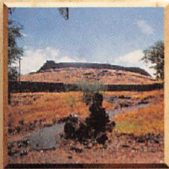


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The most popular attraction is the ruins of Pu'ukohola Heiau ("Temple on the hill of the whale") built by King Kamehameha the Great. The terraces of Pu'ukohola Heiau dominate the side of a prominent hill overlooking Kawaihae Bay. Predicted by the famous prophet of Kauai-Kapoukahi, that Kamehameha should build a temple in honor of Ku-Ka'ili-moku, his family's war god, and he would conquer all of the islands. One of the last major sacred structures built in Hawaii before outside influences permanently altered traditional life.

**SPECIAL INFORMATION**

For your safety, stay on the designated trails and do not climb on the walls of the temple. The trail from the visitor center is long, hot and rugged. If you are not physically fit and attired properly, do not attempt the hike. • Superintendent, Pu'ukohola Heiau National Historic Site, P.O. Box 44340, Kawaihae, HI 96743, (808) 882-7218.