

The MSE Project Office is located at CFHT Headquarters in Waimea, Hawaii.



Waimea is a sleepy town at the elevation of 2,500 feet on the north end of the Big Island of Hawaii. Waimea, nestled between the Kohala Mountain range to the north and the Maunakea volcano slopes to the south, is known for its Paniolo cowboy culture. Kona International Airport (KOA) is the preferred airport when traveling to Waimea and it is located on the Kona Coast. The following map shows the directions from the Kona Airport to the various hotels listed below and the Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope Headquarters.

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=1OZtEUZ7g9letBpNsHaJJ215VfhU&usp=sharing>

The weather in Waimea is typically 5C cooler than that at sea level, and is very often damp with drizzle and rain. You can find seasonal weather forecast for Waimea at

http://www.prh.noaa.gov/hnl/pages/gfe_graphics.php?island=bi.com and much more detailed forecasts at <http://mksoaring.com>.

Accommodations:

Waikoloa Beach Marriott, 69-275 Waikoloa Beach Dr., Waikoloa Village, HI 96738

1-808-886-6789

The Waikoloa Beach Marriott Resort offers rates (May 2017) from \$219.00 and up per night plus a daily resort fee of \$30.00 plus taxes. This amount includes self-parking, cultural activities, beach rentals and more.

<http://www.marriott.com/>

Hilton Waikoloa Village, 69-425 Waikoloa Beach Drive, Kamuela, HI 96738

1-808-886-1234

The Hilton Waikoloa Village offers rates (May 2017) from \$225.00 and up per night plus a daily resort fee of \$30.00 plus taxes. This amount includes internet access, hula, lei making and ukulele lessons.

<http://www.hiltonwaikoloavillage.com/>

The Kamuela Inn, 65-1300 Kawaihae Rd. Waimea, HI 96743

1-808-885-4243

This conveniently located Inn in Waimea offers all updated rooms with room rates (May 2017) ranging from \$135.00 a night for standard queen rooms to \$306.00 a night for Executive Suites which sleeps four. Please go to Reservations – Special Rates – Promotional Code and enter “Group2017” for these prices. <https://www.thekamuelainn.com/>

The Hapuna Beach Prince Hotel, 62-100 Kauna’Oa Dr., Kohala Coast, HI 96743

1-888-977-4623

The Hapuna Beach Prince Hotel is located on the Kohala Coast and offers rates (May 2017) from \$212.00 per night and up plus a daily resort fee of \$31.25 + tax. This amount includes daily self-parking, internet connections and other popular amenities.

<https://www.princeresortshawaii.com/hapuna-beach-prince-hotel>

VRBO links for the Kohala Coast

<https://www.vrbo.com/vacation-rentals/usa/hawaii/big-island/kohala-coast>