



## **Shop, Dine, and Play at Maui's Only Beachfront Shopping Village**

**KĀ'ANAPALI**, Maui - On the world-famous three-mile stretch of white sand beach known as Kā'anapali Beach in West Maui, the sun sets in glorious colors throughout the year, humpback whales frolic off shore in winter months, the weather averages a balmy 75-85 degrees Fahrenheit, and, at the center of it all, Whalers Village Fine Shops & Restaurants has enchanted Maui visitors since 1970, when it opened its first stores.

Since its early days, and keenly aware of the sophisticated dreams of 21st century travelers, Whalers Village has evolved into a dynamic, 8.5 acre shop-dine-and-play destination, vibrant with attractions for everyone. With three open-air levels and a tropical ambiance right on the sea, it currently attracts over 3.5 million shopping visits per year from 9:30 in the morning until 10 at night.

Take its 110,836 square-feet of retail space with more than 90 outlets. Visitors can browse in classic haute couture and cool island apparel boutiques or made-in-Hawai'i gift stores. Leading designers of resort wear neighbor local jewelry and accessory shops. Retailers include Honolua Surf Co, Coach, Louis Vuitton, Baron & Leeds and Tommy Bahama, but also regionally-distinguished Martin & MacArthur, rich in Hawaiiana elegance, as well as Tori Richard, famed for sophisticated, island-inspired designs and Na Hoku, praised for its Hawaiian and Island Lifestyle jewelry. Art galleries alternate with stores that sell beach gear, cosmetics, bath & body products, house wares, and books. A well-stocked convenience store sells day-to-day necessities.

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Hungry visitors can relax in three oceanfront restaurants, Hula Grill, Leilani's On the Beach, and Cane & Taro, with menus varying from Hawai'i Regional Cuisine with fresh island ingredients to all-American hamburgers and beach-perfect fries. Looking for something easy and fast? Munch a juicy sandwich, a slice of Italian pizza, or some Chinese food in the international Food Court. Or pick up something sweet, a gourmet coffee, or premium ice cream from the specialty outlets, to take to the beach just footsteps away.

As for entertainment, chances are that the calendar of events, posted in the Village and available on the Village web site, points to the Center Stage, the fun, cultural platform for artisan craft demonstrations, hula classes and lei making lessons. At night, the stage comes to life with Polynesian Hula or Tahitian Dance. And a few times a year the fun spills over, say, during the Maui Marathon in September, and, most notably, on the first Saturday every May, when the Village proudly hosts its signature event, The Maui Onion Festival.

Named after the rugged sailors who came to Kā'anapali in the 1800s, Whalers Village is owned by General Growth Properties. Whalers Village Museum honors Maui's seafaring roots. With self-guided audio tours, daily films, scale models, artifacts, photo murals, graphic interpretations, ivory objects and scrimshaw, visitors experience the story of the heyday of whaling (1825-1860) from the perspective of the whalers themselves. As with all play in the Village, admission is free.

Hugging a paved beach promenade that connects it to 5,000 hotel and condominium rooms, and within a five-mile radius of 10,505 additional rooms, Whalers Village is the pulse of the award-winning Kā'anapali Beach Resort, a master-planned tourist destination. A complimentary resort shuttle serves the Village, and a 534-space covered parking lot is available, where visitors receive up to three hours validated parking with a minimum purchase.

Can shopping, dining, or playing be any easier? Does a better location exist? No wonder that Whalers Village on Kā'anapali Beach is Maui's most visited and vibrant, premier shopping destination and was honored by the International Council of Shopping Centers in 2000 with the title *Shopping Center of the Year*.

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