



INSIDE BLUESTONE

Oahu's Most Beloved Communities

Welcome to today's episode — a deep dive into one of O'ahu's most beloved communities. Before we tour the home, we explore the place that makes it extraordinary.



Why This Home, Why This Location?

Buying in Kailua is about more than owning a home — it's about becoming part of a place. Today's episode explores the neighborhood, the history, the natural environment, and the everyday advantages of living near beaches, trails, town, and nature.

- The big idea: The home matters — but the **place around the home** is what creates the lifestyle.

Location First: The Kamahele Advantage

When considering a move to Hawai'i, the neighborhood is just as important as the house. This property sits at the intersection of three major Kailua assets.

Kawainui Marsh

Hawai'i's largest freshwater wetland — right outside your door.

Mid-Pacific Country Club

Lush fairways and open green space across the street.

Kailua Town

Daily conveniences, restaurants, and local culture minutes away.



Kawaiinui Marsh: Your Natural Backyard

Key Facts

- Approximately 830 acres
- Largest freshwater wetland in Hawai'i
- Located at the base of the Ko'olau Mountains
- Visible directly from the property

Native Wildlife

- 'Alae keokeo — Hawaiian coot
- 'Alae 'ula — Hawaiian moorhen
- Koloa maoli — Hawaiian duck
- Ae'o — Hawaiian stilt

This is a living ecosystem — not just a view.

The Marsh Lifestyle

A paved multi-use path runs along Kawainui Marsh, offering a peaceful everyday escape with no traffic and no crowds — just mountains, marsh, and wildlife.



Morning Walks

Start the day surrounded by native birds and mountain views.



Jogging & Cycling

A dedicated paved path makes every workout scenic.



Bird Watching

Spot rare native Hawaiian waterbirds in their natural habitat.

The History of Kawainui

Before becoming a protected natural area, Kawainui was a highly productive Hawaiian agricultural landscape. Ancient Hawaiians developed taro fields and fishpond systems that supported entire communities — making this area an important food source for centuries.

1

Ancient Era

Taro fields and fishpond systems developed by Native Hawaiians

2

Community Hub

A vital food source supporting Windward O'ahu communities

3

Today

Protected, restored, and preserved for future generations



Mid-Pacific Country Club & Green Space

Directly across from the property sits Mid-Pacific Country Club, founded in 1926 — one of O'ahu's most storied golf clubs. For residents of this home, the fairways serve as a natural buffer, preserving open views and preventing dense development.

Ko'olau Mountain Backdrop

Dramatic ridge views framed by lush fairways every day.

Open Green Space

No dense development blocking the view — long-term landscape preservation.

Established Since 1926

A century of history anchoring this corner of Kailua.



Mountains, Trails & Outdoor Lifestyle

Ka'iwa Ridge Trail (Lanikai Pillbox)

- Short but steep hike — sunrise destination
- Panoramic views of Kailua Bay and the Mokulua Islands

Maunawili Falls Trail

- Lush Windward O'ahu rainforest
- Stream crossings and a waterfall destination
- Approximately 5 miles round trip

A Typical Kamahele Week

- Tuesday morning: Marsh walk
- Saturday: Maunawili hike
- Sunday: Kailua Beach

All within minutes of home.



Kailua Town: Everyday Convenience

Kailua offers the rare combination of a relaxed island lifestyle with complete town services. Everything you need is just minutes away.



Daily Essentials

Groceries, pharmacy, and household shopping all nearby.



Dining & Cafés

Local restaurants, coffee shops, and beloved eateries.



Local Markets

Farmers markets and community events throughout the week.



Kailua Culture & Local Favorites

Life in Kailua has a rhythm all its own — a perfect balance of quiet residential living and easy access to everything.

Morning

Local coffee and a slow start

Midday

Sandwich from Kalapawai Market

Afternoon

Beach time at Kailua Beach

Evening

Farmers market and community events



Schools & Transportation

Public Schools

Elementary:

- Kainalu
- Enchanted Lake
- Ka'elepulu
- Maunawili

Secondary:

- Kailua Intermediate
- Kailua High

Private: Le Jardin Academy

Commuting Connections

- Pali Highway
- Likelike Highway

Approximately **25–30 minutes** to Honolulu depending on traffic — making Kailua a practical choice for island commuters.

The History of Kailua

The name **Kailua** carries deep meaning rooted in the land itself.

Kai = Sea • 'Elua = Two

The name likely references two major pond systems — Kawainui and Ka'elepulu — or two distinct currents flowing through Kailua Bay.

A Place With Deep Roots

Kailua has been a center of Hawaiian life, agriculture, and culture for well over a thousand years.



Ancient Kailua: A Timeline

1

~500 A.D.

Early Hawaiian settlement around Kawainui; agriculture and fishpond systems developed

2

By 1500s

Kailua became an important political center; ali'i leadership based here

3

Ulupō Heiau

Ancient Hawaiian temple — National Register historic site connecting to Kailua's cultural past



Modern Kailua: Transformation Over Time

1

1795

Battle of Nuʻuanu — unification of Hawaiʻi changed land use patterns across the islands

2

Early 1900s

Ranching became dominant; Kaneohe Ranch developed large areas of Windward Oʻahu

3

1959

Opening of Pali Highway made commuting easier, sparking modern residential growth

4

Today

One of Oʻahu's most desirable residential communities and outdoor lifestyle destinations



The View From This Home

What surrounds 1150B Kamahele is rare even by Kailua standards. The daily experience: sunrise on the mountains, changing colors throughout the day, and trade winds moving through the home.



Natural Setting

Kawainui Marsh, Ko'olau Mountains, and native wildlife



Recreation

Golf course, hiking trails, and Kailua beaches



Lifestyle

Kailua Town nearby — privacy without isolation

Bluestone Community Overview

Community Highlights

- Nearly 50 acres — gated community
- Mid-Pacific Country Club frontage
- Preservation land surrounding the area
- On-site patrol and gated entry

1150B Kamahele Street #3002

- Property type: Townhome
- 3 bedrooms · 2.5 bathrooms
- Approximately 1,950 sq ft
- Top-floor end unit



Home Tour: Living Area & Kitchen

The main living spaces are designed to bring the outdoors in — framing the Ko'olau Mountains like artwork and filling the home with natural morning light.

Open Layout

Flowing living and kitchen space ideal for entertaining and everyday living.

Quality Finishes

Hardwood, tile, and carpet finishes throughout the home.

Trade Wind Ventilation

Large windows designed to capture Kailua's famous natural breezes.



Three Covered Lanais

One of this home's most distinctive features — three separate covered outdoor spaces, each offering a unique experience.



Main Lanai

Perfect for morning coffee, outdoor dining, and evening relaxation.



Primary Suite Lanai

Private mountain views — a quiet personal retreat off the main bedroom.



Bedroom Lanai

Adds fresh air and outdoor connection to the additional bedroom.

Primary Suite & Additional Bedrooms

Primary Suite

- Top-floor location — no unit above
- Ko'olau and golf course views
- Ocean glimpses on clear days
- Private lanai access

Wake up every morning knowing you live in Hawai'i.

Additional Bedrooms

Flexible spaces for family, guests, a home office, or multi-generational living. Features include mountain views, large windows, and easy bathroom access.



Garage, Parking & Bluestone Amenities

Garage & Parking

- Attached full-size garage
- Driveway parking for two additional vehicles
- Space for bikes, surfboards, golf equipment, and outdoor gear

Community Amenities

- Pool & whirlpool
- BBQ areas & recreation spaces
- Tennis & pickleball courts
- Sauna
- Gated entry & on-site patrol
- Mountain views from shared spaces



Property Snapshot: 1150B Kamahele Street #3002 · Bluestone Community, Kailua

Price

\$1,539,000
HiCentral MLS, April 2026

Bedrooms / Baths

3 bed / 2.5 bath

Interior Size

~1,950 sq ft
MLS lists 1,946–1,996 sq ft

Year Built

1979 · Bluestone community
Masonry / stucco construction

Unit Type

Top-floor end unit — no unit above

Parking

Attached full-size garage + driveway for 2 more vehicles

Lanais

Three covered lanais — trade-wind cross-breeze design

Community

Gated · ~50 acres · Mid-Pacific Country Club frontage · preservation land buffer · on-site patrol

Amenities

Pool, whirlpool, BBQ, rec areas, tennis/pickleball, sauna

Views

Ko'olau mountains · golf-course fairways · Kawainui Marsh · ocean glimpses

Nearby

Minutes to Lanikai Beach, Ka'iwa Ridge (Lanikai Pillbox) hike, Kailua Town

Kailua Real Estate Market Update

Current Market Themes

Kailua remains one of O'ahu's most desirable communities, driven by limited land, lifestyle appeal, natural beauty, and strong demand.

Condo & Townhome Conditions

- **For buyers:** More negotiating room, more inventory, longer decision timelines
- **For sellers:** Pricing, presentation, and unique features matter most

Bluestone Market Position

Strong demand for premium units. Value is tied to views, condition, and location within the community.

This home stands out because of its **top-floor position, three lanais, mountain and marsh views, and larger floor plan.**

The Kailua Lifestyle at a Glance



Nature

Protected marsh, Koʻolau Mountains, and native wildlife at your doorstep.



Community

Town conveniences, schools, and a rich local culture.



Recreation

Golf, hiking, and world-class beaches all within minutes.



Home

Spacious 3-bedroom layout, three lanais, private views, and a quiet setting.

Why Kailua. Why This Home.

If this sounds like your kind of spot — Send me a message, or reach out directly. Happy to get you all the details or set up a private showing.

📋 **A huge Mahalo to Sue Tam Suemoto at Lau & Associates** for trusting me to share this incredible property with all of you. If this is the one — reach out to Sue or to me directly and let's make this yours.

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Hit that follow button and share it with someone dreaming about Kailua life.

More Coming Soon

More Windward stories, neighborhoods, and hidden-gem homes are on the way.

Aloha ... and I'll see you on the next one. 👍