was being ridiculous - everyone hasn't met me yet.

Rodney Dangerfield



Happiness in intelligent people is the rarest thing I know.

Ernest Hemingway

Democracy is a device that ensures we shall be governed no better than we deserve.

George Bernard Shaw

In Hollywood a marriage is a success if it outlasts milk.

Rita Rudner

No degree of dullness can safeguard a work against the determination of critics to find it fascinating.




[Harold Rosenberg](#)

You can live to be a hundred if you give up all the things that make you want to live to be a hundred.

[Woody Allen](#)

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And the Winner is...



Congratulations to...
 Doub and Traci Pearce from Canyon Country,
 California for winning a \$300 credit toward a future
 stay at Hideaway Cove. The credit expires a year
 from now, so give us a call and make a reservation!
 The winner of our new drawing will be announced
 in our next issue. Good luck to everyone!

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Year Round Things To Do



Hanapepe Art Night

Every Friday night from 5 - 9 p.m. is Hanapepe Art Night and is unique. Participating galleries take turns being the weekly host gallery, offering original performances or demonstrations which become the theme for that art night. All the galleries are lit up and decked out, giving the town a special atmosphere. Enjoy a stroll down the streets of quaint, historic Hanapepe.

Enjoy free hula shows at the following locations:

Seaview Terrace at Hyatt Regency Resort & Spa, Poipu, 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Be sure and call (808) 742-1234 to double check the type of performance. Some nights there is guitar music, others keiki hula with young children performing. If you've never seen 3-9 years olds doing the hula, you should go. It's really a joy to watch.

Kukui's Restaurant at Kauai Marriott Resort & Beach Club, Lihue (on Kalapaki Bay), Wednesday & Saturday shows, 6:30 PM and 8:00 PM Call (808) 245-5050

Coconut Marketplace, Kapaa, 5:00 PM daily (programs vary) Call (808) 822-3641

Happy Talk Lounge at Hanalei Bay Resort, Princeville, Tuesdays 6:30 - 9:30 PM - call (808) 826-6522. Also enjoy live jazz here on Sunday afternoons.

The free Tiare Tahiti Dance Show takes place Monday & Thursday evenings at 5:00 PM, in the courtyard of Poipu Shopping Village. Call (808) 742-2831.



Hawaiian crafts

Watch Hawaiian crafts being created at the Hui Aloha (friendly get-together) in the Sheraton Garden Court Lobby in Poipu from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM. This daily display features everything from coconut hats to Niihau shell leis, lauhala baskets and more. Call (808) 742-1661 for further information.

Crater Hill Hikes



Monday through Thursday go on Crater Hill Hikes. From the Kilauea Point National Wildlife Refuge Visitor's Center, you can join this 2 to 2-1/2 hour hike. Guides discuss the geology of the island and Crater Hill, seabirds and migratory birds, native plants, and marine wildlife that visit Kilauea Point. Spectacular setting including historic Kilauea Point Lighthouse, visitor's center, and grounds open all day. Free with paid entry fee of \$3 to the Wildlife Refuge. Call (808) 828-0168 for reservations.

Gay & Robinson Tour

Monday through Friday take a Gay & Robinson Tour. See Makaweli's sugar irrigation systems Mon - Fri, 8 - 4 p.m. Exhibits show the 17.5 mile Koula Ditch, 13 mile Olokele Ditch, and history of Gay & Robinson, Olokele and Hawaiian Sugar Co. plantations. Free. Call (808) 335-2824.

Kauai Children's Discovery Museum

Tuesdays through Saturdays take the kids to the Kauai Children's Discovery Museum. "Deep Sea Giants" is an amazing interactive exhibit of robotic ocean creatures. Permanent exhibits include multi-cultural keiki village, coral reef at night, virtual reality stations, magic tree house library and more. Admission is \$4.50/\$3.50. Located at Kauai Village Shopping Center in Kapaa. Daily summer camp is offered weekdays. For more information call (808) 823-8222.

Kapaa History Tour

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays go for a Kapaa History Tour. Take walking tours through Kapaa town. Meet at Pono Kai Resort lobby at 10 am. Call (808) 245-3373 for reservations.

Historic Waimea Walking Tour

Mondays are reserved for the Historic Waimea Walking Tour. This 90 minute tour offers a glimpse of historic Waimea town Mondays at 9:30 a.m. Call (808)338-1332.

Sugar Mill Tour

Mondays through Fridays enjoy a Sugar Mill Tour. This two-hour field and factory tour is given twice daily at 9 a.m. and at 1 p.m. There is an admission charge for the tour, but admission to the Visitor Center is free and is open 8 - 4. Kaumakani Ave. Call (808)335-2824 for reservations.

Garden Tours

Mondays through Fridays take advantage of any one of a number of Garden Tours. North shore Limahuli Garden: Restored ancient taro fields, rare species, and spectacular views. (808) 826-1053. Kalaheo Allerton Garden: Exquisite statuary and reflecting pools plus amazing flora. (808) 742-2623. Na Aina Kai: Contemporary sculptures and wonderful grounds. (808) 828-1525.



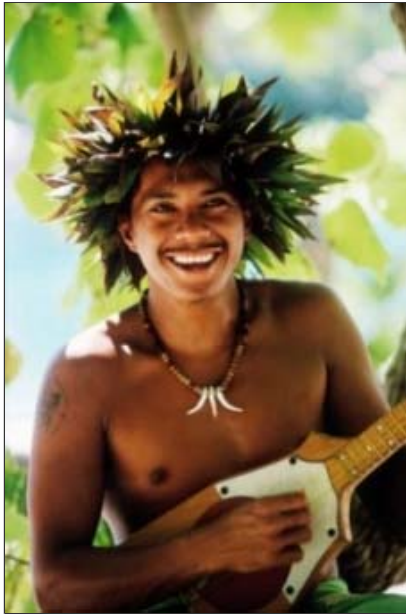
Walking Tour of Old Waimea Sugar Plantation and Cottages

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays stroll back in time with a Walking Tour of Old Waimea Sugar Plantation and Cottages. The tour meets at 9:00 a.m. and lasts approximately 90 minutes. Volunteers lead you through Waimea Plantation Cottages, a vacation resort of restored plantation houses, and the neighboring Waimea Sugar Company "camp" of houses dating to the turn of the century. Tours are limited to 12 people. For reservations please call (808) 335-2824.

Kauai Museum Tour

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays take a Kauai Museum Tour. Free tours at 10 am with admission. Docents provide interpretation of Kauai and Niihau culture as they lead tours through the Museum's galleries. Call (808) 245-6931 for more information.

Hawaiian Slack Key Music Concerts




Fridays and Sundays perk up your ears for Hawaiian Slack Key Music Concerts. Enjoy a delightful afternoon of live slack key guitar and ukulele with stories of the history of the music, Kauai, endangered species, and more. Free gift drawing! Tickets \$10 (\$8 keiki/kupuna). [Hanalei Community Center](#) - Fridays at 4 p.m., Sundays at 3 p.m. For more information call (808) 826-1469.

Grove Farm Museum

Grove Farm Museum offers a walking tour of the grounds and building of a sugar plantation home with little bits of Hawaiiiana that are hard to find. Offered daily. Reservations are required and can be made up to three months in advance. (808) 245-3202. Donation of \$5 per adult and \$2 for children 12 and under.

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