



HAWAII

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Five days after leaving Long Beach, we arose in the morning to see Hawaii rising in the dawn. Diamond Head, Koko Head, Waikiki, Pearl Harbor, and rain, rain, rain, awaited us. The SPENCER brought floods, dark clouds and puddles to this American paradise in the Pacific. Nevertheless, our enthusiasm was not dampened. We discovered that the islands are indeed beautiful . . . and that downtown Honolulu is indeed expensive. Beyond the bustling city, the natural beauty of lush, green mountainsides, and sparkling clear surf pounding on the beaches were something to behold.

Tied up at Pearl Harbor, we saw part of the past and present U.S. Navy. The USS Enterprise, victim of a tragic explosion and fire, was undergoing repairs. And within sight of our stern lay the USS Arizona memorial, reminder of a previous war.



During our stay, scenes from the movie TORAI TORAI TORAI were being filmed. Our alert camera caught this Japanese Zero flying low over the harbor.