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Snorkel Kauai: Guide To The Beaches And Snorkeling Of Hawai'i, 2nd Edition



Synopsis

Snorkel Kauai is the one and only guidebook exclusively devoted to snorkeling on Kauai. No other guide comes close to the level of snorkeling detail provided here. Take "Snorkel Kauai", along with a good general guidebook of your choice, and you'll have all the details you need for a great vacation! In this expanded and updated 2nd edition, Snorkel Kauai is even better, with full color maps, as well as beach and fish pictures. From a colorful cover to 41 accurate maps and details on 69 snorkeling sites, SK draws you into the fascinating underwater world that shouldn't be missed by anyone touring Kauai. As Dave Barry says: "When you finally see what goes on underwater, you realize that you've been missing the whole point of the ocean--it's like going to the circus and staring at the outside of the tent." An award-winning book designer contributed a sophisticated, yet readable style to the cover and interior. The dramatic cover features a green sea turtle being cleaned by yellow tangs. Snorkel Kauai is the third in a series of guidebooks that provide more detailed snorkeling information than ever before available for each of the Hawaiian islands in an attractive, easy to carry package. "Snorkel Hawaii: The Big Island" (2nd edition), also available from .com, provides the same detailed coverage of Hawaii's biggest island. "Snorkel Maui and Lanai" is the second edition of this popular guide, revised and enlarged. Our website, snorkelguides.com, provides detailed updates when available and more.

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Customer Reviews

They have achieved a rare balance in presenting essential elementary information to help beginners... insightful revelations to keep experts interested. --Greg Ambrose, Honolulu Star-Bulletin

December 15, 1997What a book!!! Follow the book and you will see amazing things! --M.C.

Durham, Souther California, July 31st, 2004The definitive snorkel guide for Kauai, the book I'd recommend first. It's terrific! --idle_pug, Poolesville, MD, July 9, 2002

Why Snorkel Kauai? Kauai, the Garden Isle, offers lush, spectacular scenery straight out of your wildest tropical dreams. The oldest of the main Hawaiian Islands, Kauai is dramatically mountainous and nearly surrounded by fringing reefs, with numerous pristine beaches. Most of the coast can be reached by car, while the Na Pali Coast, Ni'ihau and Lehua Islands are just a boat excursion away. Choose a snorkeling site by location, from gorgeous Ke'e, at the end of the road in the north, to secluded Maha'ulepo in the south, or child-safe Salt Pond in the west. Beginners will find Lydgate Park's protected pond satisfying, while advanced snorkelers can roam the extensive nearby reefs when weather permits. With few sites fully protected inside a bay, everyone needs good advice to snorkel safely in Kauai. Seasons, swells, rain and tide level must all be considered, so it's best to have plenty of choices of where to go on a particular day. Few of Kauai's sites are well-marked, and some are very difficult to find without detailed maps. Snorkel Kauai makes it easy. An active vacation is memorable for adventure as well as relaxation. Hassles and missteps finding out where to go can raise your blood pressure and waste your time. We've done extensive research that will help you quickly locate appropriate sites that fit your interests and abilities, saving your valuable vacation hours. Snorkeling sites in Hawaii are sometimes tricky because of changeable waves and currents, so it's best to get good advice before heading out. Everyone has had their share of unpleasant experiences due to vague directions as well as outdated or inaccurate information. We have created the Snorkel Hawaii series as that savvy snorkeling buddy everyone needs. We have snorkeled all the major sites listed many times, and many that are not well known. The challenge lies in finding them quickly, as well as how to enter and exit, and where to snorkel, so you'll have a safe and rewarding experience. Our detailed maps and instructions will ease the uncertainty, saving you time and effort. Try to visit Kauai at least once in your life and by all means don't miss the underwater world. Aloha! -Judy and Mel Malinowski --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

I bought this book for our second vacation to Kauai and I really wish I would have bought it before our first. The reviews for the beaches we snorkels on our first trip to Kauai last year were spot on. Having never snorkeled in Hawaii, and specifically Kauai, tips provided in the beginning of the book would have been great to know prior to having to learn on our own. Very good informative book with

great color pictures and simple maps for best entry and exit on some of the beaches with stronger currents. Definitely worth the money!

Boy, I wish I had had this guide at the beginning of our recent trip to Kaua'i. It's terrific! We've snorkeled in many of the places described - Ke'e, Tunnels, 'Anini, Po'ipu, Pu'u Poa, Hideaways - and the information jives with what we experienced. However, with this guide in hand we'd have known not just which places to go (other guidebooks steered us there), but more detailed information about the reef formation, currents, and safety aspects of each spot. For instance, I spent most of my time at Ke'e fighting the current on the left side of the bay, when all along the best conditions are to the right. In addition to on-the-nose snorkel information, the authors do a very good job of advising novice snorkelers on equipment, techniques, and safety concerns. There are helpful sections on general fish types (not an exhaustive guide, but enough to help a beginner distinguish a wrasse from a parrotfish), plus plenty of pertinent information on the island, its weather, and interesting excursions out of the water. Although we've been to the island twice now, I learned some useful things for our next (anxiously awaited) trip. This is the book I'd recommend first to anyone interested in snorkeling on Kaua'i. There are other fine general guidebooks out there, don't get me wrong, but this is exactly what it says it is: SNORKEL Kaua'i. Mahalo, Judy and Mel!

Easy to follow directions to best snorkel spots. Warnings and cautions are well thought out and appropriate. We've relied on this guide for several visits to the island and it has never failed us.

Best, most comprehensive snorkeling book I've ever read. Most books are written by/for scuba divers and partially cover snorkeling. This one covers every beach. Get it.

Great book! We used it during our vacation and found it easy to read, and very helpful.

I love this book, I have been to Kauai a couple of times, and love to snorkel. I was always worried about the best places to go, and where the reefs were, and if the currents were dangerous. This book does a great job of describing each location, all the thing to look out for on each beach, and the direction of the currents for each swim. It does a great job of mapping out reef locations, and also directions/parking/facilities etc. If you are a novice to the island I would suggest this book, it is full of a lot of good information, and general tips for the snorkeling addict!

Did not go into a lot of detailed that I would of liked!

This was a very accurate guide to Kauai snorkeling spots. I used it frequently.

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