

Izuhara Port

Location	Izuhara-cho, Tsushima City, Nagasaki
Nearest Station	None
Access	Tsushima Airport : 30min. By Taxi
Facilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Place for Regular Ferry• CIQ : 153m²
Capacity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Length : 330m (including attachment shore protection)• Water Depth : -7.5m• Apron Width : 20m• Tidal Range : 1.93m
Others	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Izuhara Port : Adjustment with Regular Ferry needed• Miura Bay : Anchoring
Welcome Events	Welcome Ceremony, Mayor Speech, Bouquets, Dancecs by infants.etc.
Tourist Information	Information Desk is located on the shore (Contact : Tsushima Toursm&Products Federation TEL0920-52-1566)
City Tours	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Introduction of City Tour (Town Walking, Trekking, Sea kayak. etc.) (Contact : Tsushima Toursm&Products Federation TEL0920-52-1566)



The island of Tsushima is closer to South Korea than it is to the Japanese mainland, and when the weather is clear, the Korean city of Busan can be seen from the western side of the island. Due to its geographical location, Tsushima is called a “National Border Island” and it has played an important role in corresponding with the Asian continent since ancient times. Forests cover 89 percent of the island, making Tsushima a great destination for nature-lovers. There is much native flora and fauna including the Tsushima Leopard Cat, an endangered wild cat. The vivid blue sea, deep green mountains and historical sites attract both domestic and overseas visitors all year round.



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Facilities	Overview	None (CIQ in place for regular cruises)
Anchorage Area	Location	Miura Bay
	Cruise Ship Records	Nippon Maru, Pacific Venus, FUJIMARU, CLIPPER ODYSSEY, Europa
	CIQ	Temporary (carried out on board ship)
	Tender Boat	Not available



Ceremonies and Services at the Port

Welcome Events

·High school brass band performance etc.

Information Desks

·Available on request

Local products for sale

·Honey, Marine Products, Kasumaki Roll Cake

Shuttle Bus Service

·Not available (15 min. walk to town center)

Services

·Local food tasting event etc.



The Charms of Tsushima

With its pristine natural beauty and its position as a national border island, there are many things only Tsushima can offer, such as the Korean Viewpoint and the Tsushima Wildlife Conservation Center. Additionally, you can enjoy nature-related activities such as sea kayaking, trekking and bird-watching, as well as unique experiences such as learning how to make *soba* noodles with the islanders.

Top spot | Banshojin Temple

Built by Soh Yoshinari, the second lord of the Tsushima Domain, in 1615, to pray for his father's happiness in the next world, Banshojin is the revered family temple of the Soh clan. Banshojin contains a Momoyama Era-style temple gate, a 100-step stone staircase, the Buddhist mortuary tablet of a Tokugawa Shogun, and materials used for correspondence with Korea.



Cape Tsutsu



Beyond scattered reefs and islets, Cape Tsutsu, with its white lighthouse, thrusts into the ocean at the border between the Korean Strait Western Channel and the Tsushima Strait. The current in this area is strong and it has been regarded as an unforgiving sea passage since ancient times.

Watazumi Shrine



At this sea shrine, where Yamasachihiko and Princess Toyotama are deified, the ancient legend of the Palace of the Dragon God remains. In front of the main shrine are five torii gates, two of which stand in the sea, and their appearance changes with the ebb and flow of the tide, recalling the mysteries of legendary times.

Mt. Eboshi Viewpoint



The viewpoint offers a splendid 360-degree view of Aso Bay, with its many mountains, countless large and small islands suspended in the quiet sea, the undulating ria coastline, and more.

Tsushima Wildlife Conservation Center



The Tsushima Wildlife Conservation Center was built in Kamiagata for the purpose of protecting and studying wild animals. Visitors to the center can observe up-close a natural Tsushima Leopard Cat, and the information of birds & plants in Tsushima. The Tsushima Leopard Cat lives only on Tsushima, and has been designated a Class 1A National Endangered Species.

Korean Viewpoint



Kamitsushima Town, 49.5 km from South Korea, commands a view of the cityscape of Busan, Korea on fine weather days. It truly is the "national border town." The viewing platform was built in the ancient Korean architectural style, and tourists flock here to feel the geographical and historical connection.

Ofunae Port



At the mouth of Kuta River are the remnants of five docks that belonged to the Tsushima Domain. The docks were created in the third year of the Kambun Era (1663). The piled-up stones of the embankment are preserved in their original form, and the main gate, storehouse, and a resting place for feudal lords also remain here.

Events

Hitotsubatago Flower Festival

The *hitotsubatago*, or 'Chinese fringetree' was designated a national natural treasure of Japan in 1928. Three thousand *hitotsubatago* trees grow naturally in Kamitsushima's Waniura district. Each year in May, the entire mountain blooms beautifully with snow white flowers.



Banshojin Festival

Each year in mid-October, 350 lanterns light the temple to appease the spirits of those buried here.



Busan International Fireworks Festival

A fireworks festival is held in Busan, Korea each year. Some of the fireworks can be seen from the Korean Viewpoint in Tsushima when the weather is clear.



Date: Late October

Komodahama Shrine Festival

At this festival, a Shinto priest faces the ocean and draws a traditional Japanese bow to commemorate the 1274 battle between Tsushima, and Mongolian-led forces from the Korean Goryeo dynasty.



Date: November

Activities

Aso Bay Sea Kayaking

Aso Bay has a sharply-indented ria coastline with many inlets and small islands. Embarking from the Shinwa Nature Park, enjoy the crystal clear waters of the national park from a sea kayak.



Aso Bay Sea Cruise

Take a 90-150 minute cruise around Aso Bay to see the beautiful nature and scenery of the national park.



Taishu Soba Noodle-Making Experience

Experience making Tsushima's local noodles, "Taishu soba" using Tsushima buckwheat, known for its delicious fragrance and taste.



Trekking at Mt. Ariake

Mt. Ariake was featured in the Manyo-shu, the oldest collection of Japanese poetry. Stroll through a primeval forest and enjoy the fresh air and the calls of wild birds. Iki Island is visible on a fine day.



Model Courses

Frontier Island Tour

This tour will take you to the northern part of Tsushima where you can enjoy the extraordinary scenery looking towards South Korea, as well as the beaches and the abundance of wild flowers.

Izuhara Port ⇒ (120min) ⇒ Lunch ⇒ (5min) ⇒ Miudahama Beach ⇒ (20min) ⇒ Toyo Battery Ruins ⇒ (5min) ⇒ Hitotsubatago Wildflower Area ⇒ (1min) ⇒ Korean Viewpoint ⇒ (120min) ⇒ Izuhara Port

Travel Time: Approx 7 hours



Legends of Tsushima Tour

Gaze down at the ria coastline of Aso Bay from Mt. Eboshi viewpoint, then visit Watazumi Shrine, dedicated to the sea-goddess, Princess Toyotama.

Izuhara Port ⇒ (60min) ⇒ Mt. Eboshi Viewpoint ⇒ (5min) ⇒ Watazumi Shrine ⇒ (55min) ⇒ Lunch ⇒ Izuhara Port

Travel Time: Approx 3.5 hours



Scenery and Soba Noodles Tour

This tour visits Kamizaka Park where you can view the intricate inlets of Aso Bay, as well as Tsushima's traditional stone-roof warehouse, 'ishiyane', and Komodahama Beach, a 13th century battlefield. Later, enjoy cooking and eating soba noodles.

Izuhara Port ⇒ (15min) ⇒ Kamizaka Park ⇒ (15min) ⇒ Komodahama Beach ⇒ (5min) ⇒ Ishiyane (Stone Roof) ⇒ (10min) ⇒ Soba Noodle-Making Experience ⇒ (30min) ⇒ Izuhara Port

Travel Time: Approx 3.5 hours



Trace the History of Tsutsu, named as one of Japan's top 100 villages

Wander through Tsutsu, selected as one of the best villages in Japan, as well as various other historical sites.

Izuhara Port ⇒ (50min) ⇒ Cape Tsutsu ⇒ (10min) ⇒ Lunch ⇒ (45min) ⇒ Ofunae Port ⇒ (5min) ⇒ Tsushima History and Folk Customs Museum ⇒ (3min) ⇒ Banshojin ⇒ (10min) ⇒ Izuhara Port

Travel Time: Approx 5 hours



Food and Specialty Products

Ishiyaki (Stone Cooking)



Fish, abalone, turban shell, shiitake mushrooms, onions, and other seasonal seafoods and vegetables are grilled on top of a hot stone.

Conger Eels



Tsushima has the largest catch of conger eels in Japan. With their thickness and rich flavor, Tsushima conger eels are enjoyed as sushi, fried, and in soups.

Tsushima Honey



Tsushima is unique in that only Japanese honeybees make their habitat there. The honey is produced only once a year, in fall, and only a small amount of honey can be taken. The honey is then aged. In the past it was used by islanders as medication. This richly aromatic honey is gaining popularity nationwide.

Rokube Noodles



Rokube noodles are made from sweet potato. Sweet potato dumplings called "sendango" are put into hot water and then the dough is pushed through a noodle press to form rokube. The noodles are enjoyed with a broth made from seasonal fish.

Tsushima Shiitake Mushrooms



Tsushima shiitake mushrooms are also popular nationwide thanks to their full flavor and meaty thickness, earning them the nickname "abalone of the forest".

Kasumaki Roll Cake



A rolled sponge filled with sweet bean paste. In the Edo period (1603-1868), this cake was served to local lords on their return home from Edo (modern-day Tokyo). Nowadays, the *kasumaki* is still popular as a celebratory gift or as a souvenir.

Tsushima Sake



Kawachi Brewery, established in 1919, is the only brewery on Tsushima. Award-winning sake brands such as "Tsushima" and "Shiratake", and the distilled spirit "Yamaneko" are all brewed here.