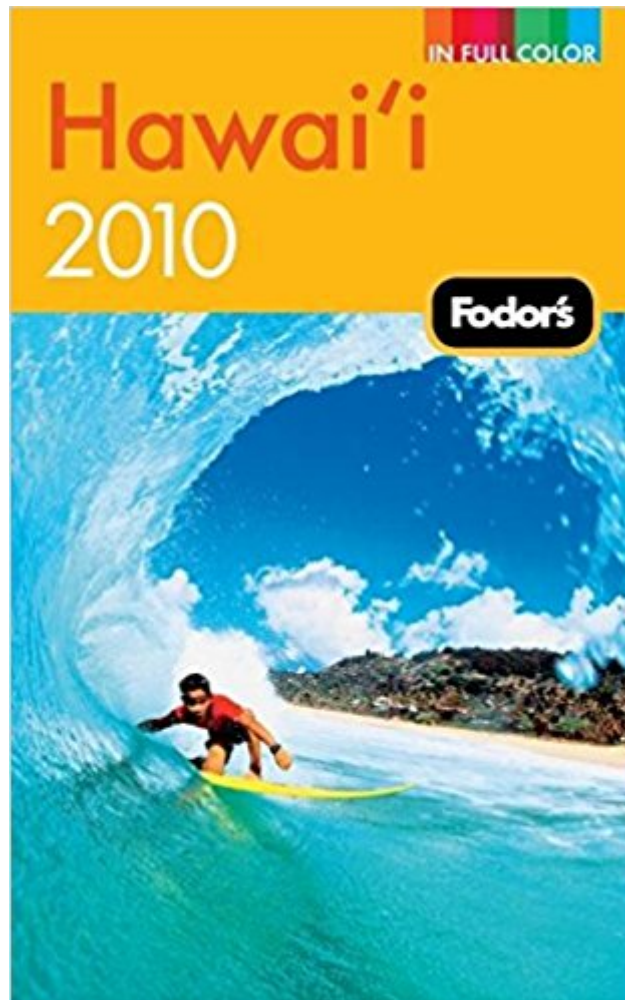




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Bought this for our first trip to Hawaii with little time for planning or vacation. Very helpful to pick-out the key places to visit when you only have a few days. Great maps, itinerary ideas, glossary and tips on budget choices since the better (on or close to beach) hotels, taxis and high end restaurants are expensive. One downside is it is a hefty book to take along, and I agree with another reviewer to purchase a guide on O'AHU if that's the only island you're visiting. A worthwhile book for a first time Hawaiian trip and researching for future visits.

We used this book to plan our Hawaii vacation. Without it we would have missed some fabulous views, great restaurants, and beautiful beaches. Thanks to this book we were able to choose a hotel in a prime location. It is easy to read and locate desired information. I highly recommend any of the Fodor's books when traveling. Bon Voyage!!

A generally good over view of all of the islands. It is not an in-depth guide however. It skips a lot of the hotels, restaurants, and things to see and do. In particular, it is critical of hotels that don't have an "authentic" hawaiian feel. I can't give it a high recommendation. An in depth island guide might be a better choice.

Don't leave home without it. The reviews and suggestions were extremely helpful and quite accurate. This is the only book you need to have a great Hawaiian vacation.

This book is an excellent resource to have if you are planning a trip to the Hawaiian Islands. I have been reading this book a lot the last few weeks as we prepare for a 6-7 week trip to Hawaii next

year. It covers every one of the Hawaiian islands individually, with lots of specifics - hotels, resorts, restaurants, car rental agencies, tourist attractions, etc. And for each island it also describes a number of recommended one-day itineraries. But, what it doesn't have are sections that recommend the best things to do if you have 2, 3, or 4 days, or a week, on a particular island, and it doesn't do a good job giving a sense of what the everyday life and culture of each island is like. For that, I use the "Revealed" books -- e.g. "Maui Revealed", "Hawaii the Big Island Revealed", etc. These books give me a much better sense of the Hawaiian language, origin and meaning of the hula, leis, luaus, etc. And they also do a better job of describing "off the beaten path" areas to visit. I highly recommend that you get both the Fodor's Hawaii book and one or more of the "Revealed" books to get the best perspective and the best overall information for planning your trip to Hawaii.

This arrived in a timely manner. We haven't gone through the book at length yet but it looks like it could have contained more hotel choices. But it seems to have a good breakdown on the different islands and we're looking forward to checking it out further.

This is a good guide book and has a lot in it. Some good suggestions too. If you are making a quick trip (like a week), you are going to miss a lot. The authors suggest you spend at least a week on each island to see everything. And for the surfers, every day of the year is evidently good surfing times. They list all the restaurants, cheap and expensive ones, the tours, quickest way to get there, places to see from the volcanos, burial grounds to Doris Duke's home. The one thing that I couldn't find was what all those places on O'ahu are where the show *Lost* was filmed for 6 seasons. I didn't even find any mention of *Lost* period although I might have missed it. I'm more into history than surfing so I felt the book lacking a little in that area. Still a good book and it doesn't look like they could have left much out. 646 pages. Not great pictures in my opinion but I guess it would be hard to put such beauty of the islands in just a snapshot. If you are just going to relax, eat, and have fun, this book is for you.

I find that these guides are more about quantity of listings rather than quality. And yet, they're still missing some of my favorite hole-in-the-wall restaurants, B&B's, etc. It IS nice that they finally added some color, and that they put out a new guide each year. But I think I would still recommend Lonely Planet or Moon guidebooks instead. It seems like printed travel guides are slowly fading into obscurity as the internet becomes a better resource for people to research their travel destinations. It's updated more often, full of tons of review and pictures, etc. Fodors just gives a star rating and

some vague description. I can't imagine every actually using this guide to reference anything other than addresses, or as a jumping-off point for more in-depth reviews online.

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