# Welcome to KAGAWA

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# **Historic Sites**

Kagawa has plenty of naturally beautiful places of historical interest. Why don't you stroll through these Japanese shrines and temples in search of history? What historic events interest you?



#### **Ritsurin Garden**

#### 栗林公園

Ritsurin garden is a traditionally landscaped garden constructed by a feudal lord, about 400 years ago. It has six ponds and 13 hills, and it is the largest garden designated as a national scenic spot in Japan. Admission fee: Contact below

- Open: Sunrise to sunset
- (Varies with the season),365 days a year
- Parking lot: Pay Parking

•Access: 10 minutes on foot from Kotoden Ritsurin Koen Station, 10 minutes by car from Takamatsu Central Interchange, or 30 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport

Inquiry: Tel.087-833-7411



Tamamo Park, Historic Site of Takamatsu Castle 高松城址 (玉藻公園)

Takamatsu Castle was one of the three greatest castles bordered by the ocean. Even now, the moat surrounding the ruins of Takamatsu Castle is filled with seawater. From the castle tower visitors can see the harbor, and inside the garden, they may find a karesansui(dry landscape)garden.

Admission fee: Contact below

Open: Sunrise to sunset(varies with the season)
Closed: December 29 to 31

Parking lot: Free

•Access: 5 minutes on foot from JR Takamatsu Station, 20 minutes by car from Takamatsu Central Interchange, or 40 minutes by car from Takamatsu

Airport Inquiry: Tel.087-851-1521



#### Zentsuji Temple 善通寺

The famous Japanese monk Kukai, also known as Kobodaishi, is said to have been born in Zentsuji City. The temple holds a treasure hall and a five-storied pagoda. Under the Miedo (Founder's Hall) there is a long tunnel with a famous platform constructed for granting religious precepts to monks.

- Admission fee: Free(except treasure hall)
- Open: 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM(treasure hall)
- Parking lot: Pay Parking

 Access: 15 minutes on foot from JR Zentsuji Station, 5 minutes on foot from Zentsuji Interchange, or 50 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport
Inquiry: Tel.0877-62-0111



#### Marugame Castle

#### 丸亀城

Marugame Castle has a beautiful stonewall called "Ougi no Kobai" (the shape of a folding fan) and its castle tower is one of the 12 remaining original wooden towers in Japan.

- Admission fee: Free except castle tower
- Open: 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM(Castle tower)

•Closed:End of December to end of February(Castle tower)

Parking lot: Free

 Access: 15 minutes on foor from JR Marugame, 15 minutes by car from Zentsuji Interchange of Sakaide Interchange, or 40 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airoort

Inquiry: Marugame City Industrial Section Tel.0877-24-8816



#### Nakazu Banshoen and Marugame Museum of Art

#### 中津万象園・丸亀美術館

Nakazu Banshoen, a beach park constructed by a feudal lord, is known as one of the greatest seaside gardens in Japan. The Marugame Museum of Art is located inside the park, where some works of French Barbizon School painters are exhibited.

- Admission fee: Contact below
- Open: 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM, 365 days a year Parking lot: Free

 Access: 5 minutes by car from JR Marugame Station, 10 minutes by car from Zentsuji Interchange , or 45 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport
Inquiry: Tel.0877-23-6326



# Okuboji Temple

大窪寺

The Okuboji Temple is the last temple of the sacred Shikoku 88 temple pilgrimage.

Parking lot: Free

•Access: 30 minutes by car from Kotoden Nagao Station, 30 minutes by car from Wakimachi Interchange or Shido Interchange, or 40 minutes by car from Takamatsu Ariport

Inquiry: Tel.0879-56-2278



### Kotohira-gu Shrine 金刀比羅宮

Kotohira-gu shrine, which honors the spiritual guardian of seafarers, has been a place of faith since long ago.



The Konpira Grand Theater(kanamaru-za) 旧金毘羅大芝居 (金丸座)



Megijima(Onigashima) 女木島 (鬼ヶ島)

Megijima Island is often called Onigashima (Island of Ogres). Because the cave near the top of island is

Even now, millions of worshippers visit the shrine every year. There are 785 stone steps to climb before you reach the main shrine, and both sides of the steps are lined with souvenir shops. Once you pass the main gate, you may see other historical buildings scattered over the grounds.

#### Parking lot: Pay Parking

Access: 15 minutes on foot from JR Kotohira Station, 15 minutes by car from Zentsuji Interchange, or 40 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport Inquiry: Tel.0877-75-2121

Kanamaruza, the oldest existing kabuki theater in Japan, has been designated as one of Japan's important cultural sites. Each spring, a play is performed here by popular kabuki actors. Visitors may go the backstage and see the trap cellar unless events are being held in the theater.

#### Admission fee: Contact below

Open: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, 365 days a year(Visitors may go backstage of see the trap cellar unless events are being held)

Access: 20 minutes on foot from JR Kotohira Station, 15 minutes by car from Zentsuji Interchange, or 40 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport Inquiry: Tel.0877-73-3846

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Access: 20 minutes by ferry from Takamatsu Port Inquiry: Takamatsu City Hall's Megi branch office Tel.087-873-0101



# Amusement Parks

Kagawa has a variety of amusement parks where visitors may have a enjoyable time.



#### **Reoma Resort**

レオマリゾート

Reoma Resort is a theme park with 22 rides and attractions, parades, and more. You can stay and relax in an adjoining hotels and spa.

- Admission fee/Opening hours/Closed period: Varies depending the facility
- Parking lot: Free

Access: 5 minutes by car from Kotoden Okada Station, 20 minutes by car from Sakaide Interchange, and 30 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport Inquiry: Tel.0877-86-1071



**Shodoshima Olive Park** オリーブ公園

Shodoshima Island is home to Japan's first olive plantation. The Olive Garden, Herb Garden, Olive Memorial Museum, and Greek-style windmills in the Olive Park create a Mediterranean atmosphere. Admission fee: Free

- Open: 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM
- Closed: December 28 to 30
- Parking lot: Free
- Access: 30 minutes by high-speed boat from Takamatsu Port to Tonosho Port and 30 minutes by car from Tonosho Port
- Inquiry: Tel.0879-82-2200



#### Sanuki Mannou National Government Park 国営讃岐まんのう公園

This national man-made park is adjacent to Manno Pond, Japan's largest reservoir developed by Kobo Daishi(a famous Japanese monk also known as Kukai). Every season a wide variety of seasonal flowers fill the park's various garden.

Admission fee: Charged

Open: 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM(varies with the season) Closed: Every Tuesday(varies with the season) December 29 to January 1, and January 21 to 24 Parking lot: Pay Parking

Access: 15 minutes by car from JR Kotohira Station, 30 minutes by car from Zentsuji Interchange, or 45 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport Inquiry: Tel.0877-79-1700



#### Nijushinohitomi Eigamura (Twenty-four Eyes Movie Village)

#### 二十四の瞳映画村

The movie Nijushinohitomi(Twenty-four Eyes)was made here in 1986, and the film set has been preserved as the Twenty-four Eyes Movie Village. Visitors may enjoy a historic experience as if they traveled back in time to the early Showa Period.

- Admission fee: Contact below
- Open: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
- Closed: December 28 to 30
- Parking lot: Pay Parking

Access: 40 minutes by high-speed boat from Takamatsu Port to Kusakabe Port, and 30 minutes by car from Kusakabe Port



#### **Playpark Gold Tower** プレイパークゴールドタワー

From a height of 158 meters, visitors can enjoy a splendid 360°view of the Seto Inland Sea and the Sanuki plain. The site includes Gulliver's Travels, a playland where visitors may learn the mechanism of the human body, and Wan-wan Land where visitors may play with dogs.

Admission fee: Contact below

Open: 10:00 AM to 5:00 AM (next morning), 365 days a year

Access: 8 minutes on foot from JR Utazu Station, 10 minutes by car from Sakaide Interchange, or 40 minutes by car from Takamatsu Port Inquiry: Tel.0877-49-7070



Liminal Air -core -/Shinji Ohmaki Photo: Yasushi Ichikawa

Inquiry: Tel.0879-82-2455

# Scenic Beauty

The area's green islands, dark blue sea, quiet rural landscape, and beautiful mountains will enchant you.



Yashima

#### 屋島

Yashima is a peninsula that resembles the shape of a roof and is known for its ancient battlefield where two great influential clans fought approximately 800 years ago. From the top of the mountain, you can look down and see a magnificent view of the Seto Inland Sea and an impressive view of Takamatsu's city lights. The Yashimaji Temple is located in Yashima, and Yashima also has an aquarium.

Parking lot: Free, but there is a tollgate on the Yashima Drive way

Access: 6 minutes by car from Kotoden Yashima Station, 30 minutes by car from Takamatsu Central Interchange, or 50 minutes from Takamatsu Airport Inquiry: Tel.087-839-2416



#### Kankakei Gorge 寒霞渓

Kankakei Gorge is considered one of the three most beautiful valleys in Japan. It provides the scenic beauty of a unique-shaped rock cliff, which is several hundred meters high and decorated with fresh greenery, azaleas, and autumnal leaves. Visitors can take a fiveminute ropeway to enjoy breathtaking views of the vallev.

#### Kankakei Ropeway

Admission fee: Contact below

Open: 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM(with minor changes, depending on the season), 365 days a year

Access: 30 minutes by high-speed boat from Takamatsu port to Tonosho Port and then 45 minutes by car from Tonosho Port

Inquiry: Tel.0879-82-2171



#### Goshikidai 五色台

Goshikidai is a lush region of five hills created by lava, named Akamine, Kimine, Kuromine, Aomine and Shiramine(Red, Yellow, Black, Blue and White Hills). Visitors can enjoy the magnificent landscape of the Seto Inland Sea from the observatory. The Shiromineji Temple, Negoroji Temple, and Sanuki-Goshikidai National Park Resort Village are located on the Plateau. Access: 30 minutes by car from JR Takamatsu Station, 40 minutes by car from Sakaide Interchange, or 50 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport Inquiry: Sakaide Tourist Office

Tel.0877-45-1122



### **Zenigata Sand Coin**

#### 銭形砂絵

Visitors to the observatory on top of Mt. Kotohiki can see a gigantic sand coin created by the white sand of Ariake Beach. The coin measures 122 meters wide from east to west, 90 meters long from north to south, and 345 meters in perimeter. The view from the observatory includes the Seto Island Sea and is particularly beautiful in the evening.

#### Parking lot: Free

Access: 25 minutes on foot from JR Kannonji Station, 15 minutes by car from Sanuki Toyonaka Interchange or Onohara Interchange, or 70 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport

Inquiry: Kanonji Tourism Association Tel.0875-24-2150



#### Shonai Peninsula 荘内半島

A wide variety of flowers adorn the slope of the Shonai Peninsula, which is famous for the old Japanese tale of Urashima Taro, The top of Mt, Shiude offers an unparalleled view of the Seto Inland Sea.

Access: 20 minutes by car from JR Takuma Station, 40 minutes by car from Sanuki Toyonaka Interchange, or 70 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport

Inquiry: Mitoyo Tourism and Exchange Authority Tel.0875-56-5880



### **Chichibugahama Beach** 父母ヶ浜

Selected as one of Japan's 100 most beautiful sunsetviewing spots, a fantastic scene created by the reflections of the sky on the water can be captured during times when sundown coincides with low tide in particular.

#### Parking lot: Free

http://www.mitoyo-kanko.com/chichibugahamabeach-information/

Time: Check via the website of Mitoyo Tourism and Exchange Authority

http://www.mitoyo-kanko.com/chichibugahama-beachinformation/

Access: 10 minutes by taxi from JR Takuma Station

Inquiry: Mitoyo Tourism and Exchange Authority Tel.0875-56-5880



# Local Culinary Specialities and Folk Craft Articles

kagawa is full delicacies, including its simple and warm local cuisine. Its traditional handcrafts and local specialties are walting for you.



Sanuki Udon Noodles 讃岐うどん

The udon noodles are the Sanuki area's most famous food speciality. Sanuki udon is characterized by its firm, pleasantly chewy texture, and once you taste it, you'll never forget it.



**Olive Beef** オリーブ牛

Richly flavorsome Wagyu beef raised on Shodoshima olives as feed. This healthy beef contains high amounts of oleic acid.



**Chicken-on-the-Bone** 骨付鶏

Take a hearty bite of chicken meat on the bone, juicy inside and crispy and aromatic on the outside.



#### Processed Agricultural and Marine Products 農水産加工品

We offer a wide variety of processed agricultural products and fresh seafood including olive yellowtail which is caught in the Seto Inland Sea.



Shodoshima Somen Noodles 小豆島そうめん Shodoshima Island is famous for its traditional somen noodles, which are thin, soft, and very delicious.



Sweets お菓子

In Kagawa, visitors may taste a variety of Japanese sweets and snacks unique to the area, such as rice crackers made from shrimp caught in the Seto Inland Sea and the fine-grained Japanese Sugar confections called "Wasanbon".

#### <Sanuki-san Fruits>











### Folk Craft Articles

#### 民芸品

There are more than 100 kinds of special souvenirs, the most famous of which include Takamatsu hariko(a papier-mache doll), Sanuki ittobori(woodcarving), and kojishi(a small-lion mascot).

#### Handcrafts 工芸品

The production of paper fans in Marugame makes up 90% of the total production of paper fans in all of Japan. Besides fans, Kagawa also produces plenty of crafts used in everyday life, such as bamboo products and lkkanbari, box and tableware coated with tannin derived from persimmons.



# Furniture and Handcrafted Products 家具·工芸製品

Kagawa's outstanding craftmanship techniques produce excellent products, such as high-quality furniture coated with gold leaves or gloves manufactured in Higashikagawa City.



#### Sunport Takamatsu

#### サンポート高松

Sunport Takamatsu is the a new urban center in Kagawa Prefecture. It serves as a terminus for marine and land transportation routes and contains an international conference hall, a cultural art hall, restaurants, and shops. Furthermore, it has a 30-story symbol tower, which is the tallest tower on the island of Shikoku. The highest floor of this tower offers an unparalleled view of the Seto Inland Sea. • Admission fee: Free

Access: JR Takamatsu Station is next to Sunport Takamatsu, which is 20 minutes by car from Takamatsu Central Interchange, or 40 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport

Inquiry: Takamatsu Convention & Visiters Bureau Tel. 087-822-7062



#### Seto Ohashi Bridge

瀬戸大橋

The Seto Ohashi Bridge connects five islands with six sections of the bridge over the 9.4-km strait between Kagawa Prefecture and Okayama Prefecture. This bridge is the world's longest bridge for vehicles and trains. The Seto Ohashi Bridge Commemorative Park and Commemorative Hall are located at the starting point of the bridge on the Kagawa side.

Seto Ohashi Bridge Commemorative Hall

Culture in Japanese classical literature.

- Admission fee: Free
- Open: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
- Closed: Every Monday (Tuesday if Monday falls on a holiday) and December 29 to December 31
- Parking lot: Free

 Access: 20 minutes by bus from JR Sakaide Station, 15 minutes by car from Sakaide Interchange, or 40 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport
Inquiry: Tel. 0877-45-2344

Kagawa, which faces the Seto Inland Sea, is referred to as the Road to

Kagawa Prefecture welcomes visitors to enjoy its outstanding culture and art, which have been developed rapidly since ancient times.

# Art an<mark>d C</mark>ulture



### Marugame Genichiro-Inokuma Museum of Contemporary Art

#### 丸亀市猪熊弦一郎現代美術館

This art museum, which is located conveniently in front of the station, possesses more than 20,000 of Genichiro Inokuma's works. Inokuma is a world-famous oil painter born in Kagawa.

Admission fee: Contact below

- Open: 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM
- Closed: Exhibit changing periods only
- Parking lot: Pay Parking

•Access: One minute on foot from JR Marugame Station, 15 minutes by car from Zentsuji Interchange or Sakaide Interchange, or 40 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport

Inquiry: Tel.0877-24-7755





### **Shikoku-Mura** (Rural Residence Museum) 四国村 (四国民家博物館)

This museum, which is located at the foot of the Yashima Plateau, exhibits old rural homes, which have either been reproduced or moved from around the four prefectures of Shikoku Island. There is also an art museum on the grounds where visitors can see photographs of Buddhist images from around the world.

Admission fee: Contact below

 Open: 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM(closes at 4:30 PM between November and March), 365 days a year
Parking lot:Free

 Access: Five minutes on foot from Kotoden Yashima Station, 20 minutes by car from Takamatsu Central Interchange, or 40 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport
Inquiry: Tel.087-843-3111



#### Kagawa Prefectual Higashiyama Kaii Setouch Art Museum 香川県立東山魁夷せとうち美術館

This art museum, which is located at the foot of the Seto Chashi Bridge, possesses more than 270 works by Higashiyama Kaii, one of the most famous Japanese painters of modern art.

Admission fee: Contact below

- •Open: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM(open until 7:00 PM every Friday from May to August)
- Closed: Every Monday(Tuesday if Monday falls on a holiday)and December 29 to January 3
  Parking lot: Free
- Access: 10 minutes by car from JR Sakaide Station, 15 minutes by car from Sakaide Interchange, or 40 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport
  Inquiry: Tel.0877-44-1333





**Benesse House** ベネッセハウス

Benesse House was designed by world famous architect Tadao Ando. It consists of a main building, which contains an art museum, a hotel, and an annex to the hotel. Many of the works exhibited here were created by contemporary artists specifically for this museum.

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Admission fee: 1,030 yen

Open: 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM, 365 days a year

Access: 60 minutes by ferry from Takamatsu Port to Miyaura Port and 20 minutes by bus from Miyaura Port

Inquiry: Tel.087-892-2030

#### **Art House Project** 家プロジェクト

宮島達男 Sea of Time '98 ©上野則宏

Contemporary artists use old houses as their works in this project.

Admission fee: 1,030 yen (Multi-Site Ticket for six houses excluding "Kinza".) (Free for Children 15 and under)

Open: 10:00 AM to 4:30 PM(opens at 9:30 AM between July and September)

Closed: Every Monday(Tuesday if Monday falls on a holiday)

Access: 60 minutes by ferry from Takamatsu Port Inquiry:Tel.087-892-2030

### The Isamu Noguchi Garden Museum Japan (Reservations Required)

#### イサム・ノグチ庭園美術館

This art museum is located in the production grounds of Aji Stone, where Isamu Noguchi, a 20th century sculptor, had his workshop and residence. Visitors may see more than 150 sculptures including the finished and unfinished works in his studio, along with his workshop and house, which he moved to the arounds.

Admission fee: Contact below

Open: 10:00 AM, 1:00 PM, and 3:00 PM(visitors admitted three times a day)on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday

Closed: Every Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday, from August 12 to 17 and from December 28 to January 7

#### Parking lot: Free

Access: 20 minutes on foot from Kotoden Yakuri Station, 20 minutes by car from Sanuki Miki Interchange, or 45 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport

Inquiry: Tel.087-870-1500 http://www.isamunoguchi.or.jp



# 地中美術館

The Chichu Art Museum, a three floor underground museum, designed by world-famous architect, Tadao Ando. The museum innovates the traditional concept of art museums. This museum exhibits Claude Monet's late Water Lily series paintings, including as large as 2 x 6 meters. This is the most largest work that exists in Asia. Admission fee: 2.060 ven Space is limited, online reservation is recommended.

Open: 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM(closes at 5:00 PM from October to February)

Closed: Every Monday(Tuesday if Monday falls on a holiday)and from December 30 to January 2.(This schedule may change without notice.)

Access: 60 minutes by ferry from Takamatsu Port

Inquiry: Tel.087-892-3755 http://www.chichu.jp

Hot Spings

#### Konpira (Kotohira)

#### こんぴら温泉郷

This village with many hot-springs is close to Konpira Shrine, where the spiritual guardian of seafarers is enshrined. Visitors can relax comfortably in this shrine town that has maintained the traditional atmosphere of the Edo period.

Access: 5 minutes on foot from JR Kotohira Station, 15 minutes by car from Zentsuji Interchange, or 40 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport Inquiry: Kotohira Tourism Association Tel.0877-75-3500

Kagawa has a number of hotels and Japanese-style inns with natural hot springs in the mountains, by the shore, and in town, where you can relax and relieve the stress of your travels.

Konpira, Shionoe and Shodoshima's natural springs are among Kagawa's most famous hot springs.



## Shionoe

#### 塩江温泉郷

It is said that Priest Gyoki discovered Shionoe Hot Spring approximately 1,300 years ago and that Kobo Daishi(a famous Japanese monk also known as Kukai)introduced this hot spring to society as a place of cure. Visitors can relax comfortably in the hot spring while enjoying the rich natural beauty of the mountains.

Access: 30 minutes by car from Takamatsu Central Interchange or Wakimachi Interchange or 30 minutes by car from Takamatsu Airport

Inquiry: Tourist Information Desk of Shionoe Hot Spring

Tel.087-893-1102



#### Shodoshima

#### 小豆島温泉郷

These hot-springs are located by a seaside resort. Visitors can relax comfortably while listening to the sound of the surf and admiring the beauty of the islands out to sea as the sky bursts into red and orange with the setting of the sun.

Access: 60 minutes by ferry to the nearest port from Takamatsu Port

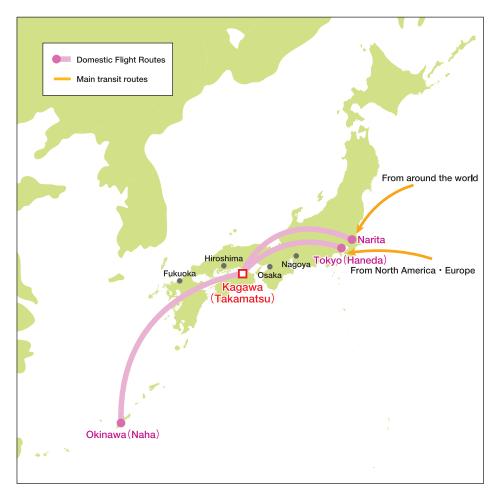
Inquiry: Shodoshima Tourism Association Tel.0879-62-5300



# **Chichu Art Museum**

# Access to Kagawa





### Access from overseas

OBy Atrplane Seoul (Incheon) to Takamatsu (Approx. 1 hr. 35min.) -Air Seoul Tel: +82-1800-8100

Shanghai (Pudong) to Takamatsu (Approx. 1 hr. 55min.) -Spring Airlines Tel: +81-570-666-188

Hong Kong to Takamatsu (Approx.3 hr.40min.) -HK Express Tel: +81-3-4510-2319

Taipei (Taoyuan) to Takamatsu (Approx. 2 hrs. 35min.) -China Airlines Tel: +81-87-815-8701

Narita to Takamatsu

-Jet Star Japan Tel: +81-570-550-538

#### Tourist Information Center

Kagawa • Takamatsu Tourist Information -Tel: +81-87-826-0170

Takamatsu Airport Information Center -Tel: +81-87-814-3355

Kagawa Prefecture Tourism Association -Tel: +81-87-832-3377

#### Sightseeing Information Websites

https://www.my-kagawa.jp/en/ http://www.takamatsu-airport.com/en/

#### Access from within Japan By Airplane

Narita to Takamatsu -Jet Star Japan Tel: +81-570-550-538 Tokyo(Haneda) to Takamatsu (Approx. 1 hr. 25min.) -All Nippon Airways (ANA) Tel: +81-570-029-222 -Japan Airlines (JAL) Tel: +81-570-025-071 Okinawa(Naha) to Takamatsu (Approx. 1 hr. 50min.) -All Nippon Airways (ANA) Tel: +81-570-029-222

#### By Rail

(Shinkansen&JR Marine Liner via Okayama) Tokyo to Takamatsu (Approx. 4 hrs. 30min.) Nagoya to Takamatsu (Approx. 2 hrs. 45min.) Osaka to Takamatsu (Approx. 1 hr. 50min.) Fukuoka to Takamatsu (Approx. 3 hrs.) Hiroshima to Takamatsu (Approx. 1hr. 40min.) Okayama to Takamatsu (Approx. 1hr.)

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