



## Hawai'i Island. Embrace *the* moment.

PUNALU'U BEACH 

### SO MANY WAYS TO SAY *"I do."*

Hawai'i Island is not only one of Nature's masterpieces. It's also home to one of the world's most romantic cultures – with a spirit called *aloha* that's full of love and speaks to the heart without any words at all. What better place to say, "I do."

- **Sail into the sunset with a ceremony at sea**
- **Say your vows on horseback in the scenic uplands of Waimea**
- **Pledge your love in the silence of a lush rainforest**

### ROMANCE

*blooms all year 'round.*

Hawai'i Island is blessed with hundreds of quaint cottages, luxurious inns, lovely bed and breakfasts,

cozy hotels, and luxurious resorts where you'll be greeted with smiles and gracious hospitality. Here, on one of the planet's most exciting and romantic islands, you'll find that everyone is happy to share their *aloha* with you as you embark on the journey of a lifetime.

In addition, Hawai'i Island's diversity encompasses an abundance of inspiring activities. Here you can explore the rim of an active volcanic crater or steal a kiss in an ancient lava tube. Snorkel hand-in-hand in crystal blue waters. Photograph a breaching humpback on a whale-watching cruise. Charter a fishing boat for a day. Kayak to a secluded sea cave along the Kona Coast. Or pamper yourselves with his and her massages at the ocean's edge. No matter how you choose to spend your time, you'll discover that the wonders of Hawai'i Island speak directly to the heart.



## MARRIAGE

### *Hawai'i Island Style.*

**The Basics** ► You don't need to be a Hawai'i resident or a U.S. citizen to be married in the islands. There's no waiting period and blood tests are not required. Nevertheless, you must (1) complete a marriage license application, (2) you and your spouse must appear together before an official marriage license agent, (3) currently, a marriage license will cost you \$65, payable in cash only, (4) your license will be valid for 30 days, and (5) a marriage certificate will be mailed to you after your ceremony.

*For more information and to download an application, visit [hawaii.gov/health](http://hawaii.gov/health) or call 808-974-6008.*

**Local Customs** ► According to island tradition, Hawaiian lei are worn by both bride and groom – a lei of flowers or a woven floral headband for her and an open strand of fragrant maile leaves for him. Lei of matching colors can also be worn by the bridal party. Lū'au are also common and a traditional or contemporary feast can easily be arranged.

*For more information, ideas, and contacts, we invite you to visit [BigIsland.org](http://BigIsland.org) or call 1(800)648-2441.*

