

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO KAUAI'S SOUTH SHORE, HAWAII

LOCATION: Kauai's south coast is that island's primary resort area. Most of these resorts are clustered around Poipu Point. Waimea Canyon, farther west is the island's major scenic attraction, and one of the state's most visited areas. The best time to visit the canyon is in the early morning, before the tour busses arrive. A morning after a rain is especially good. Like all of Hawaii's beaches, those of Kauai's south shore can be dangerous under certain conditions. Always check with a knowledgeable local before surfing or snorkeling.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:58	11:25	12:01	12:39	13:11	13:27	13:21	12:54	12:18	11:40	11:07	10:50
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	5:59	6:36	6:41	6:54	8:02	8:46	8:41	8:40	8:31	7:06	5:43	5:27
AREA OF BLUE SKY	45%	44%	37%	34%	37%	39%	39%	41%	46%	42%	38%	41%
LOW FOR MONTH	57°	57°	58°	60°	62°	65°	66°	67°	66°	64°	63°	58°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	63°	63°	63°	64°	66°	68°	69°	70°	69°	68°	67°	64°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	79°	80°	81°	82°	84°	86°	87°	87°	87°	85°	83°	80°
HIGH FOR MONTH	83°	85°	86°	87°	88°	89°	90°	91°	90°	89°	87°	85°
FROSTY MORNINGS	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%	10%	17%	10%	2%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	66%	63%	62%	62%	61%	59%	59%	60%	60%	63%	65%	66%
NEARBY WATERS	76°	75°	75°	76°	77°	79°	79°	80°	80°	79°	79°	76°
DRY DAYS	59%	66%	62%	76%	82%	90%	82%	89%	80%	76%	70%	67%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	81%	86%	85%	91%	94%	97%	94%	97%	93%	90%	87%	85%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.63	0.46	0.38	0.23	0.15	0.06	0.08	0.10	0.13	0.31	0.35	0.61
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	4%	3%	4%	2%	2%	0%	0%	1%	2%	3%	3%	3%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 60% of the daylight hours of the year. This might range from a low of 50% in December, to a high of 69% in September. The lowest temperature of the year should be close to 55° on some calm and clear winter sunrise, and the highest should be near 93° on some sunny and windless summer afternoon. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you feel) will be up to 4° warmer than actual ones during the warmer weather, due to the relatively high humidity. Hawaiian residents see the year as having essentially two seasons. The *kau* season corresponds with the high-sun period; and is the sunnier, drier, and slight warmer of the two. It extends from May through September. The *hoo-ilo* runs from October through April, and corresponds roughly with the low-sun period. It is essentially the rainy season.