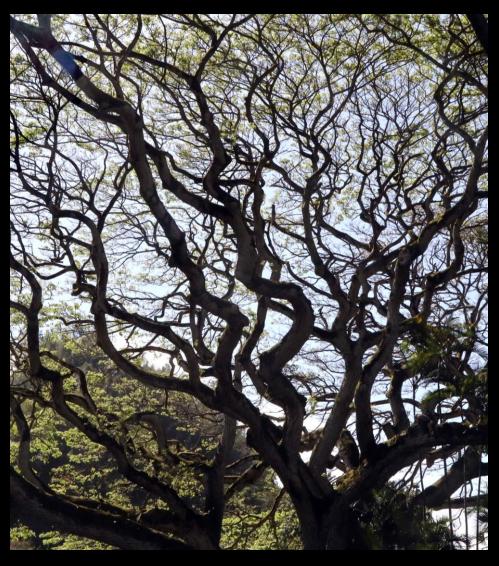
Waimea Arboretum and Botanic Garden is located on the North Shore of Oahu.

It is a stroll garden with multiple plant collections.

It also includes Waimea Falls.



The trail begins past huge monkey pod trees (Samanea saman).







The plant collections
were organized by
plant genera or family
and included regional
plant groups as well as
Hawaiian native plants.



Just inside the main gate were woody legumes including the Pride of Burma (Amherstia nobilis).





Golden showers (*Cassia fistulosa*) is one of Shari's new favorite plants.





Panama flame tree (Brownea macrophylla)



Sumi helping to photograph evening primrose tree (Hauya elegans).





The cannonball tree (*Couroupita guianensis*) was a big attraction.







The discovery of invasive giant African snails.







It seems touching clown fig (Ficus aspera) fruit was irresistible.







The native Hawaii collection included numerous *Hibiscus*.



Koki'o ke'oke'o Hibiscus arnottianus



Mo'o hau hele (Hibiscus brackenridgei)

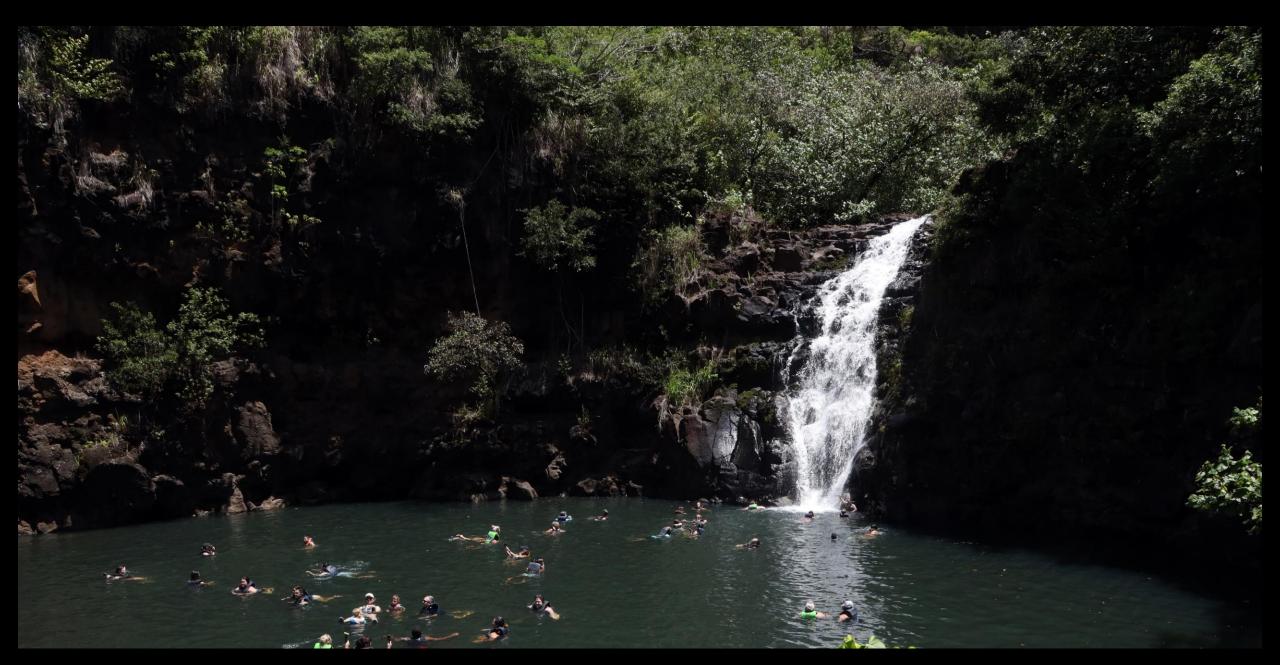


Koki'o ke'oke'o Hibiscus waimeae



Hibiscus clayi

At the end of the trail is Waimea Falls. It has supervised swimming.



After putting on a life preserver, you can enter the water.









We had lunch at the Arboretum.

Sumi was not sure about her first taste of poi.



