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Road Map Travel Guide

Hawaii Scenic Byway: "Chain of Craters Road:"

MILE	KM	ITEM	SUMMARY	MILE	KM
0.0	0.0	Junction	Terminus. Junction of Crater Rim Drive and Chain of Craters Road. Hawaii Colcanoes Nation Park. Crater Rim Drive heads up to Kilauea Crater whereas Chain of Craters Road heads down to the ocean. Altitude: 3720 feet	23.8	38.3
0.2	0.3	Trail	Crater Rim Trail crosses Chain of Craters Road. Altitude: 3675 feet	23.6	38.0
0.4	0.7	Rest Stop	View of old lava flows off of Kilauea Volcano, Hawaii. Altitude: 3645 feet	23.4	37.6
0.4	0.7	Crater	First of many craters. Altitude: 3635 feet	23.4	37.6
1.0	1.6	Crater Rest Stop	Road turn off with parking. Walk a 30 meters to a large crater. Altitude: 3619 feet	22.8	36.7
1.2	1.9	Meadow	West is a meadow and in the distance an old lavaflow. Altitude: 3599 feet	22.6	36.4
1.6	2.5	Small crater	Just the the West the jungle obscures this smaller crater called Koko 'Olau. Altitude: 3524 feet	22.2	35.8
2.2	3.6	Junction	Hilina Rali Road. Several miles on this road leads to a large cliff. Altitude: 3396 feet	21.6	34.7
2.2	3.6	Smaller Crater	East about 100 meters is a small crater. Altitude: 3389 feet	21.6	34.7
2.6	4.2	Hiiaka Crater	Rest stop on the West of road. Walk east along lavaflow to the Hiiaka Crater. Altitude: 3284 feet	21.2	34.1
3.2	5.2	Pauahi Crater	Pull out and parking on the East side of Chain of Craters Road to See Pauahi Crater. Altitude: 3274 feet	20.6	33.1
3.7	5.9	Road	East about a mile is the trailhead for Napau Crater Trail to the spectacular Makeopuhi Crater and Napau Crater. It is roughly 3 miles to the first large crater and a couple more to the next. Check a hiking guide book before proceeding. Altitude: 3228 feet	20.1	32.4
4.0	6.4	Lava Field	East is a large lava field. Altitude: 3205 feet	19.8	31.9
4.3	6.9	Trail	Road leads to Keaunou Trail and meets up with the Puna Kau Trail near the ocean. Altitude: 3189 feet	19.5	31.4
7.4	11.9	Scenic View	Views of old lava flows. Altitude: 2457 feet	16.4	26.4
8.7	14.0	Lava Flow	Road is cut right through old lava flows. Altitude: 2201 feet	15.1	24.3
9.8	15.7	Viewpoint	Views of lavafloes and ocean beyong cliff wall. Start of Naulu Trail. Altitude: 2001 feet	14.0	22.6
10.4	16.7	View	Road passes near cliff for spectacular view. Altitude: 1742 feet	13.4	21.6
12.1	19.5	Switchback	Road descends quickly with switchback. Altitude: 1181 feet	11.7	18.8
17.3	27.9	Ocean	Chain of Craters Road passes near the ocean. To the West steam plumes, where the lava meets the ocean, are sometimes visible. Altitude: 10 feet	6.5	10.4
18.6	30.0	Holei Sea Arch	Along the lava cliffs is the Holei Sea Arch. Watch the waves crash against the cliffs. Altitude: 23 feet	5.2	8.3
19.8	31.9	Lava Flow	Lava flows down from Puu Oo Cone, Hawaii. Altitude: 52 feet	4.0	6.4
23.8	38.3	Road's End	End of the Chain of Craters Road, Hawaii. Turn around. Altitude: 36 feet	0.0	0.0

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