



Muscle Shoals High School Band

2025 Hawaii Tour

“The Trip of a Lifetime!!”

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Travel Dates: March 19 - 26, 2025

DAY ONE / MARCH 19 / WEDNESDAY

ARRIVAL FLIGHT SCHEDULE

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All depart for Honolulu, Hawaii. Upon arrival, get the first experience of the Aloha Spirit with a traditional fresh flower lei greeting. After identification of luggage, board buses for transfer to the **Twin Fin Waikiki Hotel** or similar.

TTBA Meet in the lobby for a short walk to **Aloha Orientation Dinner and Briefing** with local entertainment and hula lessons.

DAY TWO / MARCH 20 / THURSDAY

Good morning! No, you're not dreaming...we're still in paradise! The biggest decision we'll have to make is what to eat for breakfast.

730AM Start our adventure with the **Grand Ali'i Tour**, a narrated drive across the Ko'olau Mountains to the tropical Windward side of O'ahu. Visit the **Macadamia Nut Farm** upon arrival.

900AM We are met by our guide, a Polynesian Chief, who will share some of the customs and cultures of the native islanders. We'll enjoy an educational stroll through botanical gardens and learn to make fire from sticks, husk and open a coconut, and much more.

1030AM It's not over...imagine boarding a raft to access our secluded getaway to **Secret Island**. Watch out for the live barracuda! The tour includes “fun in the sun” at a private island for the day to include volleyball, canoeing, kayaking, horseshoes, badminton, sunbathing, lazin' on a hammock and more! Also included is a delicious catered lunch.

200PM Depart for the hotel. On our way back to Waikiki, we will make a visit to the **Nuuanu Pali**. This is the site of the Battle of Nuuanu, one of the bloodiest battles in Hawaiian history, in which Kamehameha I conquered the island of Oahu, bringing it under his rule. The Nuuanu Pali State Wayside is a lookout above the tunnels where visitors are treated to a panoramic view of Oahu's windward side of the island. It is also well known for strong trade winds that blow through the pass forming a sort of natural wind tunnel. *Return to hotel approximately 3:30PM.*

430PM Meet in the lobby and walk to **dinner at a local restaurant** – enjoy a group meal and free time after – dinner time 5:00pm

DAY THREE / MARCH 21 / FRIDAY

Breakfast will be served at a restaurant near Pearl Harbor.

630AM Board buses for transfer to **Pearl Harbor** to see where history was made. *Due to increased security measures, all purses, handbags, backpacks, fanny packs, camera bags, diaper bags, luggage and/or any other type of bag that can conceal an object are not permitted inside Pearl Harbor, the Visitor's Center, or to any of the attractions.

900AM **Pearl Harbor – Remember the Heroes Performance Time:** You are now officially a part of history! **Your** Spotlight Performance is followed by a Wreath Ceremony, and a Flag and Trophy presentation.

We head over to the **U.S.S. Arizona Memorial Visitor Center** and experience the film “Pearl Harbor Story”, the visitor center museum, boarding a Navy launch and entering the memorial. We will witness the actual sunken hull where over 1000 servicemen were entombed during the December 7, 1941 sneak attack on Pearl Harbor. Tour times are subject to availability.

Catered Lunch (included)

200PM Board buses to take the **Honolulu City Tour**. We'll drive pass the **Iolani Palace**—the only royal palace on American soil, the **King Kamehameha Statue, Hawaii State Capitol**, and through **China Town**. *Return to the hotel approximately 3:30pm.*

530PM Meet in the lobby and walk to dinner at **a local restaurant**. *Dinner reservation 6:00pm.*

DAY FOUR / MARCH 22 / SATURDAY

Breakfast available at hotel.

800AM Diamond Head Crater Hike. Start stretching as we prepare to hike about 3/4 of a mile to the 760-foot summit of the most recognized mountain in the world - **Diamond Head Crater!** Bring your camera for a fantastic 360-degree view of the southeast coast! Below, we'll see the lighthouse, coral reefs, sailboats, and even surfers on the waves at Diamond Head Beach! *Return to the hotel approximately 10:30am.*

Lunch at your leisure (cash back)

345PM Board buses to **Ala Moana Center** Welcome to the country's largest open-air mall. The most frequented center in the Islands as people from all over the world stop to shop! We will be performing before an international audience.

500PM **Ala Moana Center Court Performance.** (Subject to availability)

600PM Enjoy a dinner at Makai Market (cash back) with hundreds of food choices from around the world.

830PM Board buses to return to hotel

DAY FIVE / MARCH 23 / SUNDAY

Breakfast available at hotel.

8:30AM Let's depart for The Aloha Stadium for the "Swap Meet" or Flea Market, where you will be able to get souvenirs to take back home.

Lunch at your leisure (cash back)

330PM Featured by Yelp and Entrepreneur Magazine as "One of America's Top 15 Mom and Pop Activities in the Country!" let's head to the **Experience Nutridge Luau.**

Experience a real local style luau at Nutridge Estate which is the home of Hawai'i's first macadamia nut plantation. See, smell, touch, taste, hear and experience a special part of Hawai'i's history. The Estate has hosted many iconic guests including Clark Gable, Marilyn Monroe, Charlie Chaplin, and was one of Elvis Presley's favorite hang outs on O'ahu. Our guests enjoy live entertainment, traditional Hawaiian games and activities, and our Hawaiian cuisine, prepared fresh from farm-to-table and served

buffet-style. Hula the night away at this authentic Hawaiian luau. *Return to Waikiki at approximately 8:30pm*

DAY SIX / MARCH 24 / MONDAY

Breakfast available at hotel.

See Times Below Come aboard the **Keпоikai Catamaran** for "A three hour tour, a three hour tour". Actually, it's a beautiful 60-minute sail from Waikiki Beach to the base of Diamond Head and back. Be ready to get splashed! (Dry area on board available)

900AM **Group 1** (30 ppl max)

1000AM **Group 2** (30 ppl max)

1100AM **Group 3** (30 ppl max)

1200PM **Group 4** (30 ppl max)

Lunch at your leisure (cash back)

500PM Meet in the lobby for a short walk: This evening we enjoy a catered local-style picnic farewell **dinner at Queen's Surf Beach** as we watch the sunset.

DAY SEVEN / MARCH 25 / TUESDAY

Breakfast available at hotel.

1100AM Then, comes the complete check out procedure. Bring all carry-on items to designated area for storage and turn in keys at front desk.

Lunch at your leisure (cash back)

TTBA Board motor coaches for Honolulu International Airport

DAY EIGHT / MARCH 26 / WEDNESDAY

This concludes the trip, but we're sure that you'll have some new friendships, have been touched by the many diverse customs and cultures, and have experiences and fond memories to last a lifetime!!!

ALOHA!!