



**Ninja Practice
at Himeji Castle**



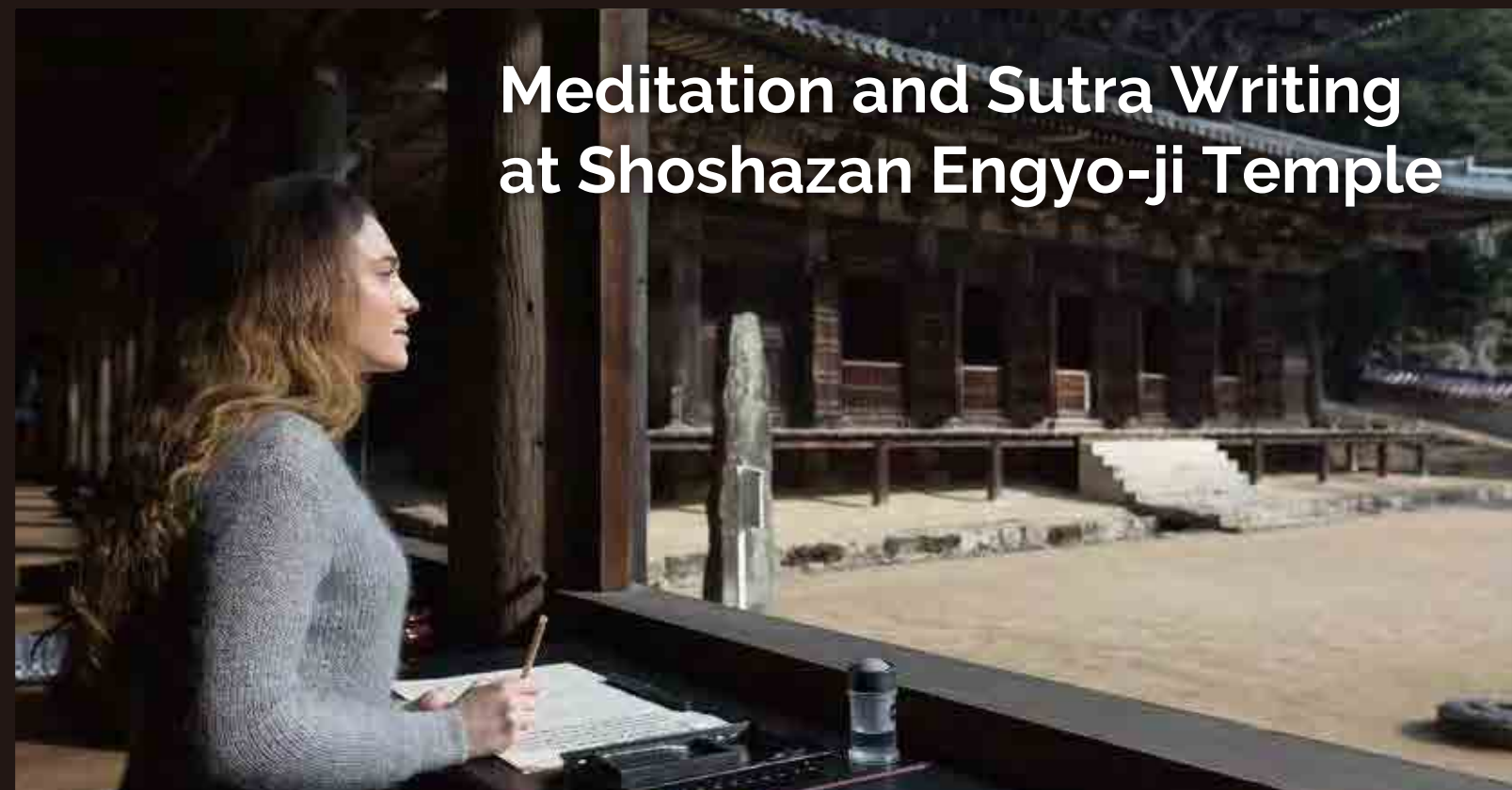
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Himeji Ninjakai

Have you ever wanted to dress up like a ninja and do ninja things? Well, you can at Himeji Castle and the throwing knives and ninja stars are real! The instructors are professional actors with numerous appearances in historical dramas!

¥6,000

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**Meditation and Sutra Writing
at Shoshazan Engyo-ji Temple**



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Shoshazan Engyo-ji Temple

Discover the solemnity of meditating and writing sutras at the historically important temple where numerous TV dramas and movies including Hollywood's "The Last Samurai" were shot!

Meditation: ¥500
Sutra Writing: From ¥300



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Sword-Making

Kikyo Hayamitsu Japanese Sword Factory
Rakan no Sato

Beautiful natural surroundings set the stage for making a knife blade under the tutelage of a skilled swordsmith. And, you get to take the blade you made home with you on the same day!

From ¥3,500



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Seasonal Fruit Picking

Mitoro Fruit Park

Pick and eat all you want in an idyllic setting! Something is growing throughout the year – plums, persimmons, chestnuts, Japanese apricots, grapes, etc.

From ¥500





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Soy Sauce Factory Tour

Takasago Factory
Kikkoman Corporation

Kikkoman ships their soy sauce to foreign markets in over 100 countries around the world, from seven overseas plants. This tour shows you up-close how they make their soy sauce.

Free Note: For groups of 20 or more





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Formal Tea Ceremony

Chogetsu

Give a try at making Japanese sweets* and experience the intricacies of Japan's refined art of making and serving tea* in an extraordinary ambiance with a wondrous garden that will make you dream! You will see some of the finest tea utensils, hanging scrolls and other accoutrements Japan has to offer. * Interpretation is provided by a tourist guide.

From ¥70,000



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Authentic Vegetarian Cuisine

Juryo-in
Shoshazan Engyo-ji Temple

The vegetarian cuisine served at Juryo-in is highly rated by the world-renowned Michelin Guide. The setting is impressive too, as both Juryo-in and its parent temple Engyo-ji have histories that date back over 1,000 years.

From ¥5,400






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Dragon Boat Paddling Experience

Aioi Peron Kaikan

Every year in May, dragon boat races come to Aioi. That's great to watch, but how about paddling one yourself? Outside of racing days, veteran competitors will show you what to do.

From ¥33,000



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Island Exploration and Authentic Island Cuisine

Ieshima Concierge LLC

On this island, the landscape is simple and the people warmhearted. Since the community has not been overrun with tourism, you will see how charmingly down-to-earth island life is!

From ¥5,500



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Making Roof-Tile Crafts

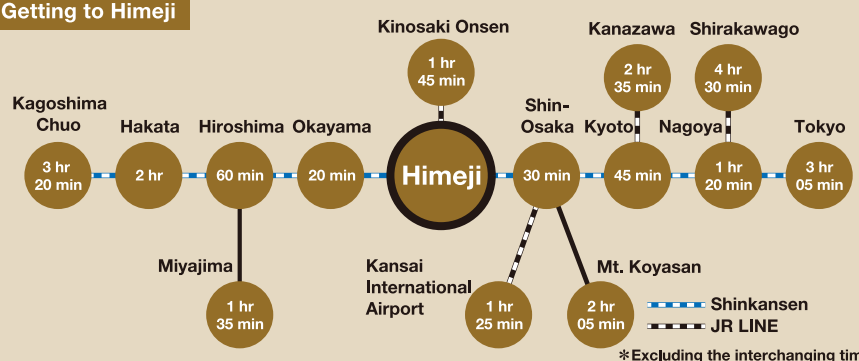
Koyoseiga Co., Ltd.

The silver roof tiles adorning Himeji Castle are made with a traditional smoking technique. You can see how they are made and then try your hand at making crafts from these roof tiles.

From ¥1,500



Getting to Himeji

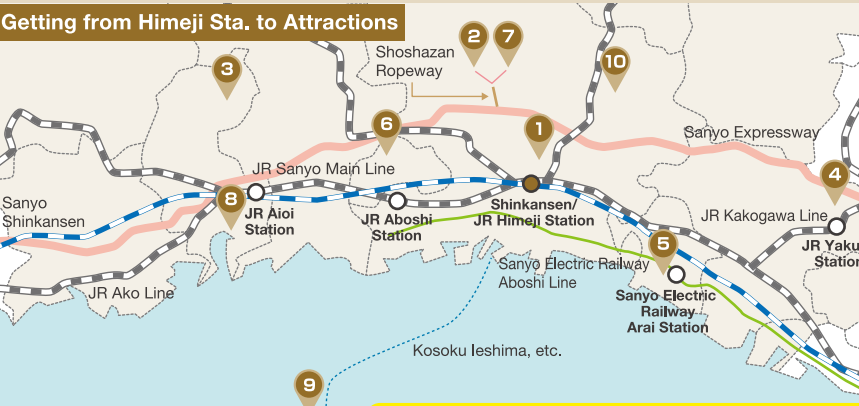


Kinosaki Onsen 1 hr 45 min
Kanazawa 2 hr 35 min
Shirakawago 4 hr 30 min
Tokyo 3 hr 05 min
Shin-Osaka 30 min
Kyoto 45 min
Nagoya 1 hr 20 min
Miyajima 1 hr 35 min
Kansai International Airport 1 hr 25 min
Mt. Koyasan 2 hr 05 min

Shinkansen
JR LINE

*Excluding the interchanging time

Getting from Himeji Sta. to Attractions



1 Shoshazan Ropeway
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4 JR Yakujin Station
5 Sanyo Electric Railway Arai Station
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8 JR Aioi Station
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Sanyo Shinkansen
JR Sanyo Main Line
Shinkansen/JR Himeji Station
JR Aboshi Station
Sanyo Electric Railway Aboshi Line
JR Kakogawa Line
JR Ako Line
Sanyo Expressway
Kosoku Ieshima, etc.

5 km

All attractions in this brochure can be reached from Himeji Station in 1 hour!

