

## Waimea HI Plantation Cottages for an Authentic Kauai Experience

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Let me tell you about my vision of paradise: Palm trees swaying in a gentle breeze, a stunning view of the ocean, a pool to cool off in, and accommodations that make me feel both at home and a million miles away from the ordinary. This is not just a vision. I recently found paradise on the west side of Kauai during my stay at Coast Hotel's Waimea Plantation Cottages (<http://www.waimeaplantation.com>).

From the moment of check-in, I knew my spouse and I were in for a relaxing retreat. The expansive property is situated on the west coast of the Garden Island with easy access to the ocean and every imaginable amenity on site. Our cottage was surrounded by lush gardens and open space, perfect for enjoying a stroll in the sunshine. We were just a minute walk to the large pool, and even closer to a perfect spot for viewing sunsets on the ocean beach.

Our cottage was a two bedroom gem with two full bathrooms and a large dining room, living room, and kitchen. I loved being able to chill our beverages in the full-size fridge and take a seat outdoors on our wrap around lanai. We also had a large patio with an assortment of furnishings to relax under the sun or the stars. Inside and out, the cottage was perfect. From a deep soaker tub to island-inspired amenities, and access to on-site laundry and dining, all our needs were covered. As a nice bonus, there is a movie rental kiosk in the main house and we took advantage of catching up on the latest Hollywood hits during our evening downtime.

There is much to explore in the area, though, so we were more often on the go and enjoying what Waimea had to offer in terms of local shops and fabulous eateries. One of our favorite spots was The Shrimp Station (<http://theshrimpstation.com>), where we frequently picked up garlic shrimp plate lunches. Our location at Waimea Plantation Cottages was also extremely convenient for driving up Waimea Canyon Drive and exploring the canyon views, hiking along paths, and experiencing an amazing vantage point for the island.

At the end of the day, exhausted from daytrips and beach time fun, it was lovely to return to our cottage and crawl into a king size bed piled high with luxurious bedding. With the ocean waves lulling us to sleep, we had restful nights and a gorgeous view to wake to each day. While the grounds are generous and full of cottages of varying sizes, each vacation property has a spacious garden and patio so we felt a world away from everyone. The authentic plantation cottages provided us an opportunity to experience island life as it once was, with modern conveniences to ensure a satisfying stay.

The staff and management were extremely welcoming and attentive throughout our stay. With warm Hawaiian hospitality and a super comfortable cottage to call our own, Waimea Plantation Cottages was a hit for us and a place we will definitely return to in the future.