

# Essential Maui, Moloka'i & Lāna'i

## AIRPORTS

The main airport on Maui is Kahului Airport (OGG). There are smaller airports in Kapalua (JHM) and Hāna (HNM). Both Moloka'i (MKK) and Lāna'i (LNY) are served by their own airports.

## FLIGHTS AND FERRIES

You'll find many non-stop flights to Maui from the U.S. Mainland and Canada. Others connect through Honolulu. There are interisland flights to and from Maui, Moloka'i and Lāna'i, as well as frequent daily flights between all Islands. There's also daily ferry service between Maui, Lāna'i and Moloka'i.

## CLIMATE

Maui contains a number of microclimates. It is generally drier on the leeward side, wetter windward. It's warmer along the coast than Upcountry, where temperatures are typically 8-10 degrees cooler. If you're headed to the summit of Haleakalā, expect temperatures in the 40s or lower. Generally speaking, there are two seasons. Winter (November

through April), when temperatures typically range in the low-70s to mid-80s, and summer when the high can run into the low-90s. Trade winds keep you comfortable year-round.

## WHAT TO WEAR

Attire is "resort wear" even at the most luxurious resorts and restaurants. There's no need to bring a coat or tie unless you want to dress up. Dress for comfort. T-shirts, tank tops, polo shirts, shorts, jeans, sundresses, sneakers and sandals are all good choices. Temperatures are cooler in the evening, making a sweater and slacks a good idea, and a jacket is recommended for those planning to venture into cool upland regions. It is a custom in Hawai'i to slip off your shoes when entering a home.

## TRANSPORTATION

You'll find it very easy to get around Maui, Moloka'i and Lāna'i. Rental cars, including Maui's Bio-Beetle (powered by natural Biodiesel) are popular options and they are available at all airports and at some hotel and off-airport locations

(reservations should be made). In addition, there are resort and destination airport shuttles, shopping express shuttles and taxicabs. For a public bus schedule, visit [www.maui-county.gov/bus](http://www.maui-county.gov/bus). Rental bikes, motorcycles and mopeds are also options.

## TIME ZONE

Hawai'i Standard Time is GMT-10 (Pacific Standard Time-2, Eastern Standard Time-5). Since Hawai'i doesn't observe daylight savings time, add one hour to the time difference when in effect (March through November).

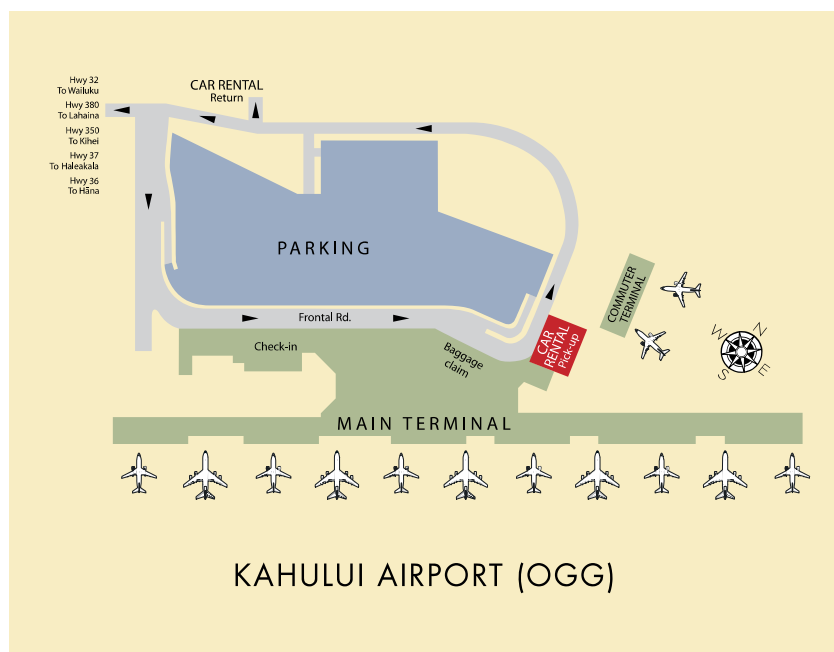
## AREA CODE 808

The area code for the entire state is 808. For long distance calls between Islands, dial 1-808 and then the number. When placing calls to the U.S. Mainland from Hawai'i, dial 1, the area code and the number. All calls within an Island are local. Hawai'i's cell phone law requires the use of a hands-free device when using a mobile electronic device while driving.

Many of Hawai'i's larger hotels and condominium resorts have high-speed Internet access, including wireless in some public areas.

## ENVIRONMENT

The natural beauty of Hawai'i's fragile environment comes from its geographical isolation from other ecosystems. The Department of Agriculture enforces strict rules regarding the exportation of uninspected plants and animals. When departing, luggage must pass a pre-flight check at the airport to ensure that no plant insects or diseases are hitching a ride back with you. You're welcome to take inspected fresh flowers and fruits home. Many items purchased at the airport or mailed home from local vendors are already inspected. For more information, contact the Dept. of Agriculture at 808-832-0566 or visit [hawaii.gov/hdoa](http://hawaii.gov/hdoa).



## SUN SENSE

You'll want to show off a nice tan when you go home, but please use common sense when sunbathing in the tropics. Sunburn can develop faster than you thought possible, so be sure to use sunscreen and wear a hat and sunglasses. Remember, it's usually hottest between 11:00am and 2:00pm and the sun is stronger here than you're probably used to.

## SAFETY

The ocean is Maui's playground, but

there are precautions to observe.

Offshore winds and currents can be powerful and change suddenly. If you're unsure about conditions, ask a lifeguard. For information about beach safety conditions, visit [hawaiiococeansafety.org](http://hawaiiococeansafety.org).

If you're hiking into a wilderness, be sure to sign out with park rangers and observe all warning signs. Few places are as safe as Maui, but that doesn't mean you should abandon all care as you travel about. Lock your car doors and don't leave any personal belongings in your unattended vehicle.

## Protecting Maui, Moloka'i & Lāna'i

### MĀLAMA I KE KAI

*Mālama i ke kai* (take care of the ocean) is a Hawaiian tradition that you should practice while visiting Maui, Moloka'i and Lāna'i. This means please don't touch the coral or the plants and animals surrounding it. In fact, keep a respectful distance from all sea creatures—for their safety and yours.

### MĀLAMA I KA 'ĀINA

*Mālama i ka 'āina* (take care of the land) is one of the more important concepts in Hawaiian philosophy, and it's as important today as ever. Help us take care of natural resources by staying on trails when hiking and by not disturbing any plants or historical features. Guided tours are sensitive to the environment, and you are sure to learn more with an expert on hand.

Please recycle or properly dispose your *ōpala* (trash) to avoid littering. Reusable grocery bags are offered at most stores. Numerous recycle bins and redemption centers are located throughout the Island.

You can also help by donating any unused food. The Maui Food Bank depends on volunteers, food donors and financial supporters to help feed hundreds of people on Maui who live with the threat of hunger. Food drop-offs are accepted at their warehouse located in Wailuku at 760 Kolu St or at any local fire station. For more information, call 808-243-9500 or visit [www.mauifoodbank.org](http://www.mauifoodbank.org).

Hawai'i values healthy lifestyles and fresh air. The Hawai'i Smoke-Free Law prohibits smoking in enclosed public areas, workplaces and within 20 feet of doorways, windows and ventilation intakes. For more information, visit [www.HawaiiSmokeFree.com](http://www.HawaiiSmokeFree.com).

There are many environmental groups fighting to protect the Island from the stress of foreign flora and fauna species. You can help some of these groups by volunteering time during your visit. Volunteering for conservation activities is a great way to have fun while exploring the Island. You can sign up for afternoon or multi-day trips to help with a variety of projects. Most groups will provide training, if needed.

Only with awareness and respect can we be environmentally responsible.



## USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS

Ambulance, Fire, Police 911

American Red Cross  
808-734-2101

Camping Permits

County Parks  
808-270-7389

Haleakalā National Park  
808-572-4400

State Parks  
808-984-8109

Hawai'i Visitors & Convention  
Bureau 800-GoHawaii

### HOSPITALS

Hāna Community Health Center  
808-248-8294

Lāna'i Community Hospital  
808-565-8450

Maui Memorial Medical Center  
808-244-9056

Moloka'i General Hospital  
808-553-5331

Kahului Airport Visitor  
Information 808-872-3893

Lāna'i Visitors Bureau  
800-947-4774

Lifeguard Services  
808-270-6137

Marriage License  
808-586-4545

Maui Civil Defense Agency  
808-270-7285

Maui Visitors Bureau  
800-525-MAUI (6284)

Moloka'i Visitors Association  
800-800-6367

Poison Center  
800-222-1222

State Dept. of Agriculture  
808-873-3555

State Division of Forestry &  
Wildlife 808-984-8100

Time of Day  
808-643-TIME (8463)

U.S. Coast Guard  
808-842-2600

Visitor Aloha Society of Hawai'i  
808-244-3530

Weather Forecast  
866-944-5025