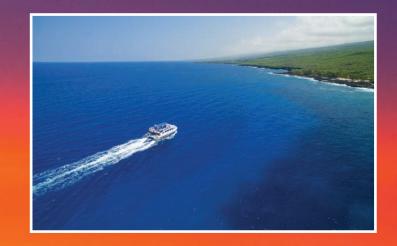
"Our actions over the next 10 years will determine the state of the ocean for the next 10,000 years." – Sylvia Earle



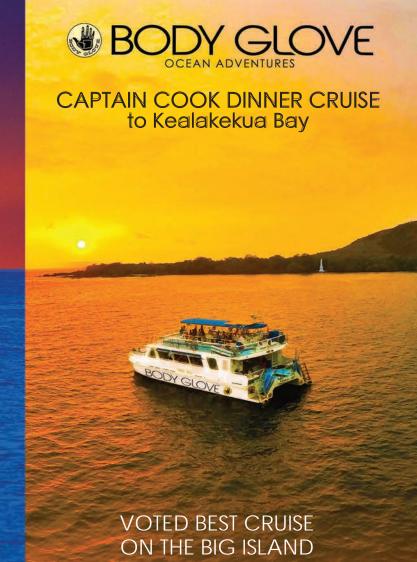
Set sail to Kealakekua Bay, settled thousands of years ago and ruled by Native Hawaiians. This sacred area marks many archeological and historical sites and is known for the Battle of Kealakekua Bay where Captain James Cook lost his life.

The Captain Cook Monument is a 12-mile cruise down the coast and is not accessible by road, only by a one-hour hike along a fairly steep trail.



As we head back to Kona, kickback and relax while you enjoy live Hawaiian music and take in a breathtaking Kona sunset like no other.

Keep an eye out for marine life as we often see spinner dolphins, mantas and seasonal humpback whales along the way.





Captain Cook arriving at Kealakekua Bay - 2018 © Cooper Hart

Departing early afternoon, the timing is perfect to see all the sites by day, enjoy an island style buffet dinner in Kealakekua Bay and catch a sunset on the way back.

Welcome aboard, step up to our full service premium bar; the first drink is on us. We serve the best local spirits and local craft beers that Hawaii has to offer, including those tropical blended drinks.

As we head 12 miles down the coast to Cook's monument, sit back, relax and take in the beautiful views. Our local historian will take you back in time, when King Kamehameha ruled this land and share facts referencing the scenery you will see along the way.

Have your cameras ready as we arrive in the bay. Besides Captain Cook's Monument, the only British territory in the USA, you will see the caves and lava tubes upon the sheer cliffs, used as burial caverns for Hawaiian Royalty.

TABLE FARE TO

Enjoy an island style buffet feast in Kealakekua Bay. Nowhere in Hawaii will you experience a better dinner view than in Kealakekua Bay and on occasion our local spinner dolphins and manta rays may join you. We pride ourselves on buying from local farmers, local producers, and using Certified Organic products.

All Cruises depart from the Kailua Pier. Check-in is 30 minutes prior to departure time. We are 100% wheelchair friendly with a customized boarding ramp, to accommodate all wheelchairs. Vegan, vegetarian and gluten free meals are available with 48-hours notice. This Historical Sunset Dinner Cruise is very popular and sells out often. We highly recommend making reservations in advance. 48-hour cancellation policy applies.





















"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore, Dream. Discover."

- Mark Twain



1776: Official portrait of Captain James Cook

In 1778 Captain James Cook's crew estimated the total population of the eight main Hawaiian Islands at 400,000. Cook named the Islands "The Sandwich Islands" in honor of his patron, the First Lord of Admiralty, the Earl of Sandwich.

Captain Cook was honored for his accomplishments as a navigator and explorer. Oddly, for so famous a man, little is known of his personal life. His journals objectively comment on everything, yet provided little inkling of his deepest thoughts and character of the man himself.





Fun Facts

Captain Cook's Monument in Kealakekua Bay sits on 5,682 sq. ft. of the only British territory in the USA and is maintained by the British Navy.

The Hulihe'e Palace on Ali'i Drive, built in 1838, is one of only three palaces in the United States. The other two palaces are the 'Iolani Palace and Queen Emma's Summer Palace in Honolulu.

The caves and lava tubes upon the sheer cliffs of Kealakekua Bay were used as burial caverns for Hawaiian Royalty, also known as the "Mausoleum of the Pacific."

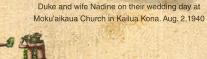
Legend has it, the large, grayish indentation upon the sea-cliffs in Kealakekua Bay, was caused by Captain Cook shooting cannon balls for target practice.

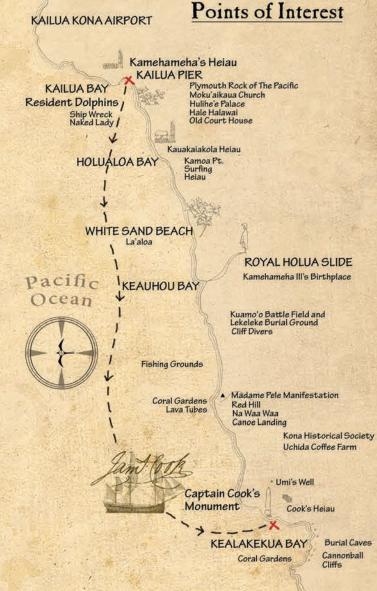
A rock formation at the boundary line between North and South Kona is said to be the manifestation of Madam Pele, the Volcano Goddess.

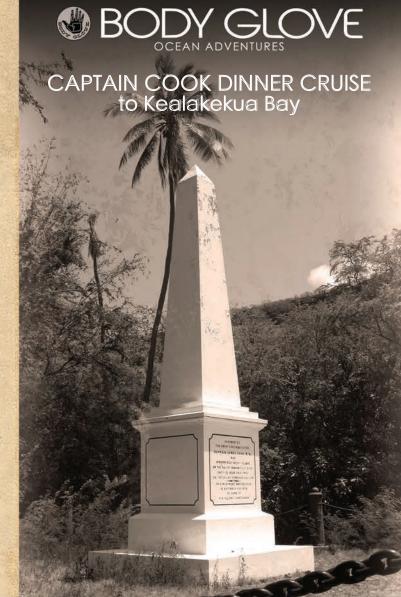


History's never been so fun!





























1800 Captain Cook's Monument

1890 Kailua Bay Hulihe'e Palace

1898 Queen Lili'uokalani

1930 Kona Inn Hotel

1935 Cattle Shipping - Kailua Bay

1938 Cattle Shipping - Kailua Pier

1954 John Wayne weds in Keauhou

1958 Ali'i Drive

1949-70 Kona Airport

1950 Hotel King Kamehame