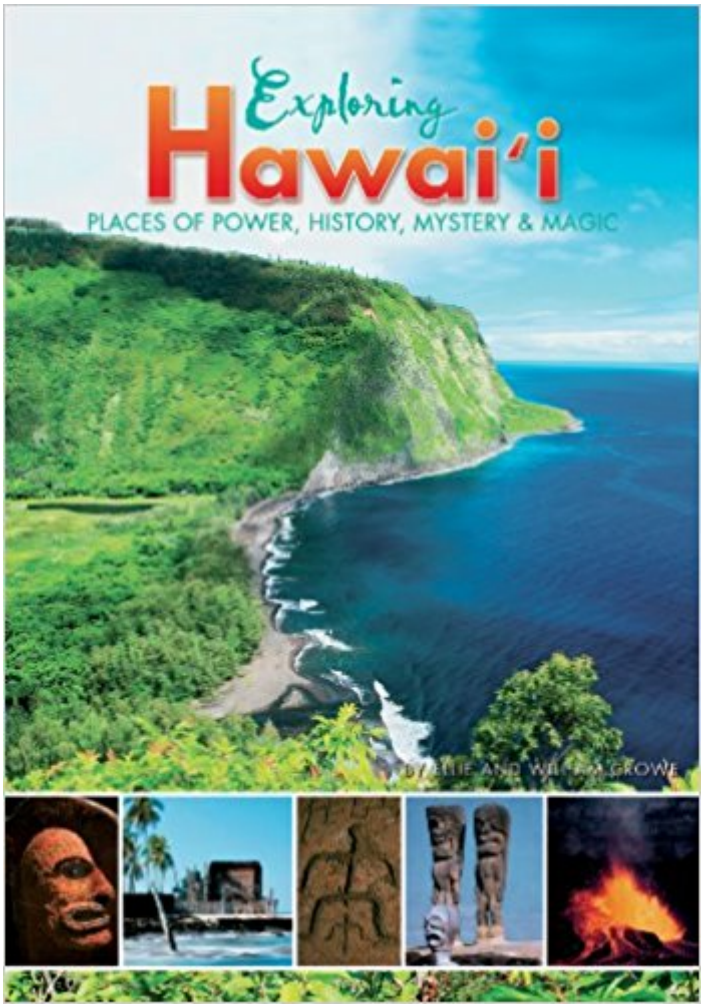
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Synopsis

Journey into Hawai'i's fascinating secret places of spiritual and cultural significance and learn about Hawaiian culture, both past and present, through ancient sites. Exploring Lost Hawai'i is a unique and informative guidebook that ventures far beyond the beaches and tourist destinations to places on all major Hawaiian Islands never seen by most visitors, or even many local residents. A collection of fascinating stories that are beautiful, dark, mysterious and supernatural are masterfully woven together resulting in adventures into the lands of the Hawai'i of old - places of powerful alii (royalty), wise kahuna (priests), sacred heiau (temples), and mysterious menehune (mythical people). Sites of historical and cultural significance on each islands are described in detail, with directions to each site providing the reader access to their own exploration.

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of someone who lives nearby...an effective technique. -- Columnist Bob Krauss' Review Honolulu Advertiser, Saturday April 28, 2001 What I found particularly fascinating about this book was the way it linked specific places throughout the islands, which can be seen today, with historical lore and people from Hawaii's past. -- Bookhills 5 Star review should be in the collection of every public library in Hawaii...would be a welcome tool to people planning trips to Hawaii...I could imagine it being popular in California public libraries --April 2006 by Elisabeth Kittredge, LIS (Library and Information Services) Student, University of Hawaii at Manoa

The authors provide a great deal of historical information and they also share their own experiences in visiting these sites and the many stories they collected along the way. Exploring Lost Hawaii will take you on a journey through a Hawaii that will not easily be forgotten. --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

You have got to read this book if you are interested in Hawaii. I was born and raised in Kapahulu and never knew about the traveling vagina until I read this book. I think they kept it out of our Hawaiiana class in Kaimuki Intermediate.

I have been to Hawaii many times. This was a good book to take along as it contained the stories behind many of the sites we visited and will remember after coming home.

This book is only useful if you want pretty pictures and some prose on a tiny fraction of what other books cover. I was not at all impressed. I think I'm going to sell it on eBay. We read 6 books on the Big Island before going there (I know, a little compulsive). The only two books you need are: Hawaii The Big Island Revealed by Andrew Doughty and Adventure Guide Hawaii The Big Island (Hunter Travel Guides) by Bryan Fryklund & Jen Reeder. The Fryklund/Reeder book is absolutely jam-packed with information. The Doughty is also packed with info and will have a few things the Fryklund book doesn't have, but it's main attribute is that it is an absolute joy to read.

This is a great book full of beautiful photos. Best of all it guides you to the really interesting places on all the different islands. There are maps, and directions, and under each site stories are told about the site's amazing past. There are interviews with the locals describing their spiritual beliefs regarding the site. You could enjoy this book just to read about Hawaiian history and all the fascinating things that have gone on in these spiritual places. I couldn't put it down. The book also

led me to some really nice places like a blue freshwater pool right by the ocean. Hope you enjoy it as much as I did!

What I found particularly fascinating about this book was the way it linked specific places throughout the islands, which can be seen today, with historical lore and people from Hawaii's past. I also enjoyed the way the book brought to life a lot of the mystical, spiritual, side of the Hawaiian geography and tradition. Long ago, when I first visited the beautifully desolate northwest coast of the big island of Hawaii, I had this strange sense that I was not alone. After reading this book, I realize that I, indeed, was not. The spirits of Kamehameha the great, and other warriors of Hawaii's past, live on here.

Crowe takes us beyond the usual genre by sharing not only the beauty, but also the history and magic of Hawaii. A must for anyone taking a trip to the Islands...beautiful photographs.

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