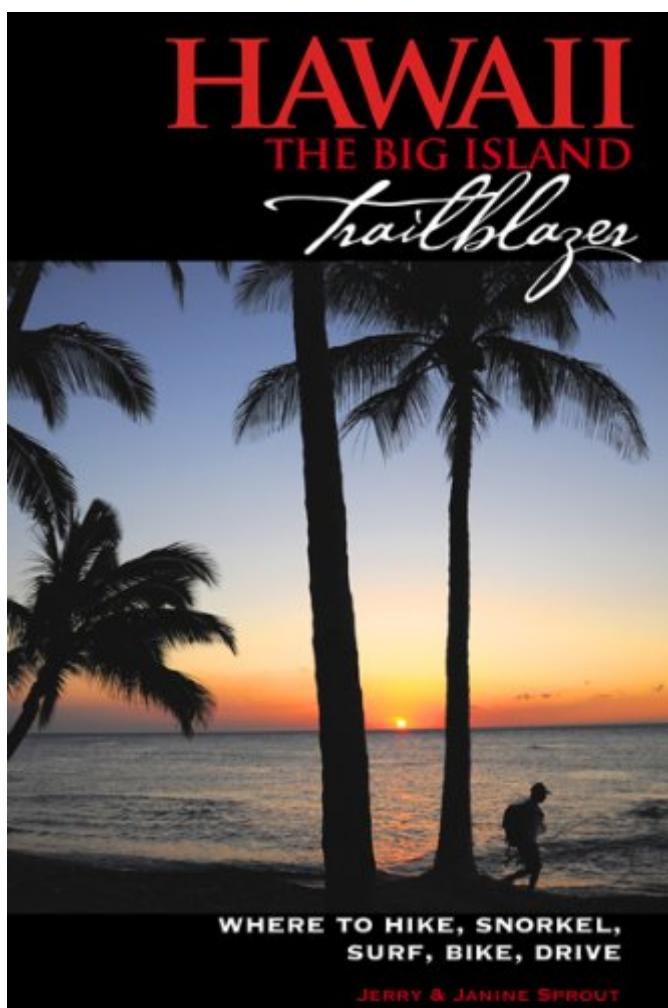


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Hawaii The Big Island Trailblazer Where To Hike, Snorkel, Surf, Bike, Drive (Trailblazer Travel Books)



Synopsis

Aloha Alert: A new 2014 third edition of Hawaii the Big Island Trailblazer (9780978637194) is currently available on . This is an eBook version, with identical content and pictures, of the Sprout's printed book. A travel guide for families and outdoor adventurers alike, this 2011 third edition takes you to all of the Big Island's famous attractions, as well as its hidden spots. Nearly twice the size of the other islands combined, the Big Island presents a challenge to adventure travelers with limited time. Trailblazer comes to the rescue with its trademark organization, solid field work, and clear directions. Included are some 155 hikes and strolls: the peaks of Mauna Kea and Mauna Loa, Waipio Valley, Volcanoes National Park---virtually every place on the island, from rain forests to lost petroglyph fields, from resort beaches to remote snorkeling coves. You'll find 73 snorkeling spots and swimming beaches; 41 surfing beaches, as well as the best places to watch surfers; two dozen bike trails ranging from county roads to coastal trails; 25 campgrounds and rustic lodgings. Trailblazer has a color insert and more than 200 black and white photos. Nine maps guide readers. You'll also find a special kid's section, and listings for tours, outfitters, restaurants, and resorts. This is a complete guide to the island written by people who know it.

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Customer Reviews

YOU WILL LOVE THIS BOOK. We have traveled to the big island many times, but still have not discovered or seen everything. This book reaches beyond of the general guide books and one of the other more popular reads about the island. Great for those who are into hiking and especially for driving tours. Snorkelers will like some of the off the beaten path places to go.

Amazing book that allowed us to really see the best trails and views of the island. The section on lava is a bit light, but I recommend Kalapana Cultural Tours where great local guides took us to the most amazing hike of my life. Also, know that if you opt for a "poke the lava tour," you are partaking in a culturally forbidden activity for the native Hawaiians.

Used this book on our trip the Big Island and It proved to be very helpful. Yes, we did find a couple errors but keep in mind places go out of business and places change with time. There is also the fact that some roads in Hawaii do not have street names posted, in general the infrastructure there is not as good as in the continental US. That said, this book was the best of the three we used in terms of accuracy both in directions and describing attractions. I recommend it.

Some interesting places to visit plainly described in this really cool book. Even as a resident - I have found it very informative and it's a lot of fun to find some of these little known hidden gems here in Hawaii!

A must purchase. Recently spent a week on the big island, made a checklist of things to see based on this book and saw all of them. Do not hesitate as this book will provide activities and sites to see by region so you can maximize your time.

So glad to have this downloaded on my Kindle for our recent trip to Hawaii. First time for us to be in Hawaii and there were too many pamphlets at the airport, car rental, hotels, etc. This book eliminated all the unnecessary paperwork and we were able to plan where to go in minutes.

It's probably not the fault of the book, though, that I didn't use it. I thought there would be more cycling information in there than there was, though it doesn't really claim to have much cycling info, and I thought I would do more hiking than I did. So I guess the bottom line is that I would stress to travelers is that unless you're explicitly planning to go to the big island to do a lot of hiking, you may want to consider that the real allure of Hawaii is the water and that you'll be drawn back to it over,

and over, and over.

Good information in this book. Would have served me better if I remembered to take it with me to Hawaii.

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