

## AT AULANI RESORT & SPA KO OLINA, HAWAI'!

Welcome to paradise within paradise! Welcome to **Garden of the Gods**, an enchanted tropical hideaway where the gods of Hawaiian myth mingle. Here great deities like Kane, Ku, Lono, Kanaloa and more manifest themselves. Deep magic transforms the natural landscape, reshaping plants and cliffs and even the waters in the gods' images. This is a very Hawaiian realization of heaven-on-earth!

Garden of the Gods is a sort of for Hawaiian cultural myths, presented as a more fantastical complement to the main Aulani Resort next door. Garden of the Gods is the Animal Kingdom of water parks, following Aulani's "Big H, Little D" motto. Using a lens of traditional Hawaiian culture, our park explores man's relationship with gods & nature. Our park embraces and celebrates Hawaii's native heritage. (No Disney characters or IPs here!) Designed with the cultural supervision of tribal elders – much like Aulani before it – Garden of the Gods adds a deeply-felt theme to the standard water park format.

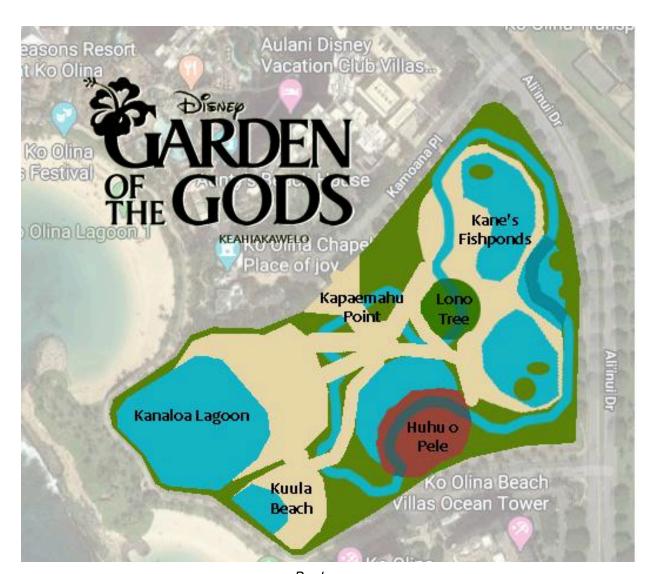
Garden of the Gods is a small water park, perhaps only 2/3<sup>rd</sup> the size of Universal's Volcano Bay. It has a limited customer base too compared to other water parks, consisting primarily of Aulani Resort guests. (A tram from off-site parking is provided to accommodate locals and non-resort guests.) As such, the park's offerings focus on one-on-one exclusivity, with a strong emphasis on storytelling, both through "cultural ambassador" Hawaiian cast members and through exquisite theming. The park employs a detailed magical realist aesthetic throughout, which combines elements of early Tiki Room concept art by Blaine Gibson & Rolly Crump, merged with the tiki-fantasy artwork of newer Imagineer Tom Thordarson. There are tikis everywhere, intertwined with plantlife, waterways, rockwork…all merging to create a singular, fantastical paradise.



The entire park is oriented to face the Pacific Ocean, like a naturally-formed cove. Infinity pools help sell the effect! The park's iconic Kono Tree reflects in these shimmering waters. Kono is a massive, mystical banyan tree, the wellspring of the cove's freshwater. The tree icon is a gesture to Joe Rohde's Animal Kingdom, and a move away from the mountain icons typically seen in water parks...Though Mt. Pele still provides guests with all the volcanic excitement they could wish for!



Our signature attraction is **Kané's Fishponds**, a grouping of live animal encounters. These personalized, low-capacity interactive areas expand on SeaWorld's Discovery Cove in the same way Animal Kingdom's Kilimanjaro Safaris expands on the typical zoo truck tour. Supporting this are more traditional water park attractions, all created with great cultural care. Those seeking greater water coaster thrills should brave the interiors of Mount Pele upon **Huhū o Pele**. Everything is arranged around **Kanaloa Lagoon** facing the Pacific Ocean, with all attractions accessible either by walking path or by the circumnavigating **Ka Wai O Ka Maluhia River**.



Park map

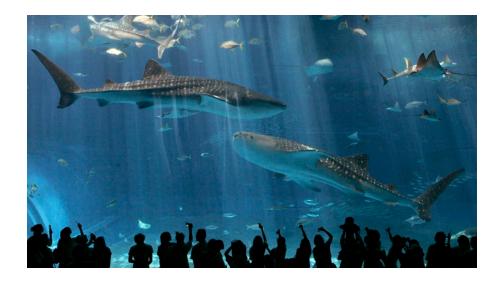


# Kané's Fishponds

Animal encounters

Kane's Fishponds is an all new experience where guests can enter an underwater paradise. There are 3 different activities on two floors. This experience is based around the Hawaiin god Kane. Kane is the god of creation and nature which is represented in the 4 activities.

The first activity is the Underwater Aquarium Grotto. On the bottom floor, guests can enjoy a nice 0.5 mile stroll underwater to witness all the beautiful fish and plants that grace the island Hawaii.



The second activity is the Dolphin Interaction Pool on the top floor. This activity allows guests to come up close to dolphins and just have fun with them!



The 3rd and final activity is scuba diving in a handmade 0.5 acre fishpond. These fishponds are very detailed as they include double outrigger canoes, bound by man-made lava rock walls, large flower garden elements, and so many more live elements. This is just a fun way to go scuba diving without having to worry about what might creep up on you in the actual ocean.





# Huhū o Pele

Aqua coaster

Journey deep into a massive volcano aboard rafts made of seashells and explore the home of the goddess of volcanoes and the creator of the Hawaiian islands, Pele. Propelled by LIM magnetic technology, guests will pass scenes of glowing volcanic rocks, crystal structures created by the intense pressures of the volcano, and a magnificent and strange bioluminescent forest. Then, guests come face to face with the fierce and mighty Pele herself, angered that they have ventured into her home without permission, and an accelerating chase through the volcanic caverns begins as lava flows behind. Guests burst from the volcano's tiki-faced peak as the screams of Pele echo! Seashell rafts rocket through a bamboo slide course, then splash down into a calm lagoon!



## Ka Wai O Ka Maluhia River

Lazy river

Guests can pick up an inner tube at any of the 4 landings along the 2,400-foot long route of the Ka Wai O Ka Maluhia River and ease into the continuous, flowing river that winds all the way around the park. The main landing is near a waterfall shaped to look like Namaka, the goddess of water and the sea. This cliff-like formation is the source of the river and is truly a sight to see, especially at night when glowing lights appear in the waterfall. Guests will experience a serene river stream, or a more thrilling whitewater rapid with churning rapids and chopping waves. The scenic lazy river lets guests bob along past shady grottoes, thundering waterfalls, lush rainforest landscapes, cool mists, overhead rope bridges, mischievous tikis and through a cavernous tunnel carved into Mount Pele. These charming sights will be supported by several projections and AA figures of Hawaiian deities roaming along the river. The classic lazy river concept is upgraded inside Mount Pele, as it will feature several levels, using jets and slow elevation to transport guests up and down the various levels of the mountain.

## **Additional Features**



#### Kapaemahu Point

Entrance plaza

Guests enter this enchanted realm of gods & myths through the monumental rock garden of Kapaemahu Point. Thatch hut entrances encircle a plaza teeming with ancient magic – very much a Hawaiian twist on Stonehenge. Carved pumice monoliths depict the ancient Hawaiian pantheon. Stone archways frame views into the park and towards the Pacific Ocean. Major rocks depict the godly Big Four: Kane, Ku, Lono & Kanaloa. Smaller expanses of stones (some stacked, some with flames spewing heavenwards) show off the dozens of lesser island deities.





#### Lono Tree

Iconic structure

A farm field (of taro, banana, pineapple, sugarcane & sweet potatoes) leads guests' eyes to a mighty, mystical banyan tree – the Lono Tree. This great growth represents the agricultural god Lono, who serves as a central hub and icon. A great number of features intertwine throughout Lono's vines & roots & branches! Puna Lazy River meanders around boulders under Lono's base. Within his hollow trunk is the Lono Lounge Café. Lele Kawa Plunge is found in tree houses high in the tall branches. Many smiling tiki idols dangle from the limbs, as Lono's big grinning face around the base beckons guests to explore.

#### Kanaloa Lagoon

Wave pool

In the Garden of the Gods, Kanaloa the ocean god manifests himself as Kanaloa Lagoon. This crystal clear wave pool looks south towards the endless expanse of the Pacific Ocean – for Kanaloa Lagoon is also the world's largest infinity pool! The north shore is an expansive beach front, ideal for sunbathing & relaxation. Limestone sea cliffs flank the waters, drawing guests' eyes to the ocean...where the infinity effect blurs the boundary between park and nature!

Towering like the Colossus of Rhodes near the ocean's edge is a tiki rock formation of Big K himself. Every 15 minutes, Kanaloa emits a thunderous chant. Six-foot waves roll inland from the Pacific to bedevil the lagoon with surf & fun! At night, Kanaloa Lagoon glows with heavenly blue bioluminescence, a serene and thoughtful alternative to some parks' nighttime spectaculars.



#### Kuula Beach

Beach & pool

Beyond the tidepools bordering Kanaloa Lagoon, a calmer pool area awaits on Kuula Beach. Here too, infinity pool effects make this feel like part of the Pacific itself! Dedicated to the god of fishermen, this sandy stretch is dotted with traditional fishing boats and nets. Gigantic seashells serve as private cabanas. These cabanas are available as upcharges for day visitors or complementary for Aulani Resort guests. This is the ultimate tropical getaway!



#### Menehune Village

Water playground

In Hawaiian myth, the Menehuna were a tribe of two-foot-tall dwarf creatures who inhabited the islands long before Man's arrival. They dwell now deep in the island interiors, practicing their craftsmanship unseen by mortal eyes. Guests will discover their handiwork – and maybe even glimpse the masked Menehune themselves – in this expansive water playground which could be described as an aquatic Tom Sawyer Island. In addition to a central bamboo play structure, full of small slides and splashing mechanisms, there are explorable trails within the Menehune's lush waterfall valley. Play upon interactive drums, explore petroglyph caverns, dare to cross suspension bridges, even manipulate fishing gear to capture a fish-stealing Akua spirit!



### Night Marchers

Interactive slideboarding

Legends tell of the Night Marchers, the ghosts of dead warriors who bang their drums at night. Now engage in a waterslide ritual to appease their restless spirits. "Slideboarding" is an interactive waterslide concept created by Ku the god of war. Guests ride through psychedelic tubes of ever-changing color, and must pound their raft's drums to match these colors. Build up points and compete against your friends! The experience deftly merges storytelling with ride mechanics, starting with a pre-show in a stone *heiau* temple, and ending with Night Marcher shadow projections on the ride.

#### Woa Koa Coral Slides

Body slides

Simple, traditional body slides are a water park's bread & butter, even a water park as innovative as ours. These slides are formed from the natural spillways of a large coral atoll. Several fun, family-friendly flumes meander through the colorful reef. Each slide climaxes with a fun pool splashdown.

The wildest slide even includes a final plunge through the jaws and rib cage of a beached whale skeleton, recalling the dinosaur finale of Big Thunder!

Additional body slides dot the remainder of the Garden...notably in the Lono Tree. All our slides are immaculately themed – no exposed colorful plastic here! – appearing as bamboo troughs, hollows tree trunks, dried vines, and such.



Hina Racers

Racing slides

Relive the eternal struggle between the Hina Sisters, Keahi and Kuluua, the goddesses of fire and rain, on this competitive mat-racing slide attraction! Ascend a dried & cracked hillside of lava rocks, and enter your goddess' shrine. Engage in a sacred ceremony, board your thatched mat...and emerge in an adrenaline-fueled race from a Hina Tiki's mouth! You and your opponent will race down a dried lava tube, then splash into the steaming pools where magma meets currents! Tiki torches and fountains will erupt to life to celebrate the winner!



#### Lele Kawa Plunge

Drop slide

Climb high into the grass tree houses of the Lono Tree and brave a 60-foot drop to the lagoon below! Lele Kawa Plunge – named for the Hawaiian art of cliff diving – plummets guests through a drop floor, then down a near-vertical bamboo slide. A final straightaway (located *underwater* in a transparent tube) sends exhilarated guests safely to a tidepool exit.

#### Kahuna Surf Lessons

Surf lessons

Surfing has a deep, sacred history in Hawaii. Our reservation-only surf lessons, similar to those found at Typhoon Lagoon, incorporate a great reverence for this ancient tradition. Study under your native Kahuna instructor within a titanic sea turtle's shell, then proceed to Kanaloa Lagoon and practice your newfound skills on 3- and 6-foot waves.



Spirit Talkers

Interactive tikis

Tiki statues are found all over this island paradise, but observant guests will notice some are unlike any other. Scattered through the park are the Spirit Talkers, ancient and mystical statues that rely on energetic and excited guests of all ages to help them on quests. For as much wisdom as these tikis have, they are, by nature, stationary, and need to send helpful new friends to deliver messages, uncover secrets, and join the adventure. Using pendants (MagicBand tokens on a hemp necklace) to signal to the tikis that they are prepared to undertake the adventure, guests can enjoy a fun activity without needing to get in the water.



## Leaky Tikis

Interactive fountain

Deep in the jungle primeval is a circle of water-spewing tiki tokems. Bang the drums on their bases to engage these fountain sprays. This simple interactive element is cloned from the Adventurelands of Magic Kingdom and Hong Kong Disneyland.

## Storyteller Circles

Live storytelling

Oral storytelling is a crucial cultural component which distinguishes us from a typical water park. To that end, scattered throughout the park are several small live theaters, naturally-formed amphitheaters with thatch roofs and guardian tikis. Native cast members present ancient tales told playfully, with props & costuming, to entertain & edify our guests.



#### Hakas & Hulas

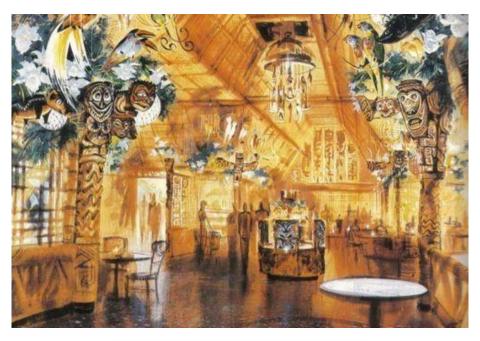
Cultural performances

Additional native storytelling is done with Hakas & Hulas "streetmosphere." Traditional native dances take place throughout the day. Certain designated spots – a stone *heiau* stage, or a platform before a waterfall – serve as ideal backdrops for our performances.

#### Ho'okipa Houses

DVC bungalows

The park's boundaries are blurred – and its connection to the Aulani Resort is strengthened – with Disney Vacation Club bungalows set along the resort's perimeter. A-frame huts stand on stilts over estuaries and crashing waves, with exclusive water park access. "Ho'okipa" means "hospitality," which is exactly what we provide – with private saunas, villa suites, and the utmost in tropical comfort.

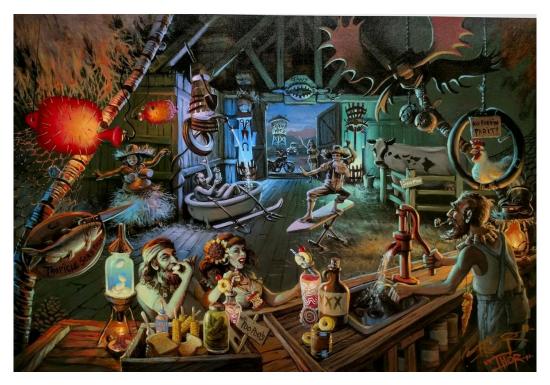


#### Lono Lounge Café

Table service restaurant & tiki bar

Nestled in the hollow trunk interior of the Lono Tree is a table service restaurant & tiki bar beyond compare! The setting itself is an imaginative wonderland, with carved pumice stones mixed in a freeform fashion with banyan roots, waterfall curtains, tropical décor, and more...all delivered with a comical flair reminiscent of the mid-century tiki bar craze! Every corner demands exploration, from the booths themed to specific gods (complete with *ho'okupu* lei offerings), to the bar & lounge set before a massive aquarium window featuring live fish! Enjoy fantastic luau cuisine, ranging from kalua pork to refreshing poke to lomi-lomi salad.

Best of all, Lono Lounge Café finally realizes an old Walt Disney dream: fine dining accompanied by an animatronic musical revue. It's the idea which transformed into The Enchanted Tiki Room! Here, staggered dinner seatings allow us to stage our Tropical Serenade – a musical menagerie of birds, bees & beasts – multiple times a night!



#### Lanai Bar & Grill

Quick service restourant

Quicker, simpler snacks are available with no less charm at Lanai Bar & Grill. Discover delicious counter service items like poi or laulau – to say nothing of the timeless fan favorite Dole Whips (with or without booze!) – in a soothing *lanai* veranda setting. Feast outdoors amidst the beached outriggers, or enter the enchanted cavern where projection-animated sails tell old wayfaring legends.

### Hala'ea Marketplace

Retail

From the outside Hala'ea Marketplace is a large yet unassuming wooden ship, overturned during a storm sent by Lono. Inside however the local islanders have turned it into a shop, holding everything from typical water park necessities, to magical pendants used to communicate with the Spirit Totems, to mini versions of the tiki gods themselves. Decorated with lovely sea shells, including a large and ornate clam shell, as well as being the

nesting place of quite a few tropical birds. This shop has everything anyone could ever need during their stay here in the Garden of the Gods.

## Conclusion

The sum total of these experiences shall be a water park resort like no other. Garden of the Gods makes Hawaiian culture its focus. These legendary tales are imbued with a magical aura. With sensitive storytelling, exclusive animal encounters, and exceptional water rides, there is something for everyone at Garden of the Gods!

