

"MANELE GOLF COURSE AT FOUR SEASONS RESORT LANA'I features three holes bordering oceanside cliffs with dramatic lava outcroppings. If heights frighten you, don't even think about looking over the edge of the serrated cliffs!" – JACK NICKLAUS

"Best In All The Americas"

U.S. News & World Report, after evaluating 24,000 luxury properties, picked **Four Seasons Resort Lana'i** as the best hotel in the USA.

ISLAND OF LANAI, HAWAII: The passport of Alastair McAlpine, general manager at Four Seasons Resort Lana'i, has received a workout. His career required stints at eleven different Four Seasons properties.

"I was born in Belfast, Northern Ireland, so my passport is British, my wife is from Japan, and my daughter is American," smiled McAlpine. "Life has a way of traveling full circle. I opened the resort on Lana'i, worked around the world, and now I am back to where it all began. The island is the same, but it's a completely different resort. With our recent notable upgrades and expansion, it now delivers the highest of international standards. I was pleased, yet not surprised, that *U.S. News & World Report* ranked us best in the country.

"In-room amenities include technology seldom seen at other five-star resorts," continued McAlpine. "A supplied iPad allows you to request spa treatments, order room service, and view daily activities on an easy to use app.

"One thing that hasn't changed over the years is the island's old fashioned value of politeness. Locals appreciate you are here and it shows. Our staff-to-guest ratio is among the highest in the industry. Each employee completes a thorough vetting process, four interviews, and a final face-to-face review with me," said McAlpine.

Four Seasons Resort Lana'i will soon welcome a sister hotel at Koele for two distinct island experiences. "We are currently renovating Koele to open as a destination spa toward the end of the year. The focus will be on wellness with programming that only Four Seasons can deliver. One of a kind adventures include yoga with horses and testing your skills on our new rope course and zip lines.

"Between planning meetings, staff training, and tend-



"BEFORE HEADING to our practice facility stocked with Titleist Pro-V1 range balls, enjoy a complimentary Bloody Mary, coffee, and pastries to loosen up your swing." – SCOTT ASHWORTH, DIRECTOR OF GOLF



ing to guests' requests, work days can quickly slip by," admitted McAlpine. "Every so often, I will decompress by taking a sunset walk down our beach path overlooking Hulopo'e Bay. During the winter months, it's not uncommon to catch a glimpse of humpback whales migrating through the islands. The scene is a great leveler in life showcasing what is really important in our world." ■

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