

Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii, USA

Maui's West Shore is open for business — the resort beaches of Kaanapali and Kapalua shine as brightly as ever, even as historic Lahaina town rebuilds from the 2023 wildfire.

Pier — docks at Kahului Harbor

Typical call: 8-10 hrs

USD

English / Hawaiian

Lahaina town rebuilding post-2023 wildfire

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____ Arrive: _____ All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier at Kahului Harbor — no tendering

Best For: Beaches, snorkeling, whale watching (Dec–Apr), golf, resort dining

Walk to center: Kahului port is not walkable to attractions; West Maui (Kaanapali) is ~27 miles/45–60 min by car

Don't Miss: Kaanapali Beach, snorkeling at Kapalua Bay, Molokini Crater tour

Getting around: Taxi \$12–\$20 · Rideshare Uber, Lyft

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Molokini Crater Snorkel** — A partially submerged volcanic crater 3 miles off the south coast, with crystal-clear water and 150+ fish species.
- Whale Watching (December–April)** — The Au'au Channel between Maui, Lana'i, and Moloka'i is one of the world's best humpback whale nurseries.
- Kaanapali & Kapalua Beaches** — Kaanapali Beach is consistently ranked among America's best — four miles of golden sand backed by luxury resorts.
- Road to Hana Drive** — Hawaii's most scenic road: 64 miles of rainforest, waterfalls, black-sand beaches, and bamboo groves winding along Maui's rugged north coast.
- Haleakala Sunrise or Summit** — Drive or tour to the 10,023-ft summit of Haleakala volcano for sunrise above the clouds or crater views.

BEST WALKS

- Kaanapali Beachfront Walk** 2 miles one-way · Flat & paved · Free — A paved oceanfront path runs the length of Kaanapali Beach, threading between the sand and the resort towers.
- Kapalua Coastal Trail** 1.7 miles one-way · Lava & boardwalk · Free — A stunning trail from Kapalua Bay to D.T.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		80°	70°	7d
Jun		84°	73°	2d
Aug		85°	75°	5d
Sep		85°	75°	4d
Oct		84°	74°	6d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:06AM–6:44PM · Jun 5:44AM–7:08PM · Aug 6:05AM–6:54PM · Sep 6:13AM–6:28PM · Oct 6:21AM–6:01PM

USD

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Lahaina town is still rebuilding. The historic Front Street core and harbor area remain closed to the public following the August 2023 wildfire. Do not enter restricted areas. Support local businesses in the open parts of West Maui.
- Traffic can be brutal. The single-lane Honoapiilani Highway (Rt 30) connecting West Maui to Kahului can back up for hours after accidents. Leave West Maui at least 2.5–3 hrs before your all-aboard time.
- Reef-safe sunscreen is the law. Hawaii bans sunscreens containing oxybenzone and octinoxate. Buy compliant sunscreen in Maui or bring one labeled reef-safe before you arrive.
- Whale season is December–April. If your cruise visits Maui in winter, don't skip a whale watch — the Au'au Channel is one of the world's top humpback nurseries.
- Tip generously in West Maui. Many resort workers lost their homes in the Lahaina fire but returned to work. Tipping well is one of the most direct ways to support the community's recovery.
- Kahului port has nothing to walk to. Don't plan to explore on foot from the pier — it's an industrial harbor. Book transport or a shore excursion before you arrive.

Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii, USA — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 Maui Exposition | Venue for fairs, events, and community gatherings. | 2 Kanaha Beach Park | Beach park popular for windsurfing and kitesurfing. |
| 3 Baldwin Beach Park | Long sandy beach park with calm swimming areas. | 4 Maui Nui Botanical Gardens | Botanical gardens preserving native Hawaiian plants. |
| 5 Kahului Community Center Park | Community park with sports fields and recreational facilities. | P Cruise port / terminal | |