



Overlooking Nawiliwili

Kauai is better known by its well-deserved nickname, the "Garden Island." Fewer people live here than on the larger neighboring islands, but Hawaiian residents and out-of-state visitors alike are attracted to its much-acclaimed beaches. Rugged, emerald-colored cliffs set the backdrop for cascading waterfalls and magnificent sandy shores. As one of the most enticing spots on earth secluded coves are found all along the island's irregular coastline and a luxuriant rainforest flourishes on the "wet" side of the island. With the island's central mountain receiving an average of 500 inches of rainfall a year, Kauai is one of the wettest spots on earth. Kauai is also the oldest Hawaiian island both geologically and historically. Island lore claims Kauai was the original home of Pele, the goddess of fire and volcanoes, before she moved southward. Welcome ashore as you explore and discover the beauty of this verdant natural wonderland.

Major Attractions

A. Waimea Canyon

- The scenic canyon is part of the Waimea Canyon State Park on the west side of the island.

- At 3,000 feet deep, Waimea Canyon is often referred to as "The Grand Canyon of the Pacific".

B. Na Pali Coast

- This fifteen-mile stretch of rugged coastline on the northwest shore of Kauai literally means "the Cliffs."
- Much of the coast is inaccessible due to its characteristic sheer cliffs that drop thousands of feet straight down into the ocean.

C. Princeville Botanical Gardens

- The gardens are family owned and located in the Princeville area on the magnificent north shore.
- Apart from strolling the gardens, visitors can participate in chocolate and fruit tastings.

D. Wailua Falls

- This 80-foot waterfall feeds into the Wailua River.
- In ancient times, Hawaiian men would jump from the top of the falls to prove their manhood.

E. Kaua'I Museum

- The Albert Spencer Wilcox Building was originally a library and then converted into a museum.
- It displays exhibits on the history of the island.

F. Po'ipu Beach

- The most popular beach on the South Shore fronted by a beach park, and a few resorts.
- This beach is a series of golden sand crescents, strung together. Here you will find snorkeling, swimming, a natural ocean wading pool, boogie-boarding and surfing.

Note: Some of the above mentioned sights are also featured in our Crystal Destination Discoveries for Nawiliwili.

Geography Information/ History

When Captain James Cook arrived in 1778, he observed that Nawiliwili was the physical and cultural heart of the area. However it wasn't until 1930 that Nawiliwili had a safe harbor for passenger and cargo ships, when sugar baron and philanthropist George Wilcox donated funds to make the harbor an ideal place for larger vessels to dock safely. The harbor's name comes from the many Wiliwili trees which once flourished here. Kauai is the oldest Hawaiian island both geologically and historically. Nawiliwili is the number one port in Kauai and with that a major source of income. The little town of Lihu'e is a commercial, distribution, and tourist center.



Nawiliwili/Kauai, Hawaii, USA

Island Population: *Approx. 67,091*

Language: English

Currency: US Dollar (USD)

Docking Location: Crystal Symphony is scheduled to dock at Pier #2 at Wa'apa Road.

Distance to City: Downtown Lihu'e is the nearest town but has little of any interest. Harbor Mall is a small strip of shops, approximately ½ mile from the pier. The local shops provide a complimentary shuttle to this location.

Shuttle Service: No Crystal shuttle will operate in this port; however local shops and malls provide their own complimentary transportation.

Taxis: Taxis are generally available outside the pier and are metered.

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