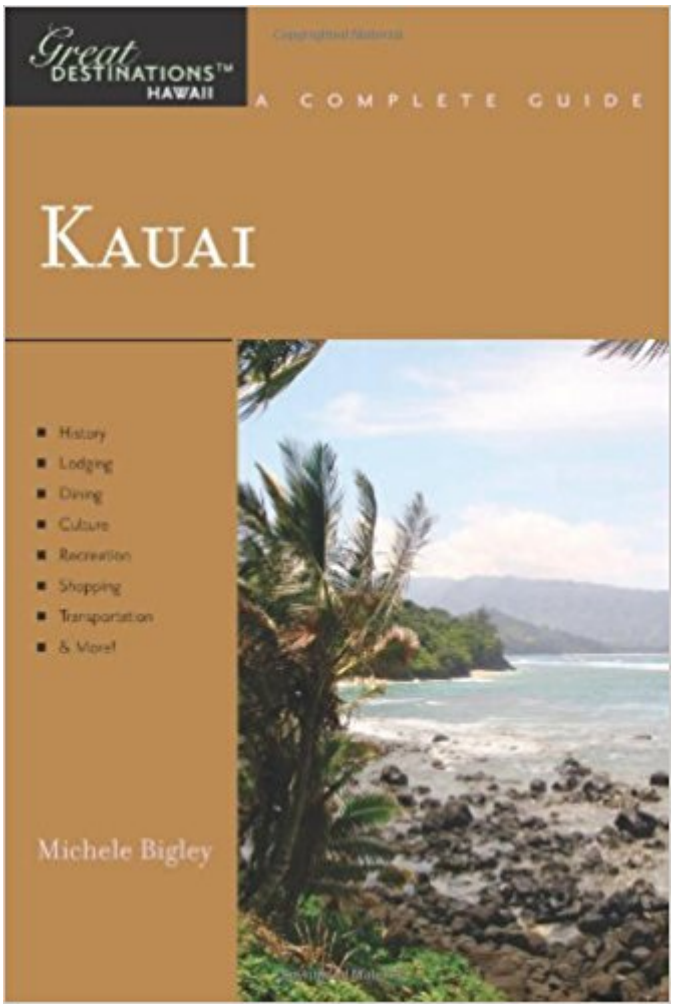
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Synopsis

Explorer’s Great Destinations puts the guide back into guidebook. Utilizing this complete guide will feel like you are getting a tour around the island from an old friend! Author Michele Bigley urges travelers to understand the impact of their footprint on this sacred and beautiful land. As with all Explorer’s Great Destinations, the author provides unbiased critical opinions and candid reviews about lodging, food, attractions, culture, and recreation. With up-to-date maps and photos throughout, this is an invaluable guide for your next trip. Black-and-white photos and maps throughout

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World traveler and longtime San Franciscan, Michele Bigley has written about her travels for over a decade. Her wanderlust has taken her to over thirty countries and almost every state in the US. She is the author of Explorer’s Guide Kauai: A Great Destination and ExplorerÃ¢â ¬â„¢s Guide Northern California, as well as innumerable fiction pieces and travel articles.

Great book to read before visiting Kauai as well as useful while visiting Kauai. Highly recommend this book. We have visited twice and still refer to this book for suggestions and ideas as well as general knowledge of the island

the descriptions and ratings of various locations and sights are spot on. Can visualize the locations

just reading about them here. The information is as up to date as possible allowing for the constant changes occuring and it is very accurate.

The Frommer's and other such guides cover the basic nuts and bolts of touring in a locality well. To get a better feel for the history and culture as well as LOCAL favorite lodging, eating, and sightseeing and recreation, we find the National Geographic suggested Great Destination Guides to be an excellent supplement to Frommers. As senior citizens we appreciate their accessibility details. Reading the Great Destination guide is like listening to a friend who has lived in the area who might give you information from his personal experience. The graphics and photos are sparse, but the text is lively and draws the reader in as a one-on-one conversation might. This guide can be largely read as a regular book -- especially the history, culture sections. Even the discussion of places to see and places to eat are enjoyable to read in toto -- not just as thumbnail reviews. We will be visiting Kauai and Maui in December 2010 and we are looking forward to a much richer experience than that of 2008 visits when we did not have the local history context and local insider tips on good places to see and eat provided by this book.

This looks like a great book and i will update review later however the one map i can see that we get is scanned in sideways and there is no link to it so be sure to bookmark it when you find it. You would think that the people who scan in the eBooks would look at what they do. In a real book the page for a map is referred to often so it should be made easily accessible and printed so it can be seen on a screen (so landscape and not portrait as you would do in a real book). Surely not the authors fault but everyone should check.

I have not received this book. Had a trip planned to Kauai on March 1-13 and wanted to have these books for our trip. We are in Kauai as I type and no book.

Michele Bigley's account of Kauai was well researched and incredibly thorough. I spent six months on Kauai, but, this book made me realize that I had barely scratched the surface on Kauai's deep and rich history. In addition, Bigley leads you to 'off the beaten path' beaches and sites that show a part of Kauai most tourists never see. Highly recommend this book.Damon

Excellent book for planning a trip to Kauai. The book includes many maps, pictures and 13 page section on the history of the island. The author obviously has a great love for the island and this sets

the book apart from many travel books which often just become lists of things to do without much thought put into it. Reading this book, on the other hand, you get the feeling of being guided by someone who really cares about, and knows, the island. All the phone numbers and addresses for restaurants, hotels, museums, etc. are there -- but it's the little details (e.g. the highlighting of more out of the way spots, the historical and cultural detail) that really sets this book apart from the others. Highly recommended.

I can't recommend this book enough. I've been to Kauai several times and thought I'd seen and done it all, but this book shows me that I haven't. I'm going again this spring and can't wait to check out all of these great recommendations! Also, there's not a lot of info out there with an eco-slant, so it's a refreshing new option.

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