

Picnic On The Pier At Pearl Harbor



Hawaii-bound clients looking for a unique Pearl Harbor experience, can join in the festivities of the Picnic On the Pier experience—on a US Navy base.

Tickets to the 21 Aug event are US-D10pp adults, pre-sale and clients can take their own food and drinks in (but no glass) for the evening on pier Foxtrot 5, where the former battle ship the USS Missouri is berthed.



Kaanapali Beach Suites

Aston at The Whaler on Kaanapali Beach reminds agents that it has studio, one- and two-bedroom Premium Suites that offer the ultimate comfort and extravagance. They all have large private lanais, comfortable entertainment areas, and fully-equipped designer kitchens featuring top-of-the-line appliances. Guests staying at the suites also get amenities catered to 'indulge the senses', including fresh orchids, chocolates, Maui-grown coffee, a Malie reed diffuser, and fresh-cut Maui pineapple. Wholesalers have details.

The line-up of the sun-filled Hawaiian 'beach' tradition includes music by Jason Laeha, light entertainment and some tours. There's free shuttles onto the base from the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center and clients should be urged to pre-book their tickets although there are door sales. For more details and to buy tickets, see ussmissouri.org/picnic The picnics run annually over the northern summer.

Kalalau Trail Video

A new safety and information video has been created for visitors to the Kalalau Trail at Kauai's Na Pali Coast State Wilderness Park, Hawaii's most heavily used hiking trail.

Around 500,000 people visit the trail, which is sandwiched between the coast and cliffs of the Na Pali Coast, every year—however many arrive without having made the proper preparations for what can be a pretty tough trek, and rescues happen frequently, say park officials.

The video explains some of the challenges hikers might face and focuses on the first two miles to the Hanakapiai Stream, which is the length most hikers make (a permit is needed to travel beyond this point). See vimeo.com/135624713

GO Hawaii With HA

GO Holidays has Hula to Hawaii packages with Hawaiian Airlines flights on sale to 17 Aug, with four-night Waikiki packages priced from \$1399pp s/t. Add on a two-night Neighbour Island package from \$349pp, including two nights to either Kauai, Maui or Hawaii Island. For travel from Wellington or Christchurch via Auckland add from \$179pp. GO has details.

Volcano Record

Agents should urge clients to take in some of Hawaii's volcanic action. The Kilauea volcano holds the Guinness World Record for the world's most active volcano, says the Hawaii Tourism Authority. It's been erupting continually since 1983, and its activity makes it a must-see attraction, says the HTA.

HA Neighbour Is. Sale

Hawaiian Airlines has flights to Honolulu and the Neighbour Islands on sale until 17 Aug. Flights start from \$1029 to HNL, or \$1175 to HNL and one Neighbour Island.



HNL Trip Tip

A new restaurant and bar has opened airside in the departures area of Honolulu Airport, advises Captain Aloha (aka HA's Russell Willis). For clients looking for a way to fill in the time pre-departure, Willis recommends the new Stinga Ray's bar, located just after the TSA check-point 'just before you get to Starbucks.' "There's Longboard Lager, of course, and the food is sensational," he says. For those looking to sample local fare, he recommends the loco moco (one of the best he's had). Willis is pictured pouring his own Longboard with Flight Centre's Phil Goad.



Ala Moana Expansion, New Shops

The Ala Moana Center will unveil its 'sweeping' new expansion and makeover on 12 Nov, when it opens the Ewa Wing Expansion. There's a host of new stores opening in the wing, including Aesop, Bloomingdale's, Lorna Jane and Ted Baker London. They'll be offering special deals including discounts and free gifts for the opening. See alamoanacenter.com/stores/new-stores.aspx

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* Sales to 18 August. For full details see your GDS.



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