

# Join Us!

Escape Winter—the CTD Way!

## Hawaii's Hidden Gems

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## Fun, Rejuvenating Winter Getaways...with a Difference!

### Hawaii's Hidden Gems

- Three-Island Experience Balancing Luxury Resort  
Free-Time & Guided, Locals-Only Adventure

### Florida: Sunshine State of Mind

- A Wonderful, Warm-Weather Getaway to the "Other"  
Florida—Local, Less-Traveled, CTD-style

### Mighty Mississippi & Cajun Country

- Revel in the Sights, Sounds and Flavors of the Gulf  
Coast—from The Big Easy to the Bayou and the  
Mississippi Delta

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## JOIN US for Country Travel DISCOVERIES' Distinctive Winter Trips

Everybody could use a little winter getaway sometimes, but this year, why not upgrade your "warm-weather escape" in something more—a cherished and memorable travel experience! Optimize your fun-in-the-sun with the kind of off-the-beaten-path, locals-only sites and activities that are a hallmark of Country Travel DISCOVERIES' trips. Whether in the Hawaiian Isles, the Southern Atlantic Coast, or the Gulf of Mexico, experience some of the most culturally, historically and scenically rich areas. En route, meet friendly locals, roam the less-traveled countryside, and enjoy a balance of structured touring and flexible free time to explore your way—all while being treated to excellent service on a trip full of inclusions. It makes all the difference between recreation and rejuvenation, a quick getaway and a vacation to remember.



Three-island tour balancing free time at luxurious  
resorts with scenic and local culture experiences



Warm weather escape to "the  
other Florida" away from the  
crowds



Let the good times roll from  
the Mississippi Delta to the  
Bayou to the Big Easy

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## Oahu

From the moment you are greeted with a traditional lei and transferred to your oceanside resort on iconic Waikiki Beach, you'll fall in love with Oahu! From the ancient Diamond Head crater and royal I'olani Palace to the moving USS Arizona Memorial at Pearl Harbor, major landmarks are mixed in with local visits. Discover native traditions with a real Polynesian Chief, tour famed Dole Pineapple Plantation, and see daredevil surfers in old Haleiwa Town.

## Hawaii

Mysterious green and black sand beaches, active volcanoes, rainbow falls and lush agriculture are only a fraction of what makes the Big Island such a special adventure! You'll savor sensory delights, from a fragrant orchid stop with an expert tropical gardener to a Chocolate Macadamia candy factory visit to a tour of a sustainable cacao and coffee farm. From your Kona Beach Hotel, explore your way: stargazing at Mauna Kea, snorkeling, or playing one of *Golf Magazine's* Top 10 Courses.

## Maui

Our lush, 4-Diamond Hyatt Regency Maui Resort & Spa on fashionable Ka'anapali Beach is your home for the last three nights of our escape. More than just stunning beaches, Maui's rich microclimates, fertile rainforests, humpback whales, rare animal species, farm-to-fork-dining, quaint fishing villages and arts communities, Haleakala National Park and the famed Road to Hana helped make it *Conde Nast Traveler's* "Best Island in the World" for over 20 years. A special treat is a sunset cocktail cruise around small, neighboring Lanai and Molokai islands. An unforgettable Polynesian Revue and luau feast cap off your time in Paradise!

# Hawaii's Hidden Gems

Turn the page for more  
details, more tours, and a  
special offer

Images: Big Island Visitors Bureau/Chan Weelee (Top); HAA (for Johnson M&M) (Bottom)

## TOUR TIMELINE\*

11 Days • 10 Nights • 16 Meals

- MAR 1**
  - Lei Greeting in Honolulu
  - Unpack for 4 Nights at Waikiki Resort with Ocean-Deluxe Rooms and Welcome Reception
- MAR 2**
  - U.S.S. Arizona Memorial at Pearl Harbor
  - Historical Honolulu City Tour
  - Magic of Polynesia Dinner and Cocktail Show
- MAR 3**
  - Nuuanu Pali Battle Site
  - Botanical Garden Tour with Polynesian Chief
  - Haleiwa Town & Famed Surfing Sites
  - Dole Pineapple Plantation Tour
- MAR 4**
  - Oahu-Your-Way Free Day
- MAR 5**
  - Flight to Big Island
  - Unpack for 3 Nights at Resort on Kona Beach
  - Free Afternoon in Kailua-Kona
- MAR 6**
  - Grand Island Tour
  - Volcanoes National Park, Jagger Museum and Thurston Lava Tube
  - Akatsuka Orchid Gardens Flower Expert Tour
  - Mauna Loa Macadamia Nut Factory
- MAR 7**
  - Kokoleka Lani Cacao and Coffee Farm
  - Free Resort Afternoon
- MAR 8**
  - Flight to Maui
  - Iao Valley Tour and Maui's Conquest
  - Lahaina City Tour
  - Unpack for 3 Nights at 4 Diamond Resort on Ka'anapali Beach
- MAR 9**
  - Haleakala National Park
  - O'o Farms Farm-to-Table Rainforest Lunch
  - Maui, Lanai and Molokai Sunset Cocktail Cruise
  - Free Evening in Lahaina
- MAR 10**
  - Maui-Your-Way Free Time
  - Fruit Groves Train Ride
  - Traditional Luau & Polynesian Revue
- MAR 11**
  - Farewell Breakfast and Home

\* Highlights only; not all stops, meals and attractions are listed. Subject to change.

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# Hawaii's Stunning Resorts

## PREMIUM, OCEAN-VIEW ACCOMMODATIONS

Throughout your trip, you'll love the amenities and locations of three top, premium resorts—all oceanview properties. We've built in plentiful free time for you to enjoy their activities and surroundings, or to independently experience any number of do-it-your-way options on each island.

### Hyatt Regency Waikiki Resort & Spa, Honolulu

Nestled between the beauty of Waikiki Beach and the dynamic city center, this 4-star resort hotel sits close to Waikiki Aquarium, Honolulu Zoo, and Diamond Head volcano. It features spacious rooms with private lanais, a fitness center, spa, poolside lounge, live entertainment, cultural classes, fresh locally sourced cuisine, and some 60 nearby shops and boutiques.

### Marriott Courtyard Kona Beach, Kailua/Kona

Adjacent to Kamakahonu National Historic Landmark, and a close walk to Hulihe'e Palace, this beachfront hotel is located on a historical site where King Kamehameha once lived. It features well-outfitted balcony rooms, waterfront dining and picnic options, a pool, fitness center, spa, locally grown Kona coffee, and more. Nearby activities range from kayaking, snorkeling and tennis to yoga, spa treatments, golf, and a submarine tour.

### Hyatt Regency Maui Resort & Spa, Lahaina

Set in 40 acres of tropical gardens, this stunning 4-Diamond resort on fashionable Ka'anapali Beach is just minutes from Whalers Village and a short Sugar Cane Train ride to old Lahaina town. With amazing balcony rooms, 7 restaurants or bars, 4 pool areas, 3 tennis courts, two 18-hole golf courses, culture classes, nighttime astronomy program, spa and more, it's easy to imagine just luxuriating right at the hotel for your whole Maui free time. However, the concierges can help you pick from a huge variety of optional activities, from whale-watching, hula and lei-making to a daytrip along the breathtaking Road to Hana.



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Hawaii escape

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## Discover Native Cultures

Over the course of our 11-day trip, we'll enjoy premium resorts and plenty of discretionary activities, along with the kind of carefully arranged, off-the-beaten-path scenic, agricultural and small-town stops our travelers appreciate. Another fun element of this redesigned tour is encountering the rich cultural traditions and lore of diverse indigenous Pacific islanders that traveled, settled and ruled these isles. We'll hear tales of the legendary goddess Pele, the islands' unification under King Kamehameha, the overthrow of Queen Liliuokalani, and more.

### Meet the Monarchs

In Honolulu, we'll be introduced to **Iolani Palace**—the only royal palace on American soil—and see the majestic statue of **King Kamehameha the Great**. Then, we'll be dazzled by the spectacular **Magic of Polynesia** Dinner and Cocktail Show, where thrilling magic acts and effects combine with such performance styles as Hula, Tahitian and fireknife dancing.

A captivating trip to scenic Nuuanu Pali recalls the **Battle of Nuuanu**, among the bloodiest conflicts in Hawaiian history, where Kamehameha conquered Oahu in his quest to unite the Islands.

### Paths of Chiefs

Later, meet an authentic **Polynesian Chief, Sielu**, who will share many customs of the native islanders on an educational trip through botanical gardens. We'll learn to open a coconut, make fire from sticks and coconut husk, and other fun skills! For Day 4's free time, you may opt to explore the expansive **Polynesian Cultural Center**, Hawaii's most-visited paid attraction.

A Big Island highlight is seeing the temples and ki'i (carved wooden images) of sacred **Puuhonua o Honaunau** National Historical Park, an ancient "Place of Refuge" where those sentenced to death could find protection under the power of buried chiefs.

### Maui, More than Beaches

In the stunningly scenic **Iao Valley**, we'll relive the tale of Kamehameha's defeat of Maui's army in the 18th century, dramatically altering Hawaiian history. Atop breathtaking **Haleakala** ("House of the Sun"), learn how the demigod Maui lassoed the sun from the volcano's summit, slowing its descent to make the day last longer. And in a fitting ending to our Pacific adventure, our farewell banquet, "**Drums of the Pacific**" is a festive luau featuring traditional Polynesian music, dance, costume, crafts, food and celebration. You'll head home feeling like **Ohana**—part of Hawaii's family!



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## Florida: Sunshine State of Mind

*A Wonderful, Warm Weather Escape to the “Other” Florida*

A wonderful, warm-weather get away to the “other” Florida—local, less-traveled, Country Travel DISCOVERIES-style. Sure, you’ll get some sand between your toes, but the real charm of this vacation is the diverse array of knowledgeable Floridians you’ll encounter: from skilled farmers to marine biologists and a real NASA astronaut. Their warm welcomes—as much as the excellent climate—will send you home from this memorable winter escape in a “Sunshine State of Mind”!

### SELECT HIGHLIGHTS

- Full day at **NASA Kennedy Space Center** including lunch with an astronaut
- Enjoy **agricultural stops** with sugarcane, honey, citrus, ornamental plants, and berry farmers
- Meet **knowledgeable experts** in marine biology, sponge-diving, birds and manatees
- **Sanibel Island Beach**, renowned for its bountiful seashells and shell museum
- Savor Parkesdale Farms’ **World Famous Strawberry Shortcake**
- Stop in Lake Placid, *Reader’s Digest’s* “America’s Most Interesting Town”

**8 Days • 15 Meals**

**Dates:** Feb 19-26 | Feb 26-Mar 5

**Price Per Person:** Double: \$1,977; Single: \$2,575

**Depart/Return:** Orlando, FL

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See the Amazing Shells of Sanibel Island



Discover Florida Wildlife



Meet Traditional Sponge Divers

## Mighty Mississippi & Cajun Country

*Experience the Sights, Sounds and Flavors of the Gulf Coast—from Bay to Bayou to the Mississippi Delta*

“Southern Hospitality” is just what you’ll find in this exploration of the Gulf region’s diverse cultural, culinary and natural attractions. Savor delectable meals in the Big Easy, including a lunch and cooking demonstration at the New Orleans School of Cooking. Explore historical life in towns and plantations along the Mississippi, meet bayou country locals who earn a living from land and sea, and *laissez les bons temps rouler* in a thrilling excursion into the heart of Cajun country!

**8 Days • 14 Meals**

**Dates:** Mar 4-11

**Price Per Person:** Double: \$1,797; Single: \$2,285

**Depart/Return:** New Orleans, LA

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### SELECT HIGHLIGHTS

- 2 nights in New Orleans’ historic **French Quarter**, with city tour
- Learn about **diverse music traditions**: Zydeco, cajun, Delta, gospel, jazz and creole
- Hear stories about life on Frogmore Plantation from **Lynette Tanner**
- Lunch and tour at **Greenwood Plantation**
- Carriage ride through **Natchez**
- Climb aboard an authentic **Mardi Gras float**
- Visit the **National WWII Museum and Vicksburg Nat’l Military Park**
- Tour **Tabasco Pepper Sauce** factory on Avery Island
- **Swamp boat ride** in search of alligators, birds, flora and fauna
- New Orleans **School of Cooking** demo and lunch



Savor Authentic Regional Cuisine



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