# Escape to Paradise...



## **Escorted Hawaiian Islands Cruise**

2 Nts Honolulu & 7 Nt Cruise Sightseeing, Shore Excursions & Flights Included!

Oct 17-27, 2024 11 Days/9 Nts NCL's Pride of America

From \$5999.pp twin Including Air & Sightseeing!

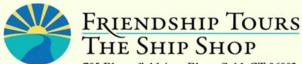








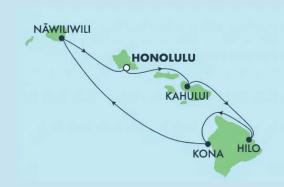




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- Deluxe Transportation to Bradley Airport (minimum # required)
- Roundtrip flights to Honolulu (airline baggage fees not included)
- 2 night stay at a Deluxe Waikiki Hotel
- 2 Breakfasts in Waikiki
- Sunset Dinner Cruise in Waikiki
- 7 Night Cruise aboard NCL's Pride of America
- Sightseeing / Shore Excursions as listed in itinerary
- All meals included onboard ship
- Ship Shop Tour Director throughout tour
- Ship Shop Cocktail Party onboard
- \$100 per cabin Onboard Credit





<u>Day 1:</u> We begin our adventure with deluxe transportation to Bradley Airport to meet our flights to **Honolulu, Hawaii**. Your first experience of "Aloha" begins with your arrival, where you will be met with a **Traditional Flower Lei**. Transfer to your Hotel in Waikiki. Remainder of day is free to relax.

<u>Day 2:</u> **Honolulu, Oahu** - Enjoy breakfast at leisure with voucher. Today is a day to "hang loose" as they say in Hawaii. You are free to enjoy the beach, the International Marketplace shopping area, or book an optional trip such as a catamaran sail or just sit back and enjoy your beautiful hotel.

This evening enjoy a wonderful **Sunset Dinner Cruise**. Enjoy the beautiful views of Waikiki from the water, watch as the sun dips below the horizon and enjoy a dinner buffet and Polynesian Style Entertainment.

<u>Day 3:</u> **Honolulu, Oahu** - Enjoy breakfast at leisure and get in some last minute shopping or beach time. Depart the hotel early this afternoon for a driving tour of **Oahu's Eastern Shores**. Lush tropical rain forests, rocky cliffs and incredible views of the blue Pacific Ocean surround you as you travel through Oahu's eastern shoreline



#### Later afternoon arrival at the Pride of America for our 7 night cruise. Bon Voyage!

<u>Day 4:</u> **Kahului, Maui** - Your ship arrives into Kahului, Maui where we will remain docked for 2 days. Maui is the



home to Haleakala Crater, the historic town of Lahaina, famous Kaanapali Beach, beautiful golf courses and much more. Today enjoy an **included tour** to the famous **Haleakala Crater** with lunch included. Check out Maui's massive Haleakala volcano from bottom to top, as you journey from sea level to the summit to view spectacular island scenery and the immense crater of volcanic rock. You can catch a glimpse of Haleakala, Maui's massive dormant volcano, from almost any point on the island, but you will go all

the way to the top on this scenic journey – from sea level to 10,000 feet. At the summit is a vast crater seven and a half miles long by two and a half miles wide, and 3,000 feet deep. It last erupted in 1790 and has slumbered ever since, though that does not mean it won't one day wake up. The Hawaiians revere it as a sacred site, and tell tales of Pele, Goddess of Fire and Volcanos. The views from the top are magnificent. If the day is clear, you may even make out two other towering peaks – Mauna Loa and Mauna Kea on the Big Island. From the crater's rim, you'll be able to appreciate first hand the unique beauty of this imposing caldera with its interesting mix of volcanic rock and plant life, some of which, like the silversword plant, is found only in Hawaii's volcanic craters.

Day 5: Kahului, Maui - Today you are free to enjoy one of the many optional shore excursions.

<u>Day 6:</u> **Hilo, Hawaii**— Today your ship arrives on the Big Island of Hawaii. Enjoy a full-day **included tour with lunch.** See some of the Big Island's most impressive and diverse natural wonders, from its volcanoes to its tropical forests to its world-famous black sand beaches. **Volcanoes National Park** is another highlight, where you'll learn about Hawaii's active volcanoes and see their features throughout the park. You'll also hear about the island's seven ecological zones, its plant and animal communities, and a bit about how the area perpetuates native Hawaiian culture. Your guide will provide fascinating insights into the island's rich geology, history and culture.

<u>Day 7:</u> **Kona, Hawaii** – The Pride of America will sail around the Island of Hawaii to the other side of the island. Kona is famous for its coffee and amazing crystal blue water. Today's **included tour is Kona Paradise—Kona Coffee & Place of Refuge** — Today you will learn about how coffee was introduced to Hawaii in the 1820's and how it's processed today at the Royal Kona Coffee Center, it's the perfect location to enjoy a cup of fresh-brewed Kona Coffee. We will also pay a visit to the Place of Refuge (Pu'uohonua O Honaunau), one of Hawaii's most sacred sites. Pu'uhonua o Honaunau National Historical Park will offer a glimpse into the early culture, as it was a place of refuge for those that had violated the sacred laws known as kapu. There, you will see a temple where criminals could be absolved of their transgressions and safely return to society. Return to the Pride of America in time for lunch onboard. Balance of day free to enjoy Kona or relax onboard your ship.

<u>Day 8:</u> **Nawiliwili, Kauai** – We arrive in Nawiliwili, Kauai – named after Wiliwili trees, which once lined it's picturesque harbour, this lovely port is the gateway to what many believe to be Hawaii's most beautiful island. On the "Garden Island", nature is truly the star, from the dramatic mountains of Kokee to the cool rainforests of Haena. Today our tour takes us to the **Waimea Canyon and the Fern Grotto** -



Ride with us up the mountain to the 3,400 foot level and overlook Waimea Canyon, "the Grand Canyon of the Pacific." We promise a visual history along the way – Old Koloa Town, circa 1834, heart of Hawaii's first sugar cane plantation, and Waimea, the little town that grew up where Captain Cook first set foot in Hawaii in 1778. Take a few steps along this memorable Kaua'i tour. Take a leisurely cruise down the Wailua River to the botanical beauty of the Fern Grotto. Here, the "Hawaiian Wedding Song" is a natural match in this lush environment, so bring somebody

you love. The overlook at Opaekaa Falls is another romantic stop that will surely secure your love of this Garden Island.

<u>Day 9:</u> **Nawiliwili, Kauai** - The ship remains in **Kauai** until 5:30 pm giving you some additional time to explore before we set sail. This afternoon we cruise the beautiful NaPali Coast. Have your cameras ready!

<u>Day 10:</u> **Honolulu, Oahu -** Our ship arrives back in Honolulu after a wonderful 7 night cruise. **Today enjoy a tour we call "The Pride of the USA"!** 



#### **USS Arizona Memorial**

Today you'll learn one of our country's most valuable history lessons: how men and women gave their lives on December 7, 1941 - "The Day of Infamy". Today's experience will make you proud and thankful for the freedoms we enjoy today.

#### **USS Battleship Missouri**

Now that you have seen the reason for the United States' entry into WWII, let's go see where it ended. You'll enjoy touring this enormous ship and walk on the surrender deck where General MacArthur signed the treaty to end WWII in Tokyo Bay.

**Honolulu's City Highlights** - This Narrated Driving Tour of the city winds its way through The National Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl), Washington Place (the Governor's Mansion), The State Capitol Building, Chinatown, Iolani Palace, and the King Kamehameha Statue

Our sightseeing will end at the airport for our red-eye flights home to Hartford taking with us wonderful memories of the beautiful State of Hawaii....ALOHA!



<u>Day 11:</u> Arrive back to Bradley Airport—Upon arrival at Bradley airport, our deluxe transportation will take us back to our pick up spot. Welcome home!

Costs:

Cat IA Inside Cabin \$5999.pp twin Taxes Additional \$227.pp Cat BB/BA Balcony Cabin \$6549.pp twin Taxes Additional \$257.pp

Minimum # required for Motorcoach Transportation and Ship Shop Escort. Included Flights are based on an estimate for 2024 —cost is subject to change until group air is contracted.

<u>Deposit:</u> \$900.pp due with reservation. RESERVATIONS ARE ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS. Space is subject to availability at time of deposit. Check with the Ship Shop at any time for current availability on this sailing. This tour is limited to a small group of travelers.

Final Payment: June 7, 2024

<u>Cancellation Penalty:</u> If cancelled after deposit and before Jun 7/24 fee of \$250.pp; Jun 8-July 1/24 fee of 50% of total fare; Jul 2-30/24 fee of 75% of total fare; No refunds after Jul 30/24. Airline penalties are not included and are additional.

<u>Trip Protection Coverage</u> is strongly recommended. Friendship Tours offers Travel Protection insurance through 2 insurance providers: NTA Travel Protection Plan and Travel Insured International. Trip Protection offers coverage for Cancellation for covered medical reasons, Interruption, Emergency Medical, Travel Delay, & more.

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For More Information Contact: The Ship Shop 860-243-1630 or 800-243-1630

### **Amenity Choices:**

Inside Cabins Pick 2 Choices from Group A or 2 Choices from Group B Balcony Cabins Receive all 4 Choices from Group A or B Please note: No Mixing & Matching

#### Group A:

Beverage Package (gratuities add'l \$152.60) 2 Specialty Dinners (gratuities add'l \$17.80) 250 Minute Internet Package \$50 per cabin off Shore Excursions

#### Group B

250 Minute Internet Package \$50 per cabin off Shore Excursions 10 Photo Package (per cabin) \$100 Onboard Credit (per cabin)

Bonus! Each cabin will be receiving \$100 onboard credit automatically!

