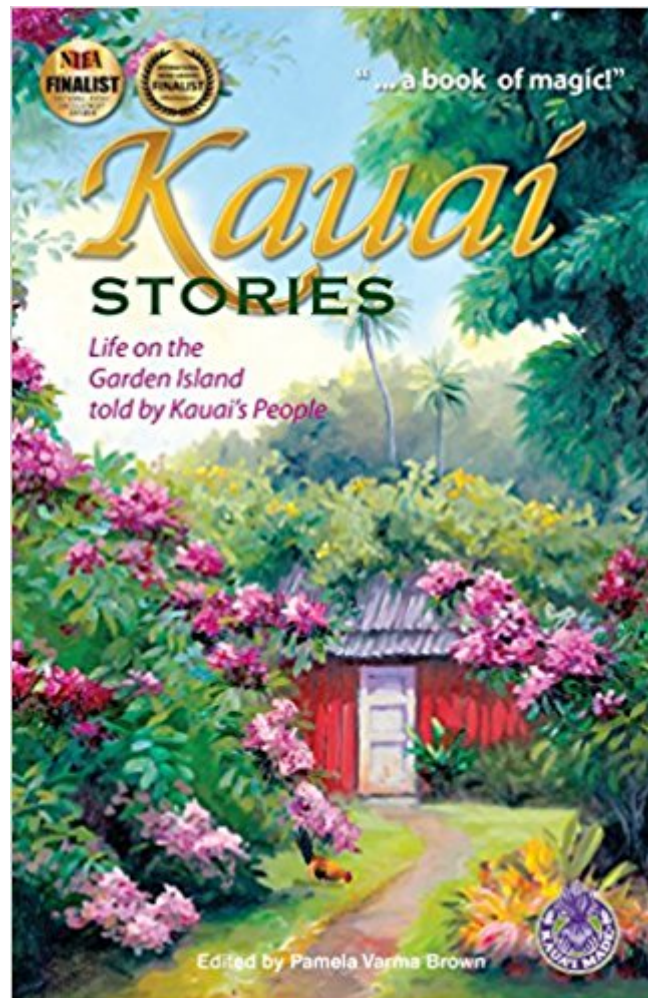




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Kauai Stories: Life On The Garden Island Told By Kauai's People



Synopsis

Get to know the warmth, spirit and adventure of Kauai's people through their personal inspiring, humorous and touching stories. Laugh with people as they recall innocent childhoods growing up island-style in multi-cultural sugar plantation "camps," going barefoot until high school and making toys of whatever was on hand, like Frisbees from car-flattened, sun-dried toads. Journey thousands of miles across oceans in a voyaging canoe with sailors who navigate only by the stars, the moon, the sun and waves as their ancestors did when they discovered Hawaii more than 1,500 years ago. Meet four World War II veterans who fought overseas to defend their country. Dance hula with women who keep this lovely cultural tradition alive. Feel the ocean spray as residents share their love of surfing, canoe paddling and strolling along secluded sun-warmed beaches, often making the only footsteps in the sand. Come to know the fun, spirit and adventure of Kauai's people!

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A beautiful anthology that lets the people of the island share their stories and explain the spirit of Kauai. Each story painted a vivid picture and left an impression with me. Congratulations! --Donne
The voices in your book come alive on the page. Your book has opened up a whole new world and created even more reasons to love Kauai! Paula
It's amazing to me that as a man who has never lived in Hawaii, I now have so many wonderful memories of Kauai. Truly, this is a book of magic.
Floyd Jones
Colorado resident
Kauai is full of incredible natural beauty, but what makes our island really special are the people. Once you begin reading Kauai Stories, you

will quickly understand what makes us say, "Lucky we live Kauai." Sue Kanoho, Executive Director Kauai Visitors Bureau
Kauai Stories captures the sweetness and kindness of this island community with great detail, humor and grace. Robert Schleck, Director Grove Farm Museum
Kauai Stories is a must-read for anyone who knows and loves Kauai, as it captures the true essence of the Garden Island through the stories of its people. Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr. Mayor of Kauai

Take home the joy of Hawaii in this collection of 50 inspiring, humorous and touching stories about life in the happiest state in America told by people of the island of Kauai. Feel the ocean spray as residents share their love of surfing, canoe paddling and strolling along secluded sun-drenched beaches, often making the only footsteps in the sand. Learn hula from women who keep the traditional native dance alive. Laugh with people as they recall innocent childhoods growing up island-style in multi-cultural sugar plantation "camps," going barefoot until high school and making toys of whatever was on hand, like Frisbees from car-flattened, sun-dried toads. Chuckle at humorous tales of acceptance and affection for the island's wild chicken population. Journey thousands of miles across oceans in a voyaging canoe with sailors who navigate only by the stars, the moon, the sun and waves as their ancestors did when they discovered Hawaii more than 1,500 years ago. Catch the fun, spirit and adventure of life in Hawaii through the voices of Kauai's people!

This is unique and touching book. As a writer for a local publication, Pam Brown heard many stories about life on Kaua'i, present day and in the past. She brings these stories to us, in the voices of her storytellers, and brings memories, events and conversations to life. She tells about our island in a truthful, gentle, and straightforward way, free of the romanticism many writers seem unable to avoid when writing about Hawai'i. If you love stories about ordinary people living in an extraordinary place, this book is for you.

some touching personal stories, but many of the stories have a significant amount of self promotion (of their own businesses, spirituality etc.). The stories of the older people had more flavor and perspective. They told stories of their time and community. The new comers are much more self absorbed, and therefore (to me at least) less engaging. Overall a mixed bag.

Just finished reading it (Kindle edition): a compilation of commentaries about Kaua'i island life by those who live there. From life in the old plantation camps to modern surfing and hula, the stories

wrap you into the warm aloha and lifestyles of the writers. If you've been to Kaua'i, you'll recognize places and maybe even names. If you haven't, this book will let you experience the next best thing to being there. Letting the "locals" speak is a wonderful idea for a book, and this one delivers richly rewarding real-life tales of island history and everyday life. As a gift, or for yourself, you won't be disappointed. Very highly recommended by a long-time visitor. Aloha!

The stories in this book capture Kauai so well. The people, the places, and the experiences described in this book take me back to the island and help keep my memories alive. It is a very "real" book. The personal stories are very easy to connect to whether you have been to Kauai or not. Reading this book will make you want to visit Kauai.

This Book brought back many fond memories as a child when I came to visit my grandparents on Kauai. I grew up on a Oahu and then later on the mainland but came back to Kauai for regular visits to see friends and relatives. I loved all the short stories and how wonderful it was hearing about the old days and some of the stories from more modern times. I read most of the stories while laying on the beaches of Kauai. I hope there's a Kauai stories II.

if you live Kauai or love kauai then read these stories. It is why we all find the place and people so fascinating. The stories give real insight into the people who make this island paradise. I only wish there were more photos, but the stories are absorbing enough that I can overlook the lack of pictures. Waiting for the sequel, which of course is not a sequel but more Kauai stories.

I was born and raised on Kauai and this book brought back fond memories of my upbringing; how true the analysis that the local people are loving and generous both in their material sharing and time given freely to assist others when needing help. Congratulations to the author for capturing this feeling for us as readers of her new book. BMakita

Great personal stories of a kinder, gentler way of life. I bought it used and was surprised to see that it had been a gift. I couldn't understand why someone would let this book slip away. After I finished it, I loved the stories so much that I had to pass it onto another friend to enjoy.

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