

# ULTIMATE HAWAII CRUISE TOUR

Two Nights Directly on Waikiki Beach!  
Unpack Just Once to Experience All of the Main Islands!!

*Featuring Two Days Each With an Overnight Stay on Maui and Kauai, plus Hilo & Kona on the Big Island*

January 22nd - February 1st, 2026      10 Days / 9 Nights

There's probably no place on earth closer to paradise than the Hawaiian Islands! Here, you'll find palm-fringed blue lagoons, lush rainforests and cascading waterfalls. And oh my, the beaches - gold, red, black and even green sands are endlessly caressed by the surf! As you go from one beautiful island to the next, you'll find the natural beauty and spirit of Hawaii renews you. See volcanoes and rainforests, plantations and grottos as you experience sun-drenched islands like nothing else on earth!! Your Ultimate Hawaii cruise/tour starts on the beach at Waikiki where you'll find your luxurious hotel right on the sandy shores! Enjoy two nights on Oahu before boarding the *Pride of America* featuring 2 full days and an overnight in Maui, both Hilo and Kona on the Big Island, and 2 days and an overnight in Kauai! Once you board the *Pride of America*, you'll begin a relaxing week in Hawaii. No packing and unpacking, no airport hassles, no security check points! Join us for the very best way to enjoy all of Hawaii, all the time!

## Itinerary

### January 22, 2026 - Aloha Paradise!

Today you board your flight bound for the **Hawaiian Islands!** On arrival in Honolulu, you'll be met and assisted with your hotel transfer. Unlike other tour companies whose hotels are several blocks from the beach, TRIPS customers stay at the **Hilton Hawaiian Village**, the only true resort **on the beach in Waikiki**. Unwind and relax from your travels, perhaps with a refreshing tropical cocktail right there on the beach! Dinner is at your leisure this evening at any of the area's many fine restaurants or charming cafes.

Overnight: Honolulu - Hilton Hawaiian Village (or similar)

### January 23, 2026 - Pearl Harbor & USS Arizona Memorial!

This morning is yours to enjoy the Hawaii you came to see! Walk on sandy Waikiki beach with **Diamond Head** looming in the background, take a dip in the warm Pacific waters, or relax by the pool with a good book. This is the perfect place to **'hang loose'** as they say in Hawaii! This afternoon, you're escorted to **Pearl Harbor**. You'll have tickets to visit the **USS Arizona Memorial** built right over the Arizona which was sunk by a Japanese attack on December 7, 1941. Later on, you can make the most of this free evening back at Waikiki however you like, perhaps watching tonight's **fireworks show over Waikiki Beach** with a festive tropical drink in hand, and enjoying dinner either at your resort or at one of the numerous excellent restaurants nearby.

Overnight: Honolulu - Hilton Hawaiian Village (or similar)

### January 24, 2026 - Sail Away!

Enjoy perhaps a leisurely breakfast and a walk on the beach before a late checkout. Then, you'll depart for the pier where you board the **Pride of America** in time for lunch. Be sure to be on deck as you set sail from Honolulu harbor at **7pm!**

Overnight: At Sea

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### January 25, 2026 - Maui \* The Valley Isle!

Today you dock at **Kahului** at **8am** for an overnight visit. Known as the Valley Isle, Maui is dotted with quaint towns, artist communities and local haunts that have been around for generations. It's no surprise that the readers of *Conde Nast Traveler* have voted this the "Best Island" for 23 years! From the highly scenic drive to **Hana** and beautiful **Kaanapali Beach** you'll have a tough time deciding what to do! Maui's highest

peak, **Haleakala**, is a must see! This massive volcano rises more than 10,000 feet above the sea and provides spectacular views! January is prime whale watching time as pods of **Pacific humpback whales** make the 3,000 mile swim from the chilly waters of Alaska to bask in Maui's warm waters. The historic port town of **Lahaina** is a great stop for a bit of shopping and exploring. It was this lively little town that inspired James Michener to write his best-selling epic novel "Hawaii." Since the *Pride of America* is docked here overnight, there's no need to hurry back to the ship. Enjoy a sunset walk on the beach or a refreshing cocktail in a restaurant overlooking the Pacific!

Overnight: Docked at Kahului, Maui

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### January 26, 2026 - Maui \* Another day in Paradise!

You have another beautiful day to experience the **wonders of Maui!** Step ashore and explore Maui's sandy beaches lined with swaying palm trees. You may choose a tour that will provide a narrated vision of what life was like on the island hundreds of years ago. Or focus your last day here on the wonders of nature: lush tropical vistas, amazing views of the awesome coastline, 30-foot waterfalls and vividly flowering plants. You may wish to visit the Kanaha Pond Wildlife Refuge where the endangered Hawaiian Stilts breed. There's also a **submarine adventure** that'll show you marine life up close: coral gardens, sea turtles, tropical fish, and much, much more! And yes, you could even take a surfing lesson and get out there and hang ten. Your ship sails at **6pm**.

Overnight: At Sea

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### January 27, 2026 - The Big Island \* Hilo and Volcanoes!

After sailing overnight, you dock at **8am** at **Hilo** on the **Big Island of Hawaii!** Blessed with dramatic waterfalls, fertile rainforest and blooming gardens, Hilo is also the gateway to **Hawaii Volcanoes National Park**. This is the home of **Kilauea** volcano, one of the most active volcanoes on earth, so you don't want to miss seeing it. Another option for your day here is a tour of the **Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Factory**, complete with delicious samples! Snorkeling and sport fishing are also offered, and a walk through the Nani Mau Gardens with acres of flowers provides you with stunning photographic opportunities. Upon returning to the *Pride of America*, you might dive into one of the three swimming pools or enjoy a nice, long soak in one of the four hot tubs. Your ship sails at this evening at **6pm**.

Overnight: At Sea

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\*\*\* Please note that itineraries may be subject to change.

### January 28, 2026 - The Big Island \* Kona, Coffee & Captain Cook!

This morning, you drop anchor at **7am** on the Big Island's "**Gold Coast**" of Kona where you'll find everything from coffee plantations to historic Hawaiian landmarks. King Kamehameha spent his final years here, and James Cook first set foot on the island in 1778 at Keylakekua Bay. You might choose to visit **Puuhonua o Honaunau National Historical Park**, a restored "sacred place of refuge" where ancient Hawaiian lawbreakers came to participate in ceremonies of absolution allowing them to return to society. For water enthusiasts, the calm and clear waters of Kona are perfect for snorkeling, swimming and spotting dolphins and sea turtles! And your visit here won't be complete without a taste of **100% Kona coffee**! Be sure to pick up some for a very special treat to take home with you. Your ship sails at **5:30pm**.

Overnight: At Sea

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### January 29, 2026 - Kauai \* The Garden Isle - Day One!

Today at **9am**, you dock at **Kauai** where you'll be overnight. With majestic cliffs, emerald valleys and spectacular golden beaches, the tropical breezes of Kauai will relax and soothe you. You may choose to sign up for an excursion to take a relaxing river cruise to the **Fern Grotto** where a Hawaiian chorus serenades you in a naturally formed amphitheater. The only way to really see all the spectacular, surreal beauty of Kauai is via **helicopter** and **TRIPS** offers an opportunity for privately booked helicopter safaris! Dip low over razor-thin cliffs, flutter past sparkling waterfalls and swoop into the valleys of fabled **Waimea Canyon** as you listen to Hawaiian music on your noise-canceling

headsets! Past guests always say this helicopter excursion is the highlight of their vacation and truly gush over the spectacular beauty of Kauai!

Overnight: Docked at Nawiliwili, Kauai

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### January 30, 2026 - Kauai \* The Garden Isle - Day Two!

The **Pride of America** leaves Kauai at **5:30pm**. Hollywood adores this island, with scenes from **Jurassic Park**, **Raiders of the Lost Ark**, and **King Kong** all filmed here. Perhaps enjoy a last walk or lunch on the beach, savor a cup of coffee in a local cafe or take care of some last minute shopping. **Red Dirt Shirts** are quite the collectible with employees taking home ordinary white t-shirts and dyeing them in vats with red dirt collected from Kauai's valleys!

Overnight: At Sea

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### January 31/February 1, 2026 - Aloha Hawaii!

This morning, your ship docks back in **Honolulu** and you disembark after a leisurely breakfast. Board your private motor coach for a **panoramic city tour**, driving past landmarks such as the National Cemetery of the Pacific, the Hawaiian State Capital and the Pali lookout. You have time in Waikiki for lunch on your own and to explore. Don't miss the statue of **Duke Kahanamoku**, a true Hawaiian hero who won Olympic Gold in swimming in the early 1900's, a pioneer of surfing and a Hollywood movie star! Be sure to visit the "**Pink Palace**" **Royal Hawaiian Hotel** where child star Shirley Temple once stayed. Later, transfer to the airport to board your overnight flight home. **Memories of Ultimate Hawaii will be with you for years to come!**

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## Ultimate Hawaii

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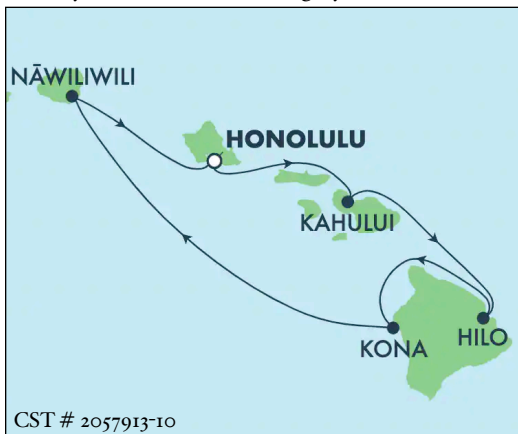
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- All transfers from hotel, hotel to pier and pier to airport
- **2 pre-nights at the Hilton Hawaiian Village on the beach at Waikiki!!**
- 7 nights onboard the **Pride of America** in your selected cabin category
- All meals while onboard the **Pride of America**
- **Hawaii ultimate beverage and 2 night specialty dining packages - with gratuities included!!**
- Pearl Harbor and the USS Arizona Memorial (*Due to time constraints, a visit to the USS Missouri is not included. If you wish to visit the Missouri, you will need to schedule the visit during your free time in Waikiki.*)
- Panoramic city tour of Honolulu on disembarkation
- TRIPS ticket wallet and luggage tags
- All cruise, port charges and government taxes



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### Call today to reserve your space!!!

Reservations for "**Ultimate Hawaii**" are accepted on a first come/first served basis.

An initial **\$650.00** per person deposit is required to hold space on the tour.

This deposit is fully refundable up to September 12, 2025.

**Final payment is due in the TRIPS office on or before September 12, 2025. Therefore, please make sure that payment is submitted at least 10 days prior to this date.**

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