

# Delight your tastebuds on this culinary two-day journey across the Akashi-Kaikyo Bridge and Awajishima Island.

#### **Itinerary** <Basic Course>

Day 1 🚃

Kansai Area

Akashi-Kaikyo 📥 Bridge

Sushi Kirin

Stay on **Awajishima** 

Island

Day 2

Naruto /

Tokushima

Explore the region Rakutogama Iya Valley Pottery

Awaji Ningyoza 📥 Experience the Shikoku Ohnaruto Bridae pilgrimage route from Tokushima

Naoshima Area





#### Akashi-Kaikyo Bridge Tower Climb (Bridge World)

You will be led through maintenance corridors usually closed to the public while learning about the technology and history that helped construct the world's longest suspension bridge. The highlight of the climb is the spectacular panoramic view from the top of the main tower that stands 300m above sea level.

Supported languages: Japanese and English on request. Accompanying interpreters required for other languages.

Contact:Honshu-Shikoku Bridge Expressway Company Ltd. (TEL078-291-1077)



#### Sushi Kirin – Exquisite Sushi with a view of Akashi-Kaikyo Bridge

The master chef has a profound knowledge of the waters around Akashi and Iwaya and applies that knowledge to his craft. Dine on mouthwatering sushi while gazing at the spectacular view of the Akashi-Kaikyo Bridge. Language Support: Japanese. Accompanying interpreter required for other languages. Contact: Sushi Kirin (TEL: 0799-72-3811)





Take in the cityscape at night from the top of the Akashi-Kaikyo Bridge (known as the Pearl Bridge), delight in the culture, cuisine and nature of Setouchi on this two-day itinerary.



#### Rakutogama Pottery Visit & Lunch

In his pottery studio deep in the Japanese countryside, a master potter who studied in Toba uses the local earth to craft his beautiful ceramics.

Opposite the pottery studio stands a 100-year-old Japanese farmhouse that has been lovingly converted into a gallery and café. In the café, they go to great lengths to serve dishes made from local produce. This is the perfect place to relax and take in the atmosphere of the Awaji countryside.

Supported languages: Japanese. Accompanying interpreter required for other languages.

Contact: Shimantoworks

(TEL: 090-9698-4522/Email: info@shimatoworks.jp)



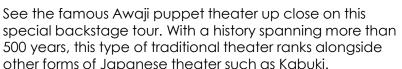








## Awaji Puppet Theater Backstage Tour



Supported languages: Japanese. Accompanying interpreter required for other languages. Contact: Awaji Ningyoza (TEL:0799-52-0260)

#### **Optional Extras**



1) After lunch on the second day, visit the local fish auction and sign up for a dragnet fishing experience.

2) Try the Uzushio Walk along the Ohnaruto Bridge during daylight – a very different experience to the night tour of the Akashi-Kaikyo Bridge.

#### **Prices**



<Basic Course> From ¥200,000 per person (Based on 2 days and 1 night for 2 people)

#### Ohnaruto Bridae Uzushio Walk



A unique opportunity to walk along Ohnaruto Bridge's maintenance corridor that is usually off limits to the public.

Supported languages: Japanese. Accompanying interpreter required for other languages Contact: Honshu-Shikoku Bridge Expressway Company Ltd. (TEL:078-291-1077)





Relax on your own chartered boat and discover the art of Naoshima and the Seto-Ohashi Bridges on this three-day itinerary.

Explore the world-renowned modern art island of Naoshima and other charming islands of the Inland Sea SETOUCHI at your leisure on a chartered boat!

**Chartered Boat** 

Supported languages: Japanese & English. Accompanying interpreters required for other languages. Operator: Setouchi Marine Square Contact: Tamano Community Design, email: info@tcd-u.jp

#### **Itinerary** <Basic Course> Day 3 Day 1 Day 2 **START** Okayama Chichu Art Museum Lunch at a café Yoshima /Honjima Kankakei Gorge

Art House Project Seto-Ohashi Stay on Naoshima

Stay on Naoshima

**Bridges** 



Explore the region MORIKUNI The art islands Yamaroku Soy Sauce Brewery Sea SETOUCHI

Okayama/Takamatsu



# Honjima and the Villa Yoshida

With its machiva architecture and narrow lanes, the Kasashima historical preservation district on Honjima looks and feels like a medieval Japanese castle town. As you look around, you can also visit the historical Villa Yoshida. Honjima is a treasure trove of Japanese history and art.

Supported languages: Japanese. Interpreters required for other languages. Guide reservation: Honjima Shimin Center

(TEL: 0877-27-3222/Email: honjima-se@city.marugame.lg.jp)



## Seto-Ohashi Bridge Tower Climb



You will be guided along maintenance corridors that are usually off limits to the public. This tour will take you up close to the rail tracks that span the length of the bridge. Your guide will explain the history and technology of the Seto-Ohashi Bridge as you ascend to the top of the 175m tower.

Supported languages: Japanese. Interpreters required for other languages. ontact: Honshu-Shikoku Bridge Expressway Company Ltd. (TEL078-291-1077)



## Naoshima Modern Art Experience

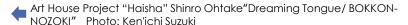


See the stunning contemporary art and architectural works dotted throughout Naoshima. There is so much to take in and enjoy on the island, including Naoshima's natural scenery and its quaint towns and villages. The Koebi-tai volunteer guides who work in association with the Setouchi International Art Triennale offer in-depth guided art tours on Naoshima.



Contact: Koebi-tai (Email: setouchitour@koebi.jp)







#### Kankakei Gorge



Formed over two million years and thought to be one of the three most beautiful valleys in Japan, the picturesque Kankakei Gorge is one of the highlights of the Seto Inland Sea National Park.

\*This photo was taken at the Takatori Observatory.



#### MORIKUNI (SHODOSHIMA SHUZO CO.,LTD)

This traditional brewery – the only one on Shodoshima – is reviving Shodoshima's once proud sake industry. The café is housed inside a renovated 70-year-old building. The café serves dishes that combine local ingredients with sake and sake kasu.

Supported languages: Japanese. Interpreters required for other languages. Contact: (TEL: 0879-61-2077/E-mail: info@morikuni.jp)



#### Yamaroku Soy Sauce Brewery



Yamaroku Soy Sauce is still produced in large cedar barrels in a traditional soy sauce storehouse that was built over 100 years ago. The soy sauce is fermented in the traditional way, using natural bacteria in the air and the wood. This has become a rarity in modern Japan. The current fifth generation soy sauce brewer is working hard to ensure this traditional method of soy sauce production passes on to future generations.

Supported languages: Japanese & English. Accompanying interpreter required for other languages. Contact: (TEL: 0879-82-0666/Email: mail@yama-roku.net)

#### **Optional Extras**



1) After the tour, travel to the Setouchi International Art Triennale from Takamatsu.

#### **Prices**



< Basic Course> From ¥300,000 per person. (Based on 3 days and 2 nights for 2 people)

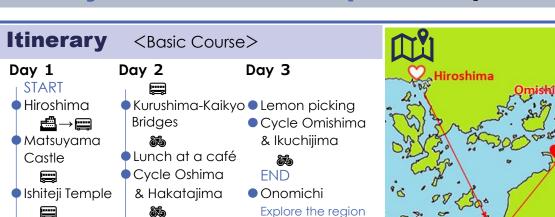
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## A three-day itinerary of

◆Stay at Dogo ◆Stay in WAKKA ●Tomonoura

Shimanami Kaido cycling, glamping and exploring Matsuyama - the haiku capital of Japan.



Naoshima



## From Matsuyama Castle to Ishiteji Temple

~Experience Japanese culture & the Shikoku pilgrimage.

It's rare in Japan to be able to access a castle via ropeway or chairlift, but that's exactly what you can do in Matsuyama. After exploring the castle, visit Ishiteji Temple to get a taste of Shikoku's 88-temple pilgrimage. Ishiteji Temple, the 51st temple on the pilgrimage route, displays bags of earth taken from all 88 temples. Visitors can touch the earth and feel a connection to the temples on the pilgrimage. Gain a deeper understanding of the city's haiku culture by joining Matsuyama Haiku's guided tour of the city.

Supported languages: Japanese & English. Accompanying interpreter required for other languages. Contact: Matsuyama Haiku Office (TEL: 089-945-6445 Email: matsuyamahaiku@bsec.jp)

#### **Optional Extras**



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1) Experience Matsuyama's nightlife at the HAIKU BAR http://matsuyamahaiku.jp/haitomatsuyama/eng/bar/

2) Island hopping across the Shimanami Kaido on a chartered boat (WAKKA Inc.)

#### **Prices**

<Basic Course> From ¥300,000 per person. (Based on 3 days and 2 nights for 2 people)

**Matsuyama** 





Ride the world's most acclaimed cycling route on electronic bikes. Experience everything from traditional Japanese history and culture to luxurious glamping.





Supported languages: Japanese. Accompanying interpreter required for other languages. Contact: Honshu-Shikoku Bridge Expressway Company Ltd. (TEL078-291-1077)

#### Kurushima-Kaikyo Bridge **Tower Climb**



The Kurushima-Kaikvo Bridaes is the world's first triple suspension bridge. From the top of the tower, you can enjoy unparalleled views of the Kurushima Strait - one of the most scenic spots in the Seto Inland Sea National Park. This exclusive experience is only available to tour guests.

## E-Bike Cycling Experience with Support



Enjoy an invigorating cycling trip around the Shimanami Kaido on special electric bicycles (e-bikes). E-bikes are useful for groups with differing levels of fitness and mobility. You will be accompanied by tour guides, back-up vehicles and other cycling-related support.

## Island Glamping Experience



All the glamping (glamorous camping) cabins at WAKKA face the sea, allowing you to take in the views of the Shimanami Kaido from the comfort of your room. Each room comes with natural furnishings and interiors, creating a peaceful ambiance for you to enjoy. In the evening, feast on local produce cooked on the barbecue (or served in a bouillabaisse in winter).

## Food Experience - Lemon Picking & **Omishima Salmon Burgers**



<Lemon Picking> Pick your own lemons and enjoy delicious local citrus in the fresh Setouchi sunshine. Citrus varieties may vary depending on the time of year.

Lemons: December to January.

Other citrus: November to April.

<Salmon Burgers > The burgers are made from salmon farmed on Omishima Island. The salmon feed on citrus extracts, giving the fish a slightly citrusy flavor.

Supported languages: Japanese & English. Accompanying





