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 MAUI ISLANDS  
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## Glimpses of Maui Nui ~ LANAI



*Pu'u Pehe Sweetheart Rock*

Standing 80 feet high, *Pu'u Pehe* is the place of one of Hawaii's most enduring legends. A young princess from Maui was captured by a brave warrior from Lanai. He took her as his wife and brought her back to his home island. He was so stricken with her beauty that he was afraid to let other men see her, or to have her family find her, and so he confined the princess to a sea cave near the rock. One day, as the warrior was away, the weather suddenly changed and the raging surf began to pound this side of the island. The warrior rushed back to the cave, but it was too late, his beloved *Pu'u Pehe* had drowned. Heartbroken, he retrieved her body, climbed the steep rock, buried her in a tomb, then leapt off the rock to his death.



Lanai also has *Keahikawelo*—the Garden of the Gods, in the remote northwest corner of the island. Stark and silent pillars of lava, sculpted by wind, rain, and time, protrude from the ground like exposed volcanic bones, gnarled but elegant.

Scattered among the pillars are red-brown cairns of smaller stones that visitors have mounded together.



And locals dismantle. Not natural, they say of the cairns. Leave it alone. It is Hawaiian. The work of the gods.

Sixth largest island in the Hawaiian chain  
 (90,368 acres)

47 miles of shore

Highest point  
*Lana`ihale*  
 3,366 feet

3,557 residents



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