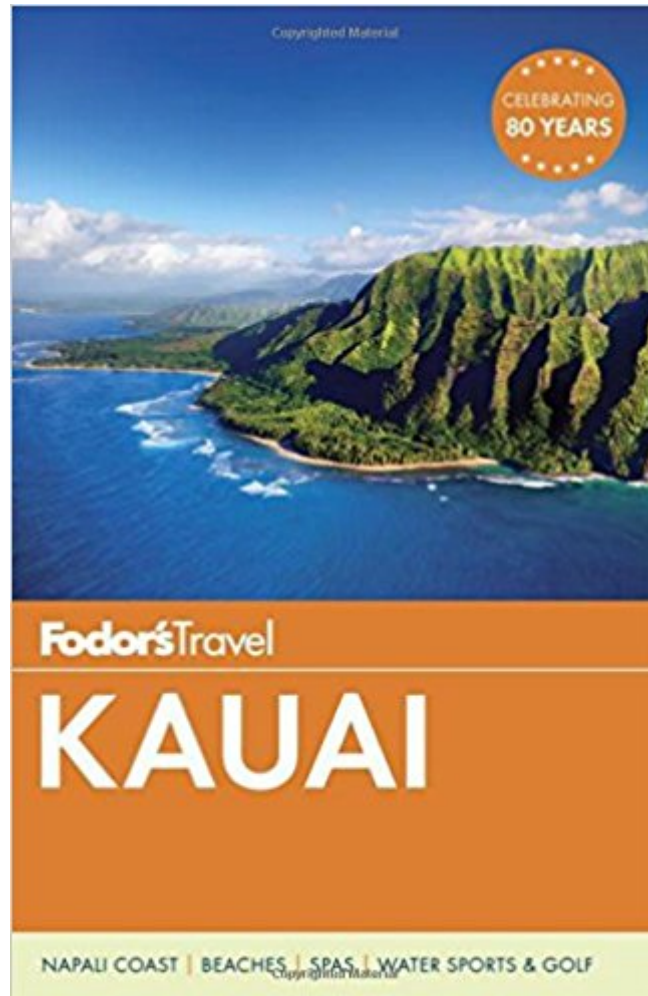




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Synopsis

Written by locals, Fodor's travel guides have been offering expert advice for all tastes and budgets for 80 years. Hawaii's "Garden Isle" is green and lush, with famous sights from the steeply folded sea cliffs of the Napali Coast to the stunning sweep of Waimea Canyon. The island also has more beaches per mile of coastline than any other island in the state. A favorite of honeymooners and bird-watchers, Kauai is on many bucket lists. This travel guide includes:

- Dozens of full-color maps plus a handy pullout map with essential information
- Hundreds of hotel and restaurant recommendations, with Fodor's Choice designating our top picks
- Multiple itineraries to explore the top attractions and what's off the beaten path
- In-depth breakout features on Hawaii's unique culture with lei, luau, and hula
- Major sights such as Napali Coast, Hanalei Bay, Waimea Canyon Drive, and Highway 560
- Coverage of Ilauea, Princeville, Hanalei, Kapaa, Lihue, Poipu, Waimea Canyon, the Napali Coast, The North Shore, The East Side, The South Shore, and The West Side

Planning to visit more of Hawaii or focus on other islands? Check out Fodor's travel guides to Hawaii, Maui, Oahu, and Big Island of Hawaii.

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I just opened the book for the first time and in 5 minutes I found two errors. Page 118 it says that the Westin Princeville Villas has free parking but the hotel web site says that there is a charge for self and valet parking. On page 108 the restaurant Casa di Amici closed early in 2016. Apparently the owner retired and sold the property for other use. If the Westin used to have free parking and doesn't now I could understand missing it. A restaurant that closed early in 2016 should be removed from a book with a copyright date of 2017. Both these errors are also on the Fodor web site listings. This just makes me wonder if there are other errors that I don't know about. I would hope that when these books are updated the authors check all of the places listed to at least make sure that they are still open and the prices mentioned are still accurate. If the information in a book copyrighted in 2017 was a year earlier then it should say so in the book. I buy travel books with a publish date as close to the current date as possible to avoid changes not in the book. I am disappointed in Fodor for this book.

It is organized by activity -- beaches, restaurants, hotels, sights, etc. -- instead of by locality. When I visit a place, I like to know where to eat there, where to stay there, what sights are there. We stayed on North shore and had to go to three or four different sections of the guide to find out where to eat, what sights there were etc. Bad Choice!

Great book! Lots of helpful, relevant information.

Great guide. Use it daily on our trip.

It was very helpful particularly on places to eat and things to do. The helicopter ride was a great way to see the boundaries of the island.

I've been to Hawaii several times and am planning a trip for my husband and me. He really does not like resort-y things or nightclubs/bars so I was going to split most of our time between the big island (which I know) and Kauai which I do not. I like the general info regarding the tone and personality of Kauai. There are some tips on hiking which were useful. The sections on surfing, golf and aerial tours and ATVing were not helpful or relevant to our needs. I would prefer a more geographical organization of material and that was frustrating with this book. I'd be far more likely to use a reference that is structured that way. There is some general information on traveling to Hawaii which would be useful to the first time traveler. For me this guide was just ok.

If you are lucky enough to be going to "the Garden Isle" of Kauai, this is a very good guide book to plan your trip. Fodor's guides are fact-filled, well organized, easy to read, and small enough (5 1/2" x 8") to carry with you. This particular guide to Kauai provides almost twice the Kauai-specific information you'd get if you used a general guide to Hawaii, such as Fodor's Essential Hawaii (Full-color Travel Guide). There is also a pull-out map of Kauai. The guide provides a good deal of "basic" information: top attractions, trip planning, itineraries, where to eat, stay, shop, nightlife, sports, history, culture, maps. If you are looking for a picture book for arm chair reading, this is not it.

My wife and I are in the beginning stages of planning a trip to Kauai. I picked up this travel guide in order to get a general lay of the land and some good insight. What I do like about this book is how it breaks the island down into four major areas. It does give you a general pros and cons about each area which is pretty cool. There is a ton of information in this book and there is a lot to read in depth. It also comes with a full size map in the back which is always nice to have. It also gives you a list of activities such as golf, hiking and some other outdoor activities. There's also some good information on where to eat and where to stay along with what are the best beaches and where are they. This book is more for someone who's looking to do some research before their trip as opposed to just picking up a book when arriving in Kauai and taking it from there.

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