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AMANOHASHIDATE, TANGO PENINSULA and KINOSAKI ONSEN



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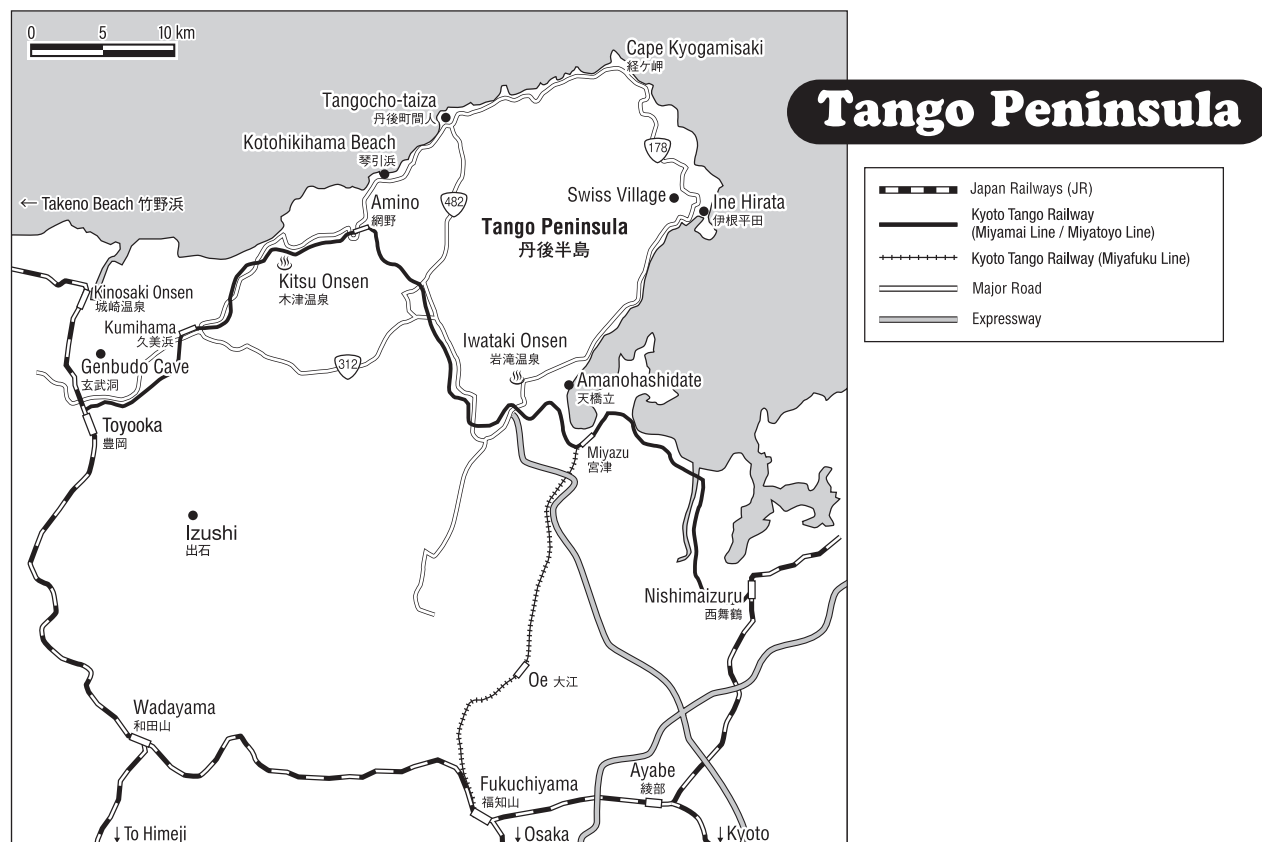
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Tango Peninsula (丹後半島) has spectacular scenic beauty endowed not only with some steep cliffs but also with many nice beaches. The main industry is fishing. Funaya (舟屋) or boathouse, unique boat garages for each house, can be seen at Ine Hirata.

Amanohashidate (天橋立), which means “Bridge to Heaven” as its shape of 3.6 km sandbar, is one of the three most scenic places in Japan along with Matsushima in Miyagi Prefecture and

Miyajima in Hiroshima Prefecture. About 8,000 twisted pine trees grow on it. From Kasamatsu Park and Amanohashidate View Land, many people try to look at it upside down between their legs since it appears like a bridge suspended in the air.

Nearby **Kinosaki Onsen** (城崎温泉) is a historic Onsen (or natural hot spring) resort which will relax you in traditional way of taking bath around in Yukata (cotton-made traditional garment, good for strolling around) and Geta (wooden clogs).



Access: By Train

From	(via)	To	By	Approx. Travel Time	Price*
Kyoto	Fukuchiyama and Miyazu	Amanohashidate	JR & [1] Ltd. Exp. “Hashidate”	1 hr. 55 min.	¥4,790**
Shin-Osaka	Osaka	Fukuchiyama	JR Ltd. Exp. “Kounotori”	1 hr. 40 min.	¥3,930
Fukuchiyama	Miyazu	Amanohashidate	JR & [1] Ltd. Exp. “Hashidate” or [1] Ltd. Exp. “Tango Relay”	35 min.	¥1,750 [2]
Miyazu	Amanohashidate & Amino	Toyooka	[1] Local	1 hr. 10 min.	¥1,300 [2]

[1] = Kyoto Tango Railway. Fukuchiyama Sta. is a junction between JR and the railway.

*Fare + express charge (with seat reservation, normal season).

**Supplemental charges [2] are required for passengers with JR passes which doesn't cover [1] section.

By Bus

From	To	Approx. Travel Time	Price	Ticketing & Operator
Kyoto Sta. (Karasuma side)	Miyazu	2 hrs.	¥2,650	<u>Tankai Bus</u> 0120-15-8814 (in JP)
	Amanohashidate	2 hrs. 5 min.	¥2,900	
Osaka Sta. (Hankyu Umeda Sta.)	Miyazu	2 hrs. 30 min.	¥2,650	<u>Japan Bus Online</u> (Tankai Bus & Hankyu Bus)
	Amanohashidate	2 hrs. 40 min.	¥2,700	

*Reservation required for all buses above.

*See p. 4 for admission and opening times.

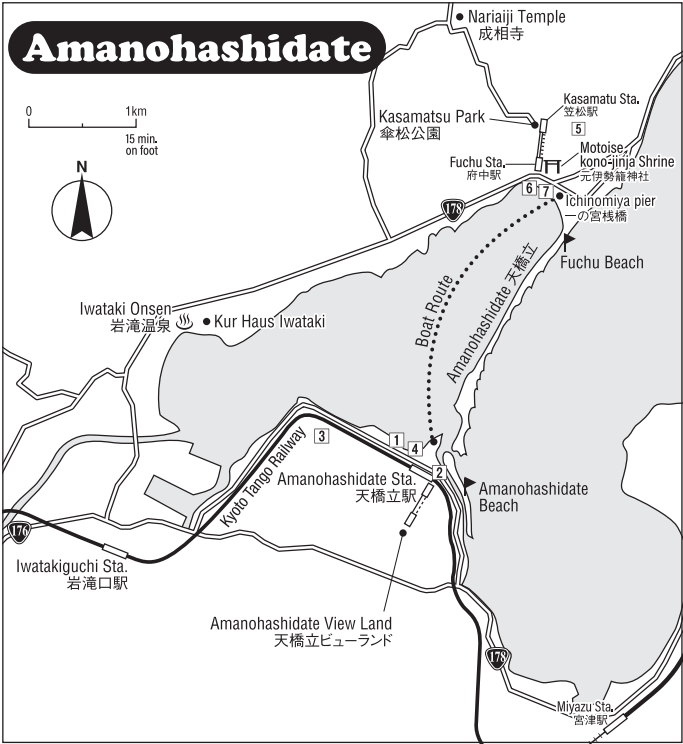
Places of Interest:

Monju (文珠) area, where **Amanohashidate Sta.** (天橋立駅) is located, is the gateway toward the sandbar connected by a pair of bridge.

Amanohashidate View Land (天橋立ビューランド), 6 min. by chair lift or 7 min. by monorail, is an amusement park with observatory, restaurants and a peacock park. Hours: 9:00–17:00 (Feb. 21–Jul. 20, Aug. 21–Oct. 20), 8:30–18:00 (Jul. 21–Aug. 20), 9:00–16:30 (Oct. 21–Feb. 20). Admission ¥850.

Kasamatsu Park (傘松公園), where you can get the best view of Amanohashidate, is halfway up Mt. Nariai (or Mt. Tsutsumigadake) in the north of the bay and reachable in 4 min. by cable car or 6 min. by chair lift from Fuchu Sta. One-way fare : ¥340 each.

Nariaiji Temple (成相寺) is the 28th of the 33 holy Kannon temples for pilgrimages in western Japan. You can get there by a climbing bus from cable car / chair lift terminal (Kasamatsu Sta.). [Climbing bus to the temple (10 min. ride)] Hours: 9:30–16:30, –16:00 (Dec.–Feb.); every 30 min–1 hr. Fare with admission fee of the temple : ¥1,100.



Accommodations (Tango Peninsula):

Name of facilities	Tel.	Fax.	Room rate (¥)	Name of facilities	Tel.	Fax.	Room rate (¥)
Amanohashidate (Monju)				Amino			
1 Auberge Amanohashidate (H)	0772-22-0650	0772-22-7735	¥	Hamanasu (M)	0772-74-0727	0772-38-0589	¥
2 Monjuso (R)	0772-22-7111	0772-22-1120	¥¥¥	Kotonoya (R)	0772-72-1720	0772-72-1721	¥¥
3 Hotel Kitanoya (R)	0772-22-4126	0772-22-7567	¥¥¥	Kitsu Onsen			
4 Amanohashidate Hotel (R)	0772-22-4111	0772-25-1681	¥¥¥	Hotel Yebisuya (R)	0772-74-0025	0772-74-0550	¥¥¥
Amanohashidate (Ichinomiya)				Kumihama Onsen			
5 Amanohashidate YH (Y)	0772-27-0121	0772-27-0975	¥	Hamanoji Rinkoan (R)	0772-83-1096	0772-74-0550	¥¥¥
6 Shofuso (R)	0772-27-0135	0772-27-1592	¥¥				
7 Shimpuro (R)	0772-27-0007	0772-27-0508	¥¥				

Remarks: 1 – 7 correspond to those on the above map. Rate per person.

- H = Hotel
- R = Ryokan
- Y = Youth Hostel
- M = Minshuku (family run inn)

Rate per person

¥¥¥ = more than 15,000 yen

¥¥ = 8,001 yen – 15,000 yen

¥ = 8,000 yen or less

* Standard basis rate (no meals, taxes included)

KINOSAKI ONSEN

Kinosaki Onsen (城崎温泉) is a very well-known old Onsen (natural hot spring) town in Kansai area. Although most accommodations have their own bath, people enjoy strolling around to try the seven public baths called Sotoyu (外湯) in the town. Three of the public baths have open-air baths: Goshonoyu, Konoyu, and Satonoyu. If you are staying at ryokan or a hotel, you may get a complimentary ticket for bathing.

Opening hours of seven Sotoyu (public baths)		
Ichino-yu	7:00 – 23:00 (¥700)	Closed: Wed.
Goshono-yu	7:00 – 23:00 (¥800)	Closed: 1st & 3rd Thu.
Yanagi-yu	15:00 – 23:00 (¥600)	Closed: Thu.
Kono-yu	7:00 – 23:00 (¥600)	Closed: Tue.
Jizo-yu	7:00 – 23:00 (¥600)	Closed: Fri.
Satono-yu	13:00 – 21:00 (¥800)	Closed: Mon.
Mandara-yu	15:00 – 23:00 (¥700)	Closed: Wed.

*You can buy the one-day pass at ¥1,300 at each bath.

For more information: <http://www.kinosaki-spa.gr.jp/global/>

Access:

By Train

From	(via)	To	By	Approx. Travel Time	Price
Kyoto	Fukuchiyama and Toyooka	Kinosaki Onsen	JR Ltd. Exp. “Kinosaki”	2 hrs. 25 min.	¥4,930
Shin-Osaka	Osaka, Fukuchiyama and Toyooka		JR Ltd. Exp. “Kounotori”	2 hrs. 45 min.	¥5,700
Himeji	Wadayama and Toyooka		JR Ltd. Exp. “Hamakaze”	1 hr. 45 min.	¥3,930

*Fare + express charge (with seat reservation, normal season).

By Bus

From	To	Approx. Travel Time	Price	Ticketing & Operator
Osaka Sta. (Hankyu Umeda Sta.)	Kinosaki Onsen	3 hrs. 25 min.	¥3,750	Japan Bus Online (Zentan Bus)
Sannomiya Sta. (Kobe)		3 hrs. 15 min.	¥3,350	

*Reservation required for all buses above.

Places of Interest:

Kinosaki Ropeway (城崎温泉ロープウェイ), a 15-min walk from JR Kinosaki Onsen Station, is a cable car that takes you up Mt.Taishi to view the city. You can also stop by the Onsen temple. Hours: 9:10 – 16:50. Fare: ¥470(one-way),¥910(round trip)

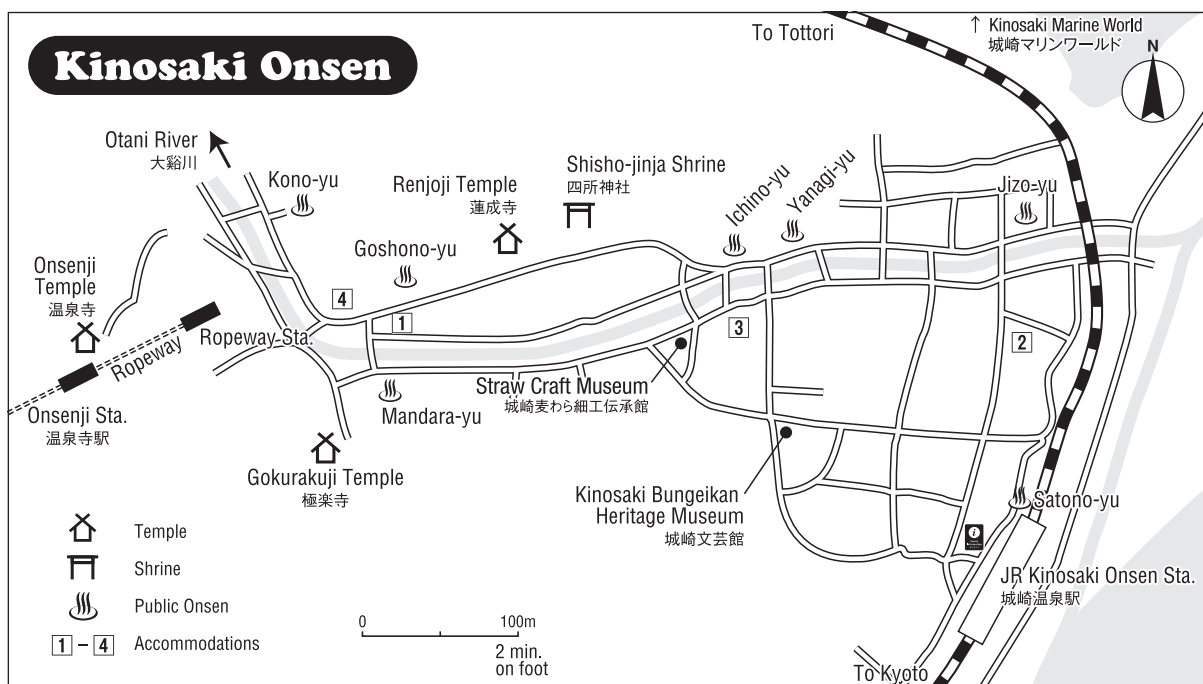
Straw Craft Museum (麦わら細工伝承館), a 7-min. walk from JR Kinosaki Onsen Station, has many professional works on display and a workshop space where you can learn to make your own. Hours: 10:00 – 16:00 Admission: ¥300

Kinosaki Marine World (城崎マリンワールド), 10 min. by bus from Kinosaki Onsen Sta., is an aquarium with sealife displayed in tanks in natural settings. There are also dolphin and sea lion shows.
Hours: 9:00–17:00, –18:00 (Jul. 20–Aug. 31). Admission: ¥2,600 (Adult), ¥1,300 (Students under 15), ¥650 (Children over 3).

Genbudo Caves (玄武洞), 7min. by taxi or 15 min. by bicycle from Kinosaki Onsen Station, consist of 5 caves made from volcanic activity over 1.6 million years ago. **Genbudo Museum** (玄武洞ミュージアム), which has a large collection of basalts, fossils and minerals, is well worth seeing. Hours: 9:00–17:00. Admission: ¥800.

Takeno Beach (竹野浜), is located one JR stop 15 min from Kinosaki Onsen Station and was named one of Japan’s top 100 beautiful beaches.

Izushi (出石), about 50 min by bus from JR Kinosaki Onsen Station, is a small town known for its soba noodles, clock tower, and the Eirakukan kabuki theatre, the oldest working theatre in Kansai.



Accommodation (Kinoshiki Onsen):

Name of facilities	Tel.	Fax.	Room rate (¥)
① Tsutaya (R)	0796-32-2511	0796-32-3645	¥¥
② Mikuniya (R)	0796-32-2414	0796-32-2679	¥¥¥
③ Yutouya (R)	0796-32-2121	0796-32-2255	¥¥¥
④ Nishimuraya Honkan (R)	0796-32-2211	0796-32-4456	¥¥¥
Ryokan & Hotel Information Center	0796-32-4141		

Remarks:

① - ④ correspond to those on the above map. Rate per person.

R = Ryokan

Rate per person

¥¥¥ = more than 15,000 yen

¥¥ = 8,001 yen - 15,000 yen

¥ = 8,000 yen or less

* Standard basis rate (no meals, taxes included)

[Good to know] Admission and opening times at tourist attractions:

- Last entry to the most of attractions is 30 min. before the closing time.
- In general, if their weekly closing day (most are on Mon.) falls on a national holiday, they are open on the day and are closed on the following day after the holiday(s).
- Most are closed throughout / a part of New Year holiday period (especially Dec. 29-Jan. 3).
- Please visit the official website of each place / your nearest tourist information center for the updates.



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JNTO Website

<https://www.japan.travel/en/plan/list-of-volunteer-guides/>

JNTO TIC (Tourist Information Center)

TIC of Japan National Tourism Organization is your helping hand while in Japan. Its main services are providing travel information and free literature on Japan such as tourist spots, transportation, and suggesting tour itineraries, etc.

1F, Shin-Tokyo Bldg., 3-3-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 100-0005 Tel. 03-3201-3331 (in Japan)
Open daily from 9:00 to 18:00 (Closed on Jan. 1)
<https://www.japan.travel/en/plan/tic/>



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TOURIST INFORMATION in the area

Amanohashidate Tourist Information Center (Amanohashidate Sta.):

314-2 Monju, Miyazu city, Kyoto

Hours: 9:00-18:00

Tel. (0772) 22-8030

Kinoshiki Onsen Tourist Information SOZORO

(in front of JR Kinoshiki Onsen Sta.):

96 Yushima, Kinoshiki-cho, Toyooka city, Hyogo

Hours: 9:00-18:00

Tel. (0796) 32-0013

To find other Tourist Information Centers, visit <https://tic.jnto.go.jp/>



JNTO Website: <https://www.jnto.go.jp>

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