



# The Hawaiian Camping Adventure Guide



"The Rock" and bay from Kamehameha Highway. Courtesy Travis Thurston



# WELCOME TO ADVENTURE

Welcome to the summer camp experience of a lifetime. You and your troop will be enjoying a week-long stay at the Pacific's premiere summer camp facility and enjoying excursions and activities on and around the world famous Oahu North Shore. We are certain that your experience will be a memorable one.

The Aloha Council, BSA has partnered with some of the finest destinations and services in Hawaii to assist you with your experience. Your adventure begins with an overnight encampment aboard the Battleship Missouri, brings you to the Polynesian Cultural Center for an unforgettable show and cultural experiences, and brings you to some of the best beaches, hikes, and snorkeling in Hawaii. Plus, you'll get to experience a variety of merit badge opportunities, participate in campfires and awesome evening programs, and cap it all off with a campwide luau.

## How to Sign Up

To learn more about our camp or reserve your spot for next summer, go to

[scoutinghawaii.org/camping](http://scoutinghawaii.org/camping)

## Your \$575 camp fee includes:

- ☑ Van rental to accommodate your entire group
- ☑ Your first night on the battleship Missouri
- ☑ Preferential reservation of campsites
- ☑ Tents and camping equipment
- ☑ Admission, buffet dinner, and show at Polynesian Cultural Center
- ☑ Afternoon at Waimea Valley working on the Hawaiiana Award
- ☑ All meals at camp, including to-go for your adventures, and our closing luau





# ARRIVING ON OAHU

- A staff member will meet you curbside at baggage claim and provide their phone number. Please update them via text: “collecting bags,” “heading curbside,” “at bag claim H,” etc.
- Do not pick up an airport rental car! We’ll transport you to our off-site Enterprise location at 609 Ahua St., a 7-minute drive from the airport.
- Groups of 14 or less: we’ll transport all of you to get your rental van.
- Groups of more than 14: we’ll take your drivers and the rest of the group can wait at baggage claim.
- Your rental vehicles will be provided by Enterprise Rent-A-Car as part of your camp fees. You will not need to sign any contracts or purchase any insurance.

## GETTING READY FOR CAMP

1. Send your flight itinerary to [AlohaCouncilBSA@scouting.org](mailto:AlohaCouncilBSA@scouting.org) as soon as you know it
2. Fill out our camp planner to let us know which adventures you decided on: [tinyurl.com/PupukeaPlanner](http://tinyurl.com/PupukeaPlanner)
3. If you’ll be visiting the Arizona memorial on Sunday morning, reserve your tickets: [nps.gov/valr](http://nps.gov/valr)



### What to Bring

The uniform your troop brings is your choice. We suggest an activity shirt (troop T-shirt) for during the day and your full field uniform (Scout pants, shirt, socks, etc.) for flag ceremonies and meals.

Camp Pupukea is located in a tropical rainforest at a 1,000 foot elevation on the north shore of the island. We are a micro-climate, which means the conditions and temperatures at camp can vary as much as 15 degrees from just two miles away at sea level. Rain is frequent at Pupukea also, so pack accordingly, and a waterproof windbreaker will be ideal during evening campfires. There will be lots of opportunities for walking and hiking, so bring durable shoes!

#### Packing List

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Clothes & toiletries         | repellent, coils, etc.                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Windbreaker                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Day pack                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Poncho or rain gear          | <input type="checkbox"/> Sun block, sunglasses            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water resistant hiking shoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reef shoes or water shoes    | <input type="checkbox"/> Swim wear                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mosquito                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping bag                     |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Pillow                           |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Towels & wash cloth              |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Spending money (suggest \$40-50) |



The background of the entire page is a photograph of the USS Missouri battleship. Several Boy Scouts in tan uniforms are standing on the deck in front of the ship's massive gun turrets. A large white arrow points from the title 'THE USS MISSOURI' down towards the text below. A dashed white line separates the title area from the descriptive text.

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# THE USS MISSOURI

**Your first stop:** The USS Missouri, the world's most historic battleship!

Their encampment program will give your Scouts more awareness of history, effective communication and leadership skills, and a great time sleeping on board a ship.

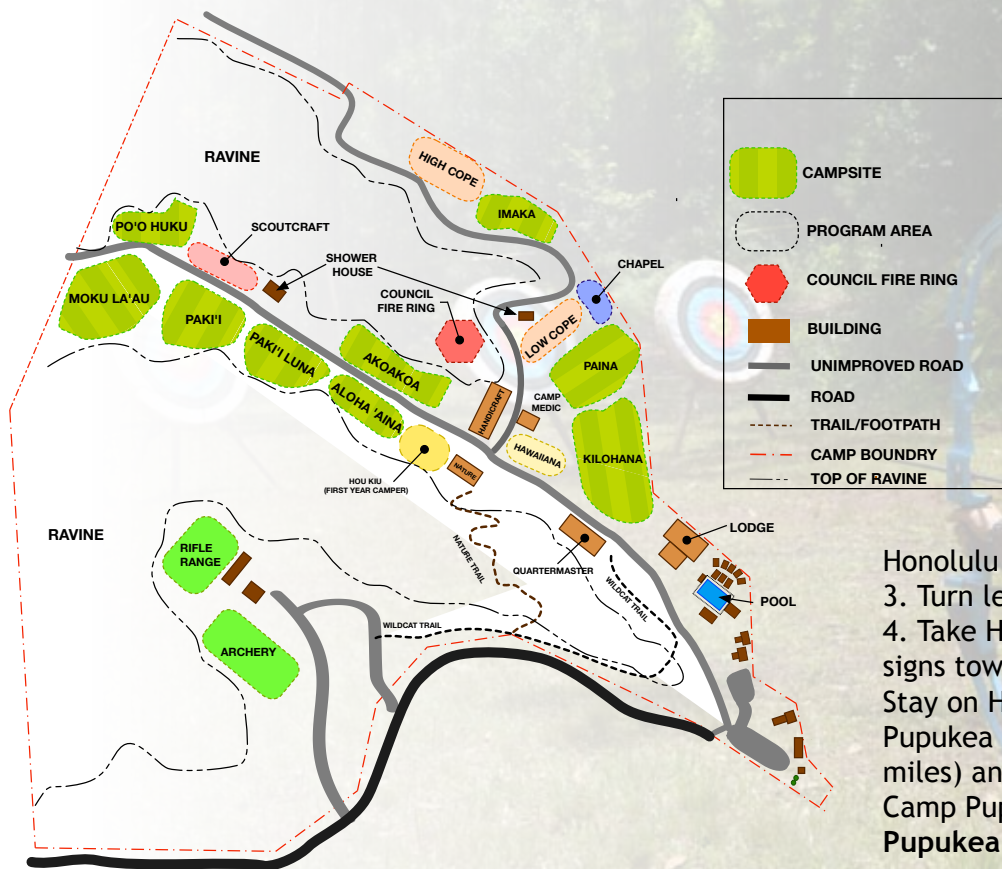
You'll get inside information on the battleship's life at sea and the three wars she fought in, sleep on a bunk in the enlisted crew's quarters, and eat dinner and breakfast in the mess decks.

**How to get there:** Exit the airport and follow signs for Nimitz Hwy. west. Continue on Hwy. 99 (Kamehameha Hwy.) west for 3 miles; turn left onto the Ford Island bridge.

1. Arrive at the Missouri by 4:00 PM on Saturday. The Missouri will provide dinner, an evening snack and breakfast.
2. The Missouri is on Ford Island and will require military passes to get on base. You will be contacted by the Missouri Association to secure this information in time for your visit.
3. Your adult leaders will be expected to assist the Missouri staff in managing your Scouts' experience.
4. The Missouri is moored in the middle of an active Naval facility, so occasionally (but rarely), the USS Missouri has a conflict arise that interferes with your overnight encampment. If this occurs, we will communicate with you and give you backup options. The Missouri is always very helpful in resolving these issues. We include them here only as precautionary information.
5. Pack an overnight bag with a change of clothes, money for the ship's gift shop if you want, and personal toiletries. Food and bedding will be provided, so you can leave those in your van.

**For more info, visit [ussmissouri.org](http://ussmissouri.org)**





## Directions to Camp

(Approx. 1 hour drive)

1. From Ford Island or the Arizona Memorial, turn left on Kamehameha Hwy.

2. Take H201 east toward Honolulu and exit 1B.

3. Turn left then right to get on H1 west.

4. Take H2 north through Wahiawa; follow signs toward Haleiwa.

Stay on Hwy. 83 for 6 miles; turn right on Pupukea Rd. Go all the way to the end (3 miles) and camp will be on your left! Camp Pupukea is located at 59-780 Pupukea Rd., Haleiwa, HI 96712

# CAMP PUPUKEA

## Schedule for the Week

We suggest taking merit badge classes from 9AM to noon, enjoying lunch at camp, then exploring the island in the afternoons. For dinner, you can return to camp and then stay for evening programs. For one or two of your nights, consider eating dinner out.

*\*Make sure to reserve tickets if visiting Arizona!*

Saturday: USS Missouri encampment

Sunday morning (suggested): Arizona Memorial\*

Sunday afternoon: Lunch on your own. Check in to camp **from 1 to 4 PM**

Monday: Adventure on your own

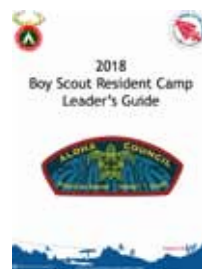
Tuesday: Waimea Valley

Wednesday: Polynesian Cultural Center

Thursday: Adventure on your own

Friday: Adventure on your own; return for luau

Saturday: Depart camp



For complete camp information, including merit badges, daily schedule, and medical information, scan the QR code or visit

**[tinyurl.com/PupukeaGuide](http://tinyurl.com/PupukeaGuide)**



# POLYNESIAN CULTURAL CENTER

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We have reserved every Wednesday as a trip to the Polynesian Cultural Center, which includes the island exhibits (fun hands-on activities), buffet where you can try all kinds of traditional Hawaiian food, and famous show “Ha: Breath of Life” show.

Arrive to PCC by 3 PM and plan to stay until 9!  
**See a video and learn more at [polynesia.com](http://polynesia.com)**

## Laie Point

On your way to PCC, stop at the famous Laie Point. You'll see epic sea cliffs and an offshore island with an arch in it that makes great photos.







### Goat Island

You won't find any goats on this island, but some say it looks like a goat when seen from above. Head to **Malaekahana Beach Park** during low tide to walk across a short channel to this island, which you might have all to yourself! Make sure to bring reef shoes, check the tide, and be careful-- there are waves here.

Oahu is known for world class swimming, snorkeling, and boogie-boarding at our many beaches. Camp Pupukea is located near several good ones:

- **Waimea Bay**

One of our favorites, Waimea Bay features deep, clear water in a stunning setting and is just down the road from camp.

- **Hukilau Beach**

Great beach for swimming and boogie boarding, and to hang out! Half an hour from camp. (pictured in the circle)

- **Shark's Cove.**

At the bottom of Pupukea Rd., turn right and you'll be at Shark's Cove. **Best bet for snorkeling!**

- **Sunset Beach**

Turn right at the bottom of Pupukea Rd. and 2 miles will take you to this long and popular beach with some more wave action than Waimea. Of course it's especially good for sunset!



# BEACHES

**Food tip:** The north shore boasts some excellent food trucks--Thai, shrimp, and pizza options are noteworthy. Grab a plate and have dinner on the beach. Or for a true local tradition, grab a poke bowl from Foodland at the corner of Pupukea Rd.





New in 2018, we're bringing the famous Hawaiiana Award (a BSA-recognized award only offered in Hawaii) to Waimea Valley, which has been teaching Hawaiian culture to school groups for years. Every Tuesday from 1:15 to 5:15 PM, visiting troops will spend the afternoon enjoying Waimea's Ahupua'a program. Adults and Scouts can complete the rest of the award requirements at home before coming and/or at camp.

### Hawaiiana Award Requirements

Here are some of the activities you might find yourself completing at Waimea Valley:

- Learn the history of the Hawaiians, including dwellings, clothing, religion, and warfare.
- Find and learn the story of native plants and birds
- Say the Scout oath and law in Hawaiian
- Play Hawaiian games like hu, puhenehene, and haka moa
- and more. Learn more at [waimeavalley.net](http://waimeavalley.net)

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## WAIMEA VALLEY & THE HAWAIIANA AWARD



# NORTH SHORE HIKES

## KEALIA TRAIL

Length: ~2 mi to first lookout; can extend to 10 or more miles one-way  
Distance from camp: 18 mi/30 min (up to 50 min in traffic)  
How to get there: Go past Haleiwa and follow signs for Mokuleia/Dillingham Airfield. Turn left just past the glider rides parking lot and follow the road behind the airport. Park on your left and cross the road to begin.  
Highlights: 19 switchbacks will reward you with an incredible view of the ocean from a shelter built by a Scout troop. If you go farther, you can peek over the ridge to the leeward side of the island.

For more information on any of these trails, visit [alltrails.com](http://alltrails.com)

**Food tip:** When passing through Haleiwa, stop at Scoop of Paradise for some great homemade ice cream.



## KAUNALA TRAIL

Length: 6 mile loop  
How to get there: Walk out of the camp parking lot and turn left. You're there!  
Highlights: This moderate trail right in our backyard takes you through a variety of forests and streams and offers cool views of the surrounding valleys.

## LAIE FALLS

Length: 4 miles each way  
Distance from camp: 15 mi/30 min  
How to get there: At the bottom of Pupukea Rd., turn right and go into Laie. Turn right on Poohaili St. and park at the end.  
Highlights: This sometimes-muddy adventure will bring you to a waterfall pool you can swim in!





# NORTH SHORE HIKES

## ‘EHUKAI PILLBOXES

Length: about 1.5 mi each way

How to get there: Walk down the main road to the end of camp and go through the gate.

Highlights: The Pupukeya-Paumalu Forest Reserve surrounds the bottom (makai) end of our camp, and is full of hiking and mountain biking trails. Follow the main path to see some old pillboxes (bunkers) overlooking the ocean.

## KA‘ENA POINT

Length: 3 mi each way

Distance from camp: 19 mi/35 min (up to 50 min in traffic)

How to get there: Go past Haleiwa to the very end of the road.

Highlights: Discover the westernmost point of Oahu. You can usually see Hawaiian monk seals hanging out on the beach.

## HAU‘ULA LOOP TRAIL


Length: 3 mi loop

Distance from camp: 18 mi/40 min

How to get there: Turn right at the bottom of Pupukeya Rd. and drive past Laie into Hauula. Turn right on Hauula Homestead Rd. and park before the gate.

Highlights: This easy loop walk takes you through an epic forest and gives some cool places to explore.

For more information on any of these trails, visit [alltrails.com](http://alltrails.com)



**Food tip:** Stop for shave ice at Matsumoto's in Haleiwa! This north shore tradition is worth the line. Try delicious tropical flavors like lychee and lilikoi (passionfruit), and toppings such as condensed milk, mochi, and azuki beans. Open 9 AM to 6 PM.



We're excited to offer a full SCUBA course to all interested Scouts and adults! Participants will spend two afternoons in and around our pool learning the basics, then one diving at Shark's Cove down the hill. Upon passing the final exam, they'll be PADI certified and youth will earn the SCUBA merit badge!

Because equipment and personalized service is provided, it's essential that you sign up for this opportunity before coming to camp. Youth will need the medical questionnaire and waiver signed by their parents (we'll provide forms when you sign up).

Courtesy Stephanie Batzer. Flickr: swbatzer

# SCUBA

**Advance  
sign-up required!**

Camp Pupukea has partnered with Surf N Sea to offer surfing lessons at a discounted rate for our Scout troops! You'll get 2 to 3 hours of instruction that includes safety, etiquette, popping up techniques, and board control.

Because this is a personalized adventure, please sign up and pay before leaving home. Scouts will have to get a waiver signed by their parents to participate. **More info: [surfnsea.com](http://surfnsea.com).** Sign up with Aloha Council.

# SURF LESSONS





# DOLE PLANTATION

Distance from camp: 15 mi/25 min (up to 45 min in traffic)

How to get there: Take Hwy. 99 north from Haleiwa. You won't miss Dole Plantation, not quite to Wahiawa on your left.

Highlights: A trip to Hawaii would not be complete without some Dole Whip, a creamy frozen dessert with strong flavors of pineapple. See how pineapples are grown for free. For an extra charge, see if you can escape the world's largest maze! **Extra fees for tours and maze.**

## BISHOP MUSEUM

Distance from camp: 36 mi/1 hr to 1 hr 20 min

How to get there: Take H1 into Honolulu and exit Likelike Hwy. north. Take your first right. (check traffic for best route)

Highlights: Renowned collection of Hawaiian history exhibits and awesome hands-on science displays that everyone will enjoy. **Extra fees.**

## SEA LIFE PARK

Distance from camp: 53 mi/1.5 hr to 1 hr 40 min

How to get there: Go towards Honolulu, then take H3 to Kaneohe, exit 11 on Kamehameha Hwy, north on 61, then follow signs to Waimanalo and go past to the eastern tip of the island. (check traffic for best route)

Highlights: Excellent shows and displays of marine life. If you're in the area, there are also some good beaches and hikes nearby! **Extra fees.**



# PEARL HARBOR HISTORIC SITES

Distance from camp: 34 mi/1 hr to 1 hr 20 min depending on traffic

How to get there: All of these adventures begin at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center. Take H1 to Aiea, then turn left to Kamehameha Hwy and right at the signs for Pearl Harbor Visitor Center/Arizona Memorial.

## PACIFIC AVIATION MUSEUM

Highlights: Explore vast hangars full of real planes and aviation equipment. Learn stories of heroism in Hawaii and the Pacific.

(Note: Accessed via a shuttle from the visitor center. Additional cost.)

More info: [pacificaviationmuseum.org](http://pacificaviationmuseum.org)

## ARIZONA MEMORIAL

Highlights: The World War II Valor in the Pacific National Monument is the monument to the 1941 attack on Pearl Harbor. It features the Arizona Memorial, Bowfin Submarine, and a couple of museums.

It's very popular, so we recommend that you reserve your tickets in advance. You can get them up to 2 months before visiting, and additional tickets are also released 24 hours in advance of each day for last-minute reservations.

The park also reserves 1300 tickets every day for walk-in visitors in case you decide to come last-minute. It helps to arrive early, so this is a great choice for Sunday morning after the Missouri. The memorial is open 7AM to 5PM.

Go to [nps.gov/valr](http://nps.gov/valr) for more information or to reserve free tickets.

Courtesy David Mulder; below courtesy Daniel Ramirez



# NU'UANU SIDE ADVENTURES

## PU'U 'UALAKAA LOOKOUT

Distance from camp: 42 mi/1 hr to 1 hr 20 min with traffic

How to get there: Take H1 into Honolulu and exit Punahou; turn left. Turn left on Nehoa, then right on Round Top Dr. Go a couple miles to the state wayside.

Highlights: This lookout is one of many stops on Round Top Dr. and Tantalus Dr. with incredible views of Oahu's south shore. The two roads form a loop that will take about 20 minutes; take the whole thing and you'll also see several trailheads to explore.

**Food tip:** If you find yourself in this area, stop at Liliha Bakery for their famous Coco Puffs.



## JUDD TRAIL

Length: 1 mi loop (can extend to 6+ mi on Nuuanu, Kalawahine, and Pauoa Flats Trail)  
Distance from camp: 40 mi/1 hr to 1 hr 20 min with traffic

How to get there: Past the Scout shop, turn right on Nuuanu Pali Dr. Go 1 mile and park in the pullout on the right side of the street.

Highlights: This quick loop takes you through some great forest and includes just enough terrain to keep your heart pumping. Continue up the hill on Nuuanu Trail if you have time--it's a climb, but the views of town are great. You could spend all day on this network of trails if you want! Info: [alltrails.com](http://alltrails.com)

## ALOHA COUNCIL SCOUT SHOP

Distance from camp: 40 mi/1 hr to 1 hr 20 min with traffic.

Hours: 8:30AM-5PM M-F, 10AM-3PM Sat

How to get there: Take H1 into Honolulu and exit Pali Hwy. north. Go 2 miles and turn right on Puiwa Rd. The Scout shop will be on your left.

Highlights: Grab some Hawaii Scouting swag to commemorate your trip!

## PUNCHBOWL CEMETERY

Just down the road from the Aloha Council is the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. This beautiful space gives a lot of history and honors 34,000 who gave their lives for their country. Info: [www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/nmcp.asp](http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/nmcp.asp)



# DIAMOND HEAD SIDE ADVENTURES

## KULIOUOU RIDGE

## DIAMOND HEAD

Length: 2.5 mi each way

Distance from camp: 48 mi/1 hr 20 min to 1 hr 30 min

How to get there: Follow H1 until it ends and continue on Kalanianaʻole Hwy. In Hawaii Kai, turn left on Kulioouou Rd. and park on the street before the trailhead.

Highlights: One of the most accessible (but not too easy, don't worry) hikes that will take you to the top of the mountain range and let you see both sides of the island! An unforgettable achievement.

Length: 1 mi each way. **Fee for parking.**

Distance from camp: 44 mi/1hr10min to 1hr30min

How to get there: Take H1 into Honolulu and exit Koko Head Ave; turn right, then left on Pahoa, right on 18th till it ends.

Highlights: Hike from the bottom to the top of Honolulu's iconic crater and explore WW2 bunkers and epic views. It's dry and exposed, so bring plenty of water.

**Expert**  
adventures--highest  
distance from camp.  
Plan on bringing  
dinner or eating out.

## HANAUMA BAY

Distance from camp: 1 hr 30 min to 1 hr 45 min

How to get there: Follow H1 until it ends and continue through Hawaii Kai on Kalanianaʻole Hwy. Hanauma Bay will be on your right just after the highway leaves the city and starts uphill. You'll probably have to street park as it gets very crowded in the afternoon.

What to bring: You can bring snorkeling gear, or rent for an extra fee. There's also a small fee to access the beach and snorkel. For snorkeling also see page 7, Shark's Cove.

Highlights: Hanauma Bay is the most popular place on Oahu to snorkel. It's easy to enter and you're guaranteed to see lots of cool coral and other marine life. **Extra fee.**

More information: [honolulu.gov/parks-hbay](http://honolulu.gov/parks-hbay)

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