

Cost, Terms, & Essential Information for Celebrate Hawaiian Textiles 2024

This is a private group journey, based on approximately 18 participants. Rates quoted are in US dollars per person.

Cost

Cost Based on Room Preference at Courtyard Marriott King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel

- City/Resort View Single Occupancy - \$5985 Deposit is \$2,200
- Partial Ocean View Single Occupancy - \$6,315 Deposit is \$2,400
- Full Ocean View Single Occupancy - \$6,630 Deposit is \$2,400
- Double Occupancy Partial Ocean View (2 All Participating) - \$4,905 each - Deposit is \$2,200 each
- Non-workshop but Excursion Participating Partner - \$2,778 (Same Room) Deposit is \$1,200

Sew & Sew Retreats reserves the right to adjust prices at any time prior to departure and without prior notice if circumstances so warrant.

What IS included...

Pre-Trip Zoom Meeting
10 Nights of Lodging in Kona
3 Full- or Multi-day Workshops
Workshop Meeting Spaces & A/V Equipment
1 Kapa Demonstration
2 Kits for Workshops
4 Textile Artist/Teachers
11 Meals or 1 Breakfast; 6 Lunches; 3 Dinners; 1 Reception
1 Tour Guide
1 Luau in Kona
Sunset Dinner Cruise in Kona
2 Ground Transportation Vehicles, i.e., Shuttles, Vans
A Few Surprises!

What is NOT included...

Airfare to & from Kona, Hawaii
Transport to and from the Airport/Marriott Resort
Personal Excursions, Water-related Rentals at the Resort
Travel Insurance
7 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches and 5 Dinners
Personal Shopping Purchases
Travel Insurance
Tips for Tour Guides/Bus Drivers
Personal Shopping Purchases

Payment Schedule

- **A deposit is due at time of registration and is non-refundable.**
- A second payment of \$2,200 is due by October 25, 2024
- \$2,200, or your total remainder, is due by January 10, 2025

If payment is not received by the due date, Sew & Sew Retreats is entitled to give written notice that your guest retreat reservation is cancelled. You, the guest, will **remain liable to pay the balance of the reservation unless we are able to sell the retreat space.**

Your place for the *Celebrate Hawaiian Textiles* retreat will be confirmed once receiving the non-refundable deposit. Payment may be made by credit, debit card or PayPal. **Your confirmation email will include a Registration Form to fill out and submit.** This form must be completed when you receive it.

Registration

There are two steps you need to do for your registration to be complete. The first step is to pay the deposit. You will find a product listing for your selected retreat offering under "Pay" on the menu bar of the Sew and Sew Retreats website. You will receive a Thank You confirmation email once the payment has been received. **Your confirmation email will include a link to the Registration Form for you to fill out and submit.** This form, Step 2, must be completed when you receive it. When both steps are done your registration is officially complete.

Itinerary

We intend to create and follow a set itinerary. But due to weather conditions, health, teachers, tour professionals, construction and circumstances beyond our control, the itinerary is subject to change.

Passport

If you are participating in a retreat outside of the United States, a passport will be required. Your passport number and expiration date is requested on the Registration Form. Please be prepared to provide this information. Many countries require your lodging to provide them with your passport information. If you need to request or renew your passport, please do so as quickly as possible. And once you have your new passport, please remember to provide this info to Linda Sweek as quickly as possible. Email Linda at lsweek@lindasweekdesigns.com

Cancellation

There are no refunds in the event of a guest cancellation. The deposit is **not** refundable and there is **no** refund after the balance has been paid. Guests are **strongly encouraged to arrange travel insurance including cancellation coverage**, plus coverage for personal belongings, public liability, medical, etc. When purchasing insurance, you can **use the start date for coverage as the day you paid the deposit.**

In the event you need to cancel, you may find a friend to take your place for the retreat. Also, if we have a wait list, we can contact people on that list to replace your spot. Please contact me as soon as possible to see if we can transfer your spot to someone else.

Responsibility

Sew & Sew Retreats, or Linda Sweek, **accepts no responsibility for losses or expenses** due to delay or changes in schedules, flight cancellations or misconnections due to mechanical problems, sickness, quarantine, weather, acts of God, strikes, government actions, war, terrorism, or other circumstances beyond its control. Passengers must bear all such losses or expenses. To guard against unforeseen circumstances, we recommend you purchase a travel insurance plan.

Travel Insurance

Get it! Well, it is strongly encouraged for you to get it. Think of it as a vital part of your travel arrangements. Insurance protects you, your trip and your travel investment.

Travel suppliers, airline carriers, and Sew & Sew Retreats or Linda Sweek will not compensate any unforeseen expenses in the event of cancellation or failure to make your trip, missed flights, lost baggage, loss of health, death and/or accidents or emergency evacuation due to illness, natural disasters or acts of terrorism. Also, it is strongly recommended that you purchase a travel insurance policy for the duration of the journey, not just airfare.

Here are two recommended travel insurance companies.

- 1) **Squaremouth** - <https://www.squaremouth.com/>
- 2) **Travel Guard** - <https://www.travelguard.com>

Should you decide not to purchase travel insurance, you assume sole financial liability for all direct and indirect consequences and costs resulting from events occurring before or during the trip.

You do not have the right to demand compensation from Sew & Sew Retreats or Linda Sweek, or retreat teachers for any unforeseen expenses incurred as a direct result of cancellation or failure to make your trip, lost baggage, loss of health, death, accidents and/or emergency evacuation due to natural disasters or acts of terrorism.

As part of the Registration process, you need to ACCEPT or DECLINE that you will or will not purchase travel insurance.

Hotel

Courtyard King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel

75-5660 Palani Road

Kailua-Kona, HI

808-329-2911

https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/koacy-courtyard-king-kamehamehas-kona-beach-hotel/overview/?scid=45f93f1b-bd77-45c9-8dab-83b6a417f6fe&y_source=1_NjQ3NTY2LTc2OS1sb2NhdGlvbi53ZWJzaXRI

Tipping

Tipping bus drivers and guides is not included in the cost. I've determined a total of **15 dollars** for bus drivers. There are two drivers and five dollars for each is appropriate. Then tipping guides is appropriate. There is one guide, five dollars per guide is also appropriate. That comes to a total of **15 dollars** for tipping.

I will **collect the money on our first day**, then I will divide it up and put it in envelopes for each driver and guide. Thanks.

Covid-19 Policy for Hawaii

There are no longer any **COVID**-related requirements for arriving foreign or domestic travelers. This Hawaiian travel website can give up-to-date information. <https://www.gohawaii.com/>

WhatsApp

We will create a WhatsApp group while we are traveling in Hawaii. This is free and works internationally. It does require your cell phone number. This is how we will communicate any announcements, changes to the itinerary, trying to find each other and photos. The group name will be: **Celebrate Hawaii Textiles 2025**. Please download the app prior to the trip. If you want to know, go to <https://www.whatsapp.com/>

Contact email:

Feel free to contact Linda Sweek with any question or concerns. lsweek@lindasweekdesigns.com

Other useful websites include:

The U.S. State Department's website will have that information listed for each country. <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel.html>

For Hawaii: . <https://www.gohawaii.com/>