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Breathtaking views

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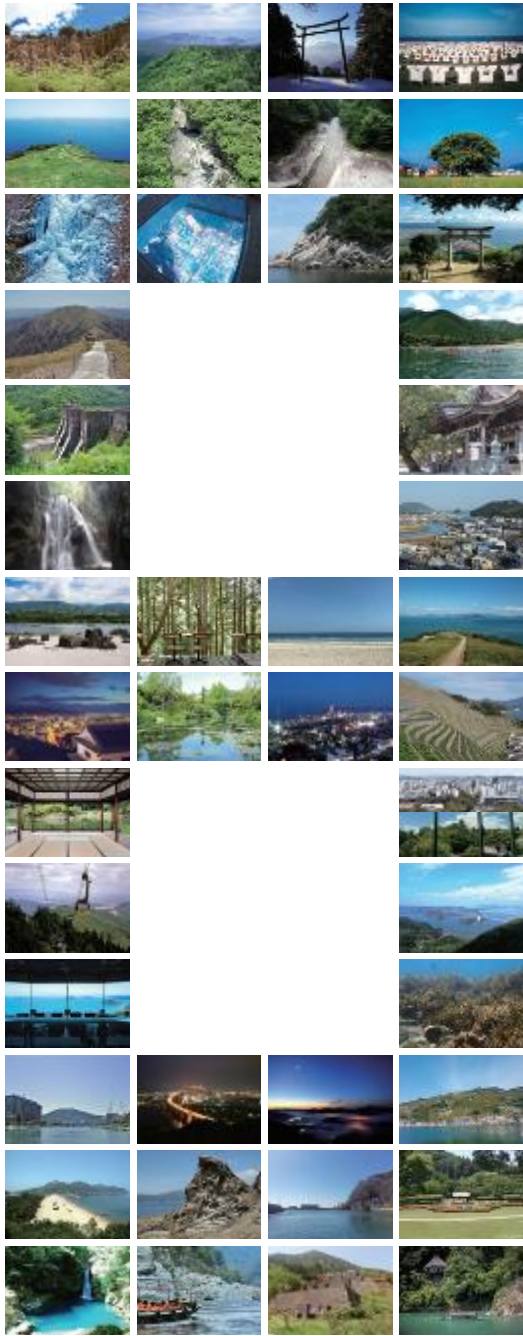
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Eighty-eight special seats are waiting just for you.





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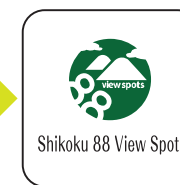
Shikoku 88 View Spots

We have selected 88 locations that offer scenery unique to Shikoku, from breathtaking nature views to enchanting townscapes, and dubbed them the Shikoku 88 View Spots.

Experience Shikoku to the fullest extent by visiting these sites as you would the fabled Shikoku Pilgrimage sites, immersing yourself in the scenery. A fascinating tour of the scenery of Shikoku awaits you."

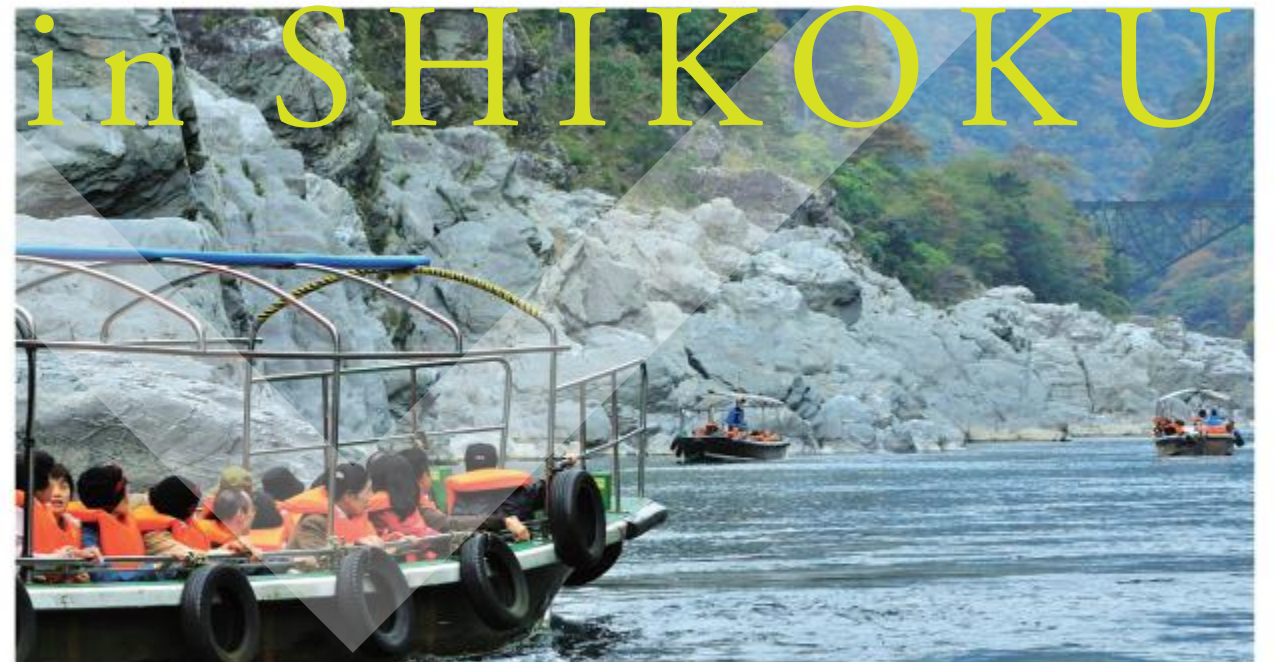
What is the Shikoku 88 View Spots Project?

In an effort to increase the number of tourists visiting Shikoku from other parts of Japan and abroad, this project selects places with views that embody the spirit of Shikoku, such as scenic nature and townscapes, and promotes their appeal as the Shikoku 88 View Spots. Each of these locations is a set that pairs "distinctly Shikoku scenery" with a "View Spot" from where you can best enjoy the view.



These View Spots have been established (maintained) so that you can enjoy the beautiful scenery in comfort and at your own pace. Why not come visit and see for yourself?
Access information for the View Spots can be found on the Shikoku 88 View Spots website.

Shikoku 88 View Spots Search



1 What a Thrill! Incredible Whirlpools Viewed From 45 Meters Above the Sea MAP[H.2]



From the 450 meter-long pathway built in the girder space of Onaruto Bridge, experience Naruto Strait, home to one of the three largest currents in the world and some of the largest whirlpools in the world. With guided tours and four glass floors along the way offering views of the whirlpools below from a height of 45 meters, this thrill-packed spot makes you feel as though you'll be sucked into the sea. There are also viewing boats available that let you see these powerful whirlpools right before your eyes.



Inquiries

Uzu-no-Michi Walkway

Tel: 088-683-6262

Address: 65 Fukuie, Tosadamariura, Narutocho, Naruto-shi, Tokushima (within Naruto Park)

Hours: 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM (changes depending on the season)

Fees: Adults: ¥510; Junior High & High School: ¥410; Elementary School: ¥260

Closed: 2nd Mondays of March, June, September, and December

Parking: 200 spaces (paid)

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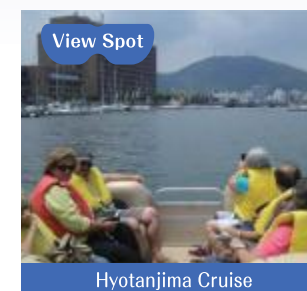


Uzu-no-Michi Walkway(Onaruto Bridge Promenade)

3 Views of Kenchopia and Mt. Bizan from the Water's Surface MAP[H.2]



Scenes of cruise boats circling the gourd-shaped sandbank show the city of Tokushima in a different light, its views of the prefectural office and yacht harbor in front of Mount Bizan reminiscent of Venice. There are also guided tours by boatmen, where the moment you pass beneath the oncoming bridge offers the thrill of an amusement park attraction.



Inquiries

NPO Shinmachi River Conservation Association

Tel: 090-3783-2084

Address: 2 Minamiuchimachi, Tokushima-shi, Tokushima

Hours: 11:00 to 15:40, 17:00 to 19:40

(Cruise boats depart every 40 minutes),

Fees: Adults:¥600, Children:¥300

(Night cruising: Adults:¥800, Children:¥400)

Parking:Paid parking in the area

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Hyotanjima Cruise

2 Breathtaking View! A Restaurant Overlooking Naruto Strait MAP[H.2]



Experience a stunning view overlooking Onaruto Bridge and Awaji Island with the Seto Inland Sea sprawling beneath them. In the Naruto Strait, with its tempestuous tides, the many fishing boats hunting for the Naruto specialty of sea bream add accent to the scenery. When the weather is nice, the terrace seating lets you feel the Seto breeze as you enjoy your meal along with this breathtaking sight in a sophisticated and tranquil space designed with enormous glass walls and fences for an unobstructed view.



Inquiries

Otsuka Ridge Co., Ltd.

Tel: 088-688-1212

Address: 1-1 Setocho Oshimada Nakayama, Naruto-shi, Tokushima

Hours: Lunch: 11:00-14:00, Teatime: 14:00-17:00, Dinner: 17:00-20:00

Fees: Multi-course meals start at ¥3,000

Closed: Mondays (the following day if Monday is a national holiday)

Parking: 50 spaces (free of charge), spaces for 4 large buses

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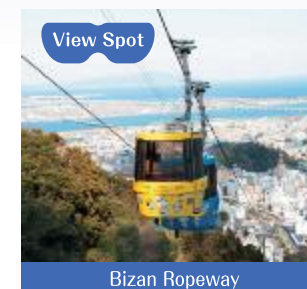


California Table

4 Scenes of "Water City" Tokushima From the Bizan Ropeway MAP[H.2]



Take in spectacular views of Tokushima, the "City of Water", as well as Mount Bizan, Tokushima's greenest landmark. Listen to commentary and original songs by local guides aboard the cable car, then at night enjoy a leisurely journey in the air as you overlook an ever-changing landscape of light, where rivers large and small weave through the city.



Inquiries

Bizan Ropeway

Tel: 088-652-3617

Address: 2-20 Shinmachibashi, Tokushima-shi, Tokushima

Hours: Apr. 1-Oct. 31: 9:00-21:00; Nov. 1-Mar. 31: 9:00-17:30

*Aug. 12-15: 9:00-22:00

Fees: Round Trip: Junior High School and Older: ¥1,030;

Elementary School Children: ¥510 Closed: Open year-round (excluding inspections)

Parking: 26 spaces (paid)

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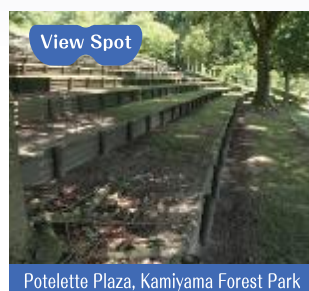


Bizan Ropeway

5 Experience the Four Seasons at Kamiyama Forest Park Il Rosa no Mori MAP[G.2]



Enjoy views of majestic mountains, rivers, and seas from the observation decks dotting this vast space which boasts an area of roughly 281 hectares. With hedge mazes and observation decks, this well-managed park makes for a pleasant space to relax. Here you'll find Potelette Plaza, where flowers, trees, and a sprawling 3.2-hectare lawn offer magnificent views that let you take in the beauty of the changing seasons.



View Spot

Potelette Plaza, Kamiyama Forest Park

Inquiries

Kamiyama Forest Park Il Rosa no Mori, Park Management Office

Tel: 088-678-0114

Address: Ano Oji, Kamiyama-cho, Myozai-gun, Tokushima

Hours: 9:00-17:00 (Nov.-Mar.: 9:00-16:00)

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round (some facilities closed Dec. 28-Jan. 4)

Parking: About 250 spaces (free of charge)

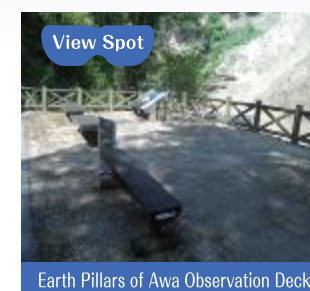
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7 Naturally Sculpted Beauty: The Earth Pillars of Awa MAP[G.2]



Dozens of earth pillars in a row make onlookers marvel at the mysteries of nature, wondering how such a curious sight came to be. The view from the top and nighttime illuminations are also worth seeing. Walk along the promenade to find an observation deck where great consideration has been given to its design, with a wooden fence and lights installed low to illuminate your path and guide you to the viewing point.



View Spot

Earth Pillars of Awa Observation Deck

Inquiries

City of Awa Commerce and Tourism Division

Tel: 0883-36-8722

Address: Sakuranooka, Awacho, Awa-shi, Tokushima

Hours: Nighttime illumination

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: Dochu Soyokaze Hiroba Parking Lot: About 40 spaces (free of charge)

Other: May-Aug: Sunset-22:00, Sep-Apr: Sunset-21:00

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8 The Udatsu Townscape of Floating Lanterns MAP[G.2]



The nostalgic, tranquil atmosphere wrought by the stately white-walled buildings featuring udatsu, short pillars set on beams, transforms when the sun sets and square lanterns lining the streets light up, their warm and gentle glow transporting you to an entirely different world from the daytime. With guides available to give in-depth explanations of the history Wakimachi and Aigura, which houses shops that sell indigo products and other souvenirs as well as a café area, there's plenty here to entertain visitors.



View Spot

Wakimachi Udatsu Townscape

Inquiries

Mima Sightseeing & Tourism Bureau

Tel: 0883-53-8599

Address: 92 Oaza Wakimachi, Wakimachi, Mima-shi, Tokushima

Hours: 9:00-18:00

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: New Year holiday period

Parking: About 40 spaces (free of charge) at Ai-Land Udatsu Roadside Station

Google MAP



6 "Shikoku Saburo" Yoshino River, an Eternal River Sprawling Before Your Eyes MAP[G.2]



Winding through the Tokushima Plains and mountains, seemingly rushing toward you, is the Yoshino River, the largest river in Shikoku and one of the three most rampaging rivers in Japan, which is also referred to as "Shikoku Saburo". The high vantage point gives you the potential for some incredible panoramic views of the Yoshino River.



View Spot

Iwa-no-Hana Observation Deck

Inquiries

City of Yoshinogawa Commerce and Tourism Division

Tel: 0883-22-2226

Address: 210-1 Kawashima, Kawashimacho, Yoshinogawa-shi, Tokushima

Hours: 8:30-17:15

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: About 20 spaces (free of charge)

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9 The Symphony of the Magnificent Yoshino River and the Rock Garden of Horaku-ji Temple

MAP[G.2]



This stunning rock garden incorporates the natural scenery of the surrounding Asan Mountains and the Yoshino River, with crane rocks and turtle rocks swimming and boat rocks sailing toward Horaijima Island. The cranes and turtles represent longevity, making this a traditional Japanese Horai garden for immortality, with high-quality installations arranged to keep the viewer engaged. The garden was created by Tadakazu Saito.

Inquiries

Horaku-ji Temple, Mt. Renge

Tel: 0883-52-2754

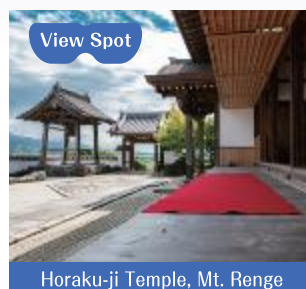
Address: 123 Mishima Aza Oshima, Anabuki-cho, Mima-shi, Tokushima

Hours: 9:00-17:00 (Apr.-Oct.), 9:00-16:30 (Nov.-Mar.)

Fees: ¥300 entrance fee

Closed: Open year-round

Google MAP



Horaku-ji Temple, Mt. Renge

11 Kamo-no-Okusu, a Giant Camphor with Skyward Branches

MAP[F.2]



Designated as a national natural monument, Kamo-no-Okusu is a magnificent giant camphor tree spanning 52 meters east-to-west, 42 meters north-to-south, and 26 meters high, with breathtaking branches that stretch out evenly in all directions. Get up close to feel the power of this giant camphor, then admire its magnificence from the adjacent Okusu Park. Estimated at 1,000 years old, this camphor is still growing, and you can sense its powerful life force just by standing in its presence.

Inquiries

Town of Higashimiyoshi Industry and Commerce Division

Tel: 0883-79-5345

Address: 1482 Kamo, Higashimiyoshi-cho, Tokushima

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 10 spaces (free of charge), 2 spaces for large buses (free of charge)

Google MAP



Okusu Park

10 A Townscape of Two-Tiered Udatsu Pillars

MAP[G.2]



Until the mid-1950s, this was a flourishing townscape, home to merchants wealthy from tobacco and raw silk who vied with each other to build of udatsu (short pillars). The udatsu here are unusual compared to others in Japan in that they are two-tiered, with the first half lower than the second, and feature incredible plasterwork of pine trees, hawks, turtles, and more. There are guided town tours as well as Orimotoya, an exemplary building that has retained the appearance of its old udatsu since the Edo Period, which was rebuilt during the early Meiji era as a merchant house for a sake brewer, and is now used as a place for relaxation as well.

Inquiries

Tsurugi Town Exchange Promotion Division

Tel: 0883-62-3111

Address: Sadamitsu Azacho, Tsurugi-cho, Mima-gun, Tokushima

Hours: 8:30-17:00 Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 59 spaces (free of charge) Use Former Nagai Residence, Orimotoya, Tsurugi Town Hall, Tsurugi Town Employment Improvement Center parking lots

Google MAP



Sadamitsu Two-Tiered Udatsu Townscape

12 Liftoff to the Skies! Mizunomaru Fureai Park

MAP[F.3]



Roughly an hour's drive from the national highway awaits an unobstructed, awe-inspiring panoramic view overlooking the Yoshino River, Tokushima Expressway, and the Asan Mountains. The Mizunomaru area of Mizunomaru Fureai Park takes advantage of its high altitude with multiple paraglider flight points. Sit on the gentle slopes at the top of the mountain and spend your time watching paragliders glide through the air.

Inquiries

Town of Higashimiyoshi Industry and Commerce Division

Tel: 0883-79-5345

Address: 2970-5-13 Nakasho, Higashimiyoshi-cho, Miyoshi-gun, Tokushima

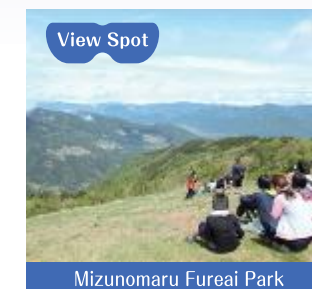
Hours: 8:30-17:15

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round (However, it might be inaccessible in winter due to snow.)

Parking: 20 spaces (free of charge)

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Mizunomaru Fureai Park

13 See the Beauty of Oboke Gorge from the River

MAP[F.3]



Inquiries

Oboke Gorge Pleasure Boat

Tel: 0883-84-1211

Address: 1250 Yamashirocho Nishiu, Miyoshi-shi, Tokushima

Hours: 9:00-17:00 (final boarding at 16:30)

Fees: Adult: ¥1200, child: ¥600 (age 3 to elementary school)

Closed: Open year-round Parking: 150 spaces (free of charge)

Other: Boat rides suspended in case of strong wind, high water, storms, etc.



The distinctive terrain of the Shikoku Mountains, formed as the oceanic plate sank below the continental plate in the Nankai Trough off the coast of Shikoku, makes for a powerful sight visible from the Yoshino River. Behold steep cliffs and curious rock formations approaching your boat as the captain provides riveting commentary. Experiencing the crystal clear waters of the Yoshino River is another part of the charm of this boat tour.



Oboke Gorge Pleasure Boat

14 Double Vine Bridges Off the Beaten Path

MAP[F.3]



Inquiries

City of Miyoshi Tourist Information Center

Tel: 0120-404-344

Address: 620 Higashi-Iya Sugeoi, Miyoshi-shi, Tokushima

Hours: Sunrise-sunset

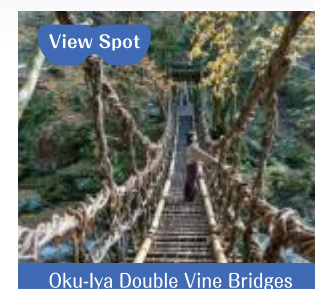
Fees: Adult: ¥550, child: ¥350

Closed: Winter (12/1-3/31)

Parking: 30 spaces (free of charge)



Sunlight pours through the trees onto the crystal clear waters of this gorge, over which hang Niju Kazura Bashi, a pair of vine bridges that make you feel as though you're venturing into uncharted territory. Feel the thrill as you cross one of the vine bridges, or descend to the blue stone-laden river below to admire the beauty of the gorge. For even more fun, try crossing the gorge in a human-powered ropeway called a yaen.



Oku-Iya Double Vine Bridges

15 Panorama from the Mt. Tsurugi, the Second Highest Peak in Western Japan

MAP[G.3]



Inquiries

Mount Tsurugi Sightseeing Lift

Tel: 0883-67-5277

Address: 205-25 Minokoshi, Higashi-Iya, Miyoshi-shi, Tokushima

Hours: Mid-April to end of November

Fees: Adult: ¥1,300 (one-way), child: ¥650 (one-way)

Closed: Start and end times may vary due to weather and other factors.

Parking: Free of charge



Behold the panoramic views of the Shikoku Mountains from vast meadows sprawling across the mountain peak in every direction. A lift that takes you near the summit makes climbing this mountain relatively easy. With benches and easily walkable wooden pathways, this spacious summit is designed so you can take in the view at your leisure.



Mt. Tsurugi Summit

16 Panoramic Views from the Kii Channel to the Asan Mountains

MAP[G.3]



Inquiries

Town of Sanagouchi Planning and Policy Division

Tel: 088-679-2973

Address: Kami-Aza Okawara, Sanagouchi-son, Myodo-gun, Tokushima

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 300 spaces (free of charge)



Located in the only village in Tokushima Prefecture is Okawara Highland, offering sweeping views of the Shikoku terrain, including the Kii Channel, Tokushima Plains, and Asan Mountains. Over 30,000 colorful hydrangeas blooming from late June to mid-July make this landscape all the more spectacular. There is a telescope in Hilltop House, a popular spot for stargazing parties, and locally grown produce and processed goods for sale in the summer. This area is also where the brand-name Okawara Highland cattle graze, for added charm.



Okawara Plateau

17 Sweeping Views All the Way to Wakayama from the Longest Ropeway in Western Japan MAP[H.3]



Inquiries

Ropeway

Tel: 0884-62-3100

Address: 76 Wajikigo Tano, Naka-cho, Naka-gun, Tokushima

Hours: 8:00-17:00 (final ascent:16:40)

Fees: (Round-trip) Adult: ¥2,600, junior/high school: ¥1,950, elementary school: ¥1,300

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 150 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



Connecting Tairyu-ji Temple, the 21st temple on the Shikoku 88 Temple Pilgrimage, from its 600-meter altitude to the foothills is the longest ropeway in Japan, offering sweeping views of the Naka River, Tsurugi Mountains, and Kii Channel. Ropeway crew provide amusing commentary and anecdotes about Kobo Daishi, letting you enjoy the scenery below on an even deeper level. This high, shaking ropeway is also perfect for thrill-seekers.



Tairyu-ji Ropeway

19 Views of Hiwasa Seen from Yakuo-ji Temple MAP[H.3]



Inquiries

Mt. Koya Shingon Sect, Bekkaku Honzan, Yakuo-ji Temple

Tel: 0884-77-0023

Address: 285-1 Okugawauchi Teramae, Minami-cho, Kaifu-gun, Tokushima

Hours: 8:00-17:00

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 500 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



Yakuo-ji Temple, the 23rd temple along the Shikoku 88 Temple Pilgrimage, offers views of Hiwasa, a temple town that has flourished since antiquity and retains its old townscape of narrow alleyways called awae. From the promenade overlooking the temple town you can see the main temple of Yakuo-ji and a town woven with streets so narrow cars cannot pass. Go a bit further to take in views of Ohama Beach, famous as a sea turtle spawning ground.



Mt. Io, Muryoju-in, Yakuo-ji Temple

18 Kobo Daishi Seen from Byodo-ji Temple MAP[H.3]



Inquiries

Byodo-ji Temple Religious Corporation

Tel: 0884-36-3522

Address: 177 Akiyama, Aratano-cho, Anan-shi, Tokushima

Hours: 8:30-17:00

Fees: Free of charge

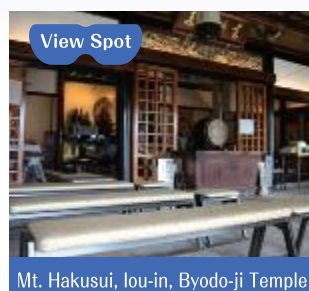
Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 30 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



The silhouette of the mountains over a tranquil town from the slightly elevated main hall resembles Kobo Daishi in repose, making for a truly Japanese landscape. At Byodo-ji Temple, the 22nd temple along the Shikoku 88 Temple Pilgrimage, you'll find this serene space that evokes the essence of the Japanese mind, where a rope connects from the seated statue of the Yakushi Nyorai at Niomon Gate, and in the main hall you can see Daishi with the rope in his hand.



Mt. Hokusui, Iou-in, Byodo-ji Temple

20 Matsu-ga-Iso, Transforming with the Tides MAP[G.4]



Inquiries

NPO Kaifu Nature Network

Tel: 0884-72-2520

Address: 198-1 NadaShimohamabe, Mugi-cho, Kaifu-gun, Tokushima

Hours: 9:00-16:30

Fees: High school and older: ¥200, elementary/junior high school: ¥100, preschool: free of charge

Closed: Mondays (the following day when Monday is a national holiday)

Parking: 20 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



The scenery at Matsu-ga-Iso vacillates with the ebb and flow of the tides, connected to the land at low tide, then transforming into an island floating in the sea at high tide. Take in the views of the Pacific, where distant islands give this distinctly Shikoku scenery depth, then head to Mollusco Mugi, a shell museum where you can see shells and fossils from around the world.



Mollusco Mugi, Mugi Town Wooden Model Facilities

21 Takegashima Marine Park Underwater Fantasy Cruise

MAP[G.4]



Behold coral and colorful tropical fish dwelling in the crystal-clear waters of Takegashima Marine Park. Have a seat as you peer beneath the sea in the observation deck at the bottom of the ship, where a boatman provides commentary for an unforgettable experience. The park also offers a wealth of marine activities such as stand-up paddleboarding, sea kayaking, and snorkeling, letting you take in the views while having a blast.

Inquiries

Kaiyo Natural Ocean Museum Marine Jam

Tel: 0884-76-3100

Address: 28-45 Shishikuiura Takegashima, Kaiyo-cho, Kaifu-gun, Tokushima

Hours: 9:00-16:00 (open until 17:00 on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, during Golden Week, summer holidays, and New Year holidays)

Fees: Adult: ¥2,000, elementary school: ¥1,000, preschool: 1 free per adult, ¥500 for each additional child

Closed: Tuesdays (closed following day if Tuesday is a holiday; open during Golden Week, summer holidays, and New Year holidays)

Parking: 20 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



Blue Marine Underwater Sightseeing Boat

22 Cape Muroto Lighthouse, Watching Over Earth's Creation on the Tip of Shikoku

MAP[G.5]



Cape Muroto, designated as a national park in June 1964 and then as a Global Geopark in September 2011, is a place where curious rock formations dot the landscape and subtropical forests and coastal plants grow thick. The spectacular view lets you feel for yourself new land formation and the dynamism of an ever-changing Earth. Guided tours are available so you can learn even more in-depth about the geopark, including some featuring quirky guides offering extraordinary experiences.

Inquiries

The city of Muroto Tourism and Geopark Promotion Division

Tel: 0887-22-5161

Address: 1810-2 Murotomisaki-cho, Muroto-shi, Kochi

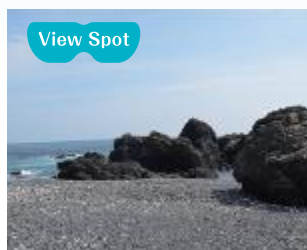
Hours: 8:30-17:15

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 50 spaces (near the cape)

Google MAP



Cape Muroto (Kanjogahama)

23 Monet's Garden: Scenes from Three Gardens

MAP[F.4]



Here, you'll find the only reproduction of Monet's garden officially recognized by the Fondation Claude Monet in France. Colorful lily pads float like jewels on the surface of the water for a truly magnificent landscape. These meticulously-groomed gardens welcome visitors with the utmost in high-grade hospitality by offering spaces designed especially for viewing, as well as signage featuring paintings by Monet.

Inquiries

Kitagawa Village "Monet's Garden" Marmottan

Tel: 0887-32-1233

Address: 1100 Notomoko, Kitagawa-mura, Aki-gun, Kochi

Hours: 9:00-17:00

Fees: General (high school and older): ¥1,000, elementary/junior high school: ¥500

Closed: First Wednesday of the month from June to October

December to the end of February

Parking: Approx. 100 spaces (including spaces for 6 large buses) (free of charge)

Google MAP



"Monet's Garden" Marmottan

24 Breathtaking Seas and Blue Skies A Restaurant Floating on the Sea

MAP[F.4]



Discover spectacular views of blue skies and the majestic Pacific Ocean sprawling before your eyes, then the breathtaking coastline of Kotogahama Matsubara to the east at Sea House, a restaurant built to protrude from the sea so that you'll feel as though you're floating over the ocean. The interior is designed so you can enjoy the scenery in leisure while eating cuisine made with fresh local produce.

Inquiries

Sea House

Tel: 0887-32-2880

Address: 54-1 Nishibunotsu, Geisei-mura, Aki-gun, Kochi

Hours: Weekdays: 11:30-20:00, weekends & holidays: 11:00-20:30

Closed: Open year-round (closed for two days on Dec. 31 and Jan. 1)

Parking: 30 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



Sea House

25 Todorono-Taki Falls, Where Lies The Heike Legend of Princess Tamaori

MAP[F.3]



Enjoy spectacular scenery year-round at Todorono-Taki falls, selected as one of the top 100 three-tiered waterfalls in Japan with its 82-meter drop. Its three glittering blue basins are involved in the legend of the Heike Princess Tamaori. There is an observation deck overlooking the entire waterfall designed with low fences so as not to obstruct the view. This spot is also famous for its autumn leaves, when many visitors stroll along the promenade, then head to the limited-time tea house for specialty products and meals.



Todorono-Taki Falls Observation Deck

Inquiries

Kami City Kahoku Branch Office Regional Promotion Group

Tel: 0887-52-9286

Address: Inonoyunoki, Kahokucho, Kami, Kochi

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open all year

Parking: About 40 vehicles (Free of charge)

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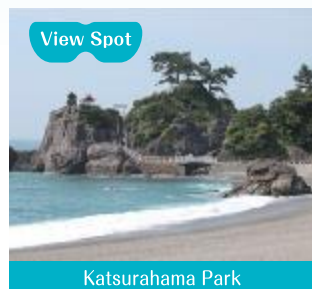


26 Gazing Out Over the Pacific and Katsurahama with Ryoma

MAP[E.4]



A bow-shaped coast between Cape Ryuzu and Cape Ryuo with white sand and green pine shores dotted with colorful stones, creating a stunning harmony with the azure sea. On the hill stands a statue of Ryoma Sakamoto gazing out over the Pacific, while on the shore is a monument to Keigetsu Omachi, a modern Japanese poet and Kochi native. Katsurahama Park is currently under redevelopment to make Katsurahama even more appealing.



Katsurahama Park

Inquiries

Katsurahama Park Management Office

Tel: 088-841-4140

Address: 6 Urado, Kochi-shi, Kochi

Hours: Parking lot: 6:00-22:30

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 500 spaces (paid: buses ¥800, regular vehicles ¥400, motorbikes ¥50, taxis ¥160)

Google MAP



27 Experience History with Kochi Castle Keep and Views of the Castle Town

MAP[E.4]

View from Kochi Castle



View from Kochi Castle Museum of History



Enjoy a 360-degree view of the castle town from Kochi Castle Keep, known for having the only surviving keep and inner citadel palace. Otesuji Avenue, just outside Otemon Gate, is home to the Tosa Sunday Market, a lively event with more than 300 years of history. In the castle town below is the Kochi Castle Museum of History, the new hub for Tosa's history and culture, offering panoramic views of the stunning castle keep and Otemon Gate.

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[Kochi Castle]

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[Kochi Castle Museum of History]

View Spot



Kochi Castle

View Spot



Kochi Castle Museum of History

Inquiries

Kochi Castle Museum of History

Tel: 088-871-1600 Address: 2-7-5 Otesuji, Kochi-shi, Kochi

Hours: 9:00-18:00 (Sundays 8:00-18:00) *Last entry 30 min before closing

Fees: ¥800 during special exhibitions, ¥500 at other times, free for high school students and under *Also sold as a set with Kochi Castle tickets

Closed: Year-end closings

Parking: General parking is not available. (2 disabled parking spaces available)

Inquiries

Kochi Castle Management Office

Tel: 088-824-5701 Address: 1-2-1 Marunouchi, Kochi-shi, Kochi

Hours: 9:00-17:00 (Last entry: 16:30)

Fees: Adult: ¥500, under 18/high school & under: free of charge

Closed: Dec. 26-Jan. 1 Parking: 65 spaces (paid)

28 A Panoramic Sea of Clouds Seen from Yutorisuto Park Otoy

MAP[F.3]



Located at an altitude of 750 meters, this park offers spectacular views overlooking the Sameura Dam and the magnificent Shikoku Mountains. Early in the morning from autumn to spring, a magical sea of clouds sprawls beneath your eyes in every direction. There is also an RV campground where you can enjoy barbecue and game dishes, allowing you to forget the passage of time as you unwind.



Yutorisuto Park Otoy

Inquiries

Yutorisuto Park Otoy

Tel: 0887-72-0700

Address: 4037-25 Nakamura-daio, Otoy-cho, Nagaoka-gun, Kochi

Hours: 10:00-17:00

Park Entrance Fee: Free

Closed: Tuesday (Occasional winter closings: December - March)

Parking: Approx. 200 spaces (free of charge)

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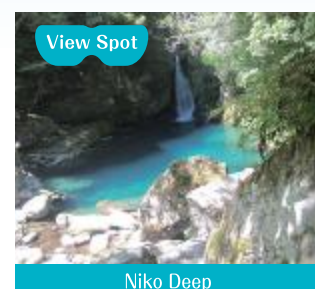


29 Secluded Blue: Niko Deep

MAP[E.3]



The water in this basin, so clear that you can see through to the rocks beneath, turns blue or green depending on how the light hits it for a spectacle of color. Niko is famous as a sacred place where you can see a beautiful azure known as "Niyodo Blue". The path leading to the basin is built so as not to obstruct the surrounding scenery, giving you the feeling of being an adventurer making your way through the wilderness.



Niko Deep

Inquiries

Town of Ino Gohoku Branch Office, Industry Division

Tel: 088-867-2313

Address: Hodono, Kiyomizu Kamibun, Agawa-gun, Ino-cho, Kochi

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open all year

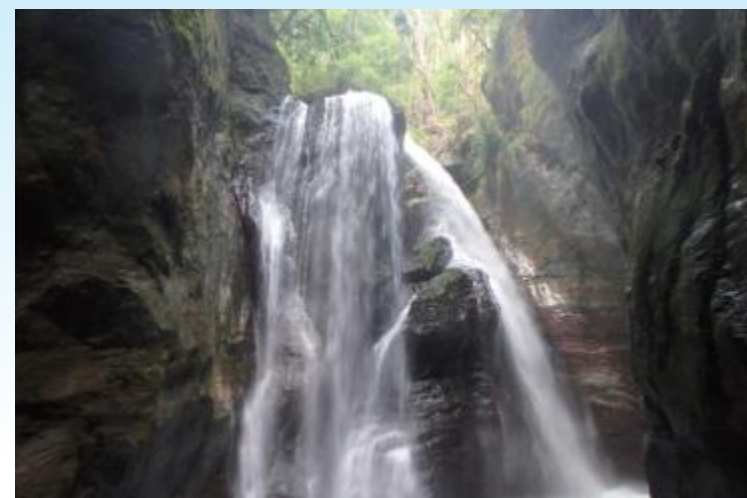
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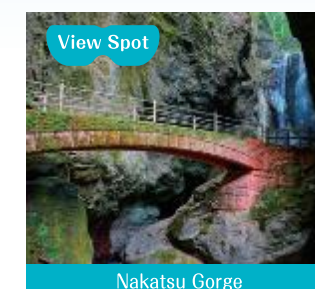


MAP[D.4]

31 Magnificent Uryu-no-Taki Falls in Nakatsu Gorge



There's beauty to behold in this gorge year-round, with bright green in springtime and red leaves in fall. Stroll along the pathways lining the ravine and you will come across Uryu-no-Taki Falls. Get ready to be overwhelmed with water gushing in all directions and a drop of 20 meters. The pathways let you get close to the river, and Yunomori situated at the entrance of Nakatsu Gorge welcomes visitors with accommodations and hot springs. A canyoning tour is available in the upper reaches of Nakatsu Gorge, which is a great time for anyone who wants to get an even deeper experience of Niyodo Blue.



Nakatsu Gorge

Inquiries

Town of Niyodogawa Tourism Association

Tel: 0889-35-1333

Address: 258-1 Nanokawa, Niyodogawa-cho, Agawa-gun, Kochi

Fees: Free of charge

Parking: 15 vehicles (free of charge)

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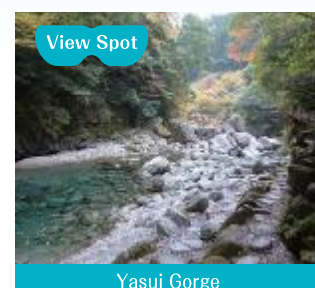


30 A Gorge Painted in Niyodo Blue

MAP[D.4]



Behold the "Niyodo Blue" of the Yasui River, flowing from the forests of the Ishizuchi Mountains, Western Japan's highest peaks. River stones tinged with blue and crystal-clear waters reminiscent of the heavens extend for more than 10 km. The best place to see Niyodo Blue is Crystal Deep, where the water grows bluer the deeper it goes. Pathways here are made using local stone, with stone fences built in consideration of the landscape. Located within the gorge is Horaiso, which welcomes visitors with dining options and accommodations.



Yasui Gorge

Inquiries

Town of Niyodogawa Tourism Association

Tel: 0889-35-1333

Address: 1627-4 Oya, Niyodogawa-cho, Agawa-gun, Kochi

Fees: Free of charge

Parking: 50 vehicles (free of charge)

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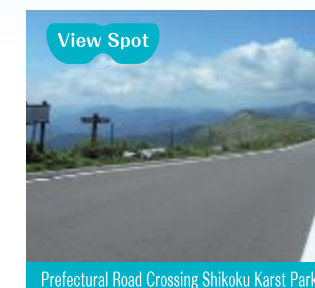


32 Shikoku Karst, a Playground in the Sky

MAP[D.4]



Situated on the border between Kochi and Ehime is Shokoku Karst, one of the top three karsts in Japan. At the highest altitude in Japan, this karst features a distinctive landscape of exposed limestone formations dotted across sprawling meadows set against clear skies and low-hanging clouds. On a clear day, the surrounding Shikoku Mountains are also visible. Roads have been established across the mountain ridge crossing the karst terrain, letting you enjoy the vast scenery as you stroll or ride a bicycle or motorbike. Accommodations are available on both the Ehime and Kochi sides of the karst, where you can enjoy the stary night sky and the sea of clouds.



Prefectural Road Crossing Shikoku Karst Park

Inquiries

Mezuru-sou

Tel: 0892-55-0057

Address: Nishidani, Kumakogen, Kamiukena-gun, Ehime (Mezuru-sou)

Hours: Mezuru-sou: 10:00 to 15:00

Fees: Free of charge (except for accommodations, meals, and shops)

Closed: Mezuru-sou: December to March

Parking: 60 vehicles (free of charge)

Google MAP



33 A Starry Sky So Close You Can Almost Reach It!

MAP[D.4]



Situated in the east of Shikoku Karst at an altitude of 1,300 meters is Tengusou, where, with no ambient light around, you can see the starry skies throughout the seasons. The number of stars in the night sky will astonish you. When conditions are good, you may even see Gamma Crucis (the top star) of the constellation Crux, visible only in the south of Southern Kyushu. With no manmade objects obstructing the view, you can enjoy the scenery from your guest room or from the baths. There are also telescopes, hammocks, benches with heaters built so you can observe the heavens, along with nightly guides to the starry skies so you can enjoy the view even more.

View Spot



Tengusou Highland House

Inquiries

Tengusou Highland House

Tel: 0889-62-3188

Address: 4921-22 Yoshiuno, Tsuno-cho, Takaoka-gun, Kochi

Hours: Check-in: 15:00, Check-out: 10:00, Restaurant: 10:00 to 15:00

Star Walking in summer from 20:00, in winter from 19:30 (about 30 min)

In rainy weather, the night sky will be explained using video inside the hotel.

Fees: Starting at ¥9,900 per night, Star Walking free of charge

Closed: The 2nd Tuesdays and Wednesdays of June and December Parking: 200 vehicles (free of charge)

Google MAP



34 The Shimanto River Seen from Ochakuri Café

MAP[C.5]



Located mid-stream along the famously clear Shimanto River is a café offering sweeping views of the craggy-rocked Shimanto River. Built on the premises of Shimanto Towa Roadside Station, Shimanto Ochakuri Café lets you enjoy freshly squeezed Mont Blanc using local brand chestnuts called "Shimanto Jiguri" and Shimanto black tea as well as take in the view at the counter by the enormous glass windows facing the river.

View Spot



Shimanto Ochakuri Café

Inquiries

Shimanto Ochakuri Café

Tel: 0880-28-5528

Address: 62-9 Towakawaguchi, Shimanto-cho, Takaoka-gun, Kochi

Hours: 11:00 to 15:00 (Last order at 14:30)

*Saturdays, Sundays and holidays: 10:00 to 15:00

Closed: Wednesday *Irregular closures in winter

Parking: 89 vehicles (free of charge)

Google MAP



35 Only in Shimanto-- A Canoe Experience in Japan's Clearest Waters

MAP[C.5]



Watch the many low-water crossings dotting the gently rolling Shimanto River as you row along in your canoe. The absence of man-made objects in the vicinity lets you feel as though you are one with this vast wilderness. Find a campsite, bungalows, and other accommodations near the river at Kawarakko, then explore nature as you go downriver in a canoe or float raft for an unforgettable experience that can only be had in Shimanto.

View Spot



Kawarakko Shimanto Canoe and Camping Village

Inquiries

Kawarakko Shimanto Canoe and Camping Village

Tel: 0880-31-8400

Address: 24 Tadenokawa, Shimanto-shi, Kochi

Hours: 8:00 to 18:00

Fees: Downstream: Adults ¥6,000, Children ¥5,000

Closed: Mondays (not closed in July, August and September)

Parking: 40 vehicles (free of charge)

Google MAP



36 Willows and canola flower as Far as the Eye Can See from the Shimanto Riverbank

MAP[D.6]



While fields of canola flower can be seen here and there throughout Japan, nothing compares to the view from the Shimanto Riverbank, where meadows of yellow canola flower carpet the floor of a brightly colored willow forest. Green willows and yellow canola flower woven together for two kilometers along the Shimanto River create a beautiful contrast, and you can enjoy a stroll or take in the views while making merry at the Canola Flower Festival.

View Spot



Shimanto River Bed (Willows)

Inquiries

City of Shimanto Tourism Association

Tel: 0880-35-4171

Address: Nyuta, Shimanto-shi, Kochi (Shimanto Riverbed)

Hours: Best season is beginning of March to end of March (events on weekends and holidays)

Fees: Free of charge

Parking: Over 100 vehicles (free of charge)

Google MAP



37 Experience Art in Nature at Seaside Gallery

MAP[D.6]



This 4-kilometer long beach serves as an art gallery, with works of art printed on T-shirts that serve as canvases. Waves crashing on the shore reflect the T-shirts as they sway in the breeze. The thousand T-shirts lining the beach are a work of modern art, truly a sight to behold. The T-shirt art exhibit is held over the long holidays in May, with other special art exhibits hosted several times a year, featuring quilts and artwork made from driftwood.

View Spot



Seaside Gallery (Irino-no-Hama Beach in Kuroshio, Kochi)

Inquiries

NPO Seaside Gallery Office

Tel: 0880-43-4915

Address: Irino, Kuroshio-cho, Hata-gun, Kochi

Hours: 8:30 to 17:00 (NPO Seaside Gallery Office)

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Around New Year (Seaside Gallery Office is closed at this time, but the beach is open year-round.)

Parking: Miyagawa Park: About 57 vehicles (Nearest parking to Irino-no-Hama Beach)

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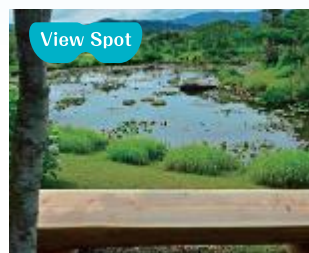
38 Seasonal Wildflowers Color Hoshigaoka Park

MAP[C.6]



Discover a breathtaking view, where a blue gradient of mountains in the backdrop provides a sense of unity with nature. A pond blooming with ten varieties of water lilies including royal water lilies, Hoshigaoka Park is a cozy space with carefully tended seasonal wildflowers no longer seen in the wild, including the Himeno Peony.

View Spot



Hoshigaoka Park (Himeno Peony Village)

Inquiries

Villgae of Mihara Regional Development Division

Tel: 0880-46-2111

Address: 1271 Miyanokawa, Miharamura, Hata-gun, Kochi

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open all year

Parking: 102 vehicles (Free of charge)

Google MAP



39 Oki-no-Hama, the White Sandy Beaches of Choice for Sea Turtles

MAP[D.6]



Green forests give way to a gently curving, 1.6 km-long sandy beach sprawling before your eyes, where the high white waves of the Pacific make for a breathtaking sight. With no buildings in the vicinity, you can take in a leisurely view of the entire shore from the gazebo. This beach is also a popular surfing spot that brings surfers from all over regardless of the season, and it is also a famous spawning ground for endangered loggerhead turtles.

View Spot



Oki-no-Hama Beach Gazebo

Inquiries

City of Tosashimizu Tourism and Commerce Division

Tel: 0880-82-1212

Address: Oki, Tosashimizu, Kochi

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open all year

Parking: 63 vehicles

Google MAP



40 Cruise Unexplored Seas: Cape Ashizuri Rock Art Carved by the Kuroshio Current

MAP[D.6]



Take in views of Cape Ashizuri, the symbol of Ashizuri-Uwakai National Park, not from a conventional observatory, but from the sea. There is even an enormous sea cave just below the lighthouse that leads to Kongo Fukuji Temple, the 38th stop along the Shikoku Pilgrimage. Listen to commentary from the captain as you experience the power of nature created by uplifts and the rough waves of the Kuroshio Current.

View Spot



Cape Ashizuri Cruise

Inquiries

Okano Ferry

Tel: 0880-88-0960 Address: 610-1 Ashizuri, Tosashimizu-shi, Kochi

Hours: (1) 9:00 (1-30 guests) (2) 30 min before sunset (2-30 guests)

Closed: New Year holidays and when there is rain, high waves, or lightning

Eimaru

Tel: 090-5140-3017 Address: 1181-1 Ashizuri, Tosashimizu-shi, Kochi

Hours: Sunrise to sunset (1-12 guests)

Closed: Irregular closures and when there is rain, high waves, or lightning

Shared

Fees: Middle School and Older: ¥2,500, Elementary School Students: ¥1,250, group discounts for parties of 15 or more

Parking: 30 vehicles (free of charge), parking space for 1 large bus

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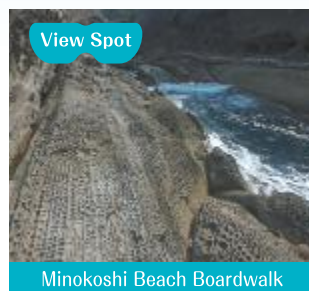


41 Left Unseen by Kobo Daishi! A Boat Journey to the Strange Rocks of Minokoshi Kigan Park MAP[C.6]



Located on Minokoshi Coast along Tatsukushi Bay is Japan's first designated marine park, where strange boulders created from geological formations 15 million years ago dot the beautiful beach. Named Minokoshi ("left unseen") because Kobo Daishi missed out on this scenery during his visit to Tatsukushi, this beach is difficult to get to even to this day, although it is now possible to get there on a glass-bottomed boat that started operating in around 1955. Enjoy a sense of the extraordinary as you journey to the coast in this glass-bottomed boat, and then take a stroll on the pathways weaving through kigans (strangely shaped boulders) for an unforgettable experience.

View Spot



Minokoshi Beach Boardwalk

Inquiries

Tatsukushi Sightseeing Steamboat

Tel: 0880-85-0037 Address: 19-10 Tatsukushi, Tosashimizu, Kochi
Hours: 8:00 to 17:00

Tatsukushi Marine Sightseeing

Tel: 0880-85-1155 Address: 4135-2 Misaki, Tosashimizu, Kochi
Hours: 8:30 to 16:30

Shared

Fees: Adults: ¥1,560, Children: ¥780 Closed: Open year-round

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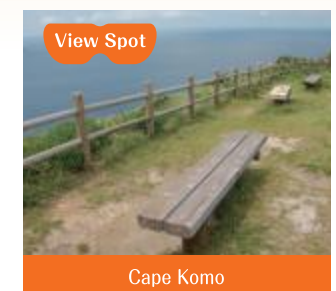


43 Rows of Cliffs and Sweeping Views of the Pacific MAP[B.6]



Komo Cape, lined with cliffs towering over 100 meters high on the southernmost tip of Ehime, offers stunning views of vast carpets of green as well as blue seas, with views of Kyushu in the distance. The observation space uses a thin two-tiered wood fence designed so as not to disrupt the scenery. There is nothing here to obstruct the views, so you can enjoy a sprawling panorama as you feel the gentle breeze on your skin.

View Spot



Cape Komo

Inquiries

Ainan Town Hall, Saikai Branch

Tel: 0895-82-1111
Address: Komo, Ainan-cho, Minamiuwa-gun, Ehime
Fees: Free of charge
Closed: Open all year
Parking: About 30 vehicles (Free of charge)

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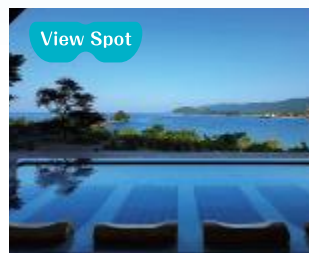


42 Mirage Sunset and Kanyoto in Sukumo Bay MAP[C.6]



Called a "Daruma Sunset" in Japan because it looks like a distorted daruma (dharma doll), a mirage sunset happens when the sun sets on the cloudless horizon on a cold winter evening, an elusive phenomenon you can witness only if you're lucky. The ultramarine sea sprawls before your eyes from the veranda of your hotel room, where you might catch a glimpse of the mirage sunset. Enjoy superb views from the restaurant or from the open-air baths.

View Spot



Sukumo Resort Yashi-no-Yu

Inquiries

Sukumo Resort Yashi-no-Yu

Tel: 0880-65-8185 Address: 17-27 Oshima, Sukumo, Kochi
Hours: Check-in: 15:00 to 10:00, Bathing times: 6:00 to 8:00, 13:00 to 22:00
(Times may differ according to accommodation plan, in which case those times take precedence)
Fees: Day Spa: Adults: ¥650, Children: ¥300 (children of elementary school age and younger) (*Under 3 years old: free of charge)
Closed: Open all year
Parking: 80 vehicles (free of charge)

Google MAP



44 Sotodomari, a Village of Stone Walls Defending Against Monsoon MAP[B.6]



Along a steep slope facing the inlet lies a village where nearly all the houses are surrounded by stone walls. This distinctive scenery lets you feel the lives of a people who have survived against typhoons and the vicissitudes of nature. Behold these walls woven throughout the village as you make your way up the slope, where you'll find Dandan-kan, a resting place that welcomes visitors. Enjoy coffee and snacks while you take in views of the stone-walled houses and the Uwa Sea beneath you.

View Spot



Sotodomari Stone-Walled Village (Area Pathways)

Inquiries

Town of Ainan Commerce and Tourism Division

Tel: 0895-72-7315
Address: Sotodomari, Ainan-cho, Minamiuwa-gun, Ehime
Closed: Open all year
Parking: About 10 vehicles (Free of charge)

Google MAP



45 Tilling Toward the Heavens: Yusumizugaura Terraced Fields

MAP[B.5]



Terraced fields built on stone walls across a steep slope facing the Uwa Sea create powerful scenery that can be seen as “tilling toward the heavens” that will make the viewer feel the lives and labor of the people who have dwelled here over the ages. At the foot of these terraced fields lies a teahouse that welcomes visitors with food and drink made with local ingredients. Stroll along the narrow paths lining the terraced fields to see up-close the stone walls built through the toil of ancestors. The Terraced Field Conservation Association has been established to conserve this important landscape.

View Spot



Yusumizugaura Terraced Fields (Pathways)

Inquiries

Uwajima City Tourism and Products Association

Tel: 0895-49-5700

Address: 2323-3 Yusu, Uwajima-shi, Ehime

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

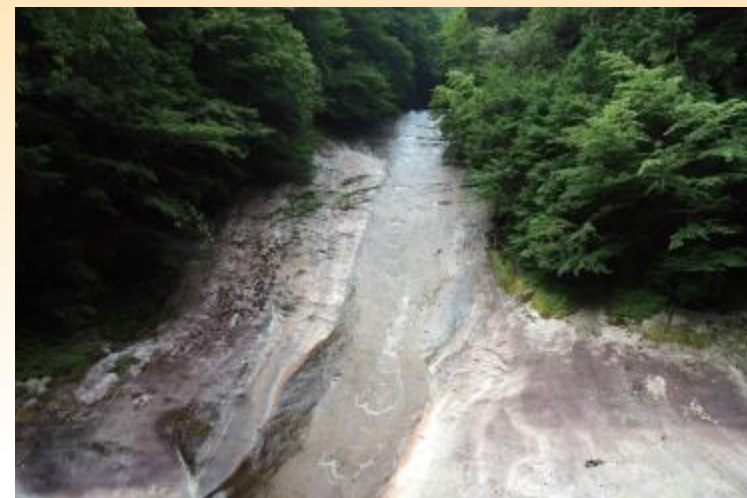
Parking: 12 spaces (free of charge)

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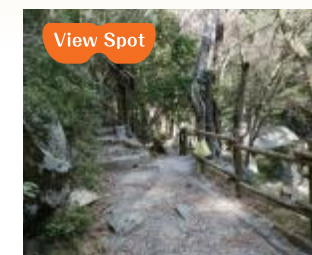
47 Yukiwa-no-Taki Falls, a Splendid Formation Created by Nature

MAP[C.5]



Yukiwa-no-Taki Falls in Nametoko Gorge was chosen as one of the top 100 waterfalls in Japan. Ripples that look like rings of snow on the rocks as they fall creates a magnificent sight. The 12km long Nametoko Gorge, stretching from the city of Uwajima to the town of Matsuno, is distinctive for its smooth rock face created through eons of erosion. It is also a renowned canyoning spot, and a trip down this natural water slide is bound to leave lasting memories.

View Spot



Nametoko Gorge

Inquiries

Town of Matsuno Town Revitalization Division

Tel: 0895-42-1116

Address: Nogawa Nametokoyama, Uwajima-shi, Ehime

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

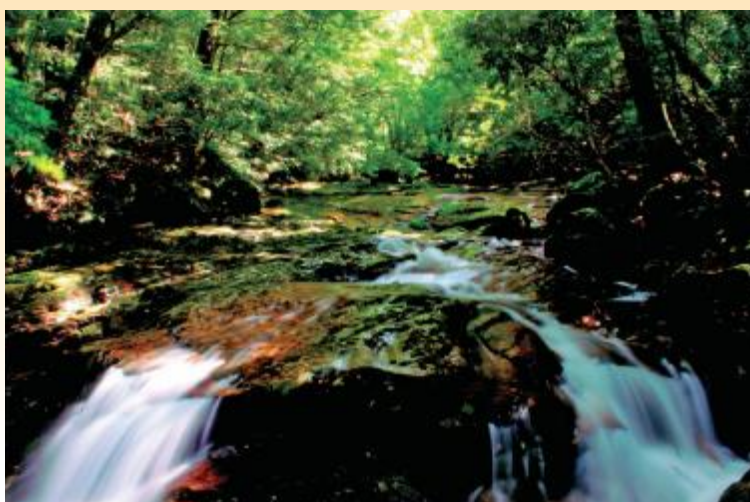
Parking: 150 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



46 Narukawa Gorge, a Stunning Ravine Throughout the Seasons

MAP[C.5]



Pristine streams flowing from the Onigajo Mountains in Ashizuri Uwakai National Park have carved Narukawa Gorge, a beautiful river valley roughly 3km in length. The landscape can be enjoyed throughout the seasons at this gorge, where you can take in views of cherry blossoms and fresh greenery in spring, play in the ravine in summer, pluck red leaves in fall, and behold the snow in winter. Adjacent facilities are replete with accommodations, restaurants, and hot springs, letting you enjoy yourself the entire day.

View Spot



Narukawa Gorge

Inquiries

NATURE HOTEL NARUKAWA

Tel: 0895-45-2639 Address: Nara, Kihoku-cho, Kitauwa-gun, Ehime

Hours: 11:00-21:00

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays (the following day if Tuesday is a holiday)

Parking: 100 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



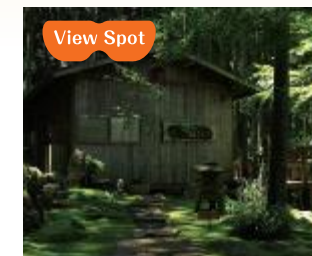
48 Breathtaking Moss Garden Shrouded in Silence

MAP[C.4]



Light shining through the foliage of the trees in a moss garden sprawling over 2,250 square meters of stone walls in what was once a rice paddy creates a magical moment that will take your breath away. Once can clearly see that the garden is well-tended, and the hand-written signs exude warmth for a high-quality space you'll enjoy spending time in. The view from gallery café Kokemushiro is framed like a painting, letting you enjoy the view along with a drink or a leisurely stroll.

View Spot



Kokemushiro

Inquiries

Kokemushiro

Tel: 080-3928-9276

Address: 2099 Uwacho Nobusato, Seiyō-shi, Ehime

Hours: 10:00-17:00 (Last order at 16:30)

Fees: Drinks: ¥500 each, Cake: ¥200~¥300,

Koke-Manju: ¥200 (Admission: ¥100)

Closed: Mondays (Open only on weekends and holidays from January – March)

Parking: 30 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP

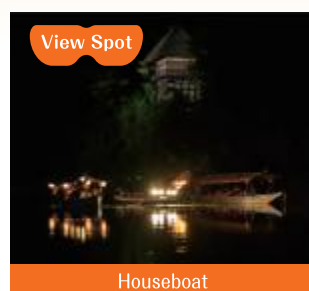


49 Furoan and Garyu Deep Experienced Aboard a Houseboat

MAP[C.4]



Built in the kakezukuri or "overhang" style jutting out over a cliff, Furoan in Garyu Sanso, a nationally important cultural heritage site, offers stunning views of lush greenery and red autumn leaves reflected on the river's surface on days when the wind is calm. One of Japan's top three spots for cormorants, Ukai in Osu is the only place in the country where you can enjoy seeing cormorant fishing boats and houseboats operating together, which is a rare sight in Japan. Witness the boatmen's high level of steering skill as you enjoy your meal.



Houseboat

Inquiries

City of Ozu Tourist Information Center

Tel: 0893-57-6655

Address: 649-1 Ozu, Ozu-shi, Ehime

Open: Jun. 1-Sep. 20

Fees: Ukai: Adults: ¥4,000, Children: ¥3,000 (Boarding only)

Parking: 43cars (free of charge, Ozumachi-no-Eki Asamoya)

Google MAP



50 Old-Fashioned Townscapes Rife with the Traditional Culture of Uchiko

MAP[C.4]



Situated along Konpira Kaido, one of the Shikoku Pilgrimage roads, are the townscapes of Yokaichi and Gokoku, where rows of traditional townhouses and merchant mansions stretch for 600 meters, just as they did when they were originally built. The pale yellow earthen walls are painted with local earth, with the contrast between white plaster and yellow earth creating a distinctively warm impression. Along these streets is Kamihagatei Wax Museum, where you can learn about the houses and local industry at the time.



Townscapes of Yokaichi and Gokoku

Inquiries

Kamihagatei Wax Museum

Tel: 0893-44-2771

Address: 2696 Uchiko, Uchiko-cho, Kita-gun, Ehime

Hours: 9:00-16:30

Fees: Admission: Adult: ¥500

Closed: Open year-round (closed for New Year holidays only)

Parking: Machinami Parking Lot: 65 spaces (¥300 for regular vehicles)

Google MAP



51 Terraced Fields of Mukainada in Yawatahama

MAP[B.4]



These terraced fields built on stone steps stretching across the mountain slope grow various kinds of citrus fruits, offering a stunning contrast between the deliciously fragrant white flowers of May and the orange clusters of ripe tangerines in autumn against the azure skies and seas and white stone walls. At Yawatahama Minatto, you'll find a shop selling local specialties, rice bowls made with fresh seafood, and barbecue, as well as a carefully-tended lawn and boardwalk where you can take a stroll and benches where you can sit and take in the views.



Michi-no-Eki Minato Oasis Yawatahama Minatto

Inquiries

Michi-no-Eki Minato Oasis Yawatahama Minatto and Exchange Center

Tel: 0894-21-3710

Address: 1581-23 Okishinden, Yawatahama-shi, Ehime

Hours: 9:00-21:30

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Usually Dec. 29-Jan. 3

Parking: 197 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



52 Sadamisaki Lighthouse, Guardian of Hoyo Strait on the Westernmost Tip of Shikoku

MAP[A.5]



From the Mt. Tsubaki Observation Deck, take in views of Sadamisaki Lighthouse, a tower first lit 100 years ago, standing at the westernmost tip of Shikoku, as well as boats drifting on Hoyo Strait as well as Kyushu in the distance. One could look at this tranquil scenery all day. As its name implies, Mt. Tsubaki is covered in Japanese camellia (yabu tsubaki) flowers from winter to early spring. The observation deck has been renovated to create the perfect place for viewing, with a wood deck where you can get so lost in the view you'll forget about time.



Mt. Tsubaki Observation Deck

Inquiries

Town of Ikata Industrial Division, Sightseeing & Commerce Section

Tel: 0894-38-0211

Address: 1549 Shono, Ikata-cho, Nishiuwa-gun, Ehime

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 30 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



53 Views of the Matsuyama Cityscape from Matsuyama Castle on Mt. Katsuyama MAP[C.3]



A panoramic view of the city awaits you on top floor of Matsuyama Castle, towering high on Mt. Katsuyama (altitude of 132 meters) at the heart of the city of Matsuyama and one of the twelve castle keeps still in existence since the Edo period. Lights that seem to stretch on forever create a magnificent sight that can only be seen when the castle keep is open at night. One of the top tourist destinations in Ehime, Matsuyama Castle now has a ropeway and lift that takes you near the 8th station up the mountain. Seasonal events and night-time openings of the castle keep are held to entertain visitors.

View Spot



Matsuyama Castle

Inquiries

Matsuyama Castle Affairs Office

Tel: 089-921-4873

Address: 3-2-46 Okaido, Matsuyama-shi, Ehime

Hours: Honmaru Square 5:00-21:00 (varies by season)

Castle Keep 9:00-17:00 (varies by season, last admission 30 min. before closing)

Fees: Castle Keep Admission: Adult: ¥520, Child (elementary school age): ¥160

Closed: Castle Keep: 3rd Wednesday of December

Parking: 12 spaces (paid), 8 large bus spaces (paid)

Google MAP

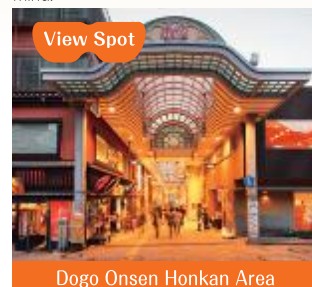


54 The Oldest in Japan: Dogo Onsen Honkan, the Symbol of Dogo MAP[C.3]



Though rebuilt in 1894 and then renovated in 2014 for the 120th anniversary of its reconstruction, Dogo Onsen Honkan has over 3,000 years of history and serves as a symbol of Shikoku. The first bathhouse designated as a national important cultural property in 1994, Dogo Onsen is well-reputed both in Japan and abroad. A walk around this symbol of Dogo reveals different and distinctive sceneries. There are many spots around the main building where you can experience history and culture, as well as rickshaw guides. Once you've taken your commemorative photo, soak in the hot springs to heal both body and mind.

View Spot



Dogo Onsen Honkan Area

Inquiries

City of Matsuyama Dogo Onsen Office

Tel: 089-921-5141

Address: 5-6 Dogo Yunomachi, Matsuyama-shi, Ehime

Hours: 6:00-23:00 (last admission at 22:30)

Fees: Adult: ¥420, Child: ¥160

Closed: Open year-round (closed one day in December)

Parking: Kanmuriyama Parking: 100 spaces (paid), other

*Operating hours subject to change due to conservation work.

Google MAP



55 Mitsu no Watashi, a Ferry Sailing Through the City Streets MAP[C.3]



Experience the quaint panorama views of this leisurely, unchanging port from aboard a boat. Mitsu no Watashi is a municipal ferry that connects the 80 meters between Minatoyama and Mitsu, the port area of Matsuyama, as part of Takahama City Route No. 2. Beloved by locals as a means of transportation, this boat has also been gaining attention as a tourist attraction. Reflected in this scenery is Minato Mishima Daimyo Jinja, a shrine that protects this route and offers views of the boats as they sail by.

View Spot



Mitsu no Watashi (Takahama City Route No. 2)

Inquiries

City of Matsuyama Airport & Harbor Division Matsuyama Port Office

Tel: 089-951-2149

Address: Minatoyamamachi, 1 Mitsu, Matsuyama-shi, Ehime

Hours: 7:00-19:00 (operated throughout)

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round (operations maybe suspended due to bad weather)

Google MAP



56 The Quickwater of Kurushima Strait Experienced Aboard a Boat MAP[D.2]



The industrial landscape of the shipyard seen up close from Kurushima Kaikyo Bridge paired with the whirlpools of the Kurushima Strait creates a colorful and powerful sight. Guides explain everything, including the construction of the bridge. Surrender to the current and experience a natural thrill ride bound to leave lasting memories.

View Spot



Kurushima Strait Quickwater Ship

Inquiries

Michi-no-Eki Yoshiumi Iki-Iki-Kan

Tel: 0897-84-3710 Address: 4520-2 Yoshiumichomyo, Imabari-shi, Ehime

Hours: 9:00-16:00 Daily boat operation schedule varies depending on the current, so please inquire in advance.

Fees: General: ¥1,500 (junior high school and older), Child: ¥1,000

Closed: New Year's Day

Parking: 100 regular vehicle spaces, 10 large vehicle spaces, 2 disabled parking spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



57 Kurushima Strait Viewed from Mt. Kiro MAP[D.2]



The Kurushima Kaikyo Bridge along with the panorama of the Seto Inland Sea creates an incredible view you won't see at any other angle or distance. The approach toward the observation deck is designed so that it is fun in and of itself, and so as not to obstruct the incredible view.



Mt. Kiro Observatory Park

Inquiries

Imabari City Hall Yoshiumi Branch Office

Tel: 0897-84-2111

Address: 487-4 Yoshiumicho Minamiura, Imabari-shi, Ehime

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 32 regular vehicle spaces, 6 large vehicle spaces (free of charge)



Google MAP

59 Tranquil Views of the Seto Inland Sea from a Remote Island MAP[D.2]



The view from atop a small hill on a remote island in the bay of the tranquil Seto Inland Sea is one that will wash away any weariness from your journey. Located in Shimanami, the town of Kamijima sits on an island unconnected by any bridges, meaning you'll need to take a ferry.



Inland Sea Resort Fespa

Inquiries

Kamijima Town Tourism Promotion Division

Tel: 0897-77-2252

Inland Sea Resort Fespa

Address: 287 Yugehiji, Kamijima-cho, Ochi-gun, Ehime

Parking: 50 spaces



Google MAP

58 Cyclist Sanctuary and Tatara Bridge MAP[D.2]



Behold sweeping views of the Seto Inland Sea and Tatara Bridge, one of the world's few cable-stayed bridges that looks like two swans spreading their wings, situated at the border between Hiroshima and Ehime Prefectures. This spot is furnished so you can enjoy the view, with benches at the perfect distance from the bridge, designed to sit slightly higher so that the fences near the sea do not block the view. There is also a "Cyclist Sanctuary" monument within the park that has gained popularity among cyclists both inside and outside the prefecture as a kind of pilgrimage site.



Michi-no-Eki Tatara Shimanami Park

Inquiries

Michi-no-Eki Tatara Shimanami Park

Tel: 0897-87-3866

Address: 9180-2 Kamiuracho Inokuchi, Imabari-shi, Ehime

Hours: 9:00-17:00 Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 300 regular vehicle spaces, 16 large vehicle spaces, 3 disabled parking spaces (free of charge)



Google MAP

60 Behold the Beauty of the Hiuchi Nada Archipelago and the Ishizuchi Mountains MAP[D.3]



Behold spectacular views of the tranquil Seto Inland Sea and sprawling Dozen Plains against a backdrop of the Ishizuchi Mountains, its main peak of Mt. Ishizuchi the tallest in western Japan. The hotel here is designed for the view, with large glass windows and nothing blocking the scenery, so you can not only enjoy these breathtaking landscapes outdoors, but also as you soak in the hot springs or have a meal at the restaurant.



Kyukamura Setouchi Toyo

Inquiries

Kyukamura Setouchi Toyo

Tel: 0898-48-0311 Address: 7-179 Kawarazu-otsu, Saijo-shi, Ehime

Hours: 8:00- to 21:00, Day Spa: 11:00- to 15:00 (last entry at 14:00)

Restaurant (Lunch): 11:30- to 14:00 (last order at 13:30 on weekdays, 13:00 on Sundays and holidays)

Fees: Day Spa: Adults: ¥500, Children: ¥300

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 66 vehicles spaces (Free of charge)



Google MAP

61 Frigid Ice Sculpture of Shirai-no-Taki Falls

MAP[D.3]



Known as a getaway for writers and artists like Shiki Masaoka and Soseki Natsume, 96-meter high Shirai-no-Taki Falls reveals different sides of itself throughout the seasons. The most exceptional among these is its winter landscape, when the waterfall freezes and transforms into a fantastic sculpture of ice. Listen to the sounds of the river as you stroll along the walkway from the parking lot toward the waterfall, where you'll be astonished by the sheer size of these falls. At the observation deck, you can take a seat on one of the benches and watch these powerful falls up close.

Inquiries

Toon City Industrial Creation Division

Tel: 089-964-4414 Address: Kawanouchi, Toon-shi, Ehime
Fees: Free of charge Closed: Open year-round
Parking: 30 spaces (free of charge) *Other paid parking available



62 Namegawa Gorge, a World of Art Wrought by Nature

MAP[D.3]

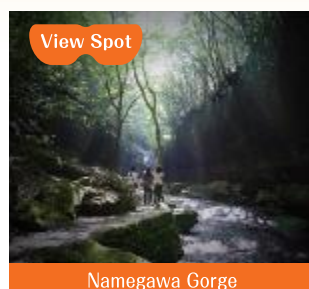


Experience a world of art wrought by nature with curious conglomerate rocks formed over eons of erosion and giant's kettles carved by pebbles swirling in whirlpools in small hollows. Stroll through the gorge and walk the beautiful riverbed of a one-kilometer-long river called Namera to discover truly secluded landscapes.

Inquiries

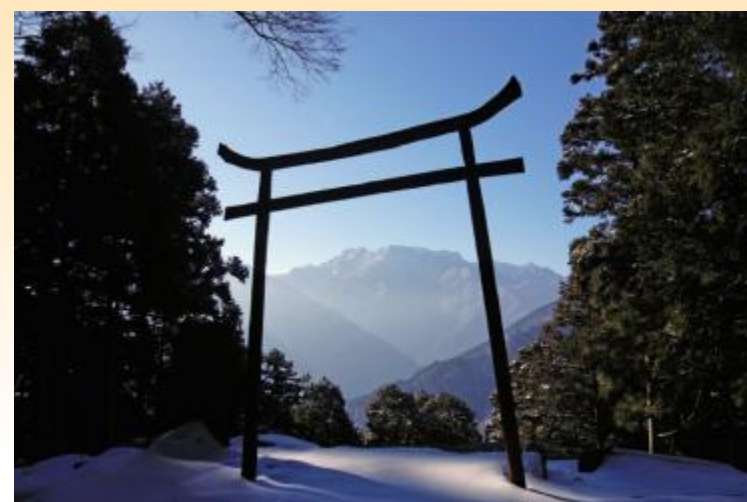
Toon City Industrial Creation Division

Tel: 089-964-4414
Address: Myoga, Toon-shi, Ehime
Fees: Free of charge
Closed: Open year-round
Parking: 5 spaces (free of charge)



63 Right Before the Sacred Mt.Ishizuchi - From Historic Yokomine-ji Road to Scenic Hoshigamori

MAP[D.3]



Inquiries

Mt. Ishizuchi Fukuchi-in Yokomine-ji Temple

Tel: 0897-59-0142 Address: 2253 Komatsucho Ishizuchi, Saijo-shi, Ehime
Hours: 7:00-17:00
Fees: Free of charge (Hirano Rindo Toll Road: ¥1,850 for regular vehicles, ¥1,450 for light vehicles)
Closed: Open year-round
Parking: 50-60 spaces (free of charge)



Climb a further 500 meters up from the temple grounds and you'll find Hoshigamori, a place of worship on the western side of Mt. Ishizuchi. While getting here takes some time, you can experience incredible landscapes that emphasize the mood, with torii gates that blend effortlessly into their surroundings. A photo taken with these temple gates will make for a fun souvenir with a story to tell. Renowned for its well-preserved old road, roadside stones, Jizo statues, and Pilgrim Tombs that retain the original pilgrimage culture, Yokomine-ji Temple is the 60th temple along the Shikoku Pilgrimage and a scenic spot where you can enjoy the old road (Yoshimine-ji Temple Road) all the way to Hoshigamori.



64 The View from a Sacred Mt.Ishizuchi, the Highest in Western Japan

MAP[D.3]



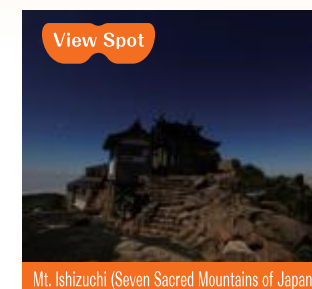
Inquiries

Ishizuchi Shrine Mountain Peak Villa

Tel: 080-1998-4591 Address: Nishinokawa, Saijo-shi, Ehime
Hours: Season: May 11-Nov. 3, 7:00-19:00
Fees: ¥13,000 per night (with two meals, tax included)
*Prices are as of October 2019 and maybe subject to future change.
Closed: No closings during the season Parking: Available at the mountain trail entrance.
Joju Route Private Parking, paid (400 regular vehicle spaces); Tsuchigoya Route Public Parking, free of charge (200 regular vehicle spaces)
Other: Shops, cafeteria, and rest area available



Take in incredible views from the peak (altitude of 1,982 meters) of Mt. Ishizuchi, overlooking not only the Seto Inland Sea, but also Tosa Bay, Mt. Tsurugi in Ehime, and the mountains of the Chugoku Region and Kyushu in the distance. Experience sunrise from the summit, a sea of clouds sprawling beneath your eyes, the Brocken specter, and other magical landscapes. Though it takes about three hours to climb Mt. Ishizuchi on the main route, climbers from all over Japan and abroad come to this mountain, one of Japan's top mountains and the highest in Western Japan.

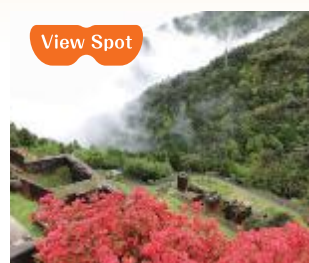


65 Minetopia Besshi and the Tonaru Region, the "Machu Picchu of the East" MAP[E.3]



The ruins of Besshi Copper Mine, part of Japan's modernization, and its surrounding mining town emerges out of the blue atop a mountain 750 meters high. The stone remnants lining the mountain form an astonishing landscape, referred to as the "Machu Picchu of the East". In its foothills is Michi-no-Eki Minetopia Besshi, which features a restored mine railway and shops selling local specialties, as well as a sightseeing bus departing from the station where accompanying tour guides provide detailed commentary.

View Spot



Minetopia Besshi (Tonaru Region)

Inquiries

Minetopia Besshi

Tel: 0897-43-1801

Address: 707-3 Tatsukawacho, Niihama-shi, Ehime

Hours: 10:00-17:00

Fees: Microbus with tour guide (Adult: ¥1,350, Child age 3-12: ¥750)

Closed: Mondays, Dec.- Feb.

Parking: 71 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



67 Honenike Dam, Which Looks Just Like a Medieval European Castle MAP[F.2]



Built in 1929, this is the oldest and only five-arched multiple arch dam in Japan, with beautiful linked arches and massive stone masonry, creating a powerful sight that lets you feel the history of Sanuki, which has struggled with low rainfall. In front of the dam is a lawn space where you can get an up-close look. You can also go just below the dam and look up at the arches from directly below for some interesting angles.

View Spot



Honenikeyumizu Park

Inquiries

Kan-onji City Tourism Association

Tel: 0875-24-2150

Address: Onohara Tanono, Kan-onji-shi, Kagawa

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 30 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



66 The Top Paper Mill in Japan and the Seto Inland Sea Viewed from Mishima Park MAP[E.3]



Smoke billowing from the chimneys of Japan's largest paper mill, a symbol of the development of the city of Shikokuchuo, creates a distinctive landscape that is beautiful both day and night. The entire park has been planted with grass, letting you take in the vast landscapes from the carefully tended lawn of the observatory deck. This park, which soothes visitors with cherry blossoms and azaleas in spring, is an important place for local residents.

View Spot



Mishima Park

Inquiries

Shikokuchuo City Urban Planning Division

Tel: 0896-28-6231 Address: 53-17 Nakazonecho, Shikokuchuo-shi, Ehime

Fees: Free of charge

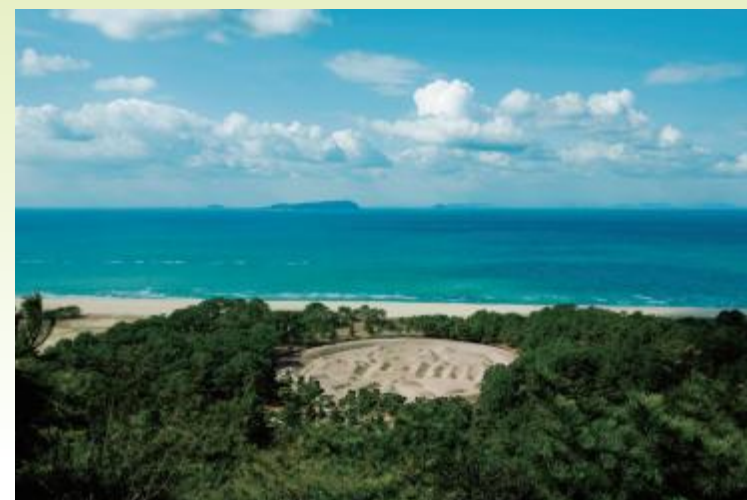
Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 50 spaces (Free of charge)

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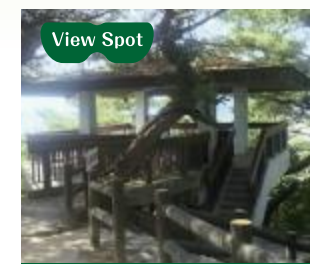


68 Zenigata Sunae, a Giant Sand Coin Viewed From Mt. Kotohiki MAP[E.2]



Behold an unparalleled view of Zenigata Sunae, a giant piece of sand art modeled after an ancient coin, said to have been created in a single night during the Edo period. Also renowned as a spot to gain good financial luck, here you'll find audio guides and multilingual signage installed on the observatory deck. You can even enjoy wonderful views of the sand art at night, since it is lit up from sunset to 10 PM. Conservation of this sand art is made possible through the cooperation of local residents.

View Spot



Kotohiki Park Zenigata Observation Deck

Inquiries

Kan-onji City Tourism Association

Tel: 0875-24-2150

Address: 12-1 Ariakecho, Kan-onji-shi, Kagawa

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 85 spaces (free of charge) *Includes 15 spaces at Sanjo Parking

Google MAP



69 The View from the “Shrine Gate in the Sky”, a Must-See Power Spot

MAP[E.2]



At the end of the stairs beneath the torii temple gate, located at an altitude of 404 meters, awaits an incredible sprawling view of the 2km-wide Ariake Coast, the Ishizuchi Mountains, and the city of Kan-onji. The main shrine of Takaya Shrine, worshipped since antiquity as one of the shrines of Sanuki Engi, has a gate sometime called the “Shrine Gate in the Sky”. Roads leading to Mt. Inazumi have been established to make experiencing this stunning view by car even easier.



Inquiries
Kan-onji City Tourism Association
 Tel: 0875-24-2150
 Address: 2800 Takayacho, Kan-onji-shi, Kagawa
 Fees: Free of charge
 Closed: Open year-round
 Parking: 20 spaces (free of charge)



Mt. Inazumi Observation Deck

71 Stunning Seto Inland Sea Islands from Atop Mt. Shiude

MAP[E.2]



This spectacular scenery of beautiful islands scattered about the tranquil Seto Inland Sea is what Shikoku is all about. Famous for its cherry blossoms, this place is packed with people during the cherry blossom viewing season. The Mt. Shiude Archaeological Museum and Café have counters facing enormous glass windows so you can look out over the sea, letting you take in the views along with a drink at your leisure.



Inquiries
Mt. Shiude Archaeological Museum and Café
 Tel: 0875-84-7896
 Address: 451-1 Takumacho Ohama, Mitoyo-shi, Kagawa
 Hours: 9:30-17:00
 *Subject to change (Jun.-Aug.: until 18:00, Dec.-Feb.: until 16:00)
 Closed: Tuesdays, New Year holiday period
 (When holidays fall on Tuesdays, the museum is closed the following business day)
 Parking: 60 cars (During cherry-blossom season, parking fee and reservation required)



Mt. Shiude Summit (Mt. Shiude Archaeological Museum and Café)

70 The Setting Sun at Chichibugahama Beach, the Magic Hour Before Sunset

MAP[E.2]



Behold breathtaking views of the sun setting over the Seto Inland Sea at Hiuchinada, located at the base of Shonai Peninsula. The vast tidal flats that emerge as the tide ebbs create a magnificent contrast between the sand, sea, and setting sun. When low tide and dusk coincide, the large tide pools appearing all over the endless shallows resemble the Uyuni Salt Flats in Bolivia, making this a popular spot for stunning snapshots. This tranquil, quiet place lets you watch the setting sun in peace.



Inquiries
Mitoyo Tourism and Exchange Authority
 Tel: 0875-56-5880
 Address: 203-3 Nio-otsu, Nio-cho, Mitoyo, Kagawa
 Hours: 24 hours a day
 Fees: Free of charge
 Parking: 300 spaces (free of charge)



Chichibugahama Beach

72 A Magical Landscape Woven by Nature Double Diamond Sanuki Fuji

MAP[F.2]



The sun rising over the summit of the Fuji of Sanuki (Mt. Iino) glitters on the surface Miyaike Pond, where the mountain is reflected as two shimmering diamonds. People from all over Japan rush here to photograph this natural work of art, visible only on clear days for about five minutes in the early morning on a handful of dates in mid-April and late August. For a limited time, you can also enjoy tea along the shore of Miyaike Pond.



Inquiries
Marugame City Tourism Association
 Tel: 0877-22-0331
 Address: 2 Dokicho-nishi, Marugame-shi, Kagawa
 Hours: 5:45-6:00
 Fees: Free of charge
 Parking: 15 spaces (free of charge)



Miyaike Pond

73 Seto Inland Sea and Seto Ohashi Bridge from the Summit of Mt. Shotsuji MAP[F.2]



Take in sweeping views of Shikoku's premier seaside industrial zone and the Seto Ohashi Bridge extending toward the Seto Inland Sea. This view lets you see Shikoku's post-war development for yourself, and makes for a beautiful sight in the nighttime as well.

Inquiries

St. Angelina

Tel: 0877-46-2000

Address: 2719-1 Hirayama, Utazu-cho, Ayauta-gun, Kagawa (Tokiwa Park Summit)

Hours: 10:00-19:00

Closed: Wednesdays (excluding public holidays)

Parking: 100 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



St. Angelina

75 Sweeping Views of Seto Inland Sea, Yashima, and the City of Takamatsu MAP[F.2]



This panorama here lets you look out over the city of Takamatsu, the islands of the Seto Inland Sea, and Yajima, famous for the Genpei War, all at once. The terrace has fences designed so as not to obstruct the view, letting you take in the views while seated on one of the chairs. The guestrooms and baths also offer stunning views at night.

Inquiries

Hanajyukai

Tel: 087-861-5580

Address: 3-5-10 Saihocho, Takamatsu-shi, Kagawa

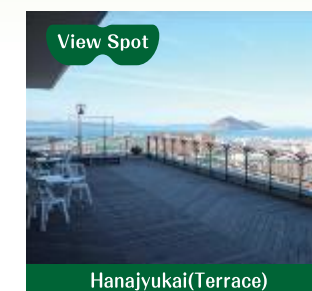
Fees: Tea Lounge Coffee: ¥460, other

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 100 spaces (free of charge)

Other: A foot bath is available on the terrace.

Google MAP



Hanajyukai(Terrace)

74 Admire Picturesque Views of the Magnificent Seto Ohashi Bridge MAP[F.1]



Gaze out over the islands of the Seto Inland Sea, the symbol of Shikoku, and the Seto Ohashi Bridge. The view of Seto Ohashi Bridge and Hitsuishi Island, with its deep ties to writer Kaitouchi Higashiyama, make for a particularly stunning view that looks just like a painting. The café, designed with glass walls so as not to obstruct the view, creates a sophisticated space with a tranquil atmosphere where you can sit down and enjoy the view at your leisure.

Inquiries

Kagawa Prefectural Higashiyama Kaitouchi Art Museum

Tel: 0877-44-1333 Address: 224-13, Aza Minamidori, Shamijima Sakaide-shi, Kagawa

Hours: Museum: 9:00-17:00 (last entry at 16:30)

Café: 9:30-16:30 (last entry at 16:00)

Fees: Admission: ¥400(separate fees for special exhibits)

*No admission fee required to visit the café

Closed: Mondays (the following day when Monday falls on a public holiday), New Year holiday period, exhibit change periods

Parking: Seto Ohashi Kinen Koen Nishi Parking: approx. 300 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



Higashiyama Kaitouchi Art Museum (Café)

76 Angel Road, Where the Angels Walk MAP[G.1]



When the tide ebbs, the sea splits, revealing a path of sand leading to Yoshima Island. Nicknamed Angel Road, this view lets you feel the romantic atmosphere of the tranquil Setouchi Inland Sea. Take in views of the sea stretching on either side of you as you walk Angel Road, which appears only during low tide, and make your way to Yoshima.

Inquiries

Shodoshima International Hotel

Tel: 0879-62-2111 Address: 24-67 Ko, Tonosho-cho, Shozu-gun, Kagawa

Free parking for hotel guests (60 cars)

Public parking① (paid parking for 27 standard-size cars)

Public parking② (Free parking for a total of 50 standard-size cars)

Other: Family pool available exclusively for guests

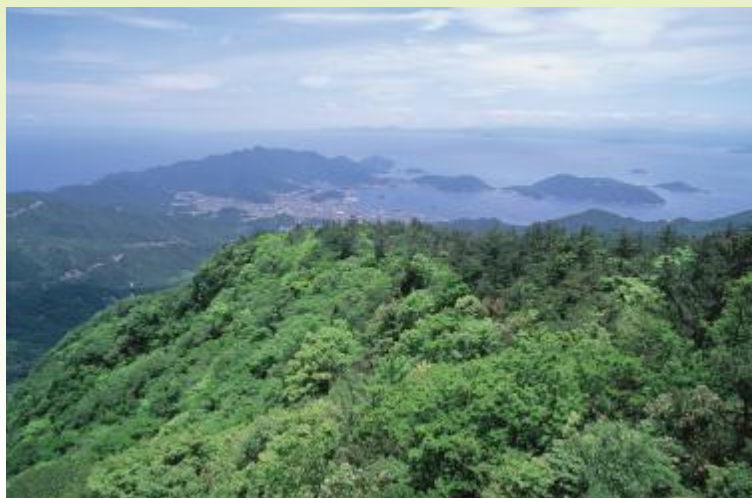
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Angel Road(Hotel outdoor deck)

77 The Seto Inland Sea as Far as the Eye Can See from Shihozashi

MAP[G.1]



With a name that means "pointing in all directions", nothing obstructs the spectacular views of Shodoshima and the Seto Inland Sea in any direction at Shihozashi. The observatory features a sophisticated design with no fences to block the view, and is arranged with natural stones for a rock garden-style atmosphere.

View Spot



Shihozashi Daikanbo Observatory

Inquiries

Shodoshima Tourism Association

Tel: 0879-82-1775 Address: 1117 Kankake Kensozan Otsu,

Shodoshima-cho, Shozu-gun, Kagawa

Hours: Open throughout the year

Fees: Free of charge

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 20 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



78 Breathtaking Aerial Views on a Remote Island with the Kankakei Gorge Ropeway

MAP[G.1]



The ropeway over Kankakei Gorge, known as one of the three most beautiful gorges in Japan, lets you experience views of the magnificent Seto Inland Sea together with this stunning valley formed over eons. Ingenuity can be seen in the front of the gondolas, where large glass windows let you enjoy the view. Feel the thrill as you cut through deep valleys and watch curious and powerful rock formations approaching in this unique aerial journey that lets you take in the skies, seas, and gorge all at once.

View Spot



Kankakei Gorge Ropeway

Inquiries

Shodoshima Sogo Kaihatsu Co., Ltd.

Tel: 0879-82-2171

Address: 168 Kankakedori Otsu, Shodoshima-cho, Shozu-gun, Kagawa

Hours: 8:30-17:00 (subject to seasonal changes); runs every 12 minutes

Fees: Round Trip: Adult: ¥1,890, Child: ¥950

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 200 spaces (free of charge)

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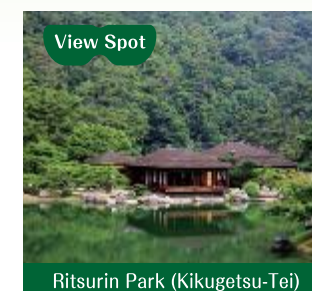
79 Scenic Ritsurin Park

MAP[F.2]



A large feudal garden representative of Japan, this garden features six ponds and thirteen artificial hills arranged exquisitely across a vast 75-hectare site with Mt. Shiun as its backdrop. With nearly 400 years of history, as you make your way down the garden paths, you can enjoy the true pleasure of this strolling garden, with its ever-changing scenery known as "a view at every step." Best of all is Kikugetsu-Tei, where you can enjoy views of Lake Nanko along with sweets and matcha tea.

View Spot



Ritsurin Park (Kikugetsu-Tei)

Inquiries

Kagawa Prefecture Ritsurin Park Tourism Office

Tel: 087-833-7411

Address: 1-20-16 Ritsurincho, Takamatsu-shi, Kagawa

Hours: Ritsurin Garden: 7:00~17:00 (Varies by season)

Kikugetsu-Tei: 9:00-16:30 (last entry at 16:00)

Fees: Garden admission: Adult: ¥500, Child: ¥170

Kikugetsu-Tei: Adult: ¥800, Child: ¥500 (includes matcha tea)

Closed: Park is open all year (Kikugetsu-Tei is closed Dec. 30-31)

Parking: 62 regular vehicle spaces, 13 bus spaces (Ritsurin Park, paid)

Google MAP



80 Sunset Seen from Shishi-no-Reigan, Yashima

MAP[G.1]



Take in views of Sunport Takamatsu, the Takamatsu cityscape, and Goshikidai Plateau, as well as Ogijima, Megijima, and the other islands floating in the Seto Inland Sea. Enjoy superb views and a mood of nostalgia created by the silhouette of the islands lit by the setting sun.

Famous as a battleground during the Genpei War, Yashima has tour guides and a selection of local Sanuki specialties found only here that are bound to entertain visitors. This place Yashimaru newly added to the Yashima view spot lineup in 2022.

View Spot



Shishi-no-Reigan Observatory

Inquiries

Takamatsu City Tourism and Exchange Division

Tel: 087-839-2416

Address: Yashima Higashimachi, Takamatsu, Kagawa

Hours: 6:30-22:00

Fees: ¥300

Closed: Open year-round

Parking: 387 spaces (paid)

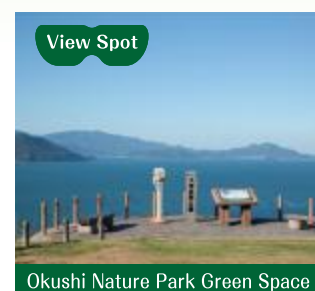
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81 The Tranquil Seto Inland Sea Seen from the Okushi Peninsula MAP[G.1]



Behold the beautiful and tranquil Seto Inland Sea sprawling before your eyes, the nearby Shodoshima Island, and sailing ships, for a delightful view that will make you forget the passage of time. Located on the tip of Okushi Peninsula is Okushi Nature Park, a leisure area where you can experience nature to your heart's content with the wind, the mountains, and the seas. In the park you'll find a green space where you can take a seat on the wooden benches, that bring back the time of your elementary school years, and enjoy the scenery as you please.



Inquiries

Sankuki City Commerce, Industry, and Tourism Division

Tel: 087-894-1114

Address: 1-20 Kamoshō, Sanuki-shi, Kagawa

Hours: All-day

Fees: Free of charge

Parking: Approx. 40 spaces (free of charge) *Maybe unavailable during event periods.



View Spot

Okushi Nature Park Green Space

83 Explore Earth's History from the Sea! The Setouchi Geosite MAP[G.2]



The coast of the Seto Inland Sea in Higashikagawa is scattered with geological formations that record changes in Earth's geology, such as the Mesozoic Hikeda Unconformity, beautiful black, and white striped lamprophyres, and the rare basalt columns of Kinushima, creating fantastic sights well worth seeing. There are tons of other highlights as well, including views from unusual angles aboard a pleasure boat that are bound to leave lasting memories.

Inquiries

Higashikagawa Pleasure Boat Association

Email: kankousen.3534@gmail.com

Address: Tengu House, 2372 Hiketa, Higashikagawa-shi, Kagawa

Hours: Saturdays and Sundays, Apr. 1-Sep. 30

(reservations required)

Fees: 120-min. course: ¥4,000

Parking: Approx. 10 spaces (free of charge)



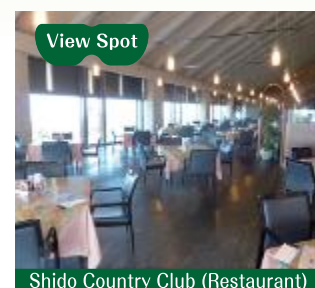
View Spot

Pleasure Boat

82 Not Just for Golfers! Setouchi Landscapes MAP[G.1]



This country club overlooks some of the best views representing Sanuki, including the Seto Inland Sea, Shodoshima, Yashima, and Mount Goken. Not only can you play the rounds while taking in the Shikoku scenery, but the restaurant is open to the general public, letting visitors other than golfers enjoy both the dining and the view.



Inquiries

Shido Country Club

Tel: 087-896-0111

Address: 231 Oda, Sanuki, Kagawa

Hours: 8:00 to 17:00

Fees: Lunch (Weekdays): Starting at ¥1,000

Closed: Tuesdays

Parking: About 200 vehicles (Free of charge)



View Spot

Shido Country Club (Restaurant)

84 Sanshu Izutsu House and the Historical Hiketa Townscape Hiketa MAP[G.2]



A town that once flourished as a key port for boats sailing to the Kansai area and the Seto Inland Sea, Hiketa is home to the Hiketa Honmachi Route, a street stretching from Kamebishi-ya, an old soy sauce brewer with spectacular red and latticed namako walls, to Sanshu Izutsu House, where you can enjoy nostalgic streetscapes of a once-bustling Shikoku port town. The area is designed so visitors can enjoy everything the town of Hiketa has to offer, with guided walking tours of the old town, tours of Kamebishi Brewery, a hands-on wasanbon (Japanese sugar) molding experience, and more.

Inquiries

Higashikagawa City Regional Revitalization Division

Tel: 0879-26-1276

Address: 2163 Hiketa, Higashikagawa-shi, Kagawa

Hours: 10:00-16:00

Fees: Free admission (admission fees required for some areas)

Closed: Wednesdays

Parking: Approx. 120 spaces (free of charge)



View Spot

Hiketa Honmachi Route

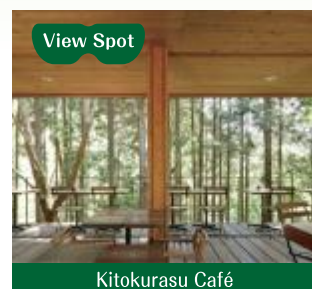
85 A Pleasantly Green Space of “Life Among the Trees”

MAP[F.2]



Themed on “life among the trees”, this café lets you feel the warmth of wood and offers views of trees that, though not particularly spectacular, will soothe the hearts of those who witness it. Stroll through the forest, then take a seat at the tables or benches of the café, all made of solid wood. In addition to the café, there is a shop, a library, and a space with wooden slides and swings that people of all ages and genders can enjoy.

View Spot



Kitokurasu Café

Inquiries

Yamaichi Mokuzai KITOKURAS

Tel: 0877-86-5331

Address: 3600-5 Ayutacho Kurikumahigashi, Marugame-shi, Kagawa

Hours: 10:00-17:00

Fees: Lunch: Starting at ¥900, Drinks: Starting at ¥400

Closed: Thursdays

Parking: 30 spaces (free of charge)

Google MAP



86 Shoryu-no-Taki Falls and a Dragon Legend Told in the Town of Manno

MAP[F.2]



In the Sanuki region is a legend of a dragon said to bring rain to this drought-prone area. Shoryu-no-Taki Falls, made up of stones from the Seto Inland Sea, expresses water springing forth from cracks in the earth and a dragon rising toward the heavens. Its cascades of water can be seen every hour, letting you enjoy an extraordinary and powerful scenery that can only be produced by a man-made waterfall.

View Spot



Sanuki Manno Park (Shoryu-no-Taki Falls)

Inquiries

Manno Park Management Center

Tel: 0877-79-1700

Address: 4243-12 Yoshino Manno-cho, Nakatado-gun, Kagawa

Hours: 9:30-17:00 (subject to seasonal changes)

Fees: Adult (15 and older): ¥450, Senior (65 and older): ¥210, Child (under 15): free of charge

Closed: Tuesdays (may be periods without closings during peak seasons)

Parking: Approx. 1,200 spaces (paid)

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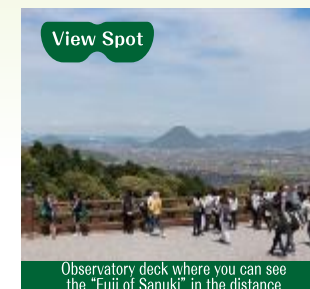
87 The Main Shrine of Kotohira-gu Shrine, Shimmering in the Morning Sun

MAP[F.2]



The phrase “Visit Konpira once in your lifetime” has been famous since the Edo period, and Kotohira-gu Shrine, known as Sanuki Konpira, brings in four million worshippers annually to this day. The observatory deck next to the main shrine is ideally located for magnificent views of the “Fuji of Sanuki” and the Sanuki Plains. The stone steps here are famous, with 785 steps to the main shrine and 1,368 steps to the rear shrine, the views that welcome you growing more spectacular the higher you climb.

View Spot



Observatory deck where you can see the “Fuji of Sanuki” in the distance

Google MAP



Inquiries

Religious Corporation Kotohira-gu Shrine

Tel: 0877-75-2121 Address: 892-1 Kotohira-cho, Nakatado-gun, Kagawa

Hours: All-day Fees: Free of charge Closed: Open year-round Parking: Paid parking in town

88 Enjoy the Seas, Mountains, and Rivers of Shikoku Aboard a Sightseeing Train



- Shikoku Mannaka Sennen Monogatari runs between Tadotsu Station and Oboke Station on the Dosan Line, connecting the Seto Inland Sea to the Pacific, offering stunning views of Oboke and Koboke gorges as well as the sprawling Sanuki countryside.
- Iyonada Monogatari runs between Matsuyama Station, Iyo-Osu Station, and Yawatahama Station on the Yoson Line, offering breathtaking views of Ozu Castle reflected on the Hiji River and Iyonada Sea viewed from the Ai-aru Iyonada Line.
- Shiman Torokko runs between Kubokawa Station and Uwajima Station on the Yodo Line, letting you feel the breeze on your skin as you take in stunning views of the woodlands along the Hiromi River and the low-water crossings over the Shimanto River.
- Each train welcomes visitors with warmth and hospitality for an unforgettable experience.

Inquiries

JR Shikoku Call Center

Tel: 0570-00-4592

Hours: Reception 8:00-20:00 (open year-round)

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