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"Pono extends beyond its many English translations. To live pono is to be in perfect harmony with all things — and to be aligned with your custodial relationship with the planet and its inhabitants."

—Larry Lindsey Kauanoe Kimura, Grandfather of Hawaiian Language Revitalization

IN THE SPRING OF 2021, AS TRAVEL WAS STARTING TO SHOW SIGNS OF A RECOVERY FROM ITS COVID-19 SHUTDOWN, conversations were being had throughout Hawai'i about how to better manage the industry that's so important to the state's economy. During the year "off," residents found that typically congested roads were wide open, crowded beaches they suddenly had almost to themselves, and endangered environments dramatically improved.

Then, before the conversations were finished and before any new policies could be put in place to try to balance the needs and enjoyment of residents with those of visitors, the floodgates opened.

Timing was perfect to reinvigorate the island of Hawai'i Pono Pledge, which was first born in 2018 (*see sidebar*). The





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concept is simple and applies to all travelers: that no matter where your wanderlust takes you, to be mindful of the place and the people who call that special place home.

ENDANGERED SPECIES CONCERNS

Of the 1,653 species listed as endangered or threatened in the United States, nearly a third (501 species) are found in Hawai'i. That's nearly double the next highest state, California, which has 301. North Dakota has nine.

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The Pono Pledge seeks to make visitors aware that even seemingly innocent acts, such as applying sunscreen when going to the beach, can have harmful consequences, as scientists believe that products containing oxybenzone and octinoxate - two common ingredients

in sunscreen — contribute to bleaching in coral reefs. Studies have estimated that up to 14,000 tons of sunscreen end up in Hawai'i's coral reefs every year.

Consequently, state lawmakers passed a bill in 2018 that bans the sale and distribution of sunscreens containing those ingredients that went into effect earlier this year.

Coral bleaching — which on Hawai`i Island disproportionately affects the Kohala Coast — not only deprives swimmers and snorkelers of a more colorful experience, but it lessens food supplies for fish and other undersea life, and thus the entire ecosystem is compromised. (It should also be noted that ocean warming is thought to be largely responsible for coral bleaching.)



"We hope when visitors come to visit our beautiful Hawai'i, that they come with an open mind and open heart," says Pono Pledge ambassador and kahu (respected elder), Earl Regidor. "And be able to learn from the people that live here in hopes that they too will want to experience the beauty of the culture, the history, the people, and of course the `āina (land)."

"What I think travel pono is about is being mindful of how you interact with the land," says Soni Pomaski, restaurateur and another Pono Pledge ambassador. "Enjoy it, share it with people, but leave it as it is. Everything is alive and everything should be treated with reverence and respect, and I think that's the best way to enjoy it." •



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PONO PLEDGE

I pledge to be pono (righteous) on the island of Hawai'i. E kū i ka pono ke kipa i Hawai`i.

I will mindfully seek wonder, but not wander where I do not belong. E nanea i ka `ikena, `a`ole ho`i e ki`ihele hewa i kahi kuleana`ole.

I will not defy death for breathtaking photos, trespass or venture beyond safety. E nihi ka helena i ka uka o Puna, mai pūlale i ka 'ike a ka maka.

I will malama (care for) land and sea, and admire wildlife only from afar. E mālama `ia ke kai a me ka honua, a e mahalo `ia ko laila mau ola lōhiu mai kahi mamao aku.

Molten lava will mesmerize me, but I will not disrupt its flow. Ho`ohihi ka maka i ke ahi a ka Wahine, he ahi `ena`ena e akahele ai.

> I will not take what is not mine, leaving lava rocks and sand as originally found. `A`ole e kā`ili `ia kā ha`i, e waiho `ia ka pōhaku a me ke one i kona wahi pono`ī.

I will heed ocean conditions, never turning my back to the Pacific. E nānā pono i ke kai, `a`ole e huli kua `ia.

When rain falls ma uka (inland), I will remain high above ground, out of rivers and streams. Ke loku mai ka ua i uka, e ao a`e i ia wai makamaka 'ole.

I will embrace the concept of being a steward of the land, revered as my loving chief. He ali`i ka `āina, he kauā ke kanaka.

For more information and to sign the Pono Pledge, visit: PonoPledge.com, or scan the OR code below







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NAUPAKA NEWS

See our website for more information.



Queens' **MarketPlace**

Open Daily | Store hours vary, please call or visit their websites for hours and more information

ART & JEWELRY

Genesis Galleries (808) 886-1770

Hawaii Fluid Art (808) 344-4878

Island Pearls (808) 886-4817

Kozy's Tiki Palace (808) 430-1957 Lava Light Galleries

(808) 756-0778 Mashka Jewelry

Coming Soon

ENTERTAINMENT

Waikoloa Luxury Cinemas (808) 464-3009

FASHION

Blue Ginger Family (808) 886-0022

Cariloha (808) 886-2608

STORE SPOTLIGHT DA BIG BAGS

a Big Bags makes packing for travel fun with their full line of luggage, totes, and bags all designed with a touch of Aloha in stylish Hawaiian prints. The hard-sided luggage protects your items expertly and with unique designs you for sure won't be wondering which bag is yours at baggage claim. Carry-on bags including backpacks are also popular. Da Big Bags also carries clothing, jewelry, and accessories, including "The Magic Skirt." One skirt, 100 ways to wear." Check 'em out at Queens' MarketPlace or at their Kona location.

WHERE: Queens' MarketPlace (808) 989-8709

Crocs[™] Shoe Store (808) 886-0213

Kona Surf N' Sandals (808) 886-0898

Mahina (808) 886-4000

Malibu Shirts (808) 886-0003

Olivia Clare Boutique

(808) 657-4307 PacSun (808) 886-0415

Quiksilver (808) 886-0900 **Reyn Spooner**

(808) 886-1162 Volcom (808) 886-6888

GROCERY

Island Gourmet Markets (808) 886-3577

REAL ESTATE Hawai`i Life Real Estate Brokers

(800) 667-5028 Home River Group (808) 883-9550

Kona Coast Vacations (808) 329-2140

Windermere C & H Properties (808) 883-3321

SERVICES Aston Hotels & Resorts

(808) 886-5001 **Fidelity National Title** & Escrow of Hawaii, Inc. (808) 451-2360

Hilton Grand Vacations Club (808) 886-0945

KOR Salon (808) 886-8090

Rider Levett Bucknall (808) 883-3379

Waikoloa Dental Clinic (808) 886-0891

SPECIALTY & GIFTS

Claire's (808) 886-8905

Da Big Bags (808) 989-8709

(808) 315-2919 **Hawaiian Quilt Collection**

Hawaiian Ukulele and Guitar

(808) 886-0494 Lids

(808) 886-1649 **Pacific Nature**

(808) 886-8919

SoHa Living (808) 464-4268

Sunglass Hut (808) 886-0274

SPORT & ACTIVITY

Bike Works Beach & Sports (808) 886-5000 **Blue Wilderness Dive Adventures** (808) 886-0980

Yoga Barre (808) 333-5378



Kings' Shops

Open Daily | Store hours vary, please call or visit their websites for hours and more information

ACCESSORIES

Mary Jane's (808) 886-2707

Michael Kors (808) 886-2653

(808) 886-9303 Honolua Surf Co.

(808) 886-6422 **Jams World** (808) 796-3182

Kona Harley-Davidson (808) 464-4033

Noa Noa (808) 886-5449 **Rip Curl**

(808) 886-1952 **Tommy Bahama** (808) 886-8865

Tori Richard (808) 886-8308

ART & JEWELRY Aesthetic Hawaii

by Genesis Galleries (808) 731-6280

Giving Bracelets (808) 445-9951 Kohala Coast Fine Art

(808) 886-4240 Maui Divers Jewelry

(808) 886-0055 Nā Hōkū

(808) 886-7599 **Royal Gold**

(808) 886-7701

Tiffany & Co. (808) 886-1931

ENTERTAINMENT

For current information call Kings' Shops Management Office (808) 886-8811

SERVICES

Big Island Motorcycle Co. (808) 886-2011

Compass Real Estate (808) 430-2184

Hawaii Vacation Condos by Outrigger (808) 886-0036

Hulakai (808) 731-7945

Kings' Shops Management Office (808) 886-8811

Kohala Coast Properties (808) 886-6600

ReMax Lava Luxury Coming Soon

Shell Gas Station (808) 886-9512

Team Clean (808) 944-8255, ext. 108

SPECIALTY & GIFTS

Martin & MacArthur (808) 886-0696

Whalers General Store (808) 886-7057

Waikoloa Beach **Marriott Resort** & Spa

Travel Traders (808) 886-8146 Daily 8 am - 10 pm

Mandara Spa (808) 886-8191 Daily 10 am - 5:30 pm

Waikoloa Beach **Resort Golf Shop**

Golf Pro Shop Open daily 6:30 am to 6:30 pm (808) 886-7888









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ALOHA

Hilton Waikoloa Village

Open Daily - Hours vary seasonally. All phone numbers are (808) 886-1234, with the extension noted below:

Dancing Dolphins and **Big Island Marketplace** ext. 1744, 1746

Dolphin Quest Gift Shop ext. 1216

Journey ext. 1546

Kohala Spa Essence and Kohala Spa Retail Shop ext. 1768 or ext. 1228

Nā Hōkū ext. 1750

Things Hawaiian ext. 1232





See our website for more information.

Samoa through songs and dances of these Pacific cultures. The spellbinding Samoan fire dance is a spectacular sight.

Guests are seated at their own table. Maximum guests per table from the same household is 10. Food service is a combination of family style and a hot station.

MARRIOTT

H WAIKOLOA BEACH

SUNSET LŪ`AU

Mondays & Wednesdays | 5 pm

GATHER AS THE SUN SETS OVER BEAUTIFUL

ANAEHOOMALU BAY and enjoy a tradi-

tional Hawaiian dinner. Then journey

to Tahiti, New Zealand, Hawai`i, and

RESORT

General seating prices are \$173 inclusive for adults, \$85 for keiki 6-12 years old, and keiki 5-and-under are FREE. A selection of tables on the first three rows are assigned to Premier Seating. Each guest receives a fresh flower lei and an individual gift box of Hawaiian treats. Premier guests are the first released to the hot food station; additional \$37 per seat.

For reservations visit fareharbor.com/ marriottsunsetluau

Cancellations must be received 24 hours before your scheduled Luau. There will be no refund if cancellation is not received 24 hours out.

IRONMAN WORLD TRIATHLON **AID STATION**

Saturday, October 9 | Meet in Lobby

SPEND THE DAY AS AN IRONMAN VOLUNTEER at our Aid Station on Queen Kaahumanu Highway. Transportation, food, and beverages provided.

(\mathbf{A}) Hilton (808) 886-1234 | HiltonWaikoloaVillage.com WAIKOLOA VILLAGE®

Marriott.com

Legends of Hawai`i Lū`au - Our Big Island Story

Sundays, Tuesdays, Fridays 5:30 pm | Kamehameha Court

TREAT YOURSELF TO THE ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME CULTURAL IMMERSION of our $l\bar{u}$ at Hilton Waikoloa Village. Brought to you by Tihati Productions, the Legends of Hawai'i Lū'au dinner and show brings to life the ancestral songs and dances that retell the epic stories of Hawai'i Island and her remarkable people.

You'll receive a lei greeting upon arrival and have the opportunity to capture memories with photos with our $l\bar{u}$ au performers. The meal includes island favorites such as hulihuli chicken, seared island catch-of-the-day, and the traditional imu kalua pig, and fresh daily Hawaiian style desserts. Our signature mai tais are made with fresh pineapple juice.

Make reservations in advance at legendsluau.com. Book early to get your spot.



KAMUELA PROVISION COMPANY

Exclusive Outdoor Dining on the Ocean Front Lanai of Kamuela Provision Company with the Chef's Menu

The Ocean Front Lanai offers guests an unrivaled ambiance complemented by sunset views of the Pacific ocean. All dining reservations specific to the Ocean Front Lanai are served a three-course chef's menu starting at \$85 per person.

Indoor Ala Carte Dining

Seating for à la carte dining is limited to indoor tables.

Call (808) 886-1234 for reservations.

DINING GUIDE Restaurants open daily unless noted.



GOLF COURSE

Mai Grille. By Chef Allen Hess (at Kings' Clubhouse) (808) 886-7600 MaiGrille.com

Breakfast and lunch CLOCKWISE 8 am – 3 pm FROM ABOVE: Sunday Brunch Bistro at the 7:30 am - 2:30 pm Cinemas. KPC – Kamuela Provision

Company, Lava

Lava Beach Club

Tropics Ale House and Restaurant (808) 886-4287

TropicsAleHouse.com

Lunch and dinner

11 am – 10:30 pm

LAVA LAVA

BEACH CLUB

Lunch and dinner

(808) 769-LAVA (5282)

LavaLavaBeachClub.com

5:30 - 9:30 pm

Lagoon Grill

Grab a burger, sandwich, salad, or Hawaiian bowl for lunch or early dinner and watch dolphins playing in the lagoon below.

11 am – 7 pm

Kona Tap Room

pub fare.

quick bite.

Food to go

11 am – 4 pm

6 am – noon

6 am – noon in MAKAI

Noon – 9 pm Bar open until 9 pm

Henry Kapono will be performing the evenings of September 17 and October 22.

Bikinis and board shorts welcomed! Live entertainment nightly.



HILTON WAIKOLOA

VILLAGE

dining

atmosphere.

7 – 10 am

Nui Italian

5 – 9 pm

(808) 886-1234

HiltonWaikoloaVillage.com/

Big Island Breakfast at Water's Edge A lavish breakfast and a la carte options in a relaxed

Authentic, family-friendly Italian dining including stone-fired pizzas, pastas, salads, and more.

Lounge and dinner

KPC – Kamuela **Provision Company**

KPC offers Hawai`i Island's most spectacular sunset views. Locally sourced cuisine, from prime steaks to Hawaiian seafood.

A fun gathering place with an array of craft and domestic beers and casual

4:30 - 10:30 pm

Orchid Marketplace

Next to Kona Pool, this outdoor eatery provides a great location for a

Waikoloa Coffee

in Ocean Tower



WAIKOLOA BEACH MARRIOTT RESORT & SPA

(808) 886-8165 Marriott.com

Hawaii Calls Restaurant & Lounge

Breakfast 7 – 10:30 am

Lunch 11 am – 5 pm Happy Hour

2 – 4 pm Dinner 5 – 9 pm

Live Entertainment Friday, Saturday, & Sunday, from 5:30 - 7:30 pm, featuring some of Hawai`i's local musical artists

DINING SPECIALS: Taco Tuesday Tuesdays, 5 - 9 pm

Coffee Shoppe

Akaula Lanai – Lobby Level 6:30 am - 12:30 pm

Nalu's Poolside Bar 10:30 am - 5:30 pm

KINGS' SHOPS

A-Bav's Island Grill (808) 209-8494 A-Bays.com

8 am – midnight

Foster's Kitchen (808) 657-4500

FostersKitchen.com Daily lunch and dinner

11 am – 10 pm

Island Fish & Chips

(808) 886-0005 KingsShops.com/ island-fish-chips

7:30 am - 9:30 pm

Roy's Waikoloa

Bar & Grill (808) 886-4321 RoysHawaii.com

Dinner 5 – 9 pm

Island Vintage Coffee (coming soon)

The Original Big Island Shave Ice Company (808) 895-6069

Tuesday – Sunday 11:30 am - 6:30 pm

Farmers Market

Explore the Kings' Shops Farmers Market every Tuesday from 9 am - 2:30 pm



DINING

DINING GUIDE



QUEENS'

the-bistro

MARKETPLACE

(808) 464-3009

Monday – Friday

11:30 am - 9 pm

10:30 am - 9 pm

Saturday – Sunday

Charley's Thai Cuisine (808) 886-0591

CharleysThaiHawaii.com Lunch 11 am – 3 pm Dinner 5 – 9:30 pm

Bistro at the Cinemas

HawaiiCinemas.com/

Charley's Thai Cuisine

Restaurants open daily unless noted.

Kuleana Rum Shack

(808) 238-0786 KuleanaRum.com

Lunch and dinner 11:30 am – 9:30 pm

Romano's Macaroni Grill (808) 443-5515

MacaroniGrill.com Sunday – Thursday hours 11 am – 9 pm

Friday – Saturday 11 am – 10 pm

Sansei Steak & Sushi Bar

(808) 886-6286 SanseiHawaii.com

Take-out Tuesday – Saturday 5 – 8 pm Sunday – Monday 6 - 8pm

Dine In 5 – 8 pm

Starbucks Coffee

Company (808) 886-1888 Starbucks.com

4:30 am - 9:30 pm

QUEENS' Marketplace Ono food court

7:30 am – 9:30 pm (Individual times may vary)

Dairy Queen/ Orange Julius (808) 886-1029

Ippy's Hawaiian BBQ (808) 886-8600



Sansei Steak & Sushi Bar



WaikoloaBeachResort.com