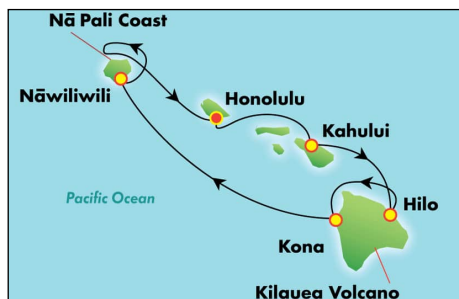


ULTIMATE HAWAII CRUISE TOUR

January 17th - 27th, 2019 10 Days / 9 Nights

Limited time offer! **FREE** cabin upgrades if booked by **July 20, 2018**



4-night specialty dining and shipboard services fees included!!
(Over \$300 value)

There is probably no place on earth that is closer to paradise than the Hawaiian Islands! As you travel from one beautiful island to the next seemingly more beautiful island, you'll find that the natural beauty and spirit of Hawaii renews you. See volcanoes and rain-forests, plantations and grottos as you experience sun-drenched islands that are 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 aboard, you'll have a relaxing week in Hawaii. No packing and unpacking, no airport hassles and no security check points! Join us for the best way to enjoy all Hawaii, all the time!

Itinerary

January 17, 2019 - Aloha Paradise!

Today you board your flight bound for the **Hawaiian Islands!** On arrival in Honolulu, you are met and assisted with your transfer to your hotel. 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**. Relax and enjoy the perfume of gardenias and jasmine while watching the brilliant sunset over Waikiki. 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 18, 2019 - Pearl Harbor & USS Arizona Memorial!

This morning is yours to enjoy the Hawaii you came to see! Walk on the sandy beach with **Diamond Head** looming in the back ground, 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 are 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. This evening, the Hilton Hawaiian Village hosts a special **Rainbow Revue**. There is music, a hula performance and a crescendo of torch lights culminating with a fireworks over the beach! As a hotel guest, you can purchase tickets for poolside seating. You can elect to stand and watch the show at no cost.

Overnight: Honolulu - Hilton Hawaiian Village (or similar)

January 19, 2019 - Sail Away!

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast and perhaps a walk on the beach before a late check out. Then, depart for the pier where you board the **Pride of America** in time for a lunch. Be sure to be on deck as you set sail from Honolulu harbor at **7pm**. (L/D)

January 20, 2019 - Maui * 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 19 years! From the scenic drive to **Hana** and the 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 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!

Docked at Kahului, Maui

(B/L/D)

January 21, 2019 - 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 on the wonders of nature: lush tropical vistas, amazing views of the awesome coastline, 30-foot waterfalls and vivid flowering plants. You may wish to visit the Kanaha Pond Wildlife Refuge where the endangered Hawaiian Stilts breed. There is a **submarine adventure** that will show you marine life up close: coral gardens, sea turtles, tropical fish, and much, much more! And, yes, you could take a surfing lesson and get out there and hang ten. Your ship sails at **6pm**.

Docked at Kahului, Maui

(B/L/D)

January 22, 2019 - 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, 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**.

Docked at Hilo

(B/L/D)

January 23, 2019 - 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**

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**.

Docked at Kona

(B/L/D)

January 24, 2019 - Kauai *The Garden Isle!

Today, at **10am**, 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. Hollywood loves this island, with scenes from Jurassic Park, Raiders of the Lost Ark, and King Kong all filmed here. You may choose to sign up for an excursion to take a relaxing river cruise to the **Fern Grotto** where a Hawaiian chorus will serenade you in a naturally formed amphitheater. The only way to see 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 is the highlight of their vacation and truly gush about the beauty of Kauai!

Docked at Nawiliwili, Kauai

(B/L/D)

January 25, 2019 - Kauai *The Dramatic Na Pali Coast!

The Pride of America leaves Kauai at **2pm**. Perhaps enjoy a last walk on the beach, savor a cup of coffee in a local cafe or 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! You're in for a treat when you return to the Pride of America and set sail past the dramatic **Na Pali Coastline**. The only way to see it is via air or on the water. The Captain of the Pride of America will sail past the coast and turn the boat so that the coastline can be seen from every vantage point onboard! What a special way to celebrate your magnificent Ultimate Hawaii cruise!!

Overnight: At Sea

(B/L/D)

January 26/27, 2019 - Aloha Hawaii!

Today, 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 building 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 winning 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** - the **Royal Hawaiian Hotel** where child star Shirley Temple once stayed. Later, transfer to the airport to board your overnight flight for home. **Memories of Ultimate Hawaii will be with you for years to come!**

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Ultimate Hawaii

\$4,398.00

Inside Cabin-Category IC

\$4,698.00

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FREE* upgrade to category **BC**

4-night specialty dining and shipboard services fees included!!

(Over \$300 value)

***Offer valid through July 20, 2018**

Trip cancellation/interruption Travel Protection is available and strongly suggested!



Inclusions

- Roundtrip airfare to Honolulu from Houston (other air gateways are available) (checked baggage fees are not included)
- 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
- **4-night specialty dining package has been included** (excludes extra charged items)
- **Shipboard service fees are 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!!!

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An initial **\$500.00** per person deposit is required to hold space on the tour.

*****This deposit is fully refundable up to September 10, 2018*****

Final payment is due in the TRIPS office on or before September 10, 2018. Therefore, please make sure that payment is submitted at least 10 days prior to this date. 50% non-refundable on September 11, 2018. 100% non-refundable as of November 16, 2018.

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