

Hilo, Big Island, Hawaii, USA

The lush, rainy side of the Big Island — where active volcanoes meet towering waterfalls, black-sand beaches, and a relaxed small-town vibe that most Hawaii visitors never see.

Docked — pier in town

Typical call: 8–10 hrs

US Dollar (USD)

English · Hawaiian

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier 1 / Pier 2, Port of Hilo

Best For: Volcanoes · Waterfalls · Nature

To center: ~2 miles · taxi or walk

Don't Miss: Hawaii Volcanoes National Park

Getting around: **Taxi** \$12–16 · **Rideshare** Uber, Lyft · **Hop-on hop-off** Hop-on hop-off

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Hawaii Volcanoes National Park** — The must-do from Hilo. gorge, accessible via an...
 - Rainbow Falls & Boiling Pots** — An 80-foot waterfall plunges into a lava rock pool at Wailuku River State Park — best visited on a sunny morning when...
 - 'Akaka Falls State Park** — Hawaii's most spectacular single-drop waterfall: 442-foot 'Akaka Falls plunges into a jungle
- Helicopter — Circle of Fire** — Soar over active lava fields, the Kilauea summit crater, black-sand coastlines, and the Hilo side's dense rainforest...
 - Downtown Hilo & Farmers Market** — Hilo's historic downtown has kept its 1940s–50s storefronts intact.

BEST WALKS

- Liliuokalani Gardens & Coconut Island** ~1.5 km loop · 1–1.5 hrs · easy — A 30-acre Japanese-style garden on Hilo Bay, complete with pagodas, fishponds, and stone lanterns.
- Downtown Hilo Historic Walk** ~2 km · 1.5–2 hrs · easy — Start at the Hilo Farmers Market on Mamo Street, then stroll the historic downtown along Kamehameha Avenue facing the bay.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		76°	67°	24d
Jun		78°	69°	24d
Aug		80°	71°	26d
Sep		80°	71°	23d
Oct		80°	70°	22d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:02AM–6:38PM · Jun 5:41AM–7:00PM · Aug 6:01AM–6:48PM · Sep 6:08AM–6:22PM · Oct 6:15AM–5:56PM

US Dollar (USD)

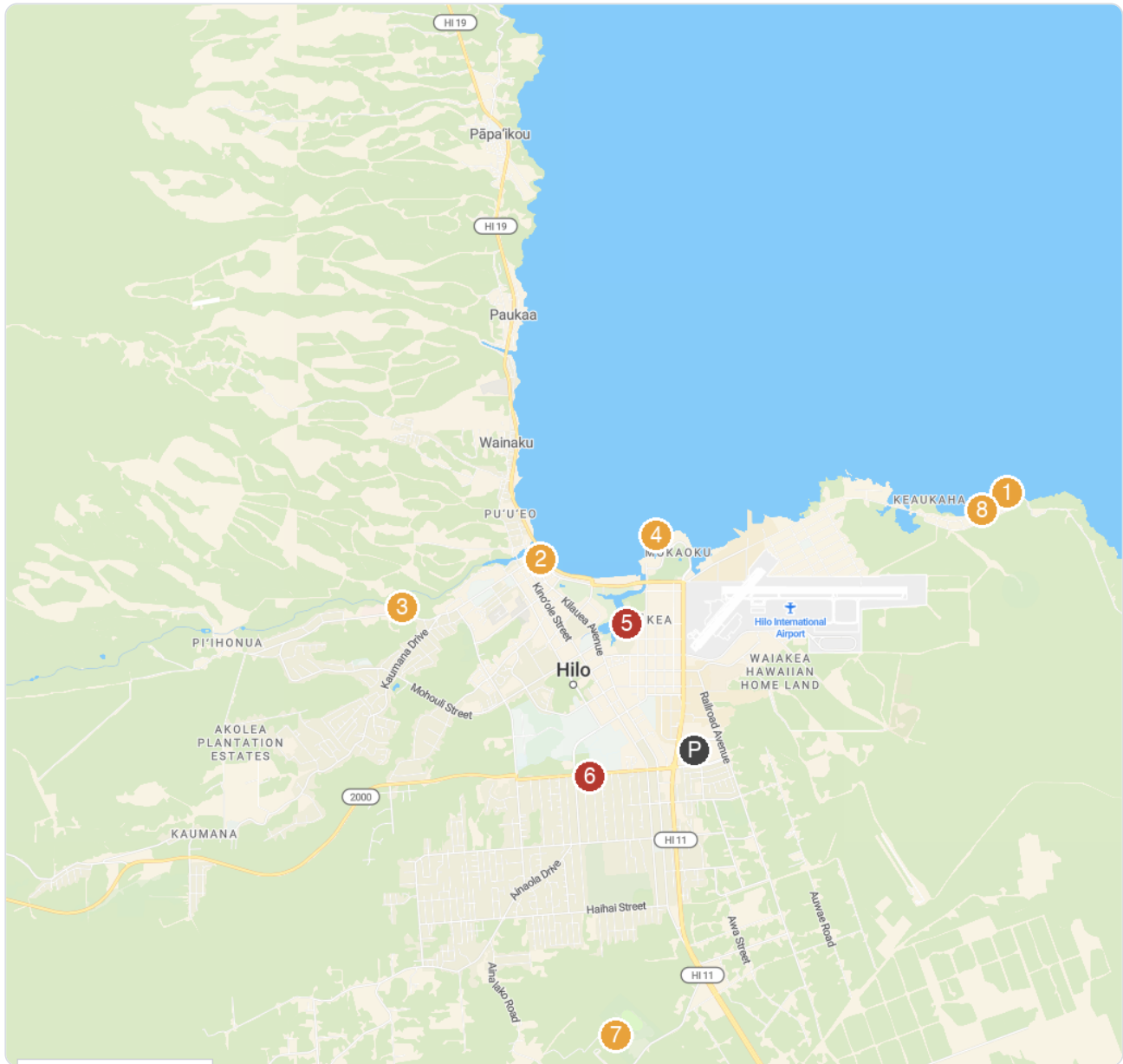
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Volcanoes NP is the headline — book early. If you want to see Kilauea Crater and the lava tube, reserve a guided excursion or rent a car before your cruise. Entry requires a...
- Pack a rain layer. Hilo is the rainiest city in the US, averaging 130+ inches a year. A brief shower is likely even on sunny days — a light packable jacket keeps you comfortable...
- Rent a car for flexibility. A rental unlocks Rainbow Falls, Akaka Falls, and Volcanoes NP at your own pace. Reserve in advance — cars near the port sell out quickly on ship-call...

Hilo, Big Island, Hawaii, USA — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 Richardson Ocean Park | Oceanfront park for snorkeling, tide pools, and a black sand beach. | 2 Pacific Tsunami Museum | Museum detailing tsunami history and science in the Pacific. |
| 3 Wailuku River State Park | State park with Rainbow Falls and Boiling Pots waterfalls. | 4 Moku Ola / Coconut Island | Small island park for swimming, picnics, and scenic views. |
| 5 Wailoa River State Recreation Area | Large park for fishing, boating, and walking trails. | 6 Hilo Daijingu | Peaceful Shinto shrine offering a cultural experience. |
| 7 Panaewa Rainforest Zoo and Gardens | USA's only tropical rainforest zoo and botanical gardens. | 8 Wai'olena Beach Park | Beach park popular for surfing and bodyboarding. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |