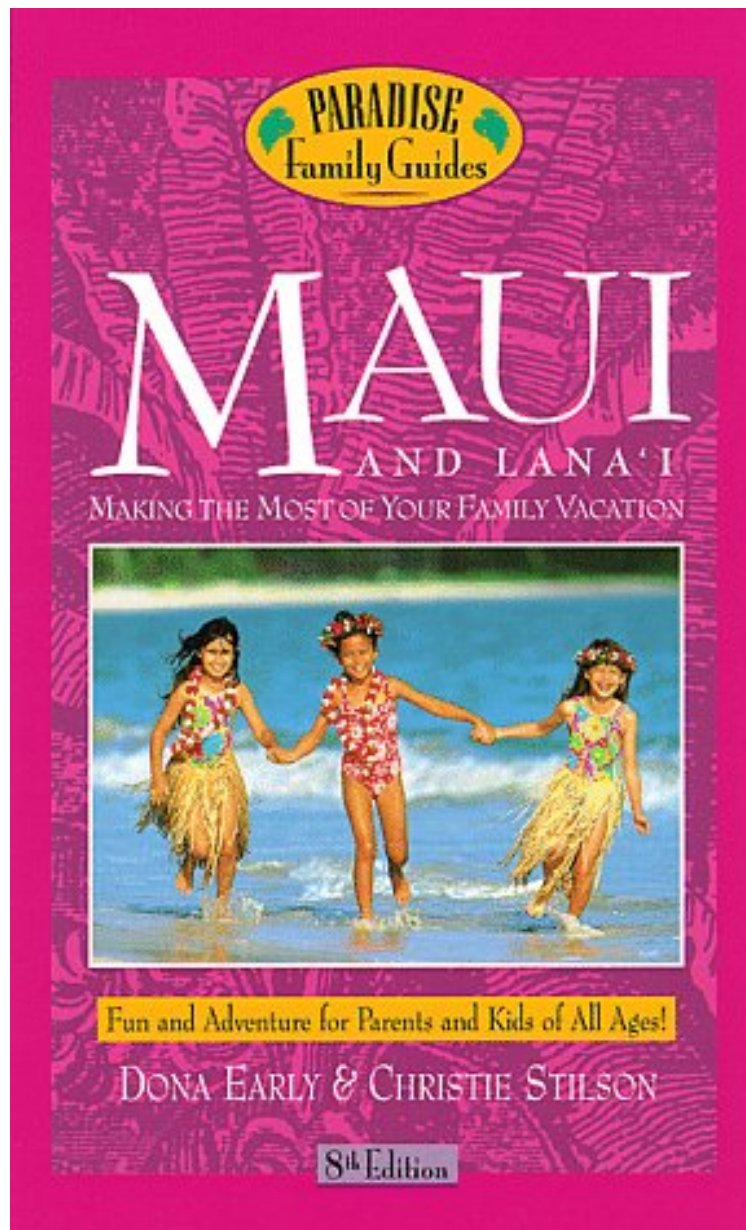


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Inside this family-friendly travel guide, you'll find helpful information on: Visiting Maui and Lana'i, including tips on travel with children, wedding or honeymoon planning, special tips for seniors and the physically impaired More than 200 Maui and Lana'i hotels, condominiums, and bed and breakfast inns, including complete descriptions, rates, facilities, and toll-free numbers for each Over 350 restaurants with sample menus for all budgets More than 50 exceptional beaches Road and highway travel with fifteen updated, user-friendly mapsEach chapter features the author's personal recommendations and "Best Bets." "The hotel and restaurant listings are very impressive, covering far more sites than most books and in greater depth. These are very practical books."San Diego Union-Tribune"Excellent advice."Los Angeles Times"Conveniently cross-indexed and elaborated with illustrations and maps, the latter being profuse and detailed, a clue to any guidebook of worth. . . . These guidebooks are the ones to take along."Portland OregonianAbout the AuthorsDona Early lives on Maui and has written dining and travel columns for local newspapers and an online visitor service.Christie Stilson, owner of Paradise Publications, is a frequent visitor to the Hawaiian Islands. When Christie and her family are not traveling, they reside in Portland, Oregon.

.com The family in Prima Publishing's Paradise Family Guides is meant in the 1990s sense. In their foreword, authors Dona Early and Christie Stilson explain: "As authors who travel in very different modes (Christie, who travels with a family with two children, and Dona as a single adult), we can share our island experiences from different 'family' viewpoints." This includes the potential for romance or having fun with friends as much as traveling with children or seniors, though the authors do point out that, if traveling without children or seniors, "you might want to consider renting one after reading up on some of the freebies and discounts they get!" This is the eighth edition of Prima's Maui and Lana'i, and its scope and refreshed content are good. Maui and Lana'i are often paired in Hawai'i travel guides because Lana'i is quite small and not extremely well developed--it's an island wholly owned by Dole--though day trips to Lana'i leaving from Lahaina on Maui are popular. Thus, this guide mostly emphasizes the scores of resources, properties, and activities on Maui; the last 30 pages cover Lana'i. At 496 pages, the text is divided into seven main sections, starting with Maui history and background--as well as a very handy new section on useful Maui-related Web sites--and advancing through Maui travel for the physically impaired, for seniors, and for people with children. Take special note of the nifty grocery-shopping section, a wonderful perk for condominium renters or for those who plan on saving money by doing some cooking. Depending on what part of the world you are traveling to Maui from, you may find the price guidelines here either surprisingly cheap or astoundingly expensive ("Bread \$2.39, Bananas \$.99 lb., baby food \$.55-.69 per jar"). Just remember: eat like a local and not like a Mainlander and you won't ever pay too much. Further sections cover "Where to Stay," "Restaurants," "Beaches," and "Recreation." Early and Stilson should have included photos (particularly in the history and background sections), and more detailed maps, but in content this is an excellent and accurate resource that will well serve families--whatever your definition--traveling to Maui for the first time. --Erik Macki The Complete Traveler's Reference and Guide to the Magical Islands of Maui and Lana'iFrom the Inside FlapInside this family-friendly travel guide, you'll find helpful information on:? Visiting Maui and Lana'i, including tips on travel with children, wedding or honeymoon planning, special tips for seniors and the physically impaired? More than 200 Maui and Lana'i hotels, condominiums, and bed and breakfast inns, including complete descriptions, rates, facilities, and toll-free numbers for each? Over 350 restaurants with sample menus for all budgets? More than 50 exceptional beaches? Road and highway travel with fifteen updated, user-friendly mapsEach chapter

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