



# Plan Your Best Vacation to Maui Ever!

Where to stay and  
what to do on Maui

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This ebooklet is an answer to many requests from people who really wanted some personal advice about their Maui vacation.

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Here's a site I like about Ocean safety in the islands:  
<http://oceansafety.soest.hawaii.edu/>

Most everything in this book is **my opinion**, based on my preferences and resources and experiences. I hope my opinions help point you in the direction you most want to take based on your preferences and resources.  
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## Aloha!

**So you're planning a vacation to Maui** – congratulations! You are going to have SUCH FUN! First, you'll be flying in to Kahalui (OGG) or Kapalua (JHM), and you may be able to find a direct flight from your city or at least the west coast of the U.S. Mainland into Kahalui. A few airlines do this these days.

If not, your airline will probably schedule your connecting flight from Honolulu for you. If you have to do it yourself, you'll want to contact either <http://www.hawaii-lisa.com/go/hawaiian-air.php> or Go! Airlines <http://www.iflygo.com/>

You may also want to consider checking the prices at [Hawaiian Airlines](#) for your flights to Hawaii. Sometimes they have great sales (mostly from near the west coast).

## My Favorites on Maui

**My favorite areas:** Kaanapali, Lahaina and Wailea. Kaanapali is a three mile long golden sand beach north of Lahaina. And Lahaina is the main town on Maui – lots of fun shopping, dining, sights to see and nightlife. Wailea has beautiful white sand beaches in South Maui where it's almost always sunny and less windy than northward.

**My favorite hotel:** Hands down, the Wailea Marriott is my top choice because it's a wonderful place for children, especially with the kids' pool playground structure and its small and large slides.

**My favorite luau:** Maui has more than a few fantastic luau, but none compare to the [Old Lahaina Luau](#). The multiple award-winning production tells the story of the Hawaiians through chant, music and hula. The food is superb (Emeril hosts shows from here even) and includes traditional luau food as well as modern Hawaiian delights like mango chicken. This is a hands-down favorite luau of locals and visitors. Check out the photos and menu at their site.

**My favorite Activity:** Viewing and playing at the waterfalls we can hike into from the Road to Hana. Paradise!

## Best Weather on Maui

Maui is an island that offers exceptionally good weather. While the weather changes dramatically depending on the area of the island, it is generally

between 75 and 85 degrees F all year long. Passing showers means 5 minutes of (warm!) rain and then 1 to 5 hours of Sun. We never give up on what we are doing for a passing shower.

The South and West Maui are usually hot and dry, while greener East and North Maui gets more rain and cooling tradewinds. In the winter months, you may see snow on the top of Haleakala (the volcanic mountain).

Maui's coastal waters are inviting year round too. The water temperature averages 75°F, about 10 degrees warmer than Southern California coastal waters in the summer. During Hawaii's summer, South and West Maui coastal waters often hover around 85°F, the temperature of a heated swimming-pool. Nice!

## Best Hotels in Maui

These are the best hotels in all of Maui, in my opinion.

*If you consistently find higher prices than what I have found, maybe prices are up due to high season or some other reason. You find the best fares during the off-peak season, late September through the first week of June. And exception to this is fares go up around Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's, as well the days closely surrounding them and Spring Break.*

*You may find lower prices by bidding at Priceline and using Hotwire.com. This is all detailed below the tables. All listed prices are based on double occupancy. If you find lower prices than I've listed here, don't question it, just book it! ☺*

### Best Overall, Oceanfront, and Luxury Hotels on Maui

Hotel	Best Overall Aspects	Best daily price I have been able to find
<a href="#">Fairmont Kea Lani</a>	On the south shore's Polo Beach at Wailea. All suites and villas at this luxury resort. Kids program, three pools, private plunge pools with some. When it's not high surf, the beach has excellent snorkeling.	\$339 at <a href="#">Expedia</a>

<a href="#">Four Seasons Resort at Wailea</a>	Great location at a Wailea white sand beach. Beautiful grounds, lagoon style pool with waterfall, small slide, and shallow end. Connects to main pool. Child care with only 4-hour notice.	\$445 at <a href="#">Expedia</a> .
<a href="#">Hale Napili</a>	Ocean and garden view condos located at one of the island's best beaches, Napili Bay Beach where snorkeling is excellent at one end (when calm) and the waves are big enough at the other for body boarding. Low-key with less than 20 units.	\$160 at the website.
<a href="#">Hyatt Regency Maui</a>	Facing the golden sands of West Maui's Kaanapali Beach, this fantasy resort offers a 20,000 square ft spa, cocktail lounge behind a waterfall, kids water playground with rope bridge, slides (big, fast slide for kids over 4 feet) etc. and kids' program. The Napali Tower is on the best part of the beach.	\$247 at <a href="#">Expedia</a> , Priceline and website.
<a href="#">Kaanapali Alii</a>	Spacious 1-2 bedroom resort condos on one of Dr. Beach's "Best Beaches in America," Kaanapali. snorkeling, kayaking, catamaran cruises, whale watching, more. Kids' summer program. Kiddy pool.	\$250 at <a href="#">Expedia</a> and website.
<a href="#">Kaanapali Beach Hotel</a>	Maui's "Most Hawaiian Hotel" set on tropical grounds at Kaanapali Beach. Built in 1964, the resort is showing its age but staff is super friendly, the beach is awesome and complimentary activities include Hawaiian cultural activities for the family, children's program (parents attend), and nightly Hawaiian music and hula shows under the stars.	\$143 at <a href="#">Expedia</a> and website (guarantees best rates).
<a href="#">Napili Kai Beach Resort</a>	Near Lahaina, this low rise, traditional Hawaiian resort nestled on a Napili snorkeling and swimming cove includes units on the white sand beach and within a short walk. Many units have ocean view and are cooled by tradewinds. Tropical garden view units are cooled by a/c. Complimentary water sports toys and cultural activities.	\$243 at website.
<a href="#">Renaissance Wailea Beach</a>	A Conde Nast "Travel & Leisure Award" winner, this country club	Didn't find any rates/availability listed at this time.

<a href="#">Resort</a>	setting resort fronts the white sand coves of pristin Mokapu Beach. Heated pool with overwater cabanas, Camp Wailea for the kids, kayaking and a private coral reef for snorkeling.	
<a href="#">Ritz Carlton Kapalua Resort</a>	Sophisticated and sleek on the Upper West Shore. Newly remodeled guess rooms. Tri-level pool, kids' pool, Jean-Michel Cousteau eco-adventure program, direct access to beautiful D.T. Fleming Beach.	\$298 at Expedia.
<a href="#">Sheraton Maui Resort</a>	Privately nestled against Black Rock at Ka`anapali Beach. Not as luxurious as most mega resorts but very nice. More lawn than tropical gardens but offers the Sheraton Adventure Club for the children, a romantic tropical lagoon theme pool with waterfalls and a shallow pool for young children.	\$220 at Expedia (this is less than half at the website!).

## Best Family Hotels in Maui

<b>Hotel</b>	<b>Best thing about it for families</b>	<b>Best daily price I've been able to find</b>
<a href="#">Fairmont Kea Lani</a>	Luxury resort at Polo Beach, Wailea. All units are suites and villas, perfect for families. Kids program, three pools.	\$339 at Expedia.
<a href="#">Four Seasons Resort at Wailea</a>	Located at a kid-friendly Wailea Beach. Awesome complimentary amenities for kids like child-size bathrobes. Infant furniture and short notice childcare. Lagoon pool connecting to main pool has a waterfall, small slide, and shallow end.	\$445 at Expedia.
<a href="#">Grand Wailea Resort &amp; Spa</a>	Amazing pool with slides, river rapids, Tarzan rope swing, caves, Jacuzzis, water elevator, more. Also an "adults only" pool for serenity seekers. Located at Wailea Beach, a wonderful family beach with snorkeling kayaking, more. Awesome kids' program too!	\$323 Expedia.
<a href="#">Hololani Oceanfront</a>	All of their condos have 2 bedrooms/2 baths, ocean views,	\$220 at website. Through Dec. 10: book 5 nights, get 6 & 7 free.

<a href="#">Condos</a>	kitchen, washer and dryer, and cable TV. Short walking distance to restaurants and shops in Kahana. The beach's shallow reef makes for good snorkeling in sunny West Maui.	
<a href="#">Hyatt Regency Maui</a>	Not only is this on a great beach (Kaanapali), there's a fantasy water playground with a 150-ft lava tube slide, swinging rope bridge, waterfalls, more. Also a kids only pool and children's camp.	\$247 at Expedia, Priceline and website.
<a href="#">Kaanapali Beach Hotel</a>	1-2 bedroom, spacious resort condos at Kanapali Beach - great fun for families. Activities include snorkeling, kayaking, catamaran cruises, whale watching, more. Kids' summer program. Kiddy pool.	\$143 at Expedia and website (guarantees best rates).
<a href="#">Maui on Napili Bay</a>	Vintage 50's building, with lots of aloha and a family friendly setting on Upper West Maui's Napili Bay Beach (swimming, snorkeling and body boarding). Studios with kitchenettes. Some rooms showing their age, others are remodeled. TV, games, etc. are in the Ohana Room, which has nice ocean views.	\$185 at website.
<a href="#">Puamana Vacation Homes</a>	Peaceful, gated community about a mile from Lahaina. 1 to 3 bedroom/2 plus bath townhouses with full kitchen, lanai (patio), barbecue. Also a playground. One of the pools extends over the beach, which is nice because the ocean's a little rough here with waves and rocks.	\$155 at <a href="#">Maui Vacation Rentals</a>
<a href="#">Wailea Marriott</a>	Nestled between Wailea and Uluā beaches, the resort has fabulous aquatic playgrounds for kids, a sandy bottom pool with playground structure and small slide for little ones and in a larger pool a big slide with exciting twists and turns for older kids. The resort has five pools in all.	\$249 at Expedia.

## Best Budget-Priced Hotels on Maui

Many of these hotels don't list with [Expedia](#) and [Priceline](#). If you call them directly for reservations, be sure to ask "Do you have any discounts that could bring my rate down?" You could get a "Yes" and a better rate off the bat.

I also highly recommend bidding on Priceline. Many of these smaller operations do not sell rooms to Priceline, and so if you are bidding on Priceline you will normally get something like a resort or a 2 to 4 star hotel. Remember, you can't pick your hotel if you bid, just your desired star level.

You'll have the most luck with getting low bids accepted on Priceline when the hotels are hurting for visitors, but try anytime. You could really get some good deals.

Most of the following are condos and include full kitchens, private washer/dryer, pool and barbecue. The "Best Prices" are based on Expedia, Priceline (lowest prices without bidding) and the hotel's site.

<b>Hotel</b>	<b>Best Aspect</b>	<b>Best Price I have found</b>
<a href="#">Hololani</a>	2 bedroom/2 bath condos, all with ocean views at snorkeling beach.	\$140 at website.
<a href="#">Kaanapali Beach Hotel</a>	1-2 bedroom, spacious condos at fun Kanapali Beach. Kids' program and kiddy pool.	\$142.67 at Hotels.com
<a href="#">Kihei Kai Nani</a>	Ocean & garden view condos walking distance from a gently sloping, white sand beach with good swimming - Kamaole Beach Park II.	\$103 at website.
<a href="#">Koa Lagoon</a>	1-2 bedroom condos, all with ocean views and a short walk from Sugar Beach, a nice North Kihei beach. 1 to 2 bedrooms.	\$170 at website.
<a href="#">Lokelani</a>	Condos hug the reef-protected sandy cove. Only 30 feet from the ocean. 1 - 2 bedrooms, 1-2 baths.	\$129 at website.
<a href="#">Mauian on Napili Bay</a>	Vintage Hawaiian, family friendly, just a few steps from Napili Bay Beach. Ocean view studios with kitchenettes. TV etc. in the public Ohana Room.	\$140 at website.
<a href="#">Napili Village</a>	Short walk to Napili Bay Beach. Studios and one bedrooms.	\$139 at website
<a href="#">Noelani</a>	At the water's edge on Maui's Upper West Shore, studio, 1,2	\$112.50 at Hotels.com

	and 3 bedroom ocean view condos. Quiet. Snorkeling when calm but no beach. The sandy Kahana Beach pictured on site is on other side of cove.	
<a href="#">Puamana Vacation Homes</a>	Peaceful, gated community near Lahaina. 1 to 3 bedroom/2 plus bath townhouses. Playground. Beach isn't swimmer-friendly, but there's an oceanfront pool that extends over the water.	\$155 at MauiVacationRentals.net
<a href="#">The Whaler</a>	Gated, oceanfront resort at Kaanapali beach. 1-2 bedroom suites. Some units are direct oceanfront, some with ocean views. Beach boardwalk leads to nearby Whaler's Village.	\$177 at Expedia.

## Best Romantic Hotels and Hotels for Weddings On Maui

<a href="#">Sheraton Maui Resort</a>	With its enchanting tropical lagoon theme swimming pool and exciting luau, this is, in my opinion, one of the most romantic resorts in the Hawaiian Islands. Privately nestled against Black Rock at Ka'anapali Beach. Wedding locations include intimate lawn settings and oceanfront lawn.	\$220 at Expedia.
<a href="#">Four Seasons Resort at Wailea</a>	At a beautiful Wailea white sand beach. Romantic lagoon style with waterfall. Yours will be the only wedding hosted on your special day. Wedding planning service allows for much creativity. Nice honeymoon packages too. See pictures	\$445 at Expedia.
<a href="#">Westin Maui</a>	Highly customized wedding services, signature plush "Heavenly Beds" in some rooms, tropical lagoon pool, a beachfront setting at an extra nice section of Ka'anapali Beach. Also luau.	\$240 at Expedia (less than half at website!).
<a href="#">Hyatt Regency Maui</a>	Offers an assortment of customizable wedding packages, detailed at their site. At Kaanapali Beach, this fantasy resort offers a 20,000 square ft spa, a waterfall cocktail lounge, romantic restaurants, luau and	\$247 at Expedia, Priceline and website.

	an especially pretty setting at night.	
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## **Bidding on Hawaii Travel at Priceline and Shopping at Deep Discount Sites, Expedia and Hotwire**

Shopping for travel reservations through [Expedia](#), [Priceline](#), and [Hotwire](#) is a great way to save money on hotels and sometimes even flights to Hawaii. You can often get even better prices than ones in the charts. I have personally bid and got \$55 at the Royal Kona Resort and \$120 at the Waikoloa Marriott. My friend got *\$110 at the Waikoloa Hilton* and \$85 at the Hapuna Prince. (All of these hotels are on the Big Island.) And I know someone who bid and received a roundtrip flight from San Francisco to Honolulu for \$250. These are good deals!

Oh, and don't forget car rentals. You can get great deals on car rentals by bidding.

The only issue with bidding for hotels is that you won't know what hotel you get until you are locked in to paying for it. You just specify a certain star level or class of hotel.

And the only issue with bidding for flights is that you won't be able to specify an exact time, but they do tell you it will be sometime between x morning hour and x evening hour, so not too bad. I have a friend who got a roundtrip flight Los Angeles to Honolulu for \$179 through Hotwire.

At Hotwire you can get their regular low rates while specifying your hotel, airline/flight time and car model, but to give you the deep discounts Hotwire gets from their partners that they're not allowed to publicize, you won't know the names until after you reserve. As mentioned above though, you can choose general times, star rating on hotels, size of car, etc.

### **So How Should I Bid on Hawaii Travel?**

**Hotels:** I like to decide on a hotel I like, then find out what its star level is. Then on [Priceline](#), I go directly to naming my own price, and during the

process Priceline will tell you what the average price is for that star level. I then bid half of that.

The Priceline website will have a ticker of recently accepted rates in the area you are searching for that is helpful.

An awesome resource is the [bidding for travel](#) forum. If you scroll down on the home page you'll see three Hawaii forums, based on which islands you are planning to visit. People bid, and then come here and post their accepted and rejected rates.

I have heard that the posted "median retail prices" at Priceline are sometimes inaccurate. I don't worry about this in Hawaii because I am so familiar with what the hotels cost here. You, however, may want to check prices on the website of a few hotels that are the same star level as you want. You can then try to bid 50% of that.

**Rental Cars** – \$15 a day is a good place to start, and check the recent winning bids on Priceline.

**Flights** – I like to bid 50% of whatever the going rate is and then bid up in \$50 increments if that is refused.

## Most Fun, Must-Do, Activities and Things to Do on Maui

This is my personal favorites list of the most exciting and fun things to do on Maui:

- **Atlantis Submarine Tours** – This is the one featured on National Geographic. Maui's tour takes you down to view a natural coral reef with fish galore, as well as a sunken replica of a 19th century supply vessel. [Atlantis Submarine Tour](#). Price: \$89 for 13 years old and up; \$40 for 2 to 12 years.
- **Haleakala Bike Ride Down a Volcano** – Ride up in a van (maybe catch the sunrise too!) and coast down the western

slope of the world's largest resting volcano. Ages 12 and up. I like [Maui Downhill](#). They offer sunrise and other types of tours starting at \$80.

- **Haleakala Horseback Riding** – If you want to tour Haleakala Crater but not on foot and you're into horseback riding, I recommend [Pony Express Tours](#). They are the favorite Hawaiian stable of *Maui Revealed Guide* and a nice family business. Giddy up :-). Price: \$182.
- **Snorkel Tours of Molokini Crater and Turtle Towns** (where turtles congregate at a given time) - I like [Fair Winds II](#) and [Pacific Whale Foundation](#) tours the best. [Maui Kayak Tours](#) are also good. Prices: Fair Winds' starts at \$79 for adults and \$49 for children 3 to 12; Pacific Whale Foundation: \$55 for adults and \$32 for children ages 7 to 12; Maui Kayak Tours: \$69 per person on Turtle Town excursion and \$139 per person on Molokini adventure.
- **Whale Watching** – The humpbacks congregate around Maui from December through April, playing, mating and nursing their babies. For the most educational and whale-friendly tour, go with [Pacific Whale Foundation](#) They're good fun too! Tours start at \$24 for adults, \$15 for children.
- **Surf Lessons** – Try the [Goofy Foot Maui Surf School](#). For a \$65 2-hour lesson, you're guaranteed to stand up and ride a wave or your money back. They also have good rental rates and are adding stand-up paddle lessons. Check out the fun video on their site. Prices: Group lessons for beginners: \$65 per person with discounts for additional persons; Private Lessons: \$150 per person with discounts for additional persons that you are booking for.
- **Take a Day Cruise to Molokai or Lanai** – Take the [Molokai Ferry](#) to the "most Hawaiian island" or the [Lanai Ferry](#) to Hawaii's 13-mile-wide "most secluded island." Maui-Molokai Roundtrip Prices: \$80 for adults, \$20 for children (ages 4 to 12). Maui-Lanai Prices: \$60 for adults, \$40 for children (ages 2 to 11). Neighbor island tour packages also available at the sites.

## My Favorite Inexpensive or Free Activities on Maui

- **Drive the Road to Hana** – If you don't mind narrow winding roads, this is a must-do. Allow plenty time to pull over at scenic view points (the entire road is scenic, but sometimes you just have to stop and enjoy). Hike to a waterfall or two or three...check out the charming old town of [Hana](#) and the famous Oheo Gulch Pools (aka Seven Sacred Pools). About.com has a lengthy [photo tour of the Hana Hwy](#). Read Hawaii State's guide on [Hiking Safety](#).
- [Haleakala National Park](#) – Lots to see and do here – star gazing, hiking, watching the famous sunrise over the crater...  
Price for 3-Day Pass: \$10 per vehicle.
- **Kayak the Coastline** – [Big Kahuna Adventures](#) has kayak rentals in Kihei. Price: \$40 for the day and \$20 for delivery and pick up if needed.
- **Visit Lahaina Town** – This is the coolest town on Maui in my opinion. Shops, cultural attractions, Banyan Tree Park, good restaurants, fun nightlife – and of course, Lahaina Harbor sunsets. Check out [my article on Lahaina at my site](#).
- **Take a Sunset Stroll on Kaanapali Beach's Boardwalk** – Or take the beach walk anytime of the day. This is a gorgeous beach with pristine, golden sands and crystal clear waters. Check out my [Kaanapali photos](#).
- **Explore `Iao Needle Area:** First stop at the Kepaniwai Park and Heritage Gardens. Picnic by a stream and learn about Hawaiian plants and culture. Follow the paved path to the [`Iao Needle State Monument](#).
- **Walk Wailea's Beachside Path:** The sunsets here are awesome. This is one of my favorite beaches. Crescent shaped, pristine and almost always sunny.

- **Hike to the Olowalu Petroglyphs** – If you're into this sort of thing, this is an interesting site. You'll find the trail at Olowalu Beach (next to the private campground of the same name), just south of Lahaina.

And here's a list on my site of [free things to do on Maui](#).

## Best Ways I like to Save Money on Maui

### Bidding for travel

I like bidding at [Priceline](#) for hotels and rental cars and airfare. This can save a lot of money right away

### Hawaii Entertainment Book

For Oahu, I always recommend the Hawaii Entertainment book from [Entertainment.com](#).

The book is typically best for Oahu, second best for Maui, and marginal for the Big Island and Kauai.

I review it every year: [here's my review](#)

## Best Maui Beaches and Must-See Beaches on Maui

Don't hit all of these unless you are really into beaches. Just pick a few and take your time ☺

**Note:** In Hawaii, all beaches are public. Anywhere that there is water, there must be public access to the shoreline. If you are in a residential neighborhood and want to check out the beach, just look for the blue signs that say "shoreline access" and follow the path, even if it's directly between

two houses. Sometimes, though, residential beaches do not have restrooms or showers.

Don't worry about directions too much. You can see the ocean from almost everywhere, and there are signs designating the beaches. Here's a link to [Google's Maui Map](#). And here's the [Hawaii Ocean Safety Map](#).

The surf conditions in Hawaii somewhat follow the seasons. During Hawaii's summer (May - October), surf from the south occasionally has high surf conditions. During Hawaii's winter, surf from the north has higher surf.

<b>Beach</b>	<b>About</b>	<b>Directions</b>
<b>Kapalua Beach - West Maui</b>	Year-round calm swimming thanks to the reef and the rock outcroppings. On a clear day, you can see Molokai. Often found on U.S. and world "best beaches" lists.	Off Highway 30 about 10 miles north of Lahaina.
<b>Napili Bay Beach - West Maui</b>	Very pretty white sand beach partially shaded by palm trees. Swimming and snorkeling are good when its calm, most summer days.	Off Highway 30 about 9 miles north of Lahaina.
<b>Kama`ole Beach Park - South Maui</b>	This is divided by rock outcroppings into three separate beaches. Kama`ole I has nice picnic areas and good swimming. Kama`ole II is smaller but also has good swimming. Kama`ole III is better for body boarding and popular with locals. All have lots of fun family activities – volleyball, snorkeling, diving, kayaking, more.	Southern end of South Kihei Road.
<b>Makena Beach - South Maui</b>	Makena Beach – Soft, white sand and amazing blue-green waters make this an incredibly beautiful. When it's calm, snorkeling and swimming are as fantastic as the view. It's 2/3 of a mile long but can get crowded. Makena is also called "Big Beach" because just over a small hill (there's a trail) rests a smaller section of the beach, which is calld "Little Beach." Watch out for strong currents and high surf. Molokini Crater is just 3 miles off shore.	At the end of Makena Ala Nui Road off Highway 31.
<b>Honokalani Black Sand Beach - East Maui</b>	Not save for swimming, but if you are driving the Road to Hana and want to see a beautiful black sand, do stop here. Located in the Wai'anapanapa State Park, this is a gorgeous area with sea caves and arches, blue-green water that has inspired many an artist, and there are fresh water caves to explore. Watch your footing on the trails if you hike around.	Off the Hana Highway just past mile marker 32. Follow the paved road on your left to the end.
<b>Kaanapali - Upper West Maui</b>	Resorts and hotels line this beach, and it is very popular with locals as well. A long stretch of	About 5 miles north of Maui of Highway 30.

	golden sands with crystal clear waters and just about every ocean activity you can think of make it worth a visit. Beautiful sunsets too.	
<b>Wailea Beach - South Maui</b>	Very pretty, this almost always sunny white sand beach has a paved path that meanders by the resorts, restaurants and sandy coves. Fun activities here like snorkeling, swimming, kayaking, etc. but can be crowded.	From Kihei, drive to the Grand Wailea Resort, turn right just after it and follow road to the parking lot.

Maui's beaches are one of the reasons this island is so often voted among or as the best in the world. It has more swimmer-friendly beaches than any other Hawaiian island and many of its beaches have made the national and world "best beach" lists. In all, Maui has 81 accessible beaches and 40 of these have public facilities. The beaches above are just a short list of my favorites, but you may find many more that strike your fancy as you drive along Maui's coastline.

## In Conclusion

So that's it – have a wonderful, wonderful vacation! Maui is an awesome place, and you really can't go wrong here. Drop me a line if you want to share any stories or ask any questions: [lisakleinweber@gmail.com](mailto:lisakleinweber@gmail.com)

Aloha!