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WELCOME!



Getting to the Tottori Sand Dunes



Art Wrought of Wind and Earth

TOTTORI'S PLAYGROUND

The Tottori Sand Dunes

The Tottori Sand Dunes stretch 16 kilometers from east to west, and 2.4 kilometers from north to south.

This natural beauty created over eons include exposed volcanic ash revealing 100,000 years of history, and a 47-meter-high sand dune ridge known as the "Horse's Back." This fantastic spectacle of sand and wind leaves visitors speechless at the sight of this extraordinary landscape.



FISHING LIGHTS

As the sun sets over the Sea of Japan and day gives way to dusk, lights begin to flicker one by one on the lights of squid fishing boats — reminiscent, from a distance, of fireflies over the Sea of Japan, A nighttime hike can be worth it to see this view.



San'in Kaigan Geopark



A geopark is a type of nature park that includes scientifically significant and valuable, or particularly beautiful, geological features. The San'in Kaigan Geopark, which spans from the western end of Tottori City to the eastern end of Kyotango, Kyoto, has been designated a UNESCO Global Geopark. The Tottori Sand Dunes are one of the highlights of the geopark.

SUNSET TIME 18:00 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sept Oct Nov Dec

SOME OF THE MANY FACES OF SAND.

SAND COLUMNS

Formed when strong winds (faster than 12 m/s) blow over moist sand. Often seen in winter and after typhoons.

SAND CURTAINS

Formed as wet sand dries. These flow down slopes, creating a landscape that resembles draped curtains.

WIND RIPPLES

Winds blowing at 5-10 m/s over dry sand create a wavy pattern across the entire surface. A natural work of art typical of sand dunes.



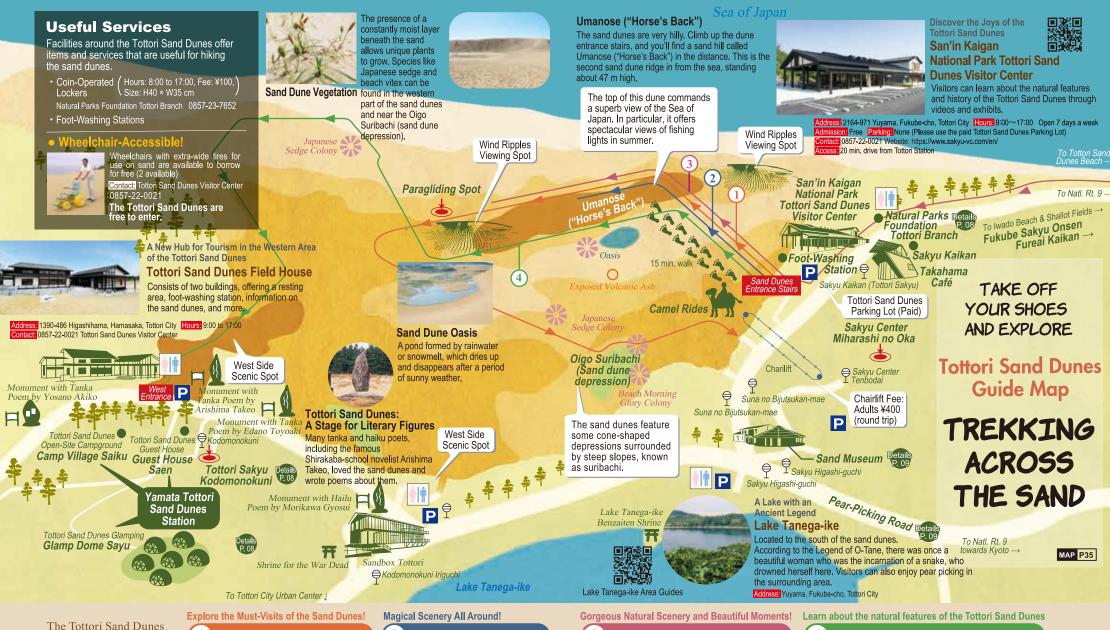
SHALLOT FLOWER FIELD

Sand Dune Shallots, which are popular nationwide, are cultivated in the sandy soil of the Tottori Sand Dunes. In June, visitors can try their hand at harvesting them themselves (for a fee). Around late October, their reddish-purple flowers bloom, and the Tottori Sand Dunes Shallot Flower Marathon is held

WINTER SCENERY

The sand dunes covered with snow have a curiously calm feel. On days when powder snow has accumulated, wind ripples can sometimes form on the snow, rather than the sand,





The Tottori Sand Dunes are among Japan's largest sand dunes by area, and feature many unique landforms and attractions, with various scenery throughout the seasons and even different times of day. They're truly a natural theme park!



Season: All year round Length: 60 min.

- Sand Dunes Entrance Stairs
- Umanose
- See wind ripples, sand columns, and the Sea of Japan
- **Exposed Volcanic Ash**
- Oigo Suribachi
- Sand Dunes Entrance Stairs



Season: Summer Length: 30 min. (or longer as desired)

- O Around 19:30
- Sand Dunes Entrance Stairs (or West Entrance)
- Umanose ("Horse's Back")
- Enjoy the spectacular sight of fishing lights, viewed from the top of a sand dune.

Natural Beauty Course

Season: Autumn Length: 90 min.

- Shallot Field
- Sand Dunes Entrance Stairs
- O Sit on the west side and watch the sunset



Season: Spring to Autumn Length: 90 min.

- Sand Dunes Entrance Stairs
- Oasis (Shirinashi River)
- Exposed Volcanic Ash
- Sand-dune plants and literary monuments

Walk across Umanose

Tottori Sand Dunes Area (P35)

A Children's Park with Large Playground Equipment, Craft Workshops. and More

Tottori Sakvu Kodomonokuni

This park offers lots for children to enjoy, including large playground equipment and ride-on attractions (such as batterypowered vehicles) for lively outdoor fun, as well as woodcraft and sand art workshops, In summer, there's waterpark fun, too!

Address: 1157-1 Hamasaka, Tottori City Hours: 9:00 to 17:00

on: Adults (16 and up) ¥500, children 12-15 ¥200, children 11 and under free (40% off in Jan. and Feb., university students and children under 18 free on weekends and holidays). Overseas visitors can show their passports for half-price admission (adults ¥250, children 13-15 ¥100).

Closed: 2nd Wed. of each month except Aug. (or following day if a holiday), and new year holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan. 1)

Parking: 500 spaces Contact: 0857-24-2811 ccess: Take a bus from Tottori Station to the Kodomonokuni Iriguchi bus stop (20 min. ride), then walk 10 min., or take a Loop Kirinjishi bus to the Kodomonokuni bus stop.



A Workation Facility with a View of the Sand Dunes

Sandbox Tottori

Various types of spaces are available, including private booths, meeting rooms. and TELBOXes, Usage by the hour is also available. The café on the first floor is open to visitors, as well,

Address: 1390-224 Hamasaka, Tottori City Hours: Coworking space 9:00 to 18:00 (24 hours a day for members), café 9:00 to 18:00 Open 7 days a week Parking: 20 spaces Contact: 0857-51-1069

WEB https://sandbox-tottori.co.jp/

PEAR PICKING AND SALES

Pear-Picking Orchards (Pear-Picking Road)

Nijisseiki Asian pears, a Tottori specialty, are known for their juicy, elegant sweetness. During the season from August to October, visitors can pick their own and enjoy incredibly fresh pears. Different varieties are available over the course of the season.



Unforgettable Experiences for All Sorts of Travelers

Yamata Tottori Sand **Dunes Station**

Yamata Tottori Sand Dunes Station is a lodging-oriented tourist complex consisting of Sayu (glamping), Saiku (campground), and Saen (questhouse). Glamping facilities with an open-air bath or a dog park are also available, providing a comfortable stay for a wide range of travelers.

Address: 1157-115 Hamasaka, Tottori City rking: 13-15 spaces for Sayu, 25 spaces for Saiku, 10 spaces for Saen Contact: 0857-51-1139



A Hot Spring among the Sand Dunes

Fukube Sakyu Onsen Fureai Kaikan

An oasis in the sand dunes! The "observation baths" on the second floor offer a magnificent view of the Sea of Japan, and the building next door features a heated pool.

Address: 1013-1 Amo, Fukube-cho, Tottori City Hours: 10:00 to 21:00 Apr. through Sep., 10:00 to 21:00 Oct. through Mar. (13:00 to 17:00 Jan. 2 and 3); last entry 1 hr. before closing

Fee: Adults ¥570, children 6-12 ¥230 Closed: Thu, and Dec. 29 through Jan. 1

Parking: 35 spaces Contact: 0857-75-2316

Access: 20 min, drive from Tottori Station

Address: Yuyama, Fukube-cho, Tottori City Fees: Example: adults ¥1,200, children ¥1,000 (season, pricing, pear varieties available for picking, and other details vary by orchard. Please contact orchards for details.) Access: 20 min. drive from Tottori Station

 Yamayuyama Fruit Cooperative 0857-75-2226

 Sasaki Fruit Cooperative Sankouen 0857-20-1174 Sasaki Kajuen 0857-23-2496

Hamayuyama Fruit Cooperative





Paragliding

The sandy ground makes paragliding safer — perfect for beginners!

Place: 1390-239 Hamasaka, Tottori City All year round, available 7 days a week Fee: Half-day trial ¥11.000 (reservations required; ¥1,000 extra during peak season) Contact: Tottori Sand Dune Paraglider School (Sakyu Honpo) 0857-24-6124



Stand-Up Paddleboarding (SUP)

Place: Tanega-ike Benten parking area, 2062 Yuyama, Fukube-cho, Tottori City Fee: ¥7,700/adult ntact: Develop Surf & Sea 0857-31-4885



Guided Photography Tour

Meeting Place: By Tottori Sand Dunes Visitor Center, 2164-971 Yuvama. Fukube-cho, Tottori City Fee: ¥6,000 (120 min.)





Yoga, SUP, and SUP Yoga

Synchronize with nature and the earth at the Tottori Sand Dunes, and refresh yourself both physically and mentally!

> eeting Place: By the parking area of Ray Garden,2164-804 Yuyama, Fukube-cho, Tottori City

en: Mid Mar. to mid. Nov. ¥7.000 to ¥9.000 (reservations required)

ontact: Sakyu Yoga 080-5756-4450 cess: Take a bus from Tottori Station to the Sakvu Kaikan bus stop (20 min. ride), then walk 1 min.

Fat-Tire Bikes

Bike through magnificent scenery!

Meeting Place: By Tottori Sand Dunes Visitor Center, 2164-971 Yuyama, Fukube-cho, Tottori City Fee: ¥8,000 (incl. bicycle and helmet rental. insurance, instructor, and tax; reservations required) Contact: Camel Cycle Club 080-6164-3451



Tottori Sand Dunes Segway Adventure Tour

Tour the spectacular Tottori Sand Dunes with ease!

Meeting Place: Momonjo Warehouse, 1390-228 Hamasaka, Tottori City

Fee: ¥9,800 and up for 150 min., ¥7,800 and up for 90 mins. (¥1,000 extra during peak season)

Kayaking

Enjoy seasonal scenery and ecosystems with a leisurely trip across the water!

eeting Place: Tanega-ike Bentengu Shrine parking area. 2062 Yuyama, Fukube-cho, Tottori City Fee: Adults ¥6,600, children ¥4,400

(Special discounts offered throughout 2025!) act: US Kayak (reservations required) 080-4555-7301





Sandboarding

Ride down steep 30° slopes, for thrilling excitement!

eeting Place: Rakudaya, 2164-806 Yuyama, Fukube-cho, Tottori City pen: All year round

e: ¥5,000 per session (incl. instruction fee, board rental fee, insurance fee, and consumption tax; reservations required)

ontact: Tottori Sand Dunes Sandboarding School 0857-30-1991

THERE'S PLENTY
TO DO OUT ON
THE SAND DUNES!

Sand Dune Activities

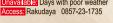
Fun in the Sand



Camel Rides

Location: Near the chairlift boarding area Fee: Camel ride ¥1,600/person, photography on camelback ¥650/person

navailable: Days with poor weather ess: Rakudaya 0857-23-1735





The Sand Museum MAP

The world's first indoor facility specializing in sand sculptures, displaying world-class sand sculptures under the theme of "Globetrotting with Sand." Sand sculptures do not retain their appearance forever, so there is a certain beauty to their transience.

Address: 2083-17 Yuvama, Fukube-cho, Tottori City

Hours: 9:00 to 18:00 (last admission 30 min. before closing); see website for more details Admission: Adults ¥800, children 6–17 ¥400 Open 7 days a week during exhibition periods ontact: 0857-20-2231

ccess: Take a bus from Tottori Station to the Suna no Bijutsukan-mae bus stop (20 min. ride). or take a Loop Kiriniishi bus to the Suna no Bijutsukan-mae bus stop.



Tottori Prefectural Museum



ottori Domain during the Edo Period (1603–1868), as well as aterials related to the natural history, history, folk customs, and arts and crafts of Tottori refecture

Address: 2-124 Higashi-machi, Tottori City
Hours: 9:00 to 17:00 (last admission 30 min. before closing)
Admission: Permanent exhibition ¥180 (free for university students and younger, adults 70 and older, and visitors with disabilities. Additional fee for special exhibitions.)

Closed: Mon. (or following weekday if a holiday), new year holidays

Parking: 21 spaces (bike parking available)
Access: Take a ¥100 Kururi Bus o n the Green Route from
Tottori Station to the Jinpukaku Mansion/Prefectural Museum bus stop (8 min. ride)



A Romantic Western-style Mansion

Jinpukaku Mansion

(National Important Cultural Property)

This Western-style building was constructed in 1907, as a place of lodging for the then-Crown Prince (later Emperor Taisho) during his visit to the San'in region. It was also famously used as a filming location for the movie Rurouni Kenshin Part I: Origins.

The mansion is currently closed for long-term cultural property preservation and repair work, with plans to reopen in 2029.

Horvuin Garden (Municipally Designated Place of Scenic Beauty)

This Japanese garden, featuring a pond in the center and a path around it, was built by Ikeda Yoshinori, the 12th lord of the domain. It served as the garden of the Ogi-goten villa, which was built to console Horyuin, the wife of the short-lived 11th lord. The site where the villa once stood is now occupied by Jinpukaku Mansion. Note: Due to Jinpukaku Mansion repair work, access from the exhibition hall is blocked. Please use the entrance on the Otetojoro side.



Horvuin Garden

4 Tenkvu-maru Maki Stone Wall (Restored)

An additional stone wall built around 1807 with a rounded surface, in order to prevent the collapse of the stone wall of the Tenkyu-maru Enclosure.

Nobori Stone Wall

Nishisakashita Gate

Tottori Castle Ruins

Rice Granary Ruins

Exhibition Hall

Uzen-no-maru

Enclosure

Vi-no-maru

Enclosure

Sangai Turret Ruins

Back Gate Ruins

Jinpukaku Mansion 6



An AR app for smartphones and tablets to allow users to experience the reconstruction of the Tottori Castle Ni-no-maru Enclosure's Sangai Turret, Audio and visual guides are also available, to even better enjoy the Tottori Castle Ruins.



A Great Place fo Cherry Blossoms!

Kyusho Park in the castle site is considered one of Japan's 100 finest cherry blossom viewing spots, with some 220 cherry trees blooming in spring, including ones along the banks of the moat.



Tottori Prefectural Museum

Kitano Gate Ruins Hoju Bridge

Jinpukaku Kenritsu Hakubutsukan Tottori Jo Ato



8 Tottori Castle Ruins Jinpukaku Mansion Exhibition Hall

A temporary guidance facility open while Jinpukaku Mansion is closed. In addition to serving as an official spot to get a commemorative stamp of Tottori Castle as one of Japan's 100 Famous Castles, the facility also provides information on the Tottori Castle Ruins and Jinpukaku Mansion, as well as selling commemorative castle visit stamps.

Tottori Castle Area Guides Guiding around the Tottori Castle Ruins, Jinpukaku

Mansion, and the Surrounding Area Address: 2-121 Higashi-machi, Tottori City (at Tottori Castle Ruins Jinpukaku Mansion Exhibition Hall) Available: Weekends and holidays from early Mar. to early Jul. and late Sep. to late Dec.Paid guides available

year-round (reservations required) Contact: Tottori Tourist Guide Association



Access: Take a ¥100 Kururi Bus on the Green Route from Tottori Station to the Jinpukaku Mansion/Prefectural Museum bus stop (8 min. ride)

> A Quick and Easy Way to Check Parking Availability! Tottori Castle Area Parkina Availability Information System



Giboshi Bridge
(Ote Bridge)

2 Otetojoro (Main Path to the Castle Entrance)

Inome Stone

Tenkyu-maru

Enclosure

Tategura Ruins

San-no-maru

Enclosure

Hyogo Turret Ruins

Statue of Kikkawa Tsuneie

Municipal Martial Arts Hall

Kirlishizumi Stone Wall

Garden entrance

Nakano-Gomon

(main gate)

2 Otetojoro

Tenkyu-maru Maki Stone Wall

Taiko Gate Ruins

Omote Gate Ruins

Hashiri Turret Ru

Horvuin Garde

Hishi Turret Ruins

This serves as the main entrance to Tottori Castle, and is currently undergoing reconstruction work. The Giboshi Bridge (Ote Bridge) crossing the inner moat is the longest restored castle bridge in Japan. The eave-end tiles for the Nakano-Gomon (main gate) feature the hollyhock crest of the Tokugawa shogunate family. The use of this crest is unique among the castles of the tozama daimyo (the feudal lords who became vassals of the Tokugawa family only after the decisive Battle of Sekigahara in 1600), testifying to the prosperity of the domain. Note: The Nakano-Gomon (main gate) is

scheduled to reopen in or after late April 2025.



3 Inome Stone

A heart-shaped stone placed as an amulet, to keep evil spirits and misfortune from entering the castle through the entrance corresponding to the "back demon's gate" (southwest, considered an unlucky direction) of the Ni-no-maru Enclosure, where the lord's residence was located.

Minamino Gate Ruins

To Sanjo-no-maru

Tottori Castle Ruins Illuminations Lighting up the stone walls of the moat. Ni-no-maru, and Tenkyu-maru



Tottori Castle Ruins

Tottori Castle is famous for a siege by Toyotomi Hideyoshi (1536-1598). a warlord who played a key role in unifying Japan following Oda Nobunaga (1534–1582) during the Warring States period. It originated as tain fortress that was highly egarded by Nobunaga, and became ne residential castle for the lords of he Tottori Domain — Japan's 12th wealthiest feudal domain during the do period (1603–1868). Visitors can like for 40 minutes from the castle ruins, a popular spot for viewing herry blossoms in spring and colored eaves in autumn, to the Sanjo-nonaru "mountaintop enclosure" at the op of the mountain, for a panorami view of the sand dunes and more.

Statue of Kikkawa Tsuneie

Kikkawa Tsuneie was dispatched as a castle commander for the Mori family, who resisted Hidevoshi's siege of Tottori Castle. Starvation tactics being used on Tottori Castle daimed the lives of many, so he chose suicide in order to save the lives of others; his sacrifice, admired even by his enemy Hidevoshi, remains highly regarded as a paragon of historic chivalry.



Minoura Samura Family Residence Gate

The main gate of the residence of the Minoura family, who were vassals of the Tottori Domain. It was originally situated along the moat of Tottori Castle, and moved to its current location in 1936, when the Tottori Teachers' College was expanded and renovated, to serve as the school's main gate. Designated a protected cultural property by the city.

Address: Shotoku-cho, Tottori City

(on the Tottori Prefectural Library grounds) Access: Take a ¥100 Kururi Bus on the Green Route from Tottori Station to the Tottori Prefectural Office bus stop, then walk 3 min.



Tottori City Urban Center (P35)

The Family Temple of the Renowned Swordsman Araki Mataemon Genchuji Temple



This temple is home to the Mataemon, the figure at the sight to see, as is the tortoise-and-crane garden.

grave of, and a memorial hall dedicated to. Araki center of one of Japan's most infamous vendetta assassinations. The large paintings by Takagi Hyakusetsu on the sliding doors are also a popular

Address: 176 Shinhonji-cho, Tottori City Hours: 9:00 to 16:00 Admission: ¥500 Parking: 15 spaces Contact: 0857-22-5294

Access: Take a ¥100 Kururi Bus on the Blue Route from Tottori Station to the Kotobuki-cho bus stop (17 min. ride), then walk 3 min.





This Tendai Buddhist temple, said to have been founded by the priest Jikaku Daishi (Ennin) in the year 834, has long been a center of faith in the Inaba region. The main hall, which is dedicated to the deity Taishakuten, and the Nyorai-do hall (affiliated with Nagano's Zenkoji Temple) are just some of the structures located at the top of a 300-stone-step climb. Even further up are the Tateiwa boulder, the inner shrine, and the rest of the mountain, which is designated a Registered Monument for its scenic beauty.



Address: 624 Kakuji, Tottori City Admission: Free admission to temple, ¥300 for Okaidan Meguri

(religious walk through a very dark hallway) Contact: 0857-23-5300 Parking: Available (free)



A Shrine Dedicated to Tokugawa leyasu

Tottori Tosho-gu Shrine

This shrine was built in 1650 by Mitsunaka Ikeda, the first lord of the Tottori Domain, who was granted permission by Nikko Toshogu Shrine to build another shrine dedicated to Tokugawa leyasu. The main building is a Nationally Designated Important Cultural Property.

Address: 87 Ue-machi, Tottori City Parking: 10 spaces

Access: Take a ¥100 Kururi Bus on the Red Route from Tottori Station to the Ouchidani-kouen Park and Yamabiko-kan bus stop (20 min. ride),

Built over a Ten-Year Period by Lord Ikeda Mitsunaka

Kannon'in Garden

One of the sites along the Chugoku Region Kannon Pilgrimage route. A pond takes up roughly half of the garden, and the tortoise island, crane island, and waterfall-style stone arrangement are still as they were over 300 years ago. Enjoy lovingly tended natural beauty through all four seasons, at this Nationally Designated Place of Scenic Beauty.

Address: 162 Ue-machi, Tottori City Hours: 9:00 to 17:00 Admission: ¥650 (includes matcha green tea) Contact: 0857-24-5641

Take a ¥100 Kururi Bus on the Red Route from Tottori Station to the Ue-machi bus stop (17 min. ride), then walk 3 min.

The Family Temple of the Ikeda Family, Kozenji Temple



This temple was established to serve as a family temple for the Ikeda family, and the grounds are also home to the graves of the famous swordsmen Usui Hongaku and Watanabe Kazuma, as well as a monument to the haiku poet Ozaki Hosai. The temple's garden is also worth seeing; its design dates back to over 400 years ago.

Contact: 0857-22-5278

Address: 10 Kuritani, Tottori City Admission: ¥200

Access: Take a ¥100 Kururi Bus on the Green Route from Tottori Station to the Municipal Martial Arts Hall bus stop (9 min. ride),

A Museum Dedicated to Children's Songs and Toys Warabekan

This museum was originally a library dating back to the early 20th century, renovated but without sacrificing its old-fashioned feel. The Children's Song Room explores children's songs over the generations, from traditional songs to today's anime show songs, all in a wooden classroom that serves as a recreation of an ordinary elementary school from the early 20th century. The Toy Room offers a hands-on place for kids and adults alike to enjoy playing with old tin toy vehicles, building blocks with a modern design, and other traditional toys from Japan and around the world.

A Merchant's House from Over a Century Ago

Takasagoya



This building is a Nationally Registered Tangible Cultural Property that dates back to the Meiji era (1868-1912), and has survived earthquakes and fires. This shop sells folk crafts, washi paper, pottery, and other items from Tottori Prefecture.

There is also a coffee shop here.

Address: 1 Motodaiku-machi, Tottori City

Hours: 9:00 to 17:00 (2F rental rooms open until 21:00) Mon. (or following weekday if a holiday), new year holidays

Contact: 0857-29-9024

Parking: Available

Take a ¥100 Kururi Bus on the Red Route from Tottori Station to the Kakedashi-cho bus stop (23 min, ride), then walk 5 min,

One of Japan's Finest Samurai Collections Watanabe Museum of Art



In addition to one of Japan's leading collections of samurai armor and swords, this museum is home to some 30,000 antique items, including paintings, crafts, Buddhist art, and more. Popular exhibits include the reproduction Urashima Kotetsu sword (an heirloom of the Ikeda family who once ruled Tottori), as well as Prefecturally Protected Cultural Properties and other precious items.

Address: 55 Kakuji, Tottori City Hours: 10:00 to 15:00 on Mon., Wed., Thu., and Fri.

10:00 to 17:00 on weekends and holidays Admission: Adults ¥900, high school and university students ¥500,

children under 16 ¥300

Closed: Tue. (or following weekday if a holiday), new year holidays (Dec. 30 to Jan. 2) Contact: 0857-24-1152 30 spaces (bike parking available)

Take a bus from Tottori Station bound for the sand dunes and get off at the Watanabe Museum of Art bus stop. By car-10 min. drive from Tottori-nishi IC on the San-in Expressway.







Address: 3-202 Nishi-machi, Tottori City Hours: 9:00 to 17:00 (last admission at 16:30)

Admission: ¥500 (children under 18 free) Closed: 3rd Wed. of the month (or following day if a holiday; not closed in Aug.) and new year holidays (Dec. 31 to Jan. 3)

93 spaces (bike parking available) Contact: 0857-22-7070

Access: Take a ¥100 Kururi Bus on the Green Route from Tottori Station to the Warabekan bus stop (5 min. ride)

A Museum Where People and Objects Both Tell Their Stories

Tottori City Historical Museum (Yamabiko-kan)



This museum's permanent exhibition focuses on items that tell us about Tottori's past and local culture, from prehistory to the current day. There are also special exhibitions held here related to Tottori.

Address: 88 Ue-machi, Tottori City

Hours: 9:00 to 17:00 (last admission at 16:30) ¥300 (children under 18 and adults 65 and up free; admission

fees may vary by exhibition) Closed: Mon. (open if a holiday), the day after each national holiday,

and new year holidays 60 spaces (bike parking available)

0857-23-2140

Take a ¥100 Kururi Bus on the Red Route from Tottori Station to the Ouchidani-kouen Park and Yamabiko-kan bus stop (20 min. ride),

Craft Exhibits, Shopping, and Food Served with Folk Crafts

Tottori Folk Crafts Museum

A museum established by Yoshida Shova, an activist nicknamed the "father of Tottori folk crafts," located by a craft shop and a traditional Japanese restaurant. Visitors can see exhibits of folk crafts from around Japan, and even from overseas - the collection includes some 5,000 items, and the museum aims to showcase the folk crafts collected by Yoshida over the years



Address: 651 Sakae-machi, Tottori City Hours: 10:00 to 17:00

Admission: Adults ¥500, university students ¥300 (children under 18 free) Closed: Wed. (or following day if a holiday)

Contact: 0857-21-3504 Access: 5 min, walk from Tottori Station

Chugoku Region Kannon Pilgrimage Website (in Japanese only)

Hakuto Area (MAP)





Available At: Hakuto Shrine office



Stones of Prayer for a Good Fate Stones of Fate

A set of five stones, each for a specific aspect: finding a good match, childbirth, prosperity. progress, and good health.

Available At: Hakuto Shrine office

White Hare Matchmaking Talismans

These talismans feature large, adorable hare ears, and aim to bring together fated connections, be they friends. lovers, or other important relationships. Available At: Hakuto Shrine office

Pledge Your Love to the White Hare of Myth Kisho-mon Pledge of Love

This document features a written yow to the divine. Make a promise on the back, and pledge your love to the gods.

Available At: Shinwa-no-Sato Roadside Station Shiro Usagi



Hakuto Area Guide (in Japanese only)

OMU NPO (Hakuto Area Walking Guide Organization) Let guides take you to hidden nhlights vou'vé never heard of.

Hours: Wed, to Sat, (varies by season) Price: ¥2,000 per person (up to 8 people) Hakuto Beach, Hakuto Shrine, Kozomi Beach, etc. (scan QR Code for details)



A Beautiful Sandy Beach ◆ Kozomi Beach

This inlet beach has fine white sand, and stays shallow well offshore. The many small islands here are popular for swimming, fishing, and other activities.

Boost Your Luck with Matchmaking Items!

Hakuto Shrine

This popular shrine, dedicated to the white hare of myth, is also believed to have mystical ties to matchmaking and happy marriages, and is even said to help with healing skin diseases and wounds. Visitors can buy Stones of Fate at the shrine office, and offer up prayers to find true love.

Address: 603 Hakuto, Tottori City Contact: 0857-59-0047 (9:00 to 16:00)



Matchmaking Meal Set (Includes "Matchmaking Envelope"

This Michi-no-Eki roadside station offers unique foods inspired by local tales of matchmaking.

agi-Yaki — A Hakuto Specialty

Chewy white and pink dough filled with sweet bean paste Available weekends only.)

Mosa Burger

The Mosa Burger features a Mosa shrimp cutlet, served on a freshly baked heart-shaped bun from the White Hare Bakery.

• Hakuto Beacl

Hakuto Beach is known for its beautiful white sand and curving shoreline, making it a popular destination for enjoying the water. Nearby, there are also colonies of Japanese roses, a National Natural Monument. Many come here in summer to go swimming at the beach, and even in winter, this area attracts plenty of surfers.

Shinwa-no-Sato Roadside Station

Shiro Usagi

Enjoy dishes made with incredibly fresh seafood caught off the shore of Tottori. The second-floor observation deck offers an incredible view of the Sea of Japan, along with a pleasant breeze.

Address: 613 Hakuto, Tottori City

ours: 11:00 to 16:00 (11:00 to 17:00 on weekends and holidays)

8:00 to 19:00 (8:30 to 18:00 from Dec. 3 to Feb. 28) 7 days a week g: 125 spaces

0857-59-6700

From the Tottori City Urban Center, follow National Route 9 toward Yonago (20 min. drive).

By bus, take a bus from Tottori Station on the Hakuto Kaigan Line to the Hakuto Shrine bus stop (40 min, ride),



Japan's Oldest Love Story

THE MYTH OF THE HARE OF INABA

On their way to Inaba Province, the brothers of the god Okuninushi-no-Mikoto encountered a hare whose fur had all been stripped off.



The mean-spirited brothers told it to wash itself in seawater, and dry off in the wind atop a tall mountain. The hare did as it was told, and suffered terrible pain as a result



Just then. Okuninushi-no-Mikoto caught up, and spoke to the hare. The hare told him, "I wanted to make my way across the water, from the island to Inaba. I tricked the sharks into letting me jump across their backs,

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Matchmaking

but they figured out what I was doing, and tore out my fur And what's more. after that, I followed vour brothers' advice, and now my whole body hurts.



Okuninushi-no-Mi koto told the hare to wash itself off in fresh water and apply cattails to its skin, and the hare did as it was told.



When it did, the hare went back to being healthy and well. The hare then told

Okuninushi-no-Mikoto a prophesy, that he would marry Yagami-hime, a beautiful woman from the age of gods - and indeed, the two eventually married just as the hare said. and lived happily ever after.

Karo, Koyama-ike & Yoshioka Onsen Area (P34)

Lake Kovama-ike Lake Kovama-ike

Aoshima Island 🗨 🔞

Natural Garden Koyama-ike Park

Largest Pond Lake Koyama-ike

Japan's

Lake Koyama-ike is Japan's largest pond, offering beautiful scenery to enjoy through all four seasons. Just a five-minute drive away is Yoshioka Onsen, a hot spring resort town beloved for its fireflies, and June brings the lively Yoshioka Onsen Firefly Festival.

Natural Garden

∇ Kovama-ike Park

Enjoy the Classic Ambiance of a

Thousand-Year-Old Curative Hot Spring

hot spring was able to cure people of even

Domain, would often visit during the Edo

According to legend, Yoshioka Onsen's

hard-to-treat diseases; members of the

period (1603–1868) for curative baths.

wooden buildings, offering warm

countryside hospitality,

and it is a nationally

resort town.

designated hot spring

The town is home to a number of inns in

Ikeda family, the lords of the Tottori

Koyama Ike Park, Tottori City 80 spaces Tottori Green 0857-28-5090

5 Lake Koyama-ike Temple Hall

8 Aoshima Island

Koyama-ike, offers a playground for

This Nationally Registered Tangible Cultural Property was disjoned by Yoshida Shoya, the activist leader of Tottori's folk crafts movement. (Reservations required.) ottori Folk Crafts Museum 0857-21-3504

6 Lake Koyama-ike Tour Boats

Enjoy a cruise around Lake Koyama-ike.

Address: 3 Minami, Koyama-cho, Tottori City (ticket booth located at Koyama-ike Natural Garden)

(Runs in spring and autumn; for specific dates

Kataribe Cruise (45 min.) ¥1.500 Sanin Matsushima Yuran Inc. 0857-73-1212 https://www.kovamaike-vuran.com/ check website or call)





The town has two footbaths, and makes a lovely place for a casual stroll in a yukata.



Parloir Kabuyu A café with an

old-fashioned atmosphere. built into an old house in the center of Yoshioka Onsen. Their dishes are made with plenty of local ingredients, and the Azumaya-san puddings come recommended.



Kaivotei Sunaba Coffee

Local Goods Plaza Kanemasa Hamashita Shoten

Kaisen-Matsuri Ho-Enya Wattaina Gelateria,

nd Torichiku Meat

Karo-Minato

Tottori Karo Crab Aquarium (Kanikko-kan)

Local Goods Plaza Wattaina

emon (restaurant), Chimura (seafood product shop)

Wakabayashi Shoten, Nakamura Shoten,

Amihama Suisan, JF Tottori (fresh seafood shop).

Zaroko, Gochiso Kukan Wakabayashi, Ikataro,

A large-scale farmer's market, selling delicious seasonal produce from Tottori Prefecture. A great place to enjoy rice bowls topped with fresh seafood, and handmade gelato!

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Matsumura Ryoka

Karo Shrine is

dedicated to 8th-century imperial vassal Kibino Makibi

Sacred ground for go

players, too, due to stories

involving the game.

Address: 3-323 Nishi, Karo-cho, Tottori City Jan. 1

Hours: Wattaina open 9:00 to 17:00 0857-50-1771

https://shokunomiyako.com/

Fresh Seafood from "Tottori's Kitchens" /

Tottori Harbor Seafood Market

This area is lined with seafood shops and

Address: 3-27-1 Nishi, Karo-cho, Tottori City

Karo Jinia-mae

Karo Shrine

restaurants that serve freshly caught seafood

from Karo Port, as well as other local specialties.

Market building open 9:00 to 16:00

Market building open 7 days a week (restaurants may vary)

nabe Ryokan

Restaurant (1) Souvenir Shop

Take a bus on the Karo Line from Tottori Station to the

Crab Aquarium (Kanikko-kan) bus stop (40 min, ride)

0857-38-8866 http://karoichi.jp/

1 Karoichi



Karoichi and Wattaina are nicknamed "Tottori's Kitchens" — these markets offer fresh seafood on a daily basis, making them popular with locals. Visitors can encounter the "real Tottori" here, with enthusiastic advice on the ingredients and how to prepare them, offered in the unaffected local dialect.

4 Karo Shrine Karo Shrine is located in a

former shipowner village and port of call for the Kitamaebune trading ships, which have received Japan Heritage recognition. The entrance features a rare style of quardian statues: a pair of tigers.

Address: 1-21-8 Kita, Karo-cho, Tottori City ntact: 0857-28-6505

Tottori Karo Crab Aquarium 3 Kanikko-kan

Encounter crabs and other sea creatures from up close, including snow crabs and Japanese spider crabs (which grow to be the largest in the world!). Visitors can also feed the animals, and there are events on weekends on holidays.

Address: 3-27-2 Nishi, Karo-cho, Tottori City 9:00 to 17:00 (last admission at 16:45)

Closed: Tue. (or following day if a holiday; not closed Jul. 20 to Aug. 31, Dec. 24 to Jan. 8, or Mar. 24 to Apr. 8)

290 spaces 0857-38-9669

Take a bus on the Karo Line from Tottori Station to the Crab Aquarium (Kanikko-kan) bus stop (40 min. ride)



666 Yoshioka Onsen-cho, Tottori City 8:00 to 21:00 (last admission at 20:30),

Wanko-no-Yu dog bath 9:30 to 15:00; open 7 days a week Adults ¥700, children ¥350, adults 65 and up ¥600 (JAF discount: ¥50 off for each of up to five adults and children). Family baths and barrier-free baths starting at ¥2,200 (for 40 min.). Contact for Wanko-no-Yu dog bath pricing. (Reservations recommended for private baths and Wanko-no-Yu.)

7 days a week Parking: 20 spaces 0857-57-0555 https://ichinoyu.yoshiokaonsencho.com 2 min, drive from Yoshioka Onsen IC on the San-in Expressway. By bus, take a Hinomaru Bus from Tottori Station bound for Yoshioka Onsen and get off at the Yoshioka Chuo bus stop (20 min. ride), then walk 3 min.

Yoshioka Onsen Hall (1) Ichinovu This establishment on

the shore of Lake Koyama-ike was once Ichinoyu Ochaya, where the lords of the Tottori Domain would come for curative hot spring baths.



The Lords of the Tottori Domain Lie in Rest among the Mountains

6 Ikeda Family Graveyard (National Historic Site)

All eleven generations of the heads of the Ikeda family, who ruled as lords of the Tottori Domain, have graves here, as well as the heads of the Higashiyakata and Nishiyakata branch families. Today, there are a total of 78 graves in this graveyard, as well as more than 260 lanterns around the grounds from retainers and other donors.

Okudani, Kokufu-cho, Tottori City Parking: 15 spaces Association for the Preservation of the Ikeda Family Gravevard of the Historic Tottori Domain Lords 0857-26-7524

Take a bus from Tottori Station on the Nakagawara Line to the Miyanoshita-guchi bus stop (15 min. ride), then walk 10 min.



The Primary Shrine of Inaba Province

Ube Shrine

This shrine is a center within the prefecture for prayers regarding things like childrearing, long life, and wealth, drawing many people from Tottori and other prefectures. During the Reitai-sai grand festival held in April, the omikoshi portable shrine is carried up the stone steps in a single go, and the Kirin Shishimai lion dance performed for the festival is a Nationally Designated Intangible Folk Cultural Property.

651 Miyanoshita, Kokufu-cho, Tottori City Parking: 50 spaces 0857-22-5025 (9:00 to 17:00)

Take a bus from Tottori Station on the Nakagawara Line to the Miyanoshita bus stop (15 min. ride), then walk 7 min.

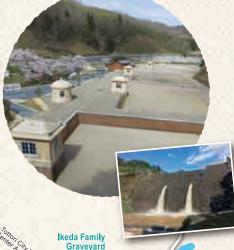
The Oldest Waterworks Facility in the San'in Region

6 Former Mitani Headwaters Reservoir & Waterworks Facility (Nationally Designated Important Cultural Property)

This century-old dam and the Western-style buildings here are symbols of regional modernization. Visitors can get an up-close view of the passionate work that blazed a trail for the

Mitani, Kokufu-cho, Tottori City Parking: 15 spaces Cultural Properties Division, Tottori City Board of Education 0857-30-8422

20 min, drive from Tottori Station.



Former Mitani Headwaters Reservoir & Waterworks Facility

Ube Shrine

Inaba Provincial Capital Site

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niyo History Museum



ess: Amedaki Falls, Kokufu-cho, Tottori Citv

Hours: Contact the Regional Promotion Division

Contact: Kokufu-cho Regional Promotion Division

rom Tottori Station to the Nakagawara bus stop

35 min. ride), then from Nakagawara take a bus

on the Amedaki-Waji Line to the Amedaki bus

stop (20 min. ride), then walk 30 min.

cess: 40 min, drive from Tottori Station,

By bus, take a bus on the Nakagawara Line

the Kokufu-cho General Branch Office

Parking: 60 spaces

857-30-8652

This traditional dance is an Important Intangible Folk Cultural Property handed down for generations in eastern Tottori Prefecture and the western Hokutan region of Hyogo. Its origins are said to be in a festival procession held at Tottori Tosho-qu Shrine, which was built by order of Ikeda Mitsunaka, lord of the Tottori Domain, to honor his great-grandfather: Tokugawa leyasu. In 2019, the Kirin Shishimai Lion Dance earned

Japan Heritage recognition.

Kirin Shishimai Dance

Japan Heritage

1 Amedaki Falls

Currently Undergoing Restoration Work due to Disaster Damage

The fall Amedaki Falls is considered one of apan's 100 finest waterfalls. Water from the Guinosen, drops 40 m here surrounded by a natural horse chestnut and beech forest, for a truly awe-inspiring demonstration of the power of nature. The surrounding area has 48 more waterfalls of varying sizes, as well.

2 Tono Dam (Inaba-Man'vo Lake)

This rockfill dam is made entirely of soil and rocks, nicknamed the "Heisei Pyramid" for the Japanese imperial era (1989-2019) during which it was built. The surrounding area is now a park, as well.

Tono Dam Memorial Park Tono Dam **Exchange Center**

46 Tono, Kokufu-cho, Tottori City 8:30 to 17:00

Exchange Center closed Mon.

(or following day if a holiday) and Dec. 29 to Jan. 3 Free (rental fees apply when renting out the facility for private use) 0857-77-4607

Take a bus from Tottori Station on the Nakagawara Line to the Yamazakibashi bus stop (40 min. ride), then walk 5 min

Encounter Ancient Inaba and Man'yo Culture 4 Inaba Man'yo History Museum

Learn about the statesman and poet Otomo-no-Yakamochi and other poets with local ties, and other Inaba-region history and culture like the Inaba Umbrella Dance and the Kirin Shishimai Lion Dance. The museum's garden features 50 different flowering plants from the Man'yoshu poetry anthology.

Stunning

726 Machiya, Kokufu-cho, Tottori City 9:00 to 17:00 (last admission at 16:30) ¥300 (children under 18 and adults 65 and up free);

additional fee for special exhibitions

Mon. (open if a holiday), the weekday after each national holiday, and new year holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan. 3)



100 spaces Contact: 0857-26-1780
Take a bus from Tottori Station on the Nakagawara Line to the Inaba Man'yo Rekishi-kan bus stop (20 min. ride), or to the Inaba Man'yo Rekishi-kan Iriguchi bus stop (20 min. ride), then walk 5 min.

South Area (Saji, Kawahara & Mochigase) (MAP)

Mochigase



Great for Sports and Outdoor Fun

Mochigase Sports Park (Canoeing Waterside Park)

Enjoy all sorts of outdoor activities here. including sports like baseball, soccer, and tennis, as well as slides, putter golf, gateball, camping, grilling, canoeing, and more.

Address: 660-1 Furumochigase, Mochigase-cho, Tottori City

8:30 to 18:00 Apr. to Sep., and 8:30 to 17:00 Oct. to Mar.

Tent site ¥200/night, cooking facility fee ¥100/nerson Closed: Mon. (or following day if a holiday) and

new year holidays

tact: Sports Park Management Office 0858-87-3332

Take a bus from Tottori Station to the Mochigase Elementary School & Sports Park bus stop (50 min. ride), then walk 8 min.



Encounter Japanese Tradition

8 Mochigase Nagashibana-no-Yakata

This large wooden building was inspired by Kinkakuji, Kyoto's "golden pavilion." Inside, the exhibition rooms feature displays of Hina dolls and ornaments, carved wood Kamo dolls, Gosho dolls depicting babies, and other Japanese dolls, dating back as far as the Edo period (1603-1868)

Address: 32-1 Befu, Mochigase-cho, Tottori City Hours: 9:00 to 17:00

Admission: ¥300 (children under 16 free) Closed: Closed: Wed. (or following day if a holiday)

and new year holidays Parking: 30 car spaces, 5 bus spaces Contact: 0858-87-3222

5 min. walk from Mochigase Station

Goshi-no-Sato Saji Homestay Program

The Saji Goshi-no-Sato program aims to offer visitors experiences unique to this area, such as stargazing. paper-making workshops, and hearing local folk stories. The program even offers overnight homestays with families who live here, for a way to enjoy countryside life in Tottori.

Address: 1547 Kamo, Saji-cho, Tottori City (at Nishi-Saii Hall)

9:00 to 12:00 and 13:00 to 16:00 Mon to Fri

Goshi-no-Sato Regional Council 0858-89-1780



4 Mt. Oshiroyama **Observation Deck & Kawahara Castle**

Address: 1011 Tanihitotsugi, Kawahara-cho, Tottori City Hours: 9:30 to 18:00 (9:30 to 19:00 on Sat.) in summer (Apr. to Sep.), and 9:30 to 17:00 in winter (Oct.

to Mar): last admission 30 min, before close nission: Adults ¥300 (children under 18 and adults 65 and up free); ¥200/person for groups of

Closed: Mon. (or following day if a holiday) and new year holidays (open until 12:00 noon on Jan. 1)

17 car spaces, 3 bus spaces 0858-85-0046

Access: 20 min. drive from Tottori Station; 5 min. drive from Kawahara IC on the Tottori Expressway



Kawahara Castle stands atop the ruins of

Maruyama Fort, which was built as a camp

offers an excellent view and makes a great place to learn about the town. This landmark of Kawahara is also known for seasonal

for the warlord Toyotomi Hidevoshi, Todav, it

Kawahara

Address: 837 Takafuku, Kawahara-cho, Tottori City 9:00 to 19:00 (9:00 to 18:00 Dec. through Feb.); contact for

restaurant hours 0858-85-5331

From the Tottori City Urban Center follow National Route 53 south (15 min. drive).

There's plenty to see and do here — sightseeing information is always available, but there's much more. Shop for local specialties at Ayuza and Musaikan, grab a drink at Sunaba Coffee, enjoy delicious seafood at Murakami Suisan, or pick up freshly baked bread at Seiryu Pan Kobo.



Roadside Station office.)

ddress: 169 Hiketa, Kawahara-cho Hiketa, Tottori City

This shrine is well known for matchmaking

the goddess Yagami-hime, the first wife

- in fact, it's dedicated primarily to

of the god Okuninushi no Mikoto.

6 Menuma Shrine

Mt. Oshiroyama Observation Deck & Kawahara Castle 0858-85-0046 25 min. drive from Tottori Station.

Clear Starry Skies and Clear Sparkling Streams Sannodani Campsite & Tanpori Cottage

This campsite makes a great place to relax and enjoy the music of nature: the babbling of the river, the chirping of the birds, and the whooshing of the wind.

Address: 108-2 Naka, Saji-cho, Tottori City Open: Apr. through Nov. (Contact for details) Tent site ¥1,300, admission ¥500, overnight stay at Tanpori Cottage ¥3,850 Hours: Open 7 days a week (reservations required)

Parking: 20 spaces Contact: Tanpori Cottage 0858-88-0666 Make Your Own One-of-a-Kind Washi Paper Items

Kamingu Saji Washi Paper Studio

In Saji, artisans still make washi paper the old-fashioned way. Their Inshu Gasenshi, a style of Japanese calligraphy paper, is sold nationwide. Visitors can learn about this traditional craft, and the work involved in making it, through exhibits of washi paper items and hands-on workshops.

Address: 146-4 Fukuzono, Saji-cho, Tottori City 9:00 to 16:30

Paper-making workshops ¥500 or ¥700 (reservations required for groups of 5 or more)

Closed: Wed. and new year holidays
Parking: 20 spaces Contact: 0858-89-1816
Access: 20 min. drive from Mochigase Station

A Center for Lovers of the Night Sky

1 Tottori Saji Astro Park

One of Japan's top public observatories! Discover the heavens through starwatching sessions with a 103 cm telescope, educational planetarium shows, and displays in the lobby.

Address: 1071-1 Takayama, Saji-cho, Tottori City Hours: 10:00 to 17:15 (10:00 to 22:00 on Fri. and Sat. from Apr. to Oct., and 10:00 to 21:00 on Sat. from Nov. to Mar.)

Admission: Adults 16 and up ¥300, children under 16 free (Separate fees for planetarium shows and

starwatching sessions)
Mon., 3rd Tue. of each month, the day after each national holiday, new year holidays, and

every Tue. from Nov. through Mar. 40 spaces Contact: 0858-89-1011

Access: 25 min, drive from Mochigase Station



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Kawahara

Tottori Saji Astro Park

2 Kamingu Saji Washi Paper Studio





To Tottori City Urban Center Area

Seiryu-Jaya Kawahara

Menuma Shrine 👩

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Mt. Oshiroyama Observation Deck & Kawahara Castle 4



Mochigase Sports Park

(Canoeing Waterside Park)

Famous for Beautiful Starry Skies

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8 Nishiinaba Kirari **Roadside Station**

Explore a market selling seasonal vegetables and choice local products, or enjoy a meal at a restaurant serving dishes made with local vegetables. Visitors can also relax with a hot-spring-fed footbath!

ddress: 280-3 Okaki, Shikano-cho, Tottori City Fish and produce market 9:00 to 18:00, restaurant 10:00 to 18:00, footbath 11:00 to 15:00 on weekdays and 11:00 to 16:00 on weekends and holidays (closed for maintenance on Fridays) Available Contact: 0857-82-3178

20 min, drive from Tottori Station (take the Tottori



6 Sanshien

Korinji Temple Shikano Castle Ruins Park

972-1 Imaichi, Shikano-cho, Tottori City Baths open 11:00 to 20:00 for non-overnight-guests (11:00 to 15:00 Dec. 31 to Jan. 3, May 3 to 5, and Aug. 13 to 15)

Adults ¥520, children 6-15 ¥260 Parking: 70 spaces Contact: 0857-84-2211

Take a Hinomaru Bus from Hamamura Station on the JR San-in Line bound for Shikano and get off at the Sanshien-mae bus stop. By car: 5 min, drive from Hamamura-Shikano Onsen IC on the San-in Expressway.



Hot Spring Public Bath Hotopia Shikano

This public bath offers views of spectacular countryside scenery, surrounded by mountains like Mt. Juhozan. The facility also features a footbath. Omoshiro Ichiba farmers' market, and the restaurant Shikano Soba.



418-2 Imaichi, Shikano-cho, Tottori City 10:00 to 22:00 (last entry at 21:30) Adults ¥550, children ¥280 1st Thu, of each month (or 2nd Thu if a holiday)



80 spaces Contact: 0857-84-2698 Take a Hinomaru Bus from Hamamura Station on the JR San-in Line bound for Shikano and get off at the Shikano-cho Sogo Shisho-mae bus stop (20 min. ride). By car: 5 min. drive from Hamamura-Shikano Onsen IC on the San-in Expressway



Shikano Onsen

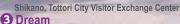
Shikano Castle Ruins Park

This was once the site of the castle of Lord Kamei Korenori, back in the Warring States period (mid 1400s to early 1600s). Even today, vestiges of the castle can still be seen, including the stone remains of a pillar at the top, and the stone walls of the inner and outer moats. The grounds are home to some 500 cherry blossom trees today, making it a popular destination in spring to see them in bloom.

A Quiet Castle Town Surrounded by Mountains

Shikano Onsen is a quiet hot spring resort town in the foothills of Mt. Juhozan, known for seven excellent and plentiful source springs.

The water is exceptionally gentle on the skin, leaving skin feeling silky smooth after a bath.



Check out an exhibition room with displays on local history and traditional festivals, a shop selling local

products, a coffee shop and rest area, and a multipurpose hall. There are also bicycles available to borrow free of charge — great for exploring the town.

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Address:	1353 Shikano, Shikano-cho
	Tottori City
Hours:	9:00 to 17:00
Closed:	New year holidays
Contact:	0857-38-0030
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Koseiji Temple

This temple was built by Lord Kamei Korenori to mourn the death of Yamanaka

Shikanosuke Yukimori, one of the Ten Warriors of Amago. There is also a three-meter-tall gorinto Buddhist memorial and a huge 450-year-old ainkao tree.



1306 Shikano, Shikano-cho, Tottori City 0857-84-2075

Take a bus from Hamamura Station bound for Shikano to the Kaji-machi bus stop (20 min. ride), then walk 5 min.

Shikano Soba Dojo

Make your own soba noodles by hand, using buckwheat grown locally in Shikano and ground into flour with a stone mill.

Address: 2448-9 Shikano, Shikano-cho, Tottori City

Hours: Workshops open at 10:00 (reservations required): restaurant open 11:30 to 14:00 on weekdays. and 11:30 to 15:00 on weekends and holidays

Price: Soba noodle workshop (about 4 servings) ¥2,860 + ¥110/person; reservations required at least 2 days in advance

Closed: Wed, and Jan. 1-2

Parking: 20 spaces Contact: 0857-84-3888 Access: Take a bus from Hamamura Station bound for Shikano to the Shikano-cho

Sogo Shisho bus stop (20 min. ride)



This theatrical group was established in 2006 in Shikano, and they converted buildings like the former Shikano Elementary School gymnasium into a theater. The Bird Theatre Festival has become a major international theater event, combining with the harvest season atmosphere of this old-fashioned castle town to create a one-of-a-kind environment.



dress: 1812-1 Shikano, Shikano-cho, Tottori City

ntact: 0857-84-3268

5 min. drive from Hamamura Station

Nishi Road to Hamamura-Shikano Onsen IC)

West Area (Aoya & Ketaka) (MAP P34)





Geopark & Culture Museum 3 Tottori City Aoya Folk Museum

Special exhibits are held here to introduce the history and culture of Tottori City, including exhibits of works by people from the western area of Tottori City and those who are active in the area. The San'in Kaigan Geopark Exhibition Corner provides information on the charms of the Aoya area and its surroundings.

2990-4 Aoya, Aoya-cho, Tottori City 9:00 to 17:00 (last admission at 16:30) Free (admission fee may apply for special exhibits)

Closed: Mon. (or following day if a holiday), the day after each national holiday (unless a weekend or national holiday), and new year holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan 3). May also be temporarily closed while changing exhibits. 1 bus space, 40 normal spaces

0857-85-2351

10 min. walk from JR Aoya Station, or 2 min. drive from Aoya IC on the San-in Expressway The Beautiful, Natural Yavoi Period, Revealed

Aoya Kamijichi Historical Park

At this facility, visitors can enjoy learning about the Aoya Kamijichi Ruins (a National Historic Site) and admire beautifully excavated artifacts designated Important Cultural Properties. Visitors can experience the Yayoi period (ca. 300 BCE to 300 CE) with workshops to make their own magatama beads or start a fire. A park with walking trails recreates the landscape of the Yayoi period.

17 Yoshikawa, Aoya-cho, Tottori City 9:00 to 17:00 (last admission at 16:30)

Guidance Building/Park free, Important Cultural Property Building ¥200 (children under 18 free, group discount available)

4th Mon. of the month and new year holidays
Available (bus spaces available) Contact: 0857-32-8415

Experience the Charm of Washi Paper 2 Aoya Washi Studio

Aoya-cho is the home of Inshu washi, a traditional craft. Visitors can enjoy learning about and experiencing the wonder and potential of Japan's world-class washi paper, through hands-on paper-making and various exhibits. The washi museum store also features a plethora of products.

313 Yamane, Aoya-cho, Tottori City 9:00 to 17:00 (workshop sign-ups end at 15:30)

Free (separate admission fee during special exhibits), paper-making workshops ¥300 to ¥500, lamp-making workshops ¥1,500 (reservations required)

Mon. (or following weekday if a holiday), new year holidays



Kachibe Folk Hall

Fudoudaki Waterfall

Yamane Kiln 2 Aoya Washi Studio

Fuse-no-Shimizu Spring 6



Tofu- & Miso-Making Workshops 4 Kachibe Folk Hall

Visitors can try making tofu and miso here. In addition, there is a traditional farmers' culture room and a water wheel house where visitors can experience the life of farmers in the olden days.

Address: 448 Narutaki, Aoya-cho, Tottori City

Tofu-making workshop ¥6,600, miso-making workshop (1 kg) ¥2,200 (reservations required) Mon., new year holidays (Dec. 29 to Jan. 3) 10 spaces Contact: 0857-87-0515

8:30 to 17:15

10 min, drive from JR Aoya Station

Mizuho-Hogi IC

Nishiinaba Kirari

Roadside Station

Shikano

6 Uomidai

The name "Uomidai," literally "fish-watching platform," comes from a legend that people would watch the tides from here and shout instructions to the fishing boats.

Address: Yakkami, Ketaka-cho, Tottori City (Ketaka-cho Tourism Association) Available

JR Hamamura Station

Ketaka-cho Tourism Association 0857-82-0829 10 min. drive from

Address: 533 Tono, Ketaka-cho, Tottori City Parking: 1 space

Access: 10 min, drive from

Bust of "Aoya Kamijirou,"

Prefecture

Ruins.Image courtesy of Tottori

a Yavoi-period man reconstructed from a skull excavated at the Aoya Kamijichi

BIRTHPLACE OF THE FOLK

SONG "KAIGARA-BUSHI"

ONSEN

A historic hot spring resort town with 500 years of tradition. When the 19th-century writer Yoshioka Lafcadio Hearn Onsen visited the area, he

wrote of the "delightful bath of hot water" at his inn, and described the hot spring as "strangely close to the sea beach." This town is also known as the home of the folk song "Kaigara-bushi."



6 Fuse-no-Shimizu Spring

Lord Kamei Korenori, lord of Shikano Castle. praised this spring as being "as clear and cool as ice." and built a pavilion beside it to enjoy its coolness every summer day. It is considered one of the 100 finest springs of the Heisei era (1989-2019).

JR Hamamura Station

Recommendations in the Tottori Area

lwami-cho

Iwami is full of ways to enjoy nature! Uradome Beach has a beautiful coastline and is recognized as a World Geopark. At the Museum of the Land and Sea, visitors can enjoy learning about the Geopark. The area is also home to Iwai Onsen, the oldest hot spring resort town in the Inaba region, which has been drawn people for therapeutic baths for



Yazu-cho

Yazu-cho, the "village of fruits," grows lots of grapes in summer, and pears, persimmons, apples, and other fruits in autumn. The Oe area is also known for more than natural beauty: it's also popular for pancakes made with local eggs from Oenosato Natural Farm.



This town, surrounded by mountain forests, is known for its sugi cedar trees, and has become a popular place for therapeutic forest walks. Make the most of a visit to Chizu by visiting the residence of the Ishitani family, who prospered through the forestry industry, or by strolling through a townscape that still has its old-fashioned Forest Therapy® post town atmosphere. Visitors can even experience country life through homestays.

Kirinnomachi area

Chizu-cho

Ishitani Family Residence

Shin'onsen-cho

Shin onsen-cho is a town of hot springs surrounded by the sea and mountains. The town has three hot springs that make it a prime spot to soothe the body and soul: Yumura Onsen, said to leave skin feeling beautiful; Hamasaka Onsen, said to leave bathers feeling warm; and Shichikama Onsen, with generously filled hot-spring-fed baths. Camping and waterfall tours are also available. The area also offers an abundance of delicious food from both land and sea, including Matsuba snow crab, firefly squid, and Tajima beef.

Kami-cho

Drive along the coast for about 50 minutes from the Tottori Sand Dunes, and you'll pass Iwami-cho and Shin'onsen-cho before reaching Kami-cho. This area offers plenty of great seafood throughout the year, including Matsuba snow crab. There are other delicious foods to enjoy here, too, including Tajima Beef and rice cultivated in terraced rice paddies! Kami-cho makes a perfect stop for food lovers!



Wakasa-cho

Wakasa Station, the last stop on the Wakasa Line of the Wakasa Railway, has plenty to enjoy even if you aren't a train fan! The old-fashioned townscape, with its unique landscape of waterways and inn lodgings, has an atmosphere reminiscent of the mid 20th century. And while you're here, don't miss the tasteful scenery of Benten-san (Ejima Shrine), located about 10 minutes away by car.





✓ Join the community! ✓



Konohen Republic Tottori/Hyogo Kirinnomachi

community to support the area, and enjoy perks as you explore the Members receive exclusive coupons, deals, and other special offers, as well as the latest information about the Kirinnomachi area.

Konohen Republic is a fan club for people unfamiliar with the

Kirinnomachi area, or who want to learn more about it. Join the





FRESH Seafood

ottori sits between the rich abundance of the sea and the mountains, making it a treasure trove of delicious food throughout all four seasons. The port of Karo (Tottori) has flourished as a gateway to the sea for centuries, bustling early in the morning as that day's hauls of fresh seafood are brought ashore for auction. There are many simple local dishes that make the most of the flavor of the fresh, quality ingredients especially freshly caught seafood.



Known for exquisite white meat: fatty and tender, yet light. Delicious simmered, grilled, or even deep fried.



Mosa Shrimp

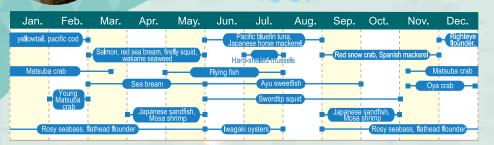
These surprisingly sweet shrimp simply melt in the mouth, Don't miss the ones packed full of glistening green eggs.



Swordtip Squid

So sweet and tender, it would be no exaggeration to call it the toro of squid. In Tottori, the local style is to eat it with dipped in sov sauce mixed with ginger, rather than wasabi

Tottori Seafood Calendar



Nijisseiki Pears

Nijisseiki Asian pears are a beloved autumn favorite in Tottori. They offer delicious sweetness balanced with a hi of tartness, alongside a crisp juiciness. These unforgettable pears are popular as aifts, too.

Local **Flavors**

With a location between the Sea of Japan and the Chugoku Mountains. the area offers some of the most delicious ingredients from land and sea alike. Enjoy traditional dishes that make the most of the ingredients, as well as unique new dishes.



sian pears are among Tottori's most popular specialties, and from late August to mid September, shops here are filled with them. These sweet, juicy pears are crisp and refreshing, and the pick-your-own orchards are lively destinations during pear season.

Tottori's Famous Pears

Shinkansen Pears

A new variety bred by the Tottori Prefectural Horticultural Research Center, registered in February 2008, It is an early-ripening brown-skinned pear, characterized by its large size, high sugar content, and low acidity,

See P.30 for pear sweets Dressings

Pear Products Aplenty









A plethora of pear products, including sweets, liqueur, and jam.

Tottori Pear Calendar





Tottori Wagyu Beef

Tottori Wagyu won first prize in Japan's first national beef cattle competition, and is the origin of the Japanese wagyu brand. Enjoy beef with a rich terroir.

Curry with Miso-Stewed Tottóri Wagyu Beef

This pleasant vet complex curry is made by stewing Tottori Wagyu beef with onions, then adding miso from Tottori as the secret ingredient. (Takumi Kappou restaurant)



Inspired by a sense of pride in the finest sand dunes in Japan. There are also locations at the airport and city hall.





Tottori Prefecture has a specialty rice for sake brewing, called Goriki. For a while, farmers stopped growing this rice, but it made a comeback over a decade ago. Sake is made with this rice at various breweries in Tottori Prefecture, as a source of local pride



Ginger brown ale produced and sold by Akari Brewing, a brewery located in Shikano-cho, Tottori City.

• Pink Curry

A pink curry made using beets, rich in nutrients like iron and calcium. (Oenokian)



The Sendaigawa River, the largest river in the prefecture, runs through the Tottori Plain. It has long teemed with fish, and ayu sweetfish fishing in Kawahara-cho has been a tradition fo centuries. Avu fishing season marks

Ayu Sweetfish

the start of summer in Tottori.

Sakyu rakkyo shallots are grown in harsh conditions: • Sakyu Rakkyo Shallots ground surface temperatures reach 60°C in summer, and drop below freezing in winter. A roasted version

Pickled Sakyu rakkyo shallots are popular for their delicious crunch.

Shiitake Mushrooms

Grown on logs in a rich natural environment. In particular, Tottori Takeo is a local brand of premium shiitake mushrooms, renowned for their thick flesh and abalone-like texture.

Delicious Foods Come from **Great Ingredients and Great Technique**



• Flying Fish and Tofu Chikuwa Fishcake

Tofu chikuwa is a traditional Tottori dish dating back centuries. Ago chikuwa is made from ground flying fish. Both come recommended for visitors to the San-in region .



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Techniques and Passion Passed Down for Generations

Tottori Folk Crafts Ceramics

Yoshida Shoya sympathized with Yanagi Muneyoshi's mingei (folk craft) theory, and led a movement that contributed greatly to the rise of folk crafts in Tottori. He served as a producer for Tottori folk art and led a new push for local crafts.



Please be sure to contact kilns before visiting.



Yanase Kiln

The white color of the porcelain lends their works a translucent feel, and the soft, rounded surfaces with rounded edges create beautiful gradients of light and shadow on each piece.

282 Honga, Kawahara-cho, Tottori City Contact: 0858-85-0438



Inshu Nakai Kiln

Contemporary ceramics that combine green, black, and white glazes. This kiln has also attracted attention for their Sori Yanagi Direction series.

243-5 Nakai, Kawahara-cho, Tottori City Contact: 0858-85-0239



Ushinoto Kiln

This kiln was opened in the mid 19th century, and is on its sixth generation of ownership today. It was the first folk art kiln in Japan to have guidance from Yanagi Muneyoshi and Yoshida Shova.

185 Ushinoto, Kawahara-cho, Tottori City Contact: 0858-85-0655



Tottori-Inaba Kiln

Charming daily tableware produced in Tottori by a potter trained in Kyoto. Visitors can

247-1 Sandaiji, Kokufu-cho, Tottori City Contact: 080-6305-6845



Hakuto Kiln

Mainly produces unglazed items, as well as products such as tea cups and flower vases using kohiki slip glazing, iron glaze, and other techniques. Their anagama kiln, climbing kiln, and tunnel kiln are all fired using only wood for fuel.

161 Tomiyoshi, Ketaka-cho, Tottori City Contact: 0857-82-1072



lying fish chikuwa with a satisfying firmness Chikuwa fishcake made from tofu and ground fish

Yamane Kiln

Produces pottery with amber glaze, white glaze, iron sand, and more, to warm and enrich daily life, using their climbing kiln.

190 Yamane, Aoya-cho, Tottori City Contact: 0857-86-0531

Tottori

Specialties

Here are just some of Tottori's can't-miss foods. including unique Tottori specialties, regional standards, traditional confections from long-beloved shops, and popular treats to make vour trip to Tottori a memorable one!



Crunchy chocolate with a distinctive sesame flavor, covered with soybean flour "sand." Available in three flavors: milk, strawberry, and white chocolate. (Tottori City Tourism & Convention Association)

Beloved Standards!



Classic thin grilled rice crackers coated with ginger honey. Their wavy shape represents wind ripples in the sand, and the ginger honey represents a thin layer of snow coating the sand dunes.

Straight from the Tottori Sand Dunes





Firm baumkuchen cake that resembles slices of a Tottori sand dune. Crispy outside, with a moist, rich interior. (Panini)

Rakuda no Ashiato (Camel Footprints)

French bread rusk — a specialty of the cake shop Pandora Box, carefully crafted with a palpable warmth. (Pandora Box)

Sand Coffee





Suna no Oka (Sand Dunes)

Japanese-style cookies made with additive-free margarine with a hint of cultured butter. The "sand" coating is a blend of multiple kinds of sugar. including delicate Wasanbon. (Hogetsu-do)



Nijisseiki Pear Tart Cakes

These tart cakes are made with juice from Tottori Prefecture's specialty Nijisseiki pears, as well as sweet potatoes. for a light and pleasant sweetness. (Tottori Hamamiya FP Co., Ltd.)

Niiisseiki

A confection made in the shape of a Nijisseiki pear slice. It features the sheen of pear skin, and has holes punched out of the center to resemble the core of a pear. (Kikkouya, Ltd.)



Drinkable Shinkansen **Pear Jelly**

Tottori Pear Gifts

This drinkable jelly is made from puréed Shinkansen pears, a variety developed in Tottori Prefecture. Enjoy their rich



Pear & Rakkyo **Shallot Dressing**

A sweet dressing with a refreshing hint of tartness, made with extra virgin olive oil to bring out the most of its ingredients. (Tabata Shoten)



Pear & Rakkyo Shallot **Fruit Dipping Sauce**

Savor a concentrated combination of Nijissekiki pear and the richness of Sákyu rakkyo shallots. A fruity masterpiece made by steeping finely chopped rakkyo shallots in a pear sauce. (Tabata Shoten)



Nijisseiki Pear Chuhai

An alcoholic drink made with lots of Nijisseiki pear juice from Tottori (11%). A grown-up way to enjoy the mild vet refreshing flavor of Nijisseiki pears.



Tottori Curry

Boil-in-bag curry made with Tottori specialties such as rakkyo shallots, beef, and Asian pears.
Try comparing the different flavors!



Tottori Beef Curry Tottori Curry Mix

Curry made by the Tottori Curry Research Institute, a group of curry connoisseurs who love Tottori. This original curry roux is made from Nijisseiki pears, rakkyo onions, and Sakyu burdock powder. (Tottori Curry Research Institute)



Tottori City Souvenir Shop Exclusive Capsule Toys

Usagi Shrines

Made of Chizu cedar from Tottori. Available in four styles, with each representing a different season and featuring a rabbit with a different cute pose Place an omamori amulet on one, and it can serve as a miniature Shinto altar.



Moon Hare Netsuke Charms

Charms with moon and star designs. made of Chizu cedar from Tottori. Each of the five varieties comes with a piece of moonstone, which may just bring good luck!



A Great Place to **Find Souvenirs**

Machipal Tottori **Tottori City Souvenir Shop**

This shop sells local produce and products from Kirinnomachi, and features duty-free sales and tourist information for foreign visitors.



1F Nikko Hondori Building, 160 Suehiro-onsen-cho, Tottori City Hours: 9:00 to 19:00 (open through new year holidays) Contact: 0857-36-3767

5 min. walk from Aoya Station



Tottori City Official Online Shop URL: https://tottori-ichi.jp/



Tottori Station Food Market

This market opens early in the morning near Tottori Station, offering shoppers fresh and dried seasonal seafood.



Address: 263 Eiraku-onsen-cho, Tottori City Hours: Shop open 8:00 to 18:00 Restaurant open 11:30 to 13:30 (last order 13:00) and 18:00 to 20:30 (last order 20:00)

Closed: Shop closed Wed, and Jan. 1: restaurant closed Wed, evenings and Jan, 1

Parking: 7 spaces (other parking available nearby) Contact: 0857-24-0645

Access: 5 min, walk from Tottori Station

Sakyu Area Souvenir Shop

- The Sand Museum Shop
- Sakyu Center Miharashi no Oka
- Rakudaya
- Sakyu Kaikan



Bathing in hot water warms the body to the core. Immerse yourself and let your mind let go of your stress, as you rediscover your true self in the steam.

Tottori's Hot Springs

Tottori Prefecture is nicknamed the "kingdom of hot springs" for the ten hot springs resort towns located here — four of them are in Tottori City alone. Some are ancient springs that people bathed in long ago, hoping for miraculous healing. Others are like oases within the city, offering spectacular views that blend with the natural landscape. Others still invite visitors to walk around and take in the atmosphere of a castle town. These towns may not feature large hotels or fancy stage shows, but they still warmly welcome visitors with a rustic, old-fashioned charm all their own.



Tottori Onsen Water T

Vater Type Sulfur Spring

Sulfur Spring

Rheumatoid arthritis, neuralgia, skin diseases, etc.

Hotels with Baths Open to Non-Overnight-Guests

Kozeniya

A long-established inn in Tottori Onsen with six elaborate baths Address 651 Eiraku-onsen-cho, Tottori City Contact. 0857-23-3311 Hours: Opens at 13:30 (last admission at 20:00) Bathing Fee: Adults ¥1,100, children 6–11 ¥800, children under 6 ¥300

Hotel Monarque Tottori

A hot spring in located in central Tottori City

Address; 403 Eiraku-onsen-cho, Tottori City

Gontact: 0857-20-0101

Hours: 12:30 to 17:00 (last admission at 16:30)

Bathing Fee: Adults ¥1,100, children 6-11 ¥550, children under 6 free

Onsen Ryokan Marumo

Enjoy a vast shared bath, or a private family bath
Address 458 Eiraku-onsen-cho, Tottori City Contact: 0857-23-1311
Hours: 13:00 to 15:00 (last admission)
Bathing Fee: Adults ¥1,200, children ¥600

Public Bathhouses in Tottori Onsen

Bathing Fees Adults ¥450 Children 6-11 ¥150 Children under 6 ¥80

Kijima Onsen

Enjoy a cool-water bath, a whirlpool bath, and more
Contact 0857 (23) 2465 Closed Wed. (open if a holiday)
Hours: Public bathhouse open 16:00 to 22:00 (last admission at 21:30)

Takara Onsen

A public bathhouse with the longest history of anywhere in Tottori Onsen

Contact: 0857 (22) 6310 Closed: Jan. 1–3 Hours: Public bathhouse open 16:00 to 22:00

Motoyu Onsen

Hinomaru Onsen

Baths fed from the source spring and filled to the brim, said to be good for exhaustion

Contact: 0857 (22) 2648

Closed: 2nd Mon. of the month (following day if a holiday); open every day during Jan. and Aug. (except Jan. 1)

Hours: Weekdays 6:00 to 10:00 and 14:00 to 24:00

Yoshioka Onsen Water Type

Simple spring



Claimed Benefits Rheumatoid arthritis, hemorrhoids, skin care, etc.

Hamamura Onsen Chloride/sulfur spring

Claimed Benefits

Rheumatoid arthritis, neuralgia, gynecological disorders, etc.

Contact: Ketaka-cho Tourism Association 0857- 82-0829

Shikano Onsen Simple radioactive spring (hypotonic, slightly alkaline, high temperature)

Claimed

Neuralgia, poor circulation

Contact: Dream (Shikano, Tottori City Visitor Exchange Center)
0857-38-0030 → See P. 23 for details

Getting to Tottori City

By Car

From the Kansai Region

 \diamondsuit 60 min, from Sayo JCT on the Chugoku Expressway to Tottori IC on Tottori Expressway

From Hiroshima/Okayama

♦ 60 min. from Tsuyama IC on the Chugoku Expressway via Natl. Rt. 53

By Highway Bus

From the Kansai Region

- ♦ Osaka: 2 hr., 50 min.
- ⇔ Himeji: 2 hr., 10 min.

From Hiroshima

Hiroshima: 5 hr., 30 min.

By Airplane

○ Tokyo (Haneda Airport)

→ Tottori Sand Dunes Conan Airport: 70 min.

By Train

From the Kansai Region

- Osaka: 2 hr., 40 min. via Super Hakuto limited express

From Tokyo, San'yo Region, or Kyushu

- Tokyo: 5 hr. via Shinkansen and Super Hakuto limited express
- Okayama: 1 hr., 50 min. via Super Inaba limited express
- ♦ Hakata: 3 hr., 50 min. via Shinkansen and Super Inaba limited express

