

Kīlauea Eruption Lava Viewing Map

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TO KIPUKAPUAULU TRAIL (1.5 mi/2.4 km from Highway 11)
& MAUNA LOA LOOKOUT (11.5 mi/18.5 km from Highway 11)

1. UĒKAHUNA/KĪLAUEA OVERLOOK
These two locations are the best and most accessible to see the lava lake. When crowded, you can easily walk along the Crater Rim Trail to find other viewing points. Sunrises are especially breathtaking due to the Eastern orientation.
DIRECTIONS: Park at Uēkahuna, then walk couple hundred yards to the overlook at the highest point of the caldera. Mostly paved road with some elevation gain. From the Kīlauea Overlook parking lot, walk straight to the viewing area, or you can walk along the paved and light marked Crater Rim Trail.
ERUPTION VIEWING DISTANCE: ~1 mile/1.6 km.
AMENITIES: Restrooms in both parking lots, 105 parking stalls total, park rangers available during afternoon hours.

2. KEANAKĀKO'I OVERLOOK
Spectacular views at sunset, with an amazing night sky make the 2 mile roundtrip well worth the effort. Just make sure you beat the crowds.
DIRECTIONS: Park at the Devastation parking lot and follow the signs to the viewing area. Most of the road is paved with the last few hundred yards on gravel.
ERUPTION VIEWING DISTANCE: ~1 mile/1.6 km.
AMENITIES: Restrooms at trailhead, limited parking of 58 stalls total, park rangers available during afternoon hours.

3. WALDRON LEDGE
Panoramic view of the caldera with the lava lake peaking over the crater's edge. Least crowded viewing location.
DIRECTIONS: Park at the Visitor Center and walk about 400 yards South along the paved Crater Rim Trail.
ERUPTION VIEWING DISTANCE: ~2 miles/3.2 km.
AMENITIES: Restrooms, 125 parking stalls, picnic area, and Information available at the Visitor Center.



TO KEALAKOMO OVERLOOK (10 mi/16 km from Devastation parking lot),
PU'U'LOA PETROGLYPHS (16 mi/25.7 km from Devastation parking lot),
HŌLEI SEA ARCH (18.5 mi/29.8 km from Devastation parking lot)