

O'ahu's **Iolani Palace** is the only royal palace on American soil. The palace had electricity four years before the White House in Washington, D.C.



The site of the Pearl Harbor attack is visited by an average of 4,000 people each day.



The best surfers in the world come to **O'ahu's North Shore** for big wave surfing season (November–February) and the Vans Triple Crown of Surfing (considered surfing's Super Bowl).



Known as “The Great Stone Church,” **Kawaiahaoo Church** is actually made of 14,000 coral slabs hauled up from the waters of surrounding ocean reefs.



Diamond Head (Leahi in Hawaiian) received its name from British sailors in the 19th century who thought the shiny calcite crystals in the crater slopes were actually diamonds.



O‘ahu certainly lives up to its nickname of “**The Gathering Place.**” The majority of Hawai‘i’s population calls the island home, and O‘ahu also receives more visitors than any of the other Hawaiian Islands.

