

# TOP FIVE SUSHI JOINTS

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WITH ITS JAPANESE HISTORY AND CULTURE, HONOLULU HAS  
SOME OF THE BEST SUSHI THIS SIDE OF TOKYO.



Selection of Sushi

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## SUSHI SASABUNE RESTAURANT

Before you rock up to Sushi Sasabune Restaurant, there's something you should know. You will eat whatever you are given. Chef Seiji Kumagawa has been compared to New York's Soup Nazi immortalised in Seinfeld. He'll serve you what he wants – no arguments – and it's totally worth the fright.

**1419 S. King St, Honolulu**  
(808) 947-3800

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## MORIO'S SUSHI BISTRO

The 'so fresh it swims' sashimi may be incredible, but it's also charismatic owner and chef Morio who ensures this tiny den can be booked out for weeks. Always happy to share a sake with his customers, do your best to secure a table, then let him guide you as to what is great on the night.

**2443 Kuhio Ave, Honolulu**  
(808) 741-5121  
[www.morios.com](http://www.morios.com)

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## MORIMOTO WAIKIKI

American Iron Chef Morimoto's restaurant has now firmly established itself as one of the best Japanese fusion eateries in Hawai'i and the sushi, in both quality, selection, and presentation is outstanding. For those after stunning sashimi with a good dose of glamour, this is the place.

**The Modern Honolulu,  
1775 Ala Moana Blvd,  
Honolulu**  
(808) 943-5900  
[www.morimotowaikiki.com](http://www.morimotowaikiki.com)

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## SHIROKIYA FOOD HALL

This makes the count purely for its breadth of selection, and the overall experience of eating here. The Shirokiya Department store located in the Ala Moana Centre offers two levels of food halls, with an abundance of sushi, bento boxes... you name it. This is one serious Japanese food emporium.

**Ala Moana Center  
1450 Ala Moana Blvd,  
Honolulu**  
(808) 973-9111  
[www.shirokiya.com](http://www.shirokiya.com)

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## CHIBA KEN OF HAWAI'I

A few blocks back from the quiet end of Waikiki, just a short stroll from the Hilton Hawaiian Village is this modest looking, but seriously good Japanese. Owner and head sushi chef, Koji Okada, serves just-delivered seafood, ever-so delicately prepared at outstanding prices. Family friendly to the max.

**468 Ena Rd, Honolulu**  
(808) 941-2800  
[www.chibakenhawaii.com](http://www.chibakenhawaii.com)