

Amakusa - Northern Area

Oyano, Matsushima, Ariake

The beautiful islands and five bridges of Amakusa welcome you!
Northern Amakusa – The Gateway to Kyushu. The Historical Journey Begins Here – Follow the course of Amakusa Shiro and Local Christian Culture



Sunset observation spot

Model Course

Model Tour of Sites Related to Amakusa Shiro



Sunset at Matsushima: One Hundred Sunset Views of Japan

The observation point on top of Mt. Takabuto offers a magnificent view over Unzen and Matsushima. Sunsets are of such renown, the site is included in the "100 Sunset Views of Japan".

Swimming Beaches



Amakusa is a mecca for beach lovers in Kumamoto Prefecture

●Shirogahama Beach [C-5]
Kotsu'ura, Ariake-machi, Amakusa City
Tel: 0969-53-1111

●Pearl Sun Beach [B-7]
Aizu Hiai Matsushima-machi, Kami-Amakusa
Tel: 0964-56-1111



Other Beaches

- Karafunegahama Beach [A-7]
 - Yumigahama Beach [A-7]
 - Shirato Beach [A-6]
 - Yushima Beach [C-7]
 - Calm Beach [B-7]
 - Matsushima Beach [B-7]
- Amakusa Treasure Island
Tourism Association
Tel: 0969-22-2243

Golf Courses



●Cherry Golf Amakusa [B-7]
11356 Naka, Oyano-machi, Amakusa City
Tel: 0964-57-0111



●The Masters Amakusa [C-6]
2928 Kotsu'ura, Ariake-Machi, Amakusa City
Tel: 0969-53-0333

Scenic Views

●The Five Bridges of Amakusa and Touring Boats



First Bridge (Tenmon Bridge) [A-7]



Fifth Bridge (Matsushima Bridge) [B-7]



Second Bridge (Oyano Bridge) [B-7]



Third Bridge (Nakanohashi Bridge) [B-7]



Fourth Bridge (Maeshima Bridge) [B-7]

Tour cruises around the 5 bridges



This cruise offers a very powerful experience of the bridges. The scenes are described as the Three Great Matsushima Island Views of Japan.

Touring Boats

- Sea Cruise Tel: 0969-59-2458
- Pearl-Line Kanko Tel: 0969-56-0678
- Dai-2 Himemaru Tel: 0964-57-0415

Activities



●Amakusa Visitors Center [B-7]

The abundance of cultural information at the Visitors Center will introduce you to the colorful history of Amakusa, while through its natural history programs you can learn about the surprising life cycles of sand crabs and luminous plankton. Nagaurajima Island where the center is located is a major habitat of sand crabs in Japan.

6311-1 Aizu, Matsushima-machi, Kami-Amakusa
Tel: 0969-56-3665



●Underwater Aquarium Sea Doughnut [B-7]

This large doughnut-shaped aquarium seems to float in the sea. The gallery is divided into 7 continental zones where marine creatures of each continent can be observed.

6225-7 Aizu, Matsushima-machi, Kami-Amakusa
Tel: 0969-56-2570



Hot Spring Resort



●Ariake Onsen Center: Sazanami Hot Spring [C-5]
1955 Kotsu'ura, Ariake-machi, Amakusa City Tel: 0969-53-1126



●Spa Thalasso Amakusa [A-7]
732-14 Kami-Oyano-machi, Amakusa City
Tel: 0964-56-1126



For hot spring lovers, Matsushima is a treasure. Enjoy hot spring bathing with a scenic ocean view.

●Amakusa Ariake Octopus Tako-Nyudo Road [C-5]



Ariake Octopus Tako-Nyudo
Octopus is the major product of Ariake-machi. National Route 324 is known as the Octopus Road famous for its numerous scenes of its namesake hung to dry along the highway. Giant octopus figures are a symbol of the Octopus Road 'Ariake Tako Nyudo', and are popular photo spots.
Kotsu'ura Ariake-machi, Amakusa City
Tel: 0969-53-1111



'Praying Octopus' - a tribute to the cephalopod

