



## PEARL HARBOR HISTORIC SITES

### FACT SHEET

Welcoming more than 1 million visitors each year, the Pearl Harbor Historic Sites include four independent memorials and museums — one under the purview of the U.S. National Park Service and others operated by private, nonprofit organizations. Together, in partnership, they carry forth the legacies of several of our nation's most treasured icons, enduring tributes to the valor and sacrifices of our veterans during a time when the future of our nation and the world truly hung in the balance. The result is a powerful visitor destination and cumulative educational experience that has grown.

#### **Pearl Harbor National Memorial**

A unit of the National Park Service, Pearl Harbor National Memorial and the neighboring partner sites preserve, interpret, and commemorate the history of World War II in the Pacific from the events leading to the December 7, 1941, attack on O'ahu, to peace and reconciliation. The three ships' memorials honor and commemorate all members of the U.S. Armed Forces and civilians who gave their lives to their country during the attack on the island of O'ahu and Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.

The Pearl Harbor Visitor Center is open seven days a week from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The visitor center, two museums, and USS Arizona Memorial program are free for all visitors. The visitor center is closed three days a year: Thanksgiving Day, December 25, and January 1. For every other day, including all other holidays, we are open from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please note that the first come first served ticket distribution program has been discontinued. USS *Arizona* Memorial programs are reservable through [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov).

#### **Pacific Historic Parks**

A non-profit that is the official cooperating association of the National Park Service, Pacific Historic Parks operates the museum store on the grounds of the Pearl Harbor National Memorial. PHP offers the self-guided multimedia tour narrated by actress Jamie Lee Curtis and World War II Pearl Harbor survivors. The tour walks you through 29 stops on the museum grounds and aboard the USS *Arizona* Memorial. PHP also offers a Virtual Reality Center that allows you to witness the attack on Pearl Harbor as never seen before. The digital experience Air Raid Pearl Harbor is part of the Passport package. It provides the timeline of the attack and places you on the deck of the USS *Utah*, one of the battleships destroyed December 7, 1941. The VR Center also rents a second compelling VR for \$9.99. Skies Over Pearl puts you in the cockpit of a Japanese fighter plane as it departs the carrier Akagi and heads for Oahu military airfields and Pearl Harbor. Visitors who have viewed the narrated VRs recommend seeing them before touring the USS *Arizona* Memorial and the two World War II museums on the park grounds. There are also earlier generation VRs available for \$5.99. You can walk the deck of the USS *Arizona* on the day it was attacked. You can also go underwater and see

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the mammoth guns never fired in battle and view the place USS *Arizona* survivors have their remains interred to join their fellow shipmates in eternity. To make reservations for the audio and VR tours, go to [pacifichistoricparks.org](http://pacifichistoricparks.org); email [tours@pacifichistoricparks.org](mailto:tours@pacifichistoricparks.org); or call 808-954-8759 or toll free (U.S and Canada) at 1-866-332-1941.

### **Pacific Fleet Submarine Museum**

Immediately adjacent to the Pearl Harbor National Memorial, the award-winning Pacific Fleet Submarine Museum campus features the WWII fleet submarine, USS *Bowfin* (SS-287), a museum, a memorial honoring lost submarines and submariners, outdoor artifacts, a lanai (shaded patio), food service, gift shop, restrooms and concessions.

Launched on December 7, 1942, USS *Bowfin* was nicknamed the Pearl Harbor Avenger. *Bowfin* made nine war patrols during WWII. Opened to the public as a museum ship in 1981 and declared a National Historic Landmark in 1986, *Bowfin* celebrated her ten millionth visitor in 2021.

The Pacific Fleet Submarine Museum is one of the few museums in the world where visitors can learn about the history of the U.S. Navy's Submarine Force – the Silent Service during WWII, the Cold War, and Today and into the Future. The museum features a mix of traditional exhibits, multi-media, and interactive displays.

The Pacific Fleet Submarine Museum is currently open daily from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. General admission is \$21.99 for adults and \$12.99 for children aged 4-12. Military, kama'aina (local resident) pricing is \$16.99 per adult and \$8.99 per child (4-12). School group pricing is available. Admission includes an audio tour that is available in seven languages (English, Spanish, French, German, Japanese, Korean and Chinese). For more information, call (808) 423-1341 or visit [www.bowfin.org](http://www.bowfin.org)

### **Battleship Missouri Memorial**

Since opening in January 1999, the Battleship Missouri Memorial has attracted more than 9-million visitors from around the world with a fascinating tour experience showcasing the USS *Missouri*'s unique place in history. Located a mere ship's length from the USS *Arizona* Memorial, the Mighty Mo completes a historical visitor experience that begins with the "day of infamy" and sinking of the USS *Arizona* in Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, and ends with Japan's formal surrender aboard the USS *Missouri* in Tokyo Bay on September 2, 1945. The USS *Missouri* had an astounding career over five decades and three wars – World War II, the Korean War, and Desert Storm – after which it was decommissioned and donated to the USS Missouri Memorial Association, Inc., a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The Association operates the Battleship Missouri Memorial as a historic attraction and oversees her care and preservation with the support of visitors, memberships, grants, and donations.

The Battleship Missouri Memorial is open daily from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Military,

kama‘āina (local resident) and school group pricing is available. For information or reservations, call (808) 455-1600 or visit [USSMissouri.org](http://USSMissouri.org).

### **Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum**

Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum is located on Historic Ford Island, where bombs fell during the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. Walk the Pearl Harbor battlefield where the attack began, enter the bullet-scarred hangars, and aircraft of the battle, including a Japanese Zero and the B-17 Swamp Ghost. Hear the stories of World War II heroes and their response to the attack that changed our nation and world. Experience aviation battlefield from 168-feet above Pearl Harbor in the Top of the Tower Tour. Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum’s mission is to steward America’s World War II aviation battlefield and to honor those who have defended our freedom so we might educate and inspire future generations.

Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum is open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Military, kama‘aina (local resident) and school group pricing is available. As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, PHAM depends on membership, volunteers, and donations for support. For more information on the Museum or to book reservations, visit [PearlHarborAviationMuseum.org](http://PearlHarborAviationMuseum.org).

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