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Waldorf Astoria debuts biggest spa in Hawaii

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The new spa opened this week. Image credit: Hilton

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Hilton's Waldorf Astoria is welcoming guests to a new amenity in one of its Hawaii hotels.

As of this week, the Grand Wailea resort is now home to the Kilolani Spa, an open-air luxury relaxation destination. Spanning 40 treatment rooms across 50,000 square feet of space, the brand states that it is the largest spa in the region.

"Kilolani Spa truly embodies our commitment to honoring Maui's rich wellness culture, while embracing the modern innovations of the spa industry," said JP Oliver, managing director at Grand Wailea, A Waldorf Astoria Resort, in a statement.

"We look forward to offering our guests personalized treatments imbued with local influences, natural ingredients, and the aloha spirit."

Wellness retreat

Created in collaboration with spa design and consulting firm TLEE Spas, Kilolani Spa came with a price tag of \$55 million.

Aiming for the highest luxury experience, the wellness mecca features couples' treatment suites, a meditation lounge, a reflection lounge, halotherapy-infused infrared saunas, hydrothermal gardens, a saltwater pool, various types of shower rooms and a hammam a Turkish steam bath and the only one of its kind in the Aloha State.

Waldorf Astoria showcases the Kilolani Spa

"We are thrilled to introduce guests to Kilolani Spa, where they can feel truly immersed in the spirit of Maui," said Tracy Lee, president and founder of TLEE Spas, in a statement.

"It was important to create an experience that honors and connects guests to Hawaii's deep and diverse culture and wellness traditions."

The programming and experiences within the Kilolani Spa are shifting daily to follow the islands' Helu P 10-day moon cycles. Honoring local traditions, the space offers holistic treatments, native botanicals and products handcrafted on the island.

Furthering ties to Hawaiian culture, the wellness spot is debuting a bespoke form of "sound healing" that utilizes tribal chants.



A saltwater pool is among the amenities on offer within the 50,000-square-foot space. Image credit: Hilton

The spa's menu of offerings is wide-ranging, from "Hawaii's first-ever biostation" to a gym with fitness equipment. Uplifting the latter option, "The Movement Studio," an on-site educational space, hosts beach yoga, cycling, and Peloton and Technogym classes.

Wellness is at the core of the overall experience, with guided meditation and a full-service salon on the list of available opportunities for guests to indulge.

Separately, the Kilolani Spa also features a dedicated retail space, selling signature Lokelani essential oils and a selection of "curated offerings" created in partnership with Californian upscale supermarket chain Erewhon.

The new spa operates from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily.

The wellness segment has been an area of particular interest among luxury brands. Earlier this year, French beauty brand Guerlain opened the Maroma Spa at the Maroma Hotel in Mexico, owned by LVMH's Belmond brand (see story).

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