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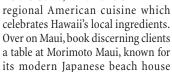
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## How To Wine & Dine In Style In Hawaii

As Kiwi demand for Hawaii luxury travel increases Hawaii Tourism is sharing its top picks for high end wining and dining in the Rainbow State.

On Oahu, Mugen at Espacio is the to pick, offering a French-Japanese inspired fine dining menu, alongside a rare collection of wines, spirits and beers, many exclusive to the restaurant. Also worth a visit is Senia, which offers





inspired dining with uninterrupted 180-degree beach and ocean vistas from nearly every seat.

Lahaina Grill at Maui's historic Lahaina Inn is also highlighted, having garnered international-acclaim as a culinary Mecca, voted Best Maui Restaurant for 26 years in a row.

On the Island of Hawaii, Ulo Ocean Grill at Four Seasons is in top spot, offering local seafood with flavours inspired by the Pacific rim, served 'steps away' from the ocean.

For the romantics Brown's Beach House at The Fairmont Orchid, a AAA Four Diamond restaurant well known for 'incomparable Hawaii regional cuisine' and its oceanfront setting.

Tide Pools (pictured above) is recommended as the top pick on Kauai. It offers modern Hawaiian cuisine in a traditional Hawaii setting.

Due to the high demand, urge clients to make a dining reservation before they leave home to avoid disappointment.

#### **Aloha Hawaii Deals**

Hawaiian Airlines has fares ex Auckland to Honolulu on sale now, from \$596 one-way, for travel 25 Apr-30 May. See details <u>HERE</u>.

#### **Kona Brewers Fest**



The 28th annual Kona Brewers Festival is coming to the Courtyard King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Resort 11 Mar.

The festival puts the spotlight on craft beers from local breweries, with tasty eats, live entertainment and even a trash fashion show featuring haute couture on the agenda. See details and how to buy tickets <u>HERE</u>.

#### **Explore Hawai'i Guide**

The new 2023 Explore Hawai'i guide is available now, featuring advice on where to eat, stay and play in 2023 across the Hawaiian Islands. To get a copy for yourself, e-mail HERE.

#### **More Seats For HA**



Hawaiian Airlines has agreed to purchase two additional 787-9 aircraft, bringing its firm order to a total of 12, 787-9 planes. The first of these aircraft will now arrive in the fourth quarter of 2023, and will continue into 2027, with one 787-9 aircraft now scheduled for delivery in 2023 and three scheduled for delivery in 2024.

#### **New At Aqua Aston**

Jack Curtis has joined the Aqua-Aston Hawaii Hospitality team as its new account manager. He will be the trade's point of contact on anything Aqua-Aston; reach out to him HERE.

#### **A Guided Gather**



Guided Gather at Anaina Hou Community Park offers a sustainable, local experience for Kauai-bound clients.

Held every Sat 1000-1300, clients can explore the island's largest farmers market with a local guide, gathering recipe-specific, freshfrom-the-field Kauai produce to be transformed into an ohana style meal, prepared on site.

Clients will learn about Kilauea's plantation history, talk with local farmers, sample produce and more. Prices start from USD129 for two people, see details <u>HERE</u>.

### New Wayfinder Waikiki Hotel Opens Near Canal



Wayfinder Waikiki, the second Wayfinder Hotel created by Dovetail + Co, has made its debut in Oahu. Located in the former Waikiki Sand Villa Hotel along the Ala Wai Canal, the upgraded property features 228 rooms and a 21m saltwater lagoon pool. There's multiple bar and restaurant spaces, with tropical cocktails served at poolside speakeasy, Lost + Found; along with morning coffee and snacks at B-Side; and innovative poke bowls at Redfish. The property says it aims to bring to life Waikiki's 'vibrant and free spirited energy'. For the MICE crowd, it has a events team, as well as 'next-level' catering and great deals on guest room blocks. See more details HERE.



