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travel log
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The Hana Road, on the 'other' side of Hawaii

MAUI, Hawaii — They sell a T-shirt here which reads: "I survived the Hana Road."

There are many exotic resort areas on this island, but the Hana Road takes you to the other, wilder side. It is an eight-hour tour, part of it on a road so bad it can only be called a jeep trail.

We drive out of Wailuku through sugar cane fields that circle the misted shape of Haleakala — the House of the Sun — the largest volcanic crater in the world. We will spend all day driving around it. The road passes a Buddhist temple framed between a bell and a royal poinciana tree, and is soon lined with bougainvillea — woody tropical vines — as we head for the sea road and the wet side of the island.

We are in the path of the trade winds, which drop rain on one side of each of the Hawaiian Islands and leaves the other side dry. The Hawaiians traditionally build their resorts on the dry side of the islands.

PINEAPPLE FIELDS are dark and blue as we start to climb. At the first sign of Norfolk pines, the Hawaiian Christmas tree, the land begins to break into deep, gullied hills, with wild orchids peeking purple out of the lush growth on either side. We go down gullies green with mango trees, past an emerald bamboo-covered hill to waterfalls plunging unexpectedly into deep pools beside the road.

One of the highlights of the Hana Road is a visit to the Seven Pools and the grave of Charles Lindbergh. Hawaiian photographer Robert Wenkam, who has published coffee-table sized picture books of all these islands, calls the Seven Pools "the last Hawaiian place."

From the road, you can see the water flowing step by step through the pools from tree-covered rocks above you to the white surf beach below you. Bathers sun on the rocks and swim in the deep, cool pools along the length of the waterway.

A few miles down the road at Palakala Homanu, you can walk down from the road to Kipahulu Congregational Church and Lindbergh's grave. The gravesite is a large, fenced platform of volcanic rock bearing a simple inscription.

The Lindbergh grave is one of the few monuments you see on the Hana Road or on any of the roads that take you away from the resort areas in the Hawaiian Islands. The attractions of Hawaii are scenic, and they are on every side.

Tours like this are designed to show you the topography of the island, the wonderful lush growth that appears around every curve, and the enticing glimpses of the sea.

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At top is a detail from a bronze jar from the late fourth century B.C. Above is a marble head of Alexander from the first or second century B.C. Both are part of "The Search for Alexander" at the Art Institute of Chicago through the summer.

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By Iris Sanderson Jones
special writer

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Mark di Suvero is upstairs on Ontario Street, with his wonderful rusty watcha-ma-callits going 'round and 'round in the presence of his friends.

That's what I like about art in Chicago. It is integrated into the daily life of the city, where you can touch it on the way to work, enjoy it after a quick lunch in the park or see a new work in a contemporary art gallery.

If you have limited time, consider dividing an art tour of Chicago into three parts. Do a walking tour of the public sculpture in the Loop area, with a stop at the new piece by Jean Miró.

Spend a morning, with a tape recorder as a guide, exploring the stunning new exhibit called

"The Search for Alexander" at the Art Institute of Chicago. Let Jeannette Barza and her friends at Art Safari Inc. guide you around the contemporary galleries on Michigan Avenue and Ontario Street, with a little continental breakfast thrown in just to be civilized about it.

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