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The St. Regis Princeville Resort KAUAI

WHY IT'S GREAT: The cliff-top view of Hanalei Bay has been there forever, but 2009's multimillion-dollar renovation and the addition of the Halele'a Spa has amped up the luxury in this iconic *South Pacific* setting (the 1958 movie was filmed nearby). And it's about nature at the 252-room St. Regis, with décor inspired by the island's red-clay earth and leafy green flora. Dining-wise, savor Hawaiian hula and storytelling at the Mailani dinner show, or indulge in French-Asian fusion cuisine at Jean-Georges Vongerichten's Kauai Grill.

WHAT TO GET: *Halele'a* means "house of joy," and the spa jubilantly embraces Kauai's botanicals, so you can have your massage infused with maile cream, taro butter or organic seaweed oil (50 minutes, from \$165). Or try an la carte service done poolside overlooking the bay.

WHAT ELSE TO DO: Golf, horseback-ride or kayak. Then rent a car and drive the North Shore to Hanalei (stop at Postcards Cafe for an organic lunch), before hiking part of the cliff-hugging Na Pali Coast trail. Rooms from \$399. stregisprinceville.com — DH