

CAMP PUPUKEA

The Hawaiian Camping Experience



EXCURSION GUIDE

ALOHA COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



Waimea Bay, O'ahu

Welina ma e komo mai,

Welcome to the Camp Pupukea of the Aloha Council, Boy Scouts of America. Nestled in the Ko'olau Mountains overlooking Oahu's beautiful North Shore, Camp Pupukea is a 65 acre BSA Nationally Accredited Camp. It is two and a half miles mauka (to the mountain), above the famous Waimea Bay, Pipeline and Sunset Beaches, on Pupukea road.

Ahead of you is a week of fun, excitement and adventure. Camp Pupukea is the largest camp program in the Pacific and enjoys a reputation for excellence. Our goal is to make your experience better than your expectations. The Camp Pupukea staff will assist you in setting up your off-camp excursions. Hawaii has many travel and visitor options to choose from. We have narrowed the choices down to the most worthwhile and will help you decide when is best to visit each one.

We look forward to serving you and your troop this summer.



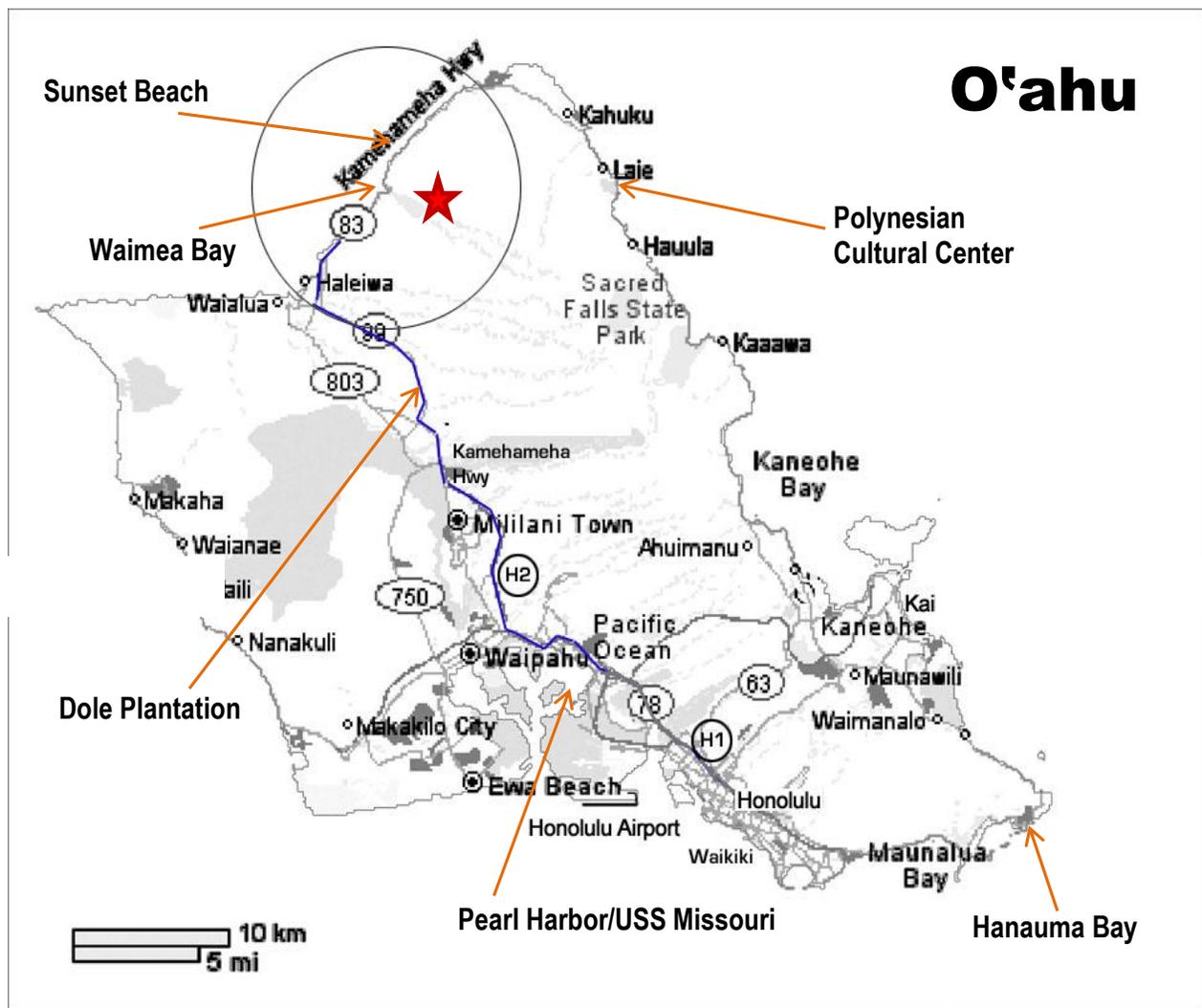
Directions to Camp Pupukea

From Honolulu:

H1 passing Pearl City, onto H2 Freeway, through Wahiawa and end of freeway. Continue on Kamehameha Highway through Haleiwa. About ½ mile past Waimea Bay, turn right at the traffic light on Pupukea Road across from the Sunset Beach Fire Station and adjacent to Foodland Super Market. Follow Pupukea Road for 2.8 miles to Camp Pupukea Road. Camp is at the end of the road on your left.

From Kaneohe:

Stay on Kamehameha Highway past Kaaawa, Hauula, Laie and Kahuku. Turn left at the traffic light on Pupukea Road across from the Sunset Beach Fire Station and adjacent to Foodland Super Market. Follow Pupukea Road for 2.8 miles to Camp Pupukea. Camp is at the end of the road on your left.



This booklet is a guide to help you plan your Hawaiian Adventure. For information on Merit Badge classes and Camp programs please consult the Scoutmaster's Guidebook found at <http://www.alohacouncilbsa.org>.

Each day your camp experience will be divided into camp program and touring (or excursions). Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday will have a limited amount of time for touring, whereas most of the day Wednesday will be set aside for you to have a full experience. We will first explore some Wednesday excursion options.

WEDNESDAY EXCURSION OPTIONS

Polynesian Cultural Center

<http://www.polynesia.com>



We start with the Number One paid visitor attraction in the Pacific, the Polynesian Cultural Center. This is an optional excursion that is not included in your Camp Fees, but we will arrange with the PCC to get you the best deal you can get (30% off listed prices). Your day would include visiting the 42-acre park, a Luau dinner and an evening extravaganza. You would want to make this visit on **Wednesday**, which is Troop Cook night for all of the local units in camp. This is a must see for all Hawaii guests.

Hanauma Bay

<http://www.hanaumabay.info>

The other recommended option for Wednesday is visiting the Hanauma Bay on the Southeast coast of Oahu. Since Hanauma Bay is on the opposite side of the island from Camp Pupukea, it is not recommended that you visit this Bay on any other day.

Hanauma Bay is a nature preserve built inside a partially submerged volcano crater. It is a beautiful spot for snorkeling and picnicking. There is an admission fee (check website for prices), and each visitor must attend a 20 minute presentation on the protection of local reefs, before entering the Bay. The bay hours are 6:00am to 7:00pm every day (closed on Tuesday). If you choose this option, your troop will want to arrange for dinner at a restaurant of your choice on your way back to camp.



AFTERNOON EXCURSIONS

Waimea Valley and Falls

<http://www.waimeavalley.net>



The Waimea Valley is a paid visitor attraction that is included in your Camp Fees. It is a botanical garden, historical center and a swimming hole, all rolled into one. You will need to schedule your visit with the Camp Director with at least a 24 hours' notice before visiting.

Be sure to take walking shoes for the $\frac{3}{4}$ mile walk up the trail to the waterfalls. Along the way you will walk through a lush 150-acre Botanical Garden containing more than 5,000 native or endangered Hawaiian plants. At the end of the trail is the 45 foot waterfall used in many movies and TV shows. Be sure to bring your swim suit so you can enjoy swimming under the falls.

Oahu's North Shore

The world famous North Shore includes the beaches Waimea Bay, Pipeline and Sunset Beach, each of them listed as among the top 10 surf spots in the world. They are all within a five-mile stretch of road with Sunset Beach on the northeast then travelling down Kamehameha Highway to Waimea Bay. Plan a morning of Beach-going, and then go back again another day as well. We will provide you Boogie Boards™, beach mats and snorkel gear along with your lunch.

Shark's Cove

Shark's Cove could be listed above since it is within the five-mile stretch that included our famous beaches, but it provides such a different experience that we had to list it separately.

Shark's Cove is a diver's paradise. It is a protected reef that is the home to sea turtles and many species of fish. Reef walkers are vital, but only to walk to the water. Once in the water you should not stand on the reef. We will provide your snorkel gear and if you are enrolled in the SCUBA class, this is where you will complete your Open Water Dives.



Dole Pineapple Plantation

<http://www.dole-plantation.com>

The heart and soul of Hawai'i's agricultural industry, Dole Plantation (formerly named The Hawaii Pineapple Company) remains a cherished icon to residents and visitors alike. Today, it welcomes more than a million people each year who wish to enjoy the quintessential "Pineapple Experience."

With shopping, dining and family-friendly activities such as the world's largest garden maze and the Pineapple Express plantation train, no tour of O'ahu is complete without exploring the history and sweet flavors of Dole Plantation. There is a fee for some parts of the Dole Plantation (not included in Camp fee) and there are gifts shops and a restaurant on site.



Hiking Trails

There are many hiking trails on O'ahu, and some are within walking distance of Camp Pupukea. If you choose to go on a day hike to a waterfall or up a mountain loop trail, consult your Camp Director before you go. He can give you advice and hints about some of the better trails around O'ahu, and how long each might take.

The Hawaiiiana Award

The Hawaiiiana Award is unique to the Aloha Council and is available to **BOTH** youth and adults. The program was designed to educate interested Scouts on the Hawaiian Heritage. It is a BSA Nationally recognized award that can be worn on the Official BSA uniform as part of the BSA insignia.

This program will be packed with fun and educational activities. The group will "imu" a pig that will serve as the Friday night Luau for the camp. The experience involves visiting historical sites, learning a few Hawaiian phrases, tasting ethnic Hawaiian foods and enjoying Hawaiian Hula and music. The class is taught by a Hawaiian Kumu Hula and Kupuna, a highly recognized teacher of Hawaiian Studies.



The Course and book require additional fees and may be too intensive for some Scouts. The class will last two class periods and require late night work on Thursday as we prepare the "imu." The student will be required to write a 750-word essay on the history of the Hawaiians. We suggest that you use the library or online resources and prepare the essay before you arrive at camp. Please refer to the Hawaiiiana Handbook for more information.