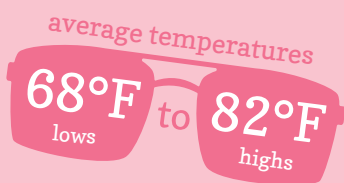


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In ancient times, several underwater volcanoes rose from the sea floor and broke through the surface of the ocean, forming a giant prehistoric landmass that scientists have called Maui Nui ("Big Maui"). In time, the landmass broke apart and formed the islands of Maui, Lanai, Molokai, Kahoolawe and the islet of Molokini.

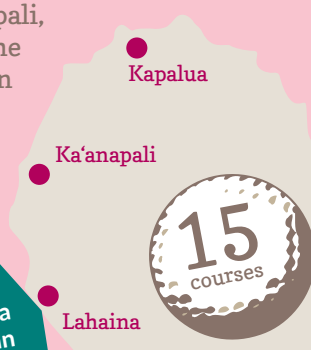
Maui is made up of two dormant volcanoes which give the island its distinctive shape. The volcano to the west is Mauna Kahalawai, popularly known as the West Maui Mountains. To the east is Mount Haleakala. The volcanoes are connected by a wide, sunny isthmus called Central Maui.

More than a million people a year visit Mount Haleakala, "House of the Sun", to witness the unforgettable sunrise. On one side, bright sunrises glow; while on the other side, the stars in the purple sky fade into daylight. Be prepared for cold weather and bundle up for this amazing experience because the temperature drops 3° every 1,000 feet in elevation. The summit is over 10,000 feet high!

The second largest Hawaiian island, "The Magic Isle" or "The Valley Isle", was voted the "Best Island" by the readers of Condé Nast Traveler for 19 years. Reasons are many, but the fact that the population is less than 25% of the land's mass is ideal. Maui has it all: quaint towns with mom and pop stores, farm-to-table cuisine, Haleakala Summit and more!

West Maui

Once a favorite playground of royalty and now a playground for everyone, West Maui has it all: an old pineapple plantation which is now exquisite Kapalua; Ka'anapali, Napili Bay and the culture-rich town of Lahaina. Visit Black Rock and witness the cliff dive ceremony at dusk daily.



Ho'okipa is a beach on the north shore which is perhaps the most renowned windsurfing site in the world. A combination of large waves, ideal reef system and strong winds make it ideal for the sport. Windsurfing competitions and surfing contests are held here as well.

East Maui

This area of Maui ranges from Kahului Airport out to Hana on the northeastern tip of the island, and is renowned for great surfing, quaint towns and lush rural scenery. Known as the windward side, it's largely undeveloped and much of the narrow road to Hana winds along the island's beautiful northern coastline.



In 1831, Lahainaluna High School in Lahaina was the first American school established west of the Rocky Mountains.

Lahaina, once the capital of the Kingdom of Hawaii, was the center of a major whaling industry and now a popular visitor's attraction. Walk the Whaler's Village and popular Front Street at this historical treasure.

Three miles off the coast is a crescent-shaped islet called Molokini. The tiny 18-acre island is actually the lip of a partially submerged volcano. It is protected and is one of Maui's most popular attractions for marine enthusiasts.

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The Road to Hana is only 52 miles from Kahului Airport, however the drive can take anywhere from two to four hours to complete since it consists of 59 bridges, 620 curves and incredible island views to stop at alongside the way.

- Kihei
- Wailea
- Makena



Haleakala, the world's largest dormant volcano, is 10,023 feet high and has a crater big enough to hold Manhattan Island!

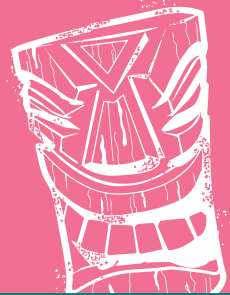
Quick Facts

- Capital: Wailuku
- Main airport: Kahului
- Population: 131, 531
- Color: Pink
- Flower: Lokelani rose
- State Bird: Nene
- State Mammal: Humpback whale

Hana

South Maui

Sheltered on the leeward side of Mount Haleakala, South Maui is sunnier and drier than the rest of the island. Enjoy endless sandy beaches and watersports, luxurious accommodations and championship golf. Nearby are a wide range of interesting activities: the only winery/vineyard on Hawaii, a lavender field, dairy farm, plantation farm, ocean center and incredible scuba and snorkeling on Molokini. South Maui includes the beach town Kihei, the luxurious resort community of Wailea and the largest yet smallest resort destination, Makena.



The ancient god Maui is known throughout Polynesia, not just in Hawaii. He is sometimes called Maui of the Thousand Tricks. Hence the island's nickname "The Magic Isle."

The area between Maui, Molokai and Lanai is known as the "bathtub." The ocean currents moving through this protected channel and the freshwater streams that flow into it make it a playground and also a mating area for the humpback whales who migrate to Hawaii from November to March.



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WHALE WATCHING

Witness the curious and friendly pods of whales from the sandy beaches or take a selfie close up with them from a boat!