

Waiakoa Loop Trail

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Trail Length: 3 miles

Time: Approx 2 hours

Terrain: Forested slopes; elevated climbs

Activity: Pedestrian, Bicycle

Difficulty: Moderate

Elevation: 400 ft

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Directions: From Kahului, take Highway 37 past Pukalani to the second junction of Highway 377. Turn left on 377 for about 0.3 mile, then right on Waipoli Road. The road travels through the first cattle guard and climbs up the mountain through a long series of switchbacks until it enters the forest at 6,400` elevation. Road from the hunter`s check in station is 4-wheel drive only and may be impassable. It is suggested that you park below the check in station.

Route: Trail begins at the hunter`s check-in station on Waipoli Road near the top of the switchbacks. The 4-wheel drive road travels 0.75 mile on the contour to a gate where the trail starts. The trail travels north on the contour for 1 mile, switch backs down 400` elevation, turns back south above the forest boundary and then switch backs up 500` elevation to the starting point. The vegetation is mostly native scrub and grass, with some planted pines near the gate and extensive black wattle in the lower portion. There are excellent views in all directions. Wear bright clothing. Be aware that you may encounter hunters who are hunting off the trail. Stay on trail.

