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Japan



Travel times from each countries

London

Route	Travel time
London to Tokyo	About 14 hours 33 min.

Paris

Paris to Tokyo	About 14 hours 48 min.

New York

New York to Tokyo	About 12 hours 40 min.

Los Angeles

Los Angeles to Tokyo	About 10 hours

South Korea

Incheon International Airport to Fukuoka Airport	About 1 hour 25 min.
Busan Port to Hakata Port	About 6 hours

Taiwan

Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport to Fukuoka Airport	About 2 hour 15 min.

Hong Kong

Hong Kong International Airport to Fukuoka Airport	About 3 hour 15 min.

Thailand

Bangkok to Fukuoka Airport	About 5 hours 5 min.

Philippines

Ninoy Aquino International Airport to Fukuoka Airport	About 3 hours 40 min.

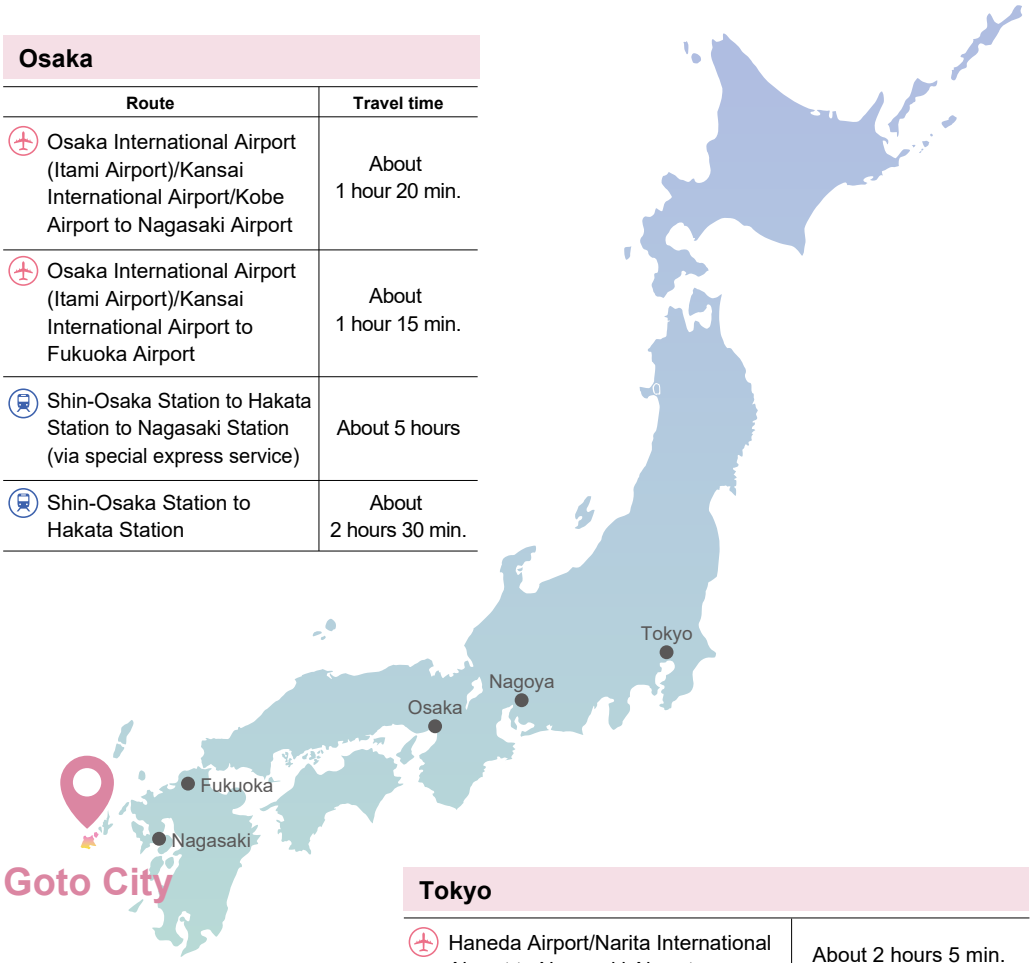
Shanghai

Shanghai Pudong International Airport to Fukuoka Airport	About 1 hour 45 min.

Travel times to Fukuoka and Nagasaki

Osaka

Route	Travel time
Osaka International Airport (Itami Airport)/Kansai International Airport/Kobe Airport to Nagasaki Airport	About 1 hour 20 min.
Osaka International Airport (Itami Airport)/Kansai International Airport to Fukuoka Airport	About 1 hour 15 min.
Shin-Osaka Station to Hakata Station to Nagasaki Station (via special express service)	About 5 hours
Shin-Osaka Station to Hakata Station	About 2 hours 30 min.



Tokyo

Haneda Airport/Narita International Airport to Nagasaki Airport	About 2 hours 5 min.
Haneda Airport/Narita International Airport to Fukuoka Airport	About 2 hours 5 min.

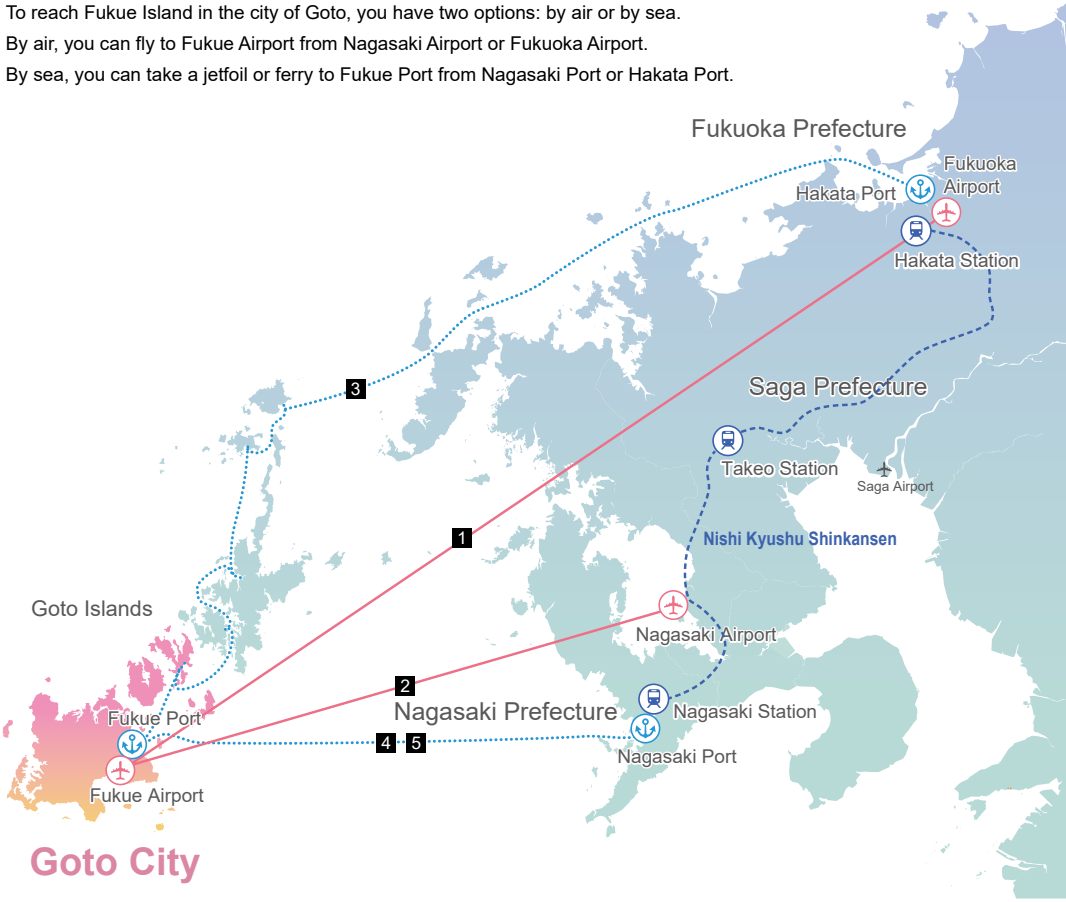
Nagoya

Chubu Centrair International Airport to Nagasaki Airport	About 1 hour 35 min.
Chubu Centrair International Airport to Fukuoka Airport	About 1 hours 25 min.

●ANA
https://www.ana.co.jp/en/jp/

Getting to Goto Fukue Island

To reach Fukue Island in the city of Goto, you have two options: by air or by sea.
By air, you can fly to Fukue Airport from Nagasaki Airport or Fukuoka Airport.
By sea, you can take a jetfoil or ferry to Fukue Port from Nagasaki Port or Hakata Port.



Goto City

By air

	Route	Travel time
1	Fukuoka Airport to Fukue Airport	About 40 min.
2	Nagasaki Airport to Fukue Airport	About 30 min.

•Fukue Airport Travel Center
TEL: 0959-72-5151 FAX: 0959-74-1545

•Nagasaki Airport Building Co., Ltd.
TEL: 0957-49-5500 FAX: 0957-49-5501

•ORC
https://www.orc-air.co.jp/en/

By ship

	Route	Travel time
3	Hakata Port to Fukue Port	About 8 hour 30 min.
4	Nagasaki Port to Fukue Port (High-speed Vessel)	About 85 min.
5	Nagasaki Port to Fukue Port (ferry)	About 3 hours 10 min.

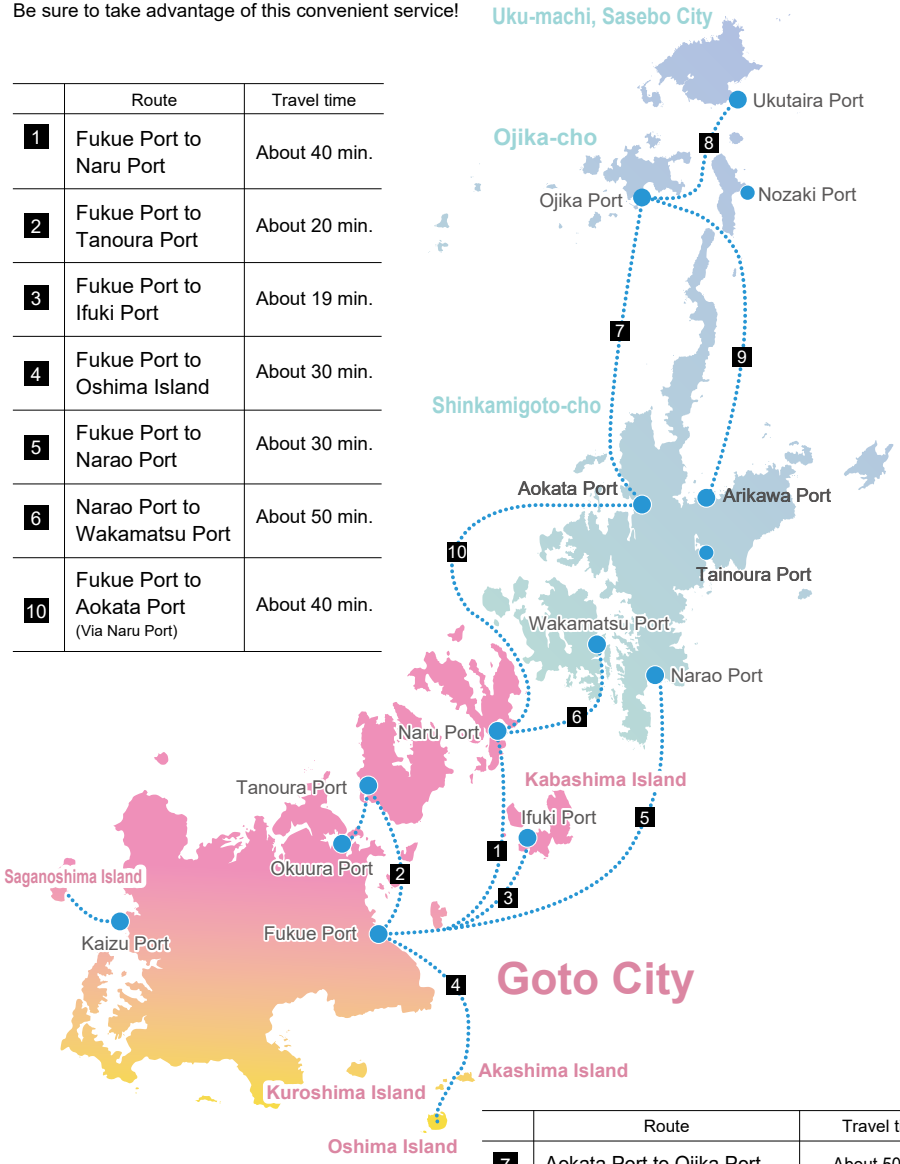
•Nomo Shosen K.K.
TEL: 0570-01-0510
https://www.nomo.co.jp/en/

•Kyushu Shosen Co., Ltd., Travel Center
TEL: 095-823-0423
https://kyusho-co-jp.translate.goog/?_x_tr_sl=ja&_x_tr_tl=en&_x_tr_hl=ja

Traveling between the islands

Regular ferry routes operate between Fukue Island and the surrounding islands,
allowing you to fully enjoy your island journey.
Be sure to take advantage of this convenient service!

	Route	Travel time
1	Fukue Port to Naru Port	About 40 min.
2	Fukue Port to Tanoura Port	About 20 min.
3	Fukue Port to Ifuki Port	About 19 min.
4	Fukue Port to Oshima Island	About 30 min.
5	Fukue Port to Narao Port	About 30 min.
6	Narao Port to Wakamatsu Port	About 50 min.
10	Fukue Port to Aokata Port (Via Naru Port)	About 40 min.



	Route	Travel time
7	Aokata Port to Ojika Port	About 50 min.
8	Aokata Port to Ukutaira Port (Via Ojika Port)	About 1 hour 35 min.
9	Arikawa Port to Ojika Port	About 1 hour 10 min.

Where Nature and History Live On Goto Islands, Nagasaki Prefecture

Located in the southwestern part of the Goto Islands at the westernmost tip of Kyushu, the enchanting island of Goto is blessed with cobalt-blue seas, white sand beaches, and year-round opportunities for fishing and marine sports. It's also home to a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site, "Hidden Christian Sites in the Nagasaki and Amakusa Region," which tells the story of the area's Christian history.
Come and explore Goto Islands' rich natural beauty and historical charm!

Goto Islands

The Goto Islands consist of approximately 150 islands, large and small, off the western coast of Nagasaki Prefecture.
The southern three of the five main islands—Fukue Island, Hisaka Island, and Naru Island—along with the surrounding islands are collectively known as Shimogoto ("lower goto").
Rich in untouched nature, these islands feature breathtaking landscapes and pristine beaches. They're easily accessible from Nagasaki—just about 30 minutes by plane or approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes by jetfoil.
With a mild annual average temperature of 17°C, the islands offer a comfortable climate year-round, making any season the perfect time to visit.
Even if it's just to enjoy the sea or savor delicious island cuisine, make sure to experience the many charms of the Goto Islands!











GOTO Go Around

Stunning seas, lush green mountains, and historic streets. A warm welcome from the island's people. Take a journey around Goto Islands and experience all the island has to offer. Immerse yourself in breathtaking nature, visit historic churches, and savor delicious local cuisine. Goto Islands are filled with experiences that will touch your heart and leave you with unforgettable memories. GOTO Go Around! Let this guidebook be your compass as you embark on an adventure to explore every corner of the Goto Islands.



A rare landform for continental origin

Goto Islands Geopark

(Shimogoto area)

The Goto Islands (Shimogoto Area) Geopark, which was designated in 2022, is recognized for its diverse geological heritage, showcasing the formation of the Japanese archipelago, thick sedimentary layers of continental origin, and fault lines and volcanic activity that shaped the Goto Islands.

Mt. Onidake

Mt. Onidake, a volcano that erupted approximately 18,000 years ago, is one of Goto Island's most iconic landmarks. With its smooth, rounded shape, the mountain is surrounded by vast grasslands from spring to summer. In late summer, tiger lilies bloom, while in autumn, gentians and silver grass transform the landscape, making it a beloved relaxation spot for locals. Every three years, a controlled burn is conducted, creating a scene reminiscent of the volcano's ancient eruptions.

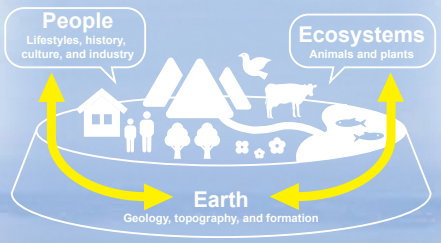
■**Kamiozu-cho, Goto-shi**

◆Boundary of the Goto Islands Geopark (Shimogoto Area)



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◆Geopark components



The East China Sea stretches between Japan and the Asian continent. The Goto Islands were originally connected to the continent, just like the rest of the Japanese archipelago. The foundation of the Goto Islands is known as the Goto Group, a geological formation composed primarily of sand and mud from the continent that is estimated to have accumulated 22 to 18 million years ago. When the Japanese archipelago separated from the continent, the Goto Islands remained connected to the mainland until the final stages of Japan's formation, making them an important site for studying the birth of the Japanese islands. Around 7 million years ago, northwest-southeast fissures appeared, splitting the landmass into five islands to create the prototype of today's Goto Islands. Subsequent volcanic eruptions further shaped the landscape, forming lava plateaus and numerous volcanic islands. Due to their unique geology, topography, and location, the Goto Islands are home to a rich ecosystem and abundant marine life. In addition, their proximity to the continent has had a significant historical and cultural impact, which is evident in the area's connections to the Kentoshi missions (Japanese envoys to Tang China) and Wako pirates.

The geopark consists of "geosites" (geological and topographical features), "natural sites" (ecosystems), and "cultural sites" (historical and cultural landmarks), all of which are the subject of preservation and use.

◆Formation of the Goto Islands



Osezaki Tamanoura

Located at the westernmost point of Fukue Island, Osezaki juts out into the East China Sea as a massive 100-meter-high cliff formed from the Goto Group geological formation. Along with its lighthouse, this dramatic cliff is a well-known tourist attraction. Additionally, from mid-September to early October, visitors can witness the migration of crested honey buzzards as they journey toward the continent.

Tamanoura, Tamanoura-cho, Goto-shi

Sagano Island cliff formed by marine volcanic eruptions Miiraku

Sagano Island was formed by the fusion of two volcanoes, Mt. Odake in the north and Mt. Medake in the south. With a circumference of approximately 12 km, the entire island consists of lava and tuff. Erosion has carved away both volcanic craters on the western coast, making it a rare and scientifically valuable geological site. The island features a 4-kilometer nature trail as well as Mt. Medake Crater Observatory, which offers a clear cross-sectional view of the island's geological layers from land.

Saganoshima, Miiraku-cho, Goto-shi

Experiencing the thrill of dynamic nature

Explore breathtaking locations where you can witness the Earth's power through its terrain and geological formations.
Why not immerse yourself in the stunning natural beauty of Goto Islands?



Facilities at the Goto Islands (Shimogoto area) Geopark

Abunze Visitor Center Fukue

Serving as both a national park visitor center and the main facility for the Goto Islands (Shimogoto Area) Geopark, this facility introduces various aspects of the Goto Islands through video, dioramas, and panels. It also hosts events such as nature observation tours and workshops utilizing natural materials.

1333-3 Nonokire-cho, Goto-shi TEL 0959-73-7222

Abunze Lava Coast Fukue

Formed by lava flows from Mt. Onidake and Mt. Hinotake approximately 50,000 years ago, the rugged black volcanic coastline stretches for 7 kilometers. Located at the southernmost point of Fukue Island, the area is home to many tropical plant species, creating a landscape that resembles Hawaii. Visitors can enjoy the Abunze Visitor Center, and observation deck as well as walking trails that offer stunning views of this unique coastal scenery.

Nonokire-cho, Goto-shi

Senjojiki, Shutogashima Naru

Located about 40 minutes by ferry from Fukue Port on Naru Island, this area features a flat rock formation known as Senjojiki, which stretches from Shutogashima Beach to a small offshore island. The small island is composed of hardened magma, which forms a shield that protects the coastline from rough waves. As a result, the area has been preserved from erosion, leaving behind flat, plateau-like terrain.

Tomari, Naru-cho, Goto-shi



Coastal plants in Hassakubana Kishiku

Hassakubana is home to beaches and tidal flats formed by the accumulation of sand, gravel, and mud over lava flows from past volcanic eruptions. Despite its small area, the site is home to about one-third of the coastal plant species found in Nagasaki Prefecture, making it an exceptionally valuable ecological habitat.

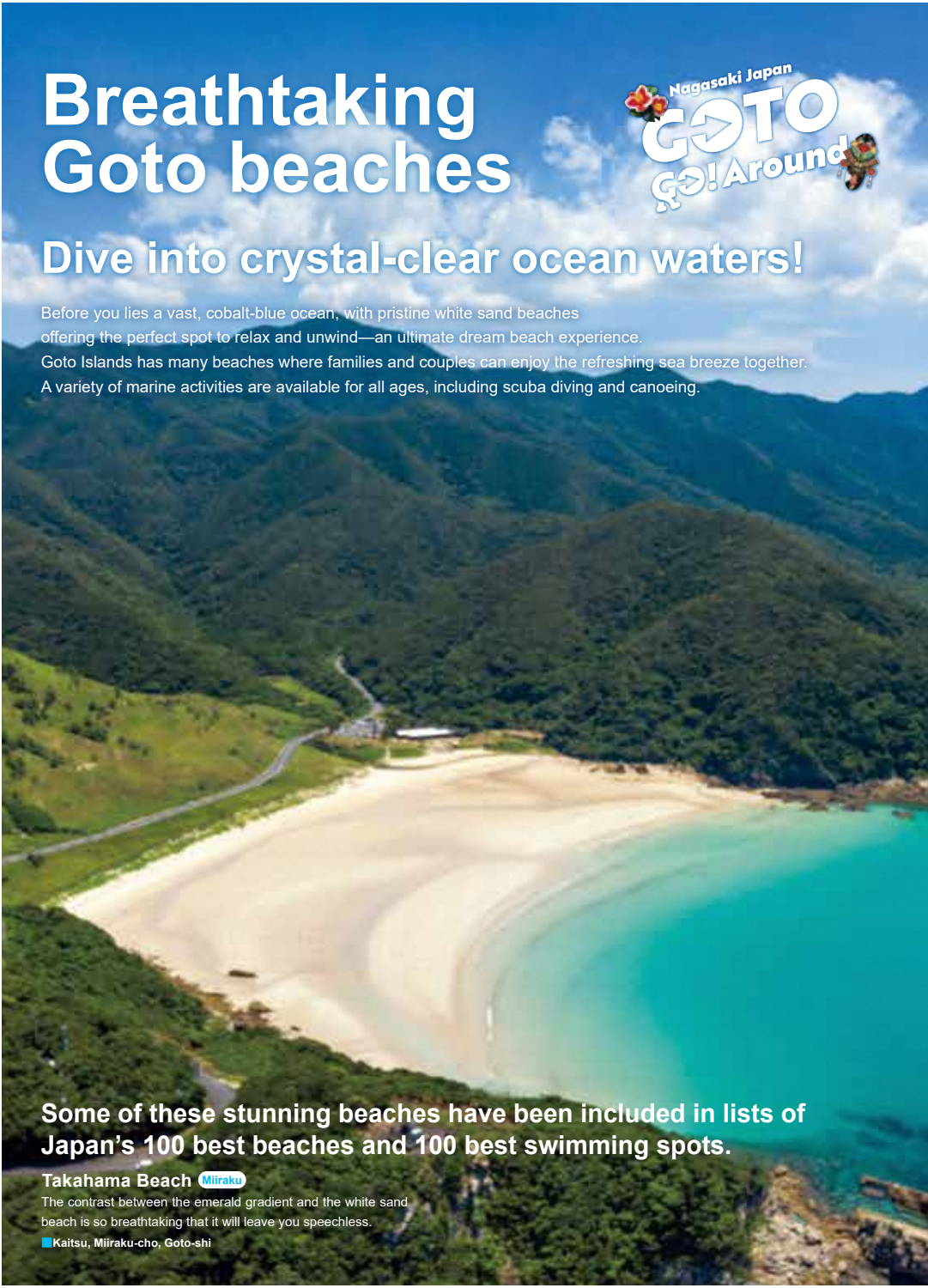
Hassakubana, Kishiku-cho, Goto-shi

Breathtaking Goto beaches

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Dive into crystal-clear ocean waters!

Before you lies a vast, cobalt-blue ocean, with pristine white sand beaches offering the perfect spot to relax and unwind—an ultimate dream beach experience. Goto Islands has many beaches where families and couples can enjoy the refreshing sea breeze together. A variety of marine activities are available for all ages, including scuba diving and canoeing.



Some of these stunning beaches have been included in lists of Japan's 100 best beaches and 100 best swimming spots.

Takahama Beach Miiraku

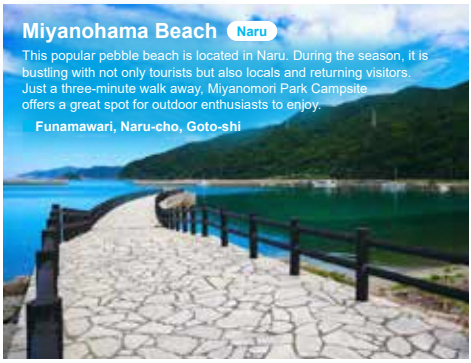
The contrast between the emerald gradient and the white sand beach is so breathtaking that it will leave you speechless.

■**Kaitsu, Miiraku-cho, Goto-shi**

Miyanohama Beach Naru

This popular pebble beach is located in Naru. During the season, it is bustling with not only tourists but also locals and returning visitors. Just a three-minute walk away, Miyanomori Park Campsite offers a great spot for outdoor enthusiasts to enjoy.

Funamawari, Naru-cho, Goto-shi





Shutogashima Beach Naru

Located on the southern side of Naru Island, this beach connects to the flat rock formation of Senjojiki. Its beautiful 500-meter pebble shoreline offers not only a great spot for swimming, but also a chance to enjoy the dramatic scenery of Senjojiki.

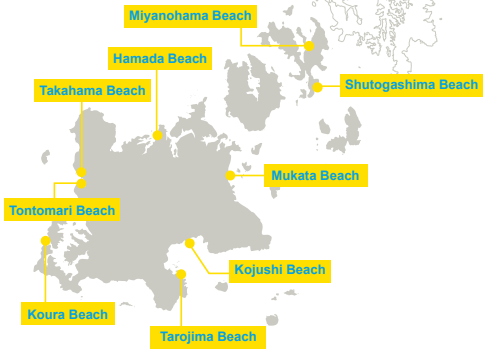
Tomari, Naru-cho, Goto-shi

Hamada Beach Kishiku

This man-made beach is located in a small inlet near Gyogasaki Park Campsite. Calm waters make it a safe spot for families with young children. A walking trail also connects the beach to Gyogasaki Park, inviting visitors to enjoy a scenic stroll.

Kishiku, Kishiku-cho, Goto-shi







Tontomari Beach Tamanoura

This expansive beach features seemingly endless stretches of white sand. Its shallow waters make it the perfect spot for swimming along the shoreline. It's located right next to the famous Takahama Beach.

Tontomari, Tamanoura-cho, Goto-shi



Kojushi Beach Fukue

This beach, which is popular with families, is known for its pristine white sand and crystal-clear waters. Within the area, visitors can find Tsubaki Chaya, a traditional-house-turned-tea shop, as well as a natural salt factory and Tsubaki Market. Visitors can also enjoy hands-on experiences such as making salt and pressing camellia oil.

Masuda-cho, Goto-shi



Mukata Beach Fukue

Mukata Beach is the closest small beach to Fukue. At low tide, numerous tidal pools form along the rocky shores on both sides of the beach, providing a great opportunity to observe marine life. With fewer visitors, it will feel like your very own private beach.

Hirazo-cho, Goto-shi



Koura Beach Tamanoura

This tiny, secluded beach offers views of Tamanoura-ohashi Bridge, which connects Fukue Island and Shimayama Island. The calm waters of deep, intricate Tamanoura Bay make it an ideal spot for a canoeing experience (reservations required).

Tamanoura, Tamanoura-cho, Goto-shi

Tarojima Beach Tomie

This man-made beach is located within Sansan Tomie Camping Village. Guests can enjoy not only swimming but also cycling, barbecuing, and other outdoor activities, making it an ideal spot for families and groups who love the outdoors.

Tsuchitori, Tomie-cho, Goto-shi



Itineraries for experiencing Goto Islands

GOTO LIFE

Experience authentic lifestyles, people, nature, and culture of Goto Islands!
Try a taste of island life!





Fishing experience in Goto Islands

The ocean waters around Goto Islands, which faces the East China Sea, where the Kuroshio Current flows from south to north, is a paradise for fish all year round.

■ **https://goto.nagasaki-tabinet.com/feature/fishing_report**

How to enjoy fishing

1 Fish from a remote (uninhabited) island!

Take a boat to an isolated rocky shore or uninhabited island and experience a dynamic fishing experience.

2 Fish from the shore or from a seawall!

If you don't have fishing gear, you can get tackle and bait at an oceanside fishing store and start having fun right away.

3 Fish from a fishing boat!

Charter a fishing boat and go after that big catch.

Night sky tours

Relax in a reclining chair under a sky full of stars and enjoy a soothing and curiosity-filled experience.





Baramon kite painting

The word baramon means "energetic" or "lively," and the design of baramon kites depict the back of a warrior heading off to defeat demons.

Sea kayak experience

Enjoy the unique floating sensation and freedom of sea kayaking as you glide through the water in silence. Marvel at stunning coastal landscapes and underwater views that can only be seen from a kayak as you immerse yourself in the beauty of Goto Islands' natural surroundings.



Stained glass-making experience

Stained glass illuminates churches with enchanting light. Create your very own original stained glass and experience the beauty of glass art firsthand.







History walk in Goto while wearing a kimono

The castle town of Fukue is rich in historical landmarks, including the site of the former Fukue Castle, a street of samurai residences, the Former Goto Lord's Residence and Garden (Shinjigaike), and the Tourism History Museum. Capture your journey with a stroll through Goto Islands' historic sites while wearing a kimono for a unique and memorable experience.

Kankoro mochi-making experience

Kankoro mochi is a traditional Goto Islands delicacy made by combining boiled and dried sweet potatoes (kankoro) with glutinous rice (mochi). Loved for its simple sweet potato flavor and mild sweetness, this local specialty has been passed down for generations. Try making it yourself!

Gourmet dining in Goto

Taste the blessings of the land!

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Surrounded by the sea on all sides,
Goto Islands are paradise for fresh seafood and locally raised delicacies!
From freshly caught seafood to Goto Wagyu Beef raised with love
in the island's sea breezes, and unique local comfort foods,
Goto Islands offer an unbeatable selection of delicious flavors!

Premium Kuroge Wagyu: Goto Beef

Known for its exceptional quality and rich flavor, Goto Beef is a high-grade Kuroge Wagyu Beef that enjoys a stellar reputation. At the auctions held six times a year, buyers from Kyushu as well as the Tokai and Kinki regions gather to bid on some 3,000 head of cattle each year.



Goto Pork katsudon

Goto Pork is raised on a nutritionally balanced diet, ensuring tender and flavorful meat. Encased in a crispy golden crust, each bite of this pork cutlet bowl reveals the juicy, sweet, and tender meat inside!

Goto Beef croquettes

Filled with Goto Beef's rich umami flavor and a hint of spicy black pepper, these delicious croquettes have a crispy coating and a fluffy, savory center. Find them at Niku Katsu in Tomie's shopping arcade.





Kibinago sashimi

Kibinago (silver-striped herring), a Goto Islands specialty, can be enjoyed in various ways—fried, sashimi, sun-dried, or in a hotpot. With its delicate fatty layer and tender flesh, kibinago has a light and refreshing taste.





Kankoro mochi

The traditional local sweet kankoro mochi is made by combining sun-dried sweet potatoes with glutinous rice. When grilled over a hearth or toasted, it becomes fragrant and delicious! Served hot with ice cream, it becomes a versatile sweet treat that makes the perfect dessert!

Grilled misoyaki-style boxfish

The boxfish is an adorable fish with a comical face and flapping pectoral fins. This rare delicacy is prepared by butterflying the fish, removing its organs, and filling it with a flavorful mixture of barley miso, sake, green onions, and sweet sake, which is then grilled and combined with the flesh.



Kue Nabe: King of hotpots

Kue, or longtooth grouper, is in season from autumn through winter. This thick, tender white fish makes for an exceptional hotpot. Its gelatin-rich skin and meat are packed with collagen, and the flavorful broth makes a delicious rice porridge at the end of the meal.

You'll want to try them right away!

Goto's finest cuisine

GOTO Keyword

What's ago-dashi?

In Goto Islands, ago-dashi is everyone's go-to soup stock! Ago means "flying fish" in the local dialect, which is sun-dried to create a golden-colored broth with a distinct aroma. It leaves a deep umami flavor in the mouth and perfectly complements udon noodles. It's also delicious as a snack on its own or paired with sake.





Goto udon noodles

One of Japan's three great udon noodle varieties, alongside Sanuki and Inaniwa udon, Goto Islands hand-made udon noodles is a Goto Islands specialty. Made with Goto Islands' coastal breezes and ideal climate, it's finished with locally produced camellia oil for a smooth, silky texture.

1 Goto Beef steak

Raised in Goto Islands' lush natural setting and mild climate, Goto Beef is known for its perfect marbling, juicy meat, and subtle sweetness. This premium Wagyu Beef is so rare that it's often called "phantom Goto Beef."

2 Ise-ebi (Japanese spiny lobster)

In autumn, fresh ise-ebi is one of Goto Islands' most prized seasonal delicacies. Grilled or in miso soup, the springy, succulent texture of this shellfish is a true gift from Goto Islands' ocean currents.

3 Sashimi platter

Enjoy fish nurtured by the bountiful seas of the Goto Islands. For those unsure which fish to try, a Goto sashimi platter is the perfect choice.

4 Goto yellowtail

Wild yellowtail caught in the coastal waters of the Goto Islands is exceptionally satisfying to eat. In winter, it becomes rich and flavorful as it builds up fat. Farm-raised yellowtail from the region is shipped nationwide as hamachi.











5 Mizuika squid sashimi

Despite its thick flesh, mizuika squid is tender and sweet, making it one of the finest squid varieties available.

6 Shima Sazanami charcoal-grilled chicken

A new premium local brand in Goto Islands, Shima Sazanami chicken is grilled over charcoal to enhance its rich, natural flavors. Combined with collagen in the wings, the savory depth of the meat pairs perfectly with sake.

7 Tuna cuisine

Goto Islands are gaining recognition as a major center of tuna farming, thanks to its abundant young bluefin tuna, considered the highest-grade tuna variety.

Communicating the history of Christians in Goto Islands

World Heritage Site

Hidden Christian Sites in the Nagasaki and Amakusa Region

"To Goto, to Goto, everyone longs to go.
Goto is gentle, even the land itself.
To Goto, to Goto, everyone longs to go.
Goto is paradise—come and see, it's hell."

This folk song, sung by Christians who sought refuge and migrated to Goto Islands, speaks to the harsh reality of these believers' lives and the deep history of their prayers.



Fuchinomoto Catholic gravestones

The spread of Christianity in Goto Islands began in the 16th century. It was initiated when the 18th ruler of the Goto domain, Uku Sumisada, asked Jesuits based in the Omura domain to send a Western doctor to treat his illness. After his recovery, Christian missionary work expanded, and the 19th ruler, Uku Sumitaka, was baptized as a devoted believer. However, Christianity was banned in 1614, leading to the persecution and exile of Christians, many of whom became martyrs. As a result, it became increasingly difficult for believers to continue practicing their faith. Despite this challenge, devout followers became “hidden Christians” and continued their prayers in secret.

Around the 18th century, Goto Islands faced a number of crises, including in the form of famine and disease, which led to a significant decline in the farming population, making agricultural production difficult. At the same time, the Omura domain was implementing strict population control measures and working to expel hidden Christians. To address these mutual interests, an agreement was made to relocate farmers from the Omura domain (in what is now the Sotome district of the city of Nagasaki) to Goto Islands. Ultimately, around 3,000 people migrated to Goto Islands, most of them hidden Christians.

These believers settled in the island’s harsh mountainous regions and steep terrain and endured sustained oppression while continuing their faith in secrecy. Finally, the ban on Christianity was lifted in 1873, allowing the believers to exercise their newfound religious freedom by building a series of churches in their communities.

Reference: “History of the Goto Christians: A Journey of Faith and Transmission” (published by the Goto World Heritage Registration Promotion Council, 2013)

Yosuke Tetsukawa’s contribution to church architecture

Yosuke Tetsukawa, who learned church construction knowledge and techniques from missionaries such as Father de Rotz, who was instrumental in building Oura Church in Nagasaki, played a significant role in church architecture during his involvement in the construction of over 50 churches, including by overseeing the design and construction of more than 30 of houses of worship, primarily in Nagasaki Prefecture. Over time, construction methods evolved from wooden structures to brick, stone, and reinforced concrete buildings, earning Tetsukawa a high level of recognition in the history of modern Japanese architecture. Churches in Goto Island include Egami Church, Mizunoura Church, Kusuhara Church, Dozaki Church, and Hiyamizu Church.



Heritage property

32 Egami settlement on Naru Island（Egami Church and vicinity）

Egami Church

Located on the western side of Naru Island, Egami Church is accessible by a 30- to 45-minute ferry ride from Fukue Port on Fukue Island. This white wooden church, which was built in 1918, appears almost hidden among the trees. Its charming exterior features white walls with blue-framed windows, and its elevated flooring was designed to prevent moisture buildup. Inside, the church follows a three-aisled structure with a rib-vaulted ceiling. Features such as wooden columns adorned with hand-painted woodgrain patterns created using combs and stained glass windows decorated with hand-drawn yellow flower petals give the sanctuary a handcrafted and intimate feel. Recognized as one of the masterpieces of renowned church architect Yosuke Tetsukawa, Egami Church stands as an exceptionally well-crafted wooden church and has been designated as an Important Cultural Property by the Japanese government.



1131 Okushi, Naru-cho, Goto-shi

A house of prayer made possible by religious freedom

For over two centuries, the Christian faith endured and was preserved despite strict bans on the religion.
This unparalleled history was recognized in 2018 when it was inscribed as a World Heritage site under the title "The Hidden Christian Sites in the Nagasaki and Amakusa Region."
Two properties in Goto Islands have been included in the designation.



●Heritage property

34 Settlement on Hisaka Island

Former Gorin Church

A ferry ride of about 20 minutes from Fukue Port takes you to Tanoura Port on Hisaka Island, followed by a 40- to 50-minute drive to reach the Former Gorin Church on the island's eastern side. Originally built in 1881 as Hamawaki Church, the building was relocated to its current location in 1931 at the insistence of the Christian community in Gorin. While the exterior resembles a traditional Japanese house, the interior follows a three-aisled layout and features a wooden rib-vaulted ceiling, a Gothic-style altar, and other elements of authentic church architecture, creating a striking contrast. Through the pointed-arch wooden-framed windows, visitors can enjoy a breathtaking view of the sea, and the building recently has attracted attention as the model location for an anime film.

■ 993-11 Warabi-cho, Goto-shi



Exploring the island's places of prayer

Goto Islands are home to several churches and historical sites that tell the story of religious persecution, including Dozaki Church, the first church built in Goto Islands.

39 Dozaki Church Fukue

After the ban on Christianity was lifted, Father Marmand built the first wooden church at the site. Later, Father Pélu oversaw the construction of the current beautiful brick church. Currently, the church serves as a Christian museum, showcasing exhibits on the history of persecution and related artifacts.

2019 Dozaki, Okuura-cho, Goto-shi



50 Imochiura Church Tamanoura

Imochiura Church, the first Romanesque-style church in Goto Islands, was founded by French missionary Father Pélu. The Lourdes grotto on the church grounds, which was built on Father Pélu's initiative, is known as Japan's first Lourdes. It attracts many pilgrims from across the country.

1243 Tamanoura, Tamanoura-cho, Goto-shi



41 Mizunoura Church Kishiku

Mizunoura Church is the largest wooden church in Goto Islands. Designed by Yosuke Tetsukawa, the elegant white building features a magnificent rib-vaulted ceiling and vibrant stained glass windows. If you climb the hill behind the church, you can find a cemetery that offers a breathtaking view of the church and bay—a highly recommended sight.

1644 Kishiku, Kishiku-cho, Goto-shi



46 Kaitsu Church Miiraku

Kaitsu Church was originally built as a wooden structure by the descendants of Christians who migrated from the Omura domain (in what is now the Sotome district of the city of Nagasaki). The current building underwent extensive renovations due to aging, and its vibrant stained glass windows now shine beautifully.

458 Kaitsu, Miiraku-cho, Goto-shi



Goto Tourism and Historical Materials Museum Fukue

The curved screen of the immersive theater displays an explanation of the history of the Goto Christians, along with breathtaking, immersive footage of their churches, allowing visitors to truly feel the sacred atmosphere of these places of prayer. You can learn about the hidden Christians who preserved their faith during approximately 250 years of persecution under the Tokugawa Shogunate while viewing actual historical artifacts.

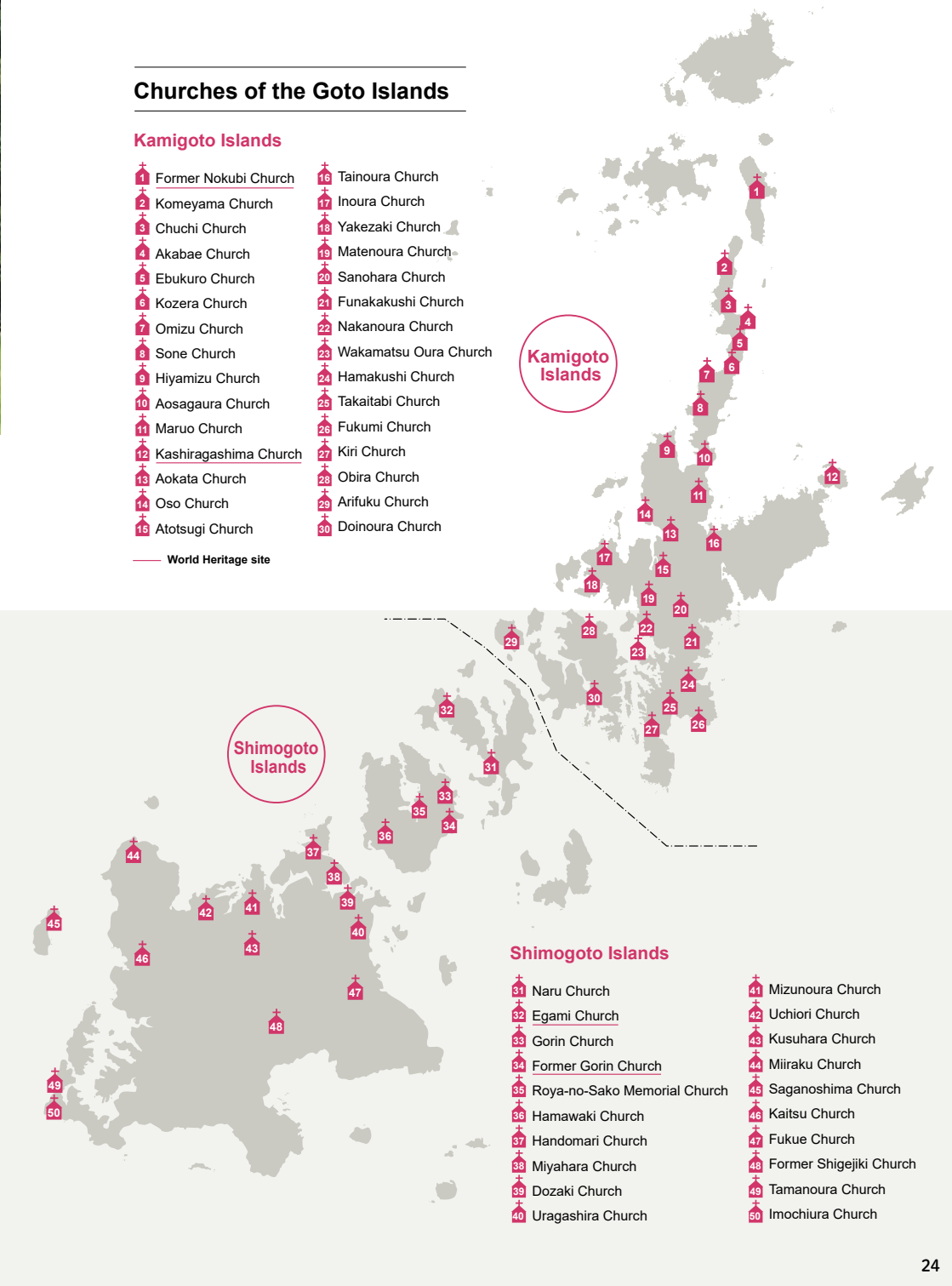
1-4 Ikeda-machi, Goto-shi

Churches of the Goto Islands

Kamigoto Islands

1. Former Nokubi Church
2. Komeyama Church
3. Chuchi Church
4. Akabae Church
5. Ebukuro Church
6. Kozera Church
7. Omizu Church
8. Sone Church
9. Hiyamizu Church
10. Aosagaura Church
11. Maruo Church
12. Kashiragashima Church
13. Aokata Church
14. Oso Church
15. Atotsugi Church
16. Tainoura Church
17. Inoura Church
18. Yakezaki Church
19. Matenoura Church
20. Sanohara Church
21. Funakakushi Church
22. Nakanoura Church
23. Wakamatsu Oura Church
24. Hamakushi Church
25. Takaitabi Church
26. Fukumi Church
27. Kiri Church
28. Obira Church
29. Arifuku Church
30. Doinoura Church

World Heritage site



Shimogoto Islands

31. Naru Church
32. Egami Church
33. Gorin Church
34. Former Gorin Church
35. Roya-no-Sako Memorial Church
36. Hamawaki Church
37. Handomari Church
38. Miyahara Church
39. Dozaki Church
40. Uragashira Church
41. Mizunoura Church
42. Uchiori Church
43. Kusuhara Church
44. Miiraku Church
45. Saganoshima Church
46. Kaitsu Church
47. Fukue Church
48. Former Shigejiki Church
49. Tamanoura Church
50. Imochiura Church

Tale of the border islands

Japan Heritage

Iki, Tsushima, and the Goto Islands—Japan's Ancient Bridge to Asia

The Japan Heritage designation, which is granted by the Agency for Cultural Affairs, is conceived to highlight stories that convey Japan's culture and traditions through the historical and regional charm of different areas.
The first such area to receive this designation was "Iki, Tsushima, and the Goto Islands—Japan's Ancient Bridge to Asia."
This recognition sheds light on Goto Islands' long history of trade with the continent.

The island nation of Japan consists of 14,125 islands of varying sizes. Among them, Nagasaki Prefecture, located at the westernmost part of Japan, has the highest number of islands—1,479 in total. The islands of Tsushima and Iki, which are closest to the continent, have a long history of trade with the Korean Peninsula and other regions dating back to ancient times. The Goto Islands, which extends into the East China Sea, also played a crucial role as a maritime gateway to the continent, and many Japanese envoys to Tang China set sail from Goto Islands on journeys known as "Kentoshi missions."

During the Nara and Heian periods, the Tang dynasty (in what is now China) was the most advanced civilization in East Asia. Starting in 630, Japan dispatched a total of about 20 Kentoshi missions to study the political systems, culture, and laws of Tang China over a period of more than 260 years. The missions aimed to learn from the Tang dynasty's advanced governance system, culture, and legal codes. In addition, Buddhism was seen as a means to enrich the nation, and envoys were tasked with bringing back Buddhist scriptures.

Each delegation included a diverse group of people representing different occupations, including ambassadors, monks wishing to study abroad, doctors, carpenters, and large numbers of sailors. Such voyages to the continent were extremely dangerous, and many ships were lost in violent storms due to the underdeveloped shipbuilding technology of the time and the lack of navigational tools like compasses, making travel to China a life-risking endeavor. Despite these hardships, the scholars and monks who returned from China played a crucial role in spreading new knowledge and culture throughout Japan.

Reference: "Kentoshi Ships: In the Context of East Asia," Haruyuki Tono (Asahi Books)



JAPAN HERITAGE
日本遺産

Tracing sites connected to the Kentoshi missions

The 2015 Japan Heritage designation, “Iki, Tsushima, and the Goto Islands—Japan’s Ancient Bridge to Asia,” highlights the border islands’ unique history and culture, which were shaped by exchanges and trade with the Korean Peninsula and the Chinese continent.
These islands—Iki, Tsushima, and Goto—hold the stories of Japan’s borderlands. Four cultural properties in Goto Islands have been included in this designation.





●Heritage property 1

Miiraku (Mimiraku-no-shima)

Located at the westernmost edge of Japan, Goto Islands served as the last port of call before crossing the East China Sea on the journey to Tang China during the era of the Kentoshi missions. The Hizen no Kuni Fudoki (“Records of Hizen Province”) refers to this area as Mineraku-no-Saki, and nearby is a historical site known as Fuzengawa, which is believed to be the well that supplied drinking water to the Kentoshi ships. In Kashiwazaki Park in Miiraku-cho stands Jihongai Monument. The characters used to write the name in Japanese mean “the edge of Japan” and “to depart,” symbolizing the determination of those setting sail as if to affirm, “We now risk our lives as we leave the final shores of Japan.” In the year 804, the monk Kukai embarked on his journey to China from this very place.

■Kashiwa, Miiraku-cho, Goto-shi (Jihongai Monument, Kashiwazaki Park)

●Heritage property 2

Myojoin Temple Main Hall

One of the oldest temples in Goto Islands, Myojoin Temple’s main hall stands with dignity in a landscape of vast rural scenery. It is said that when the monk Kukai stopped at this temple on his way back from Tang China in 806, he saw the morning star shining in the eastern sky as a good omen and named the temple Myojo-an (“Bright Star Hermitage”). The temple served as the prayer temple for the Goto feudal rulers for generations. Its main hall was rebuilt in 1778 with a coffered ceiling adorned with 121 vividly colored paintings of flowers and birds, created by artists of the Kano school. At the four corners of the ceiling are mythical Kalavinka birds, while the center panel alone features a striking ink painting of a dragon. The overwhelming beauty of these paintings draws visitors in and makes them feel as if they are being absorbed into the artwork itself.

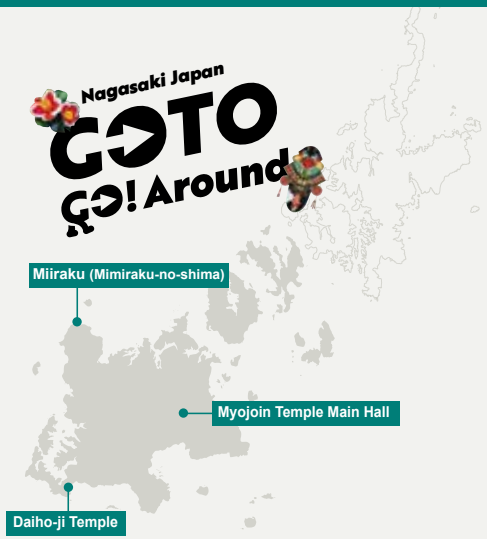
■1905 Yoshida-cho, Goto-shi

●Heritage property 3

Daiho-ji Temple

Daiho-ji Temple, said to have been founded in 701 by the monk Doyu of the Sanron school, is known as one of the oldest temples in Japan and was designated as an imperial prayer temple by Empress Jito, the 41st emperor of Japan. Later, the monk Kukai is believed to have landed near Daiho-ji Temple upon returning from Tang China. According to legend, he preached the teachings of Shingon esoteric Buddhism here for the first time in Japan. Because of this historical connection, Daiho-ji Temple is sometimes called the "Koyasan of the West," in reference to Koyasan, the head temple of Shingon Buddhism in Wakayama Prefecture. Located in the Tamanoura district, the westernmost part of Japan, close to China, Daiho-ji preserves cultural relics that highlight historical exchanges with the Kansai region and the Asian continent, including a five-storied pagoda from the Nanbokucho period (designated a Tangible Cultural Property by the city) and a Buddhist temple bell (designated a Tangible Cultural Property by the prefecture).

■631 Daiho, Tamanoura-cho, Goto-shi





Inspired by Goto islads!

Explore the World of GoTo Anime

One of Japan's most iconic animation studios, Studio Ghibli, often features breathtaking background art depicting the landscapes of Goto Islands. Goto Islands are home to a new world that you can see in productions such as *Barakamon*, which is set in the Goto Islands, and *The Colors Within*, which includes a real-life depiction of the Former Gorin Church.


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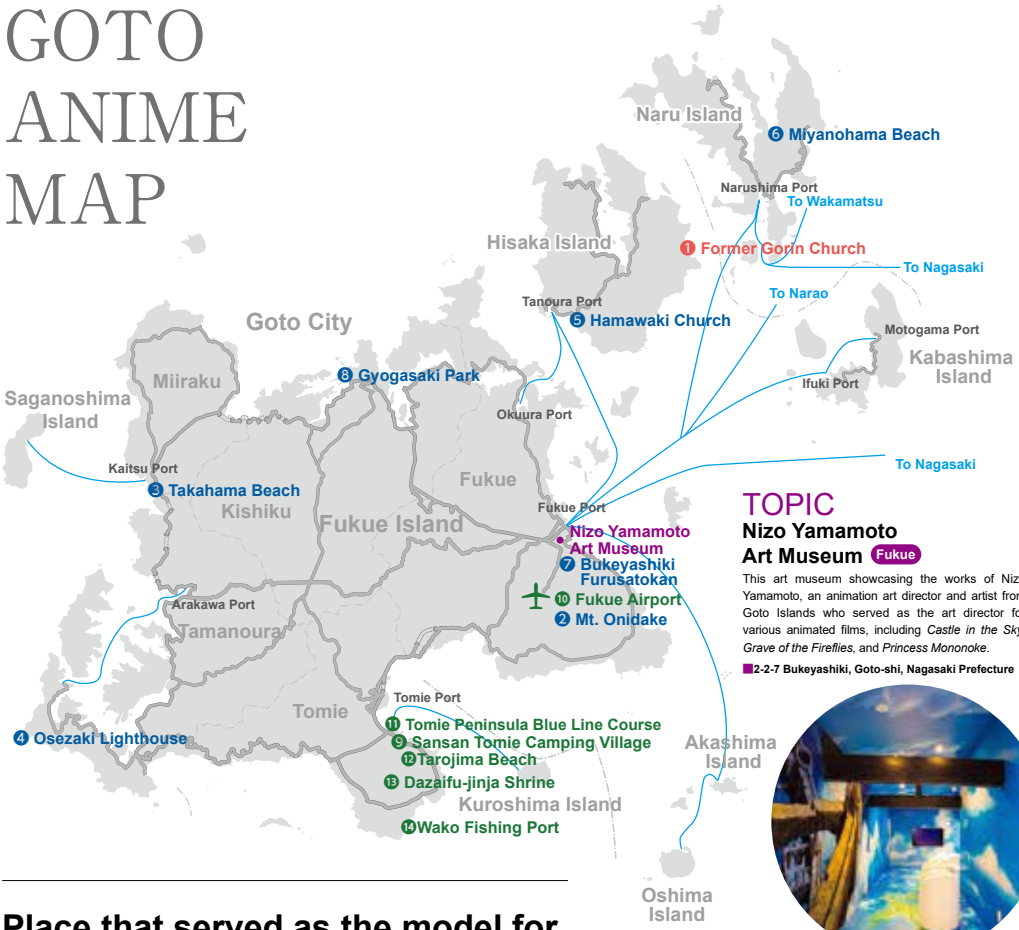

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GOTO ANIME MAP



TOPIC

Nizo Yamamoto Art Museum Fukue

This art museum showcasing the works of Nizo Yamamoto, an animation art director and artist from Goto Islands who served as the art director for various animated films, including *Castle in the Sky*, *Grave of the Fireflies*, and *Princess Mononoke*.

■2-2-7 Bukeyashiki, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture

Place that served as the model for the anime film *The Colors Within*

1 Former Gorin Church Naru Island

■Warabi-cho, Goto-shi

World Heritage Site / Hidden Christian Sites in the Nagasaki and Amakusa Region



Former Gorin Church Sketching Event

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Place that served as the model for the anime *Aokana: Four Rhythm Across the Blue*

2 Mt. Onidake Fukue
■1-1 Fukue-cho, Goto-shi

3 Takahama Beach Miiraku
■Kaitsu, Miiraku-cho, Goto-shi

4 Osezaki Lighthouse Tamanoura
■Kamiozu-cho, Goto-shi

5 Hamawaki Church Hisaka Island
■263 Tanoura-cho, Goto-shi

6 Miyanohama Beach Naru Island
■Funamawari, Naru-cho, Goto-shi

7 Bukeyashiki Furusatokan Fukue
■Bukeyashiki, Goto-shi

8 Gyogasaki Park Kishiku
■Kishiku, Kishiku-cho, Goto-shi

Place that served as the model for the anime *Barakamon*

9 Sansan Tomie Camping Village Tomie
■1333 Tsuchitori, Tomie-cho, Goto-shi

10 Fukue Airport Fukue
■2183 Kamiozu-cho, Goto-shi

11 Tomie Peninsula Blue Line Course Tomie
■Tomie-cho, Goto-shi

12 Tarojima Beach Tomie
■1333 Tsuchitori, Tomie-cho, Goto-shi

13 Dazaifu-jinja Shrine Tomie
■785 Take, Tomie-cho, Goto-shi

14 Wako Fishing Port Tomie
■Take, Tomie-cho, Goto-shi

Take back memories of your trip!

Goto Gifts & Souvenirs

Why not take memories of the delicious food you ate on the island to friends and family? We've prepared a selection of Goto gifts and souvenirs, from seafood to Japanese confections. What will you choose?



Seafood

Half-dried fish and dried fish seasoned with sweet sake

These dried fish are carefully made with time and effort so that they capture the delicious flavor of Goto Islands' ocean waters.



Seafood

Deep-fried fish cake

Deep-fried fish cakes are made with fresh fish from the Goto-nada Sea. They're delicious as-is, and taste even better when lightly grilled.



Seafood

Horse mackerel rolled fish cake

This signature fish cake is made by wrapping kelp with minced horse mackerel from Goto Islands.



Alcoholic beverages

GOTOGIN

●47% ABV / Goto Tsubaki Distillery

Crafted using natural spring water from Goto Islands and distilled individually with 18 botanicals, with camellia seeds as the key botanical, this craft gin evokes the scenery of Goto Islands the moment you take a sip.



Alcoholic beverages

Shochu: Goto Mugi and Goto Imo

●Goto Mugi: 25% ABV / Goto Retto Shuzo

This barley shochu liquor is made from Goto-grown barley and spring water from Mt. Nanatsudake, one of Kyushu's top 100 water sources.

●Goto Imo: 25% ABV / Goto Retto Shuzo

This shochu liquor is made from Goto-grown sweet potatoes and rice.



Seafood

Smoked bonito

Bonito caught near Goto Islands is processed and smoked with cherry and oak wood. The result is a mildly tender, flavorful smoked fish.



Seafood

Dried silver-striped herring

A Goto specialty—kibinago fish dried as-is. Packed with natural minerals and rich umami flavor.



Seafood

Natural salt

Made from seawater from Goto Islands, this natural salt is so renowned for its taste that it's ordered by chefs from all over Japan.



Alcoholic beverages

Goto wine

●Rosé (right)

●White (left)

This wholly domestic wine is crafted by Goto Winery, Nagasaki Prefecture's first winery.



Seafood

Oni mackerel sushi

This handmade sushi is made with fresh chub mackerel marinated in specially crafted vinegar.



Goto noodles

Goto udon noodles

These Goto udon noodles are made from the parts of noodles that don't meet standard shape requirements during drying. They are a cost-effective alternative to regular Goto udon noodles.





Crafts

Baramon kites

Baramon kites are flown to express the wish that one's child will grow up healthy. This widely known traditional craft is used to celebrate seasonal festivals.

Crafts

Wooden crafts

Artisans in Goto Islands produce a variety of handcrafted wooden items, including coasters that evoke stained glass in the city's churches and seals made from camellia branches.

Crafts

Coral products

Coral from Tomie is known for its fine texture and radiant luster. The pale pink shade of Tomie coral is particularly rare and highly valued.



Other products

Three Goto vegetables

This mix of three dried health foods– locally harvested hijiki seaweed, fresh daikon radish, and carrots–has been passed down through the generations on the island.



Other products

Goto camellia oil products

High-quality camellia oil has been produced on the Goto Islands for centuries. The versatile oil is used for hair care, skincare, and even cooking. A variety of products, including shampoos, soaps, and creams, are made using this precious oil.



Sweets

Kankoro mochi

This Goto specialty is extremely popular. It's a natural, nutritious treat made by pounding sweet potatoes and glutinous rice together.



Sweets

Hacchi-kankan

This soft and nostalgic treat, which is made with high-quality glutinous rice and roasted soybean flour, has been a favorite on the island for over 40 years.



Other products

Goto tea

Goto tea is cultivated in tea fields around Mt. Onidake. It has a mild bitterness that brings out the tea's natural deliciousness.



Sweets

Chankoko

This classic Goto souvenir is a go-to gift. It's made with roasted soybean flour and red bean paste.



Sweets

Goto Island camellia wafers

These glutinous rice-filled wafers bear a camellia-shaped mark. When dissolved in hot water, they create a delicious sweet red bean soup.



Sweets

Nanya glutinous rice

This treat features soft, easy-to-chew glutinous rice filled with smooth red bean paste.

Souvenir shop

These stores offer a variety of signature souvenirs from the Goto Islands, including Goto udon noodles, kankoro mochi, camellia products, and seafood.
You'll also find rare, local specialties unique to the islands–be sure to check them out!



Goto City Tourism Association Store



Address At the Fukue Port Terminal, 2-3-1 Higashihamamachi, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-72-2963
Business hours 8:30 am to 4:50 pm (Closed January 1 and 2 only)
HP https://www.gotokanko.jp/

Hamaguchi Seafood Terminal Building Outlet





Address At the Fukue Port Terminal, 2-3-1 Higashihamamachi, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-72-3272
Business hours 7:00 am to 5:00 pm (Subject to change based on the Kyushu Shosen ferry schedule.)
HP http://www.goto-maki.net/

Tsuruta Gift Shop





Address At the Fukue Port Terminal, 2-3-1 Higashihamamachi, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-72-3882
Business hours 7:00 am to 5:00 pm
HP https://turutaya.com/

Kawasaki Gift Shop



Address At the Fukue Port Terminal, 2-3-1 Higashihamamachi, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture
Business hours Around 7:00 am to 4:30 pm

Eguchi Gift Shop



Address At the Fukue Port Terminal, 2-3-1 Higashihamamachi, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-72-3623
Business hours Around 8:00 am to 4:30 pm

Nansho Seafood





Address At the Fukue Port Terminal, 2-3-1 Higashihamamachi, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-72-2485
Business hours Around 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Goto Tsubaki Airport Gift Shop





Address 2183 Kamiozu-cho, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-72-3401
Business hours 8:40 am to 5:55 pm (closed 12:55 pm to 4:00 pm)
*Subject to change depending on ferry schedule.
HP https://www.fukuekuko.jp/

Goto Tsubaki Bussankan




Address 1255-1 Hama-cho, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-73-5921
Business hours 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
(Closed on every Wednesdays and December 30 to January 3)
Getting there Located 20 minutes from Fukue Port by car.
HP https://goto-sight.com/gotobus/pg542.html

Farmer's Market "Goto ga Umai"




Address 2450-1 Komoribuchi-cho, Goto-shi,
Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-88-9933
Business hours 9:00 am to 6:30 pm
HP https://www.ja-goto.or.jp/

Gift Shop & Cafe "Goto"




Address 726-1 Yoshikugi-cho, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-75-0111
Business hours 10:00 am to 6:00 pm (last order at 4:30 pm)/(closed on January 1)
Getting there Located about 10 minutes from Fukue Port and the airport by car.
HP https://nagasakigoto.net/gotocafe/

Naru Fisheries Cooperative Association, Goto Islands Fish Market





Address 1839-7 Ura, Naru-cho, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-64-3115
Business hours Weekdays, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm;
Saturdays, 8:30 am to 12:00 pm
HP https://www.jfnaru.com

Yamamoto Kaisanbutsu




Address 3-1 Suehiro-machi, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-72-2826
Business hours 8:30 am to 6:30 pm (closed on January 1)
Getting there Located 10 minutes from Fukue Port on foot.
HP https://shop.yamamoto-kaisanbutsu.jp/

Oddontei (Nakamoto Seimen)




Address 831-1 Yoshikugi-cho, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-72-4846
Business hours 11:00 am to 2:30 pm (last order at 2:15 pm)/
Closed on every Tuesdays and over New Year's holiday
Getting there Located 10 minutes from Fukue Port by car.
HP https://gotoudon-nakamoto.com/

Kentoshi Furusatokan Roadside Station




Address 3150-1 Hamanokuri, Miiraku-cho, Goto-shi,
Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-84-3555
Business hours 9:00 am to 6:00 pm (closed over New Year's holiday)
Getting there Located about 30 minutes from Fukue Port by car.
HP https://kentoushi-furusatokan.com/

Onidake Shiki no Sato




Address 2873-1 Kamiozu-cho, Goto-shi, Nagasaki Prefecture
TEL 0959-74-5469
Business hours 9:00 am to 6:00 pm (Summer season: Extended business hours)
*Lunch: 11:00 am to 2:00 pm (last order at 1:30 pm)
Getting there Located 15 minutes from Fukue Port by car.
HP https://onidakeshikinosato.wixsite.com/lounge

Nagasaki and Goto Sample itinerary for 4days

Day 1 Sightseeing in Nagasaki

10:00 Start at Nagasaki Station!

10:10 Walking through Peace Park (Peace Park, Atomic Bomb Museum, etc.)



This park was built at the hypocenter of the atomic bomb dropped on August 9, 1945, and the hillside to its north as an embodiment of residents' prayers for peace.

■**9 Matsuyama-machi, Nagasaki-shi**

(20 min. by tram)

11:00 Oura Church



Oura Church is a Catholic church founded by French priests of the Paris Foreign Missions Society.

■**5-3 Minamiyamate-machi, Nagasaki-shi**

12:00 Lunch Shinchi Chinatown



Shinchi Chinatown is one of Japan's three major Chinatowns. It's a popular sightseeing spot that's easy to get to–just 10 minutes by tram from JR Nagasaki Station.

■**10-13 Shinchi-machi, Nagasaki-shi**

18:00 Accommodations Vicinity of Nagasaki Station

Day 2 Learning about Goto's history

7:40 Nagasaki Port

(85 min. by jetfoil)

9:05 Fukue Port Terminal

(12 min. on foot)

9:30 Goto Tourism and Historical Materials Museum

Time at destination 30min

Built in 1989 at the site of Fukue Castle's outer citadel, this facility today serves as a sightseeing spot.

■**1-4 Ikeda-machi, Goto-shi**



(10 min. on foot)

10:40 Fukue Castle (Ishida Castle)

Time at destination 30min

The residence of the 30th feudal ruler, Moriakira, it was the last castle built under the Edo Shogunate.

■**1-7 Ikeda-machi, Goto-shi**



Former Goto Lord's Residence and Garden (Shinjigaike)

11:20 Street lined with samurai residences

Time at destination 30min

This street of samurai residences was built during the era of the 22nd feudal ruler, Goto Moritoshi (1634).

■**Bukeyashiki, Goto-shi**



12:00 Lunch Lunch in Fukue area

(10 min. by car)

13:40 Myojoin Temple (Japan Heritage site)

(15 min. by car)

14:25 Trekking on Mt. Onidake

Trekking for about 2 hours (5 min. by car)



16:30 Abunze Visitor Center

(1 min. on foot)

17:00 Abunze Lava Coast

After trekking, enjoy a refreshing sea breeze in this coastal area.

(10 min. by car)

18:00 Accommodations Accommodations

Enjoying your first trip to Goto to the fullest!

Day 3 Enjoying Goto's ocean

9:00 Accommodations

(30 min. by car)

9:30 Mizunoura Church

(20 min. by car)



Time at destination 30min

10:25 Enjoying marine sports at Takahama Beach

Time at destination 2hours

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■**Kaitsu, Miiraku-cho, Goto-shi**



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(10 min. by car)

14:35 Imochiura Church and Lourdes

Time at destination 30min

This church was built in 1895 by the French missionary Father Pélu.

■**1243 Tamanoura, Tamanoura-cho, Goto-shi**



15:15 Osezaki Lighthouse

Time at destination 30min

Sunset viewing

■**Tamanoura, Tamanoura-cho, Goto-shi**





(1 hr. by car)

19:00 Accommodations Accommodations

Day 4 Experiencing the beauty of Goto

10:00 Fukue area

(25 min. by car)

10:25 Shirotake Observation Deck

Time at destination 30min

Enjoy a panoramic view of Hime Island and even as far as Naru Island as a spectacular, diorama-like landscape.

■**Kishiku, Kishiku-cho, Goto-shi**



(10 min. by car)

11:05 Gyogasaki Park

Time at destination 30min

Gyogasaki is a historical port recorded in the Hizen Fudoki as a stopping point for Japanese envoys on their way to Tang China.

■**1218-1 Kishiku, Kishiku-cho, Goto-shi**



(15 min. by car)

11:50 Lunch Kentoshi Furusatokan

Lunch and shopping for souvenirs (10 min. by car)

14:00 Kaitsu Church

Time at destination 30min

The afternoon sun shining through the stained glass vividly colors the chairs and pillars inside the church to create a mystical atmosphere.

■**458 Kaitsu, Miiraku-cho, Goto-shi**



(40 min. by car)

15:10 Dozaki Church

Time at destination 30min

■**2019 Okuura-cho, Goto-shi**



(15 min. by car)

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(85 min. by jetfoil)

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10:00 Start at Hakata Station!

10:50 Dazaifu Tenmangu Shrine



The head shrine of all Tenmangu shrines in Japan, this shrine is dedicated to Sugawara no Michizane, the deity of learning, culture, arts, and warding off misfortune.

■Saifu, Dazaifu-shi, Fukuoka Prefecture

14:00 Canal City Hakata

This spacious shopping mall features brand stores, specialty shops, restaurants, and a fountain show.

■1-2 Sumiyoshi, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka-shi



17:00 Shopping in the Tenjin area

Tenjin, Kyushu's largest shopping district, is lined with department stores, drugstores, and electronics retailers.

■Tenjin, Chuo-ku, Fukuoka-shi



19:00 Dinner Strolling through the Nakasu area



Nakasu, Western Japan's largest entertainment district, is home to over 2,000 restaurants and bars. At night, the neon lights are reflected in the Nakagawa River, creating a stunning scene. The area is famous for rich tonkotsu ramen, which can be purchased from street food stalls.

■Nakasu, Hakata-ku, Fukuoka-shi

21:00 Accommodations Vicinity of Hakata Station

Day 2 Learning about Goto's history

8:30 Fukuoka Airport

(40 min. by air)

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Gyogasaki is a historical port recorded in the Hizen Fudoki as a stopping point for Japanese envoys on their way to Tang China.

■1218-1 Kishiku, Kishiku-cho, Goto-shi

15:00 Dozaki Church

Time at destination 30min

■2019 Okuura-cho, Goto-shi



(15 min. by car)

17:55 Goto Tsubaki Airport

(40 min. by air)

18:40 Fukuoka Airport

Accommodations guide

● Hotels		
Campana Hotel	カンパーナホテル	https://www.campanahotel.com/
Goto Conkana Kingdom	五島コンカナ王国	http://conkana.jp/
Hotel Uenoya	ホテル上乃家	7-7 Suehiro-machi, Goto-shi
Goto Daiichi Hotel	五島第一ホテル	http://www.gotodaiichi.jp/
Business Hotel Mikuni	ビジネスホテル三国	9-2 Sakae-machi, Goto-shi
Business Hotel Round Inn	ビジネスホテルラウンドイン	http://round-inn.com/
Hotel Downtown	ホテルダウンタウン	https://down-town.co.jp/
Business Hotel Island	ビジネスホテル アイランド	1-21 Chuo-machi, Goto-shi
SERENDIP HOTEL GOTO	SERENDIP HOTEL GOTO	https://www.serendiphotelgoto.com/
Business Hotel Sanko	ビジネスホテルサンコー	1-7-10 Higashihama-machi, Goto-shi
Business Hotel Tabinoyado	ビジネスホテル旅の宿	8-5 Sakae-machi, Goto-shi
Business Hotel Irie Sou	ビジネスホテルいりえ荘	https://www.irie-s.com/
Business Hotel Sakura	ビジネスホテルさくら	https://goto-sakura.com/
Business Hotel Five Ten	ビジネスホテル ファイブ･テン	https://bh510.com/
CONNE HOTEL	CONNE HOTEL	http://conne-hotel.jp/
Shimanoyado Gotoya	島の宿 ごとう屋	699-3 Yoshikugi-cho, Goto-shi
GOTO TSUBAKI HOTEL	GOTO TSUBAKI HOTEL	https://gototsubakihotel.com/
Colorit GOTO ISLANDS	カラリト五島列島	https://colorit.jp/
GOTO RETREAT by Onko Chishin	五島リトリートray by温故知新	https://goto-ray.com/
hotel sou	hotel sou	https://www.hotelsou.com/
HOTEL87r	HOTEL87r	https://hotel87r.com/
Goto Yado Seina	五島宿Seina	https://seina-0711.wixsite.com/my-site-1
SEA SIDE HOTEL 5BASE	シーサイドホテル5BASE	https://www.baracar.com/shimayado/pension-shimizu/
● Ryokan (Traditional Japanese Inns)		
Nakamotoso	中本荘	https://www.nakamotoso.com/
Nishikiso	にしき荘	3-1 Nishiki-machi, Goto-shi
Nakamura Ryokan	中村旅館	https://lin.ee/6R2jLIX
● Guest houses		
Sakanoue	坂の上	https://www.sakanoue.biz/
Minshuku Goto	五島	1-13-13 Higashihama-machi, Goto-shi
Sakimiya	さきみや	https://www.sakimiya.com/
Vihara-Goto	ビハーラ五島	412-5 Kamiozu-cho, Goto-shi
Kanko	かんこう	https://kankorentacar.jimdofree.com/
Byakuchin	百椿	186-1 Oare-cho, Goto-shi
Mizuho	瑞穂	1-21-7 Higashihama-machi, Goto-shi
Fukushoro	福松楼	516-6 Koba-cho, Goto-shi
Minshuku Yoshikawa	素泊まり民宿よしかわ	1174 Togi-cho, Goto-shi
Business Minshuku Enraku	ビジネス民宿縁楽	https://businessminsyukuenraku.jimdofree.com/
Masueimaru	増栄丸	592-10 Ifuki-cho, Goto-shi
Oshima	おうしま	51 Oshima-cho, Goto-shi
Yamashita	山下	23-2 Oshima-cho, Goto-shi
Goodneet House	グットニートハウス	https://goodneet-house.com/
Umi to Hoshi No Yado	海と星の宿	417-4 Masuda-cho, Goto-shi
● Other		
Fukauraso	深浦荘	290-5 Inoki-cho, Goto-shi
Guest House Utojuku	ゲストハウス雨通宿	https://utojuku.com/
Cottage Smoky	コッテージ･スモーキィ	1224 Togi-cho, Goto-shi
Goto Guest House Misora	五島ゲストハウスビジネス海星	https://gotomisora.jimdofree.com/
Katarankana Backpackers	カタランカナバックパッカーズ	2154-1 Kamiozu-cho, Goto-shi
Nico House	簡易宿泊nicoハウス	17-17 Shinminato-machi, Goto-shi
Guest House canan	ゲストハウスcanan	https://www.goto-guesthousecanan.com/
Mariage Maison	マリアージュメゾン	312-7 Miono-cho, Goto-shi

jasmine	jasmine	https://www.gotojasmine.com/
Goto Nonoya	五島ののや	https://www.goto-nonoya.jp/
Guest House Pikaichi Second	ゲストハウスぴかいちⅡ	https://pikaichi2.com/
NANGORA HILLS	NANGORA HILLS	454 Hirazo-cho, Goto-shi
Hotel & Cafe Restaurant Mokuba	ホテル&カフェレストラン 木馬	2527 Mukae-cho, Goto-shi
LIGHTHOUSE	コンドミニアムホテル　ライトハウス	https://www.goto-lighthouse.com/
Fukumi	福海(ふくみ)	☎0959-73-0911
Meguri Megurasu	めぐりめぐらす	https://megurimegurasu.jp/
Guest House Goto Times	ゲストハウス五島時光	https://goto-times.com/
Okune	奥音	https://okune-goto.com/
Kumpoo	古民家宿 薫風	https://www.kumpoo.jp/
Shimabiyori	五島の宿　島日和	https://goto-simabiyori.com/
AKO HOUSE	AKO HOUSE	https://gotoakohouse.com/
Apartment Goto	アパートメント五島	https://apartment510.com/
Hana-to-Yado Temarisou	花と宿テマリソウ	1-5-2 Higashihama-machi, Goto-shi
Komugi no Yado	こむぎの宿	https://komuginoyado.com/
Minpaku Hana	民泊華～Hana～	https://minpaku-hana.jimdosite.com/
Nekoya	猫家	91-1 Shimosakiyama-cho, Goto-shi
GuestHouse Fujiya	Guest Houseふじや	https://hotel.travel.rakuten.co.jp/hinfo/178751/
Shimairo Nagate	しまいろ長手	https://nagate510.com/
Entire-House Rental HARU	五島列島一棟貸し宿　HARU	https://haru-yndesign.com/
Goto I-House	Goto I House	https://gotoakohouse.com/gotoihouse
BLUE GOTO CAFE & ROOMS	BLUE GOTO CAFE & ROOMS	www.bluegotocafe.com
Coming Bukeyashiki	Coming武家屋敷	https://www.coming-bukeyashiki.jp
masuda villa	masuda villa	474 Masuda-cho, Goto-shi
Anchor	Anchor	https://takoyaki56.wixsite.com/anchor
oyado iyu	おやど「生結」(いゆ)	https://www.gotoiyu.com/oyado
Guest House Yuunagi	ゲストハウス夕凪	8-31 Egawa-machi, Goto-shi
Nursing Home NK House	簡易宿泊所ナーシングホームNKハウス	https://x.gd/pAR5d
GOTO UMI HOUSE	GOTO UMI HOUSE(海)	2-23 Konya-machi, Goto-shi
OUCHI	OUCHI	3-15 Egawa-machi, Goto-shi

Tomie

• Ryokan (Traditional Japanese Inns)		
Warajiya	わらじ舎	357-97 Tomie, Tomie-machi, Goto-shi
• Other		
Sansan Tomie Camping Village	さんさん富江キャンプ村	https://www.sansan-tomie.jp/
Library Hotel Oyado Sangosan	泊まれる図書館　お宿　さんごさん	https://oyado-sangosan.net/
Tomie Yado	富江宿	https://tomieyado.com/

Miiraku

• Guest houses		
Saikousou	西光荘	http://www.saikousou.com/
• Other		
Minshuku Yoshikawa Miiraku 2-goten	コテージ・素泊まり民宿 よしかわ 三井楽2号店	1042 Hamanokuri, Miiraku-machi, Goto-shi
GIVE ME FIVE -camp & stay-	GIVE ME FIVE -camp & stay-	https://www.givemefive-goto.com/
KUROYO	KUROYO	https://www.kuroyo.com
Akaseya	あかせ家	https://www.akaseya.net
TSUKIMARU	TSUKIMARU	671-1, Takasaki, Miiraku-machi, Goto-shi
Hachiro	ハチロー	672 Takasaki, Miiraku-machi, Goto-shi
Guest House Sakura	ゲストハウスさくら	1300 Hamanokuri, Miiraku-machi, Goto-shi
TAKASAKI STAY	TAKASAKI STAY	681-1 Takasaki, Miiraku-machi, Goto-shi

Tamanoura

• Ryokan (Traditional Japanese Inns)		
Tamanoura	旅館民宿たまのうら	734-7 Tamanoura, Tamanoura-machi, Goto-shi
Takenoya Ryokan	竹乃家旅館	132-3 Arakawa, Tamanoura-machi, Goto-shi
• Guest houses		
Miyako	みやこ	https://miyako-maru.com/
Hamabe	はまべ	1083 Daiho, Tamanoura-machi, Goto-shi

Seaside Pension Baramon	シーサイドペンションばらもん	278-8 Tontomari, Tamanoura-machi, Goto-shi
Hermitcrab	五島の海と遊べる宿　ハーミットクラブ	https://hemitcrab.com/
• Other		
Nedokoro Nora	ネドコロノラ	https://nedokoro-nora.com/
Miyako Bettei	みやこ別邸	https://www.miyako510.com/

Kishiku

• Guest houses		
Abiru	あびる	http://abiru-goto.com/
• Other		
Gyogasaki Park Campsite	魚津ヶ崎公園キャンプ場	1218-1 Kishiku, Kishiku-machi, Goto-shi
Mijokanamori Hoshi no Yado	美所華な杜 星の宿	https://mijokana-mori.com/
Mijokanamori Komorebi no Yado	美所華な杜 木漏れ日の宿	https://mijokana-mori.com/

Naru (Naru Island)

• Ryokan (Traditional Japanese Inns)		
Okui Ryokan	奥居旅館	https://okuiryokan.com/
Fukuyoshi Ryokan	福良旅館	https://fukuyoshi-naru.jimdofree.com/
• Guest houses		
Kadomochi	かどもち	https://naruminsyukukadomochi.simdif.com/
Shiroyama	城山	788-2 Tomari, Naru-machi, Goto-shi
Matsumoto	まつもと	375 Ura, Naru-machi, Goto-shi
• Other		
Narunoie	なるのいえ	https://narunoie510.com/
Miyanomori Park Campsite	宮の森総合公園キャンプ場	897 Funamawari, Naru-machi, Goto-shi
Guest House Fujiwara	ゲストハウス藤原	1723-3 Ura, Naru-machi, Goto-shi
Guest House Satogaeri	ゲストハウスさとがえり	3-6 Ura, Naru-machi, Goto-shi

Transportation

Taxi

Business name	Contact
Oohato Taxi	+81-959-72-2854
Goto Taxi	+81-959-72-2171
Saikai Taxi	+81-959-72-5131
Baramon Taxi	+81-959-76-3217
Miiraku Taxi	+81-959-84-3136
Hisaka Taxi (Hisaka Island)	+81-959-77-2008
Maruhama Taxi (Naru Island)	+81-959-64-3171

Car rentals

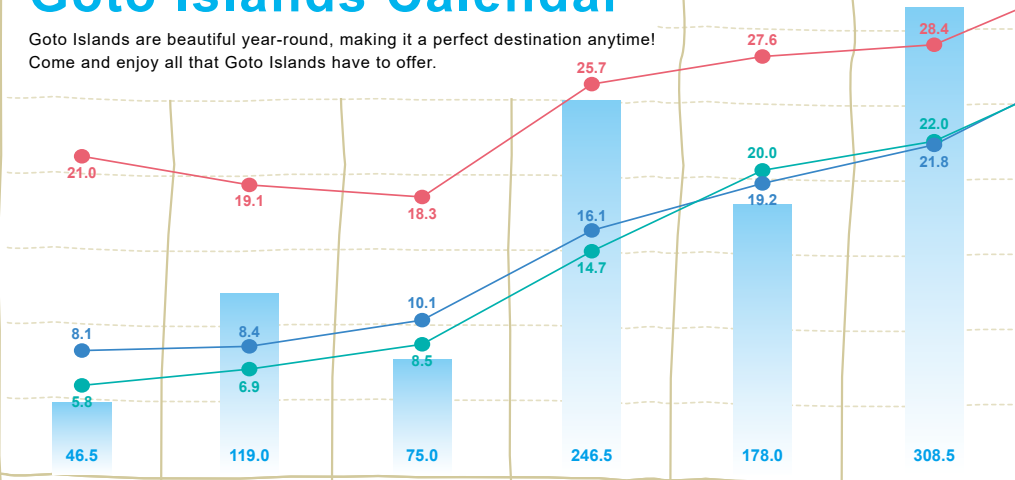
Business name	Contact
Ikeda Rent a Car （池田レンタカー）	+81-959-74-1133
Irie Rent a Car （入江レンタカー）	+81-959-72-7535
Rent a Car Tsubaki （軽自動車レンタカー椿）	+81-959-74-1800
TOYOTA Rental & Leasing NAGASAKI (Fukue Branch) （(株)トヨタレンタリース長崎　福江店）	+81-959-72-7048
Nippon Rent a Car （ニッポンレンタカー）	+81-50-1712-2396
Gotoya Rent a Car （ごとう屋レンタカー）	+81-959-88-9500
Carlife Stadium Rent a Car （カースタレンタカー）	+81-950-75-0797
SA Rent a Car （SAレンタカー）	+81-80-6421-5468
Goto Rent a Car (Specializing in Hiace) （五島レンタカー（ハイエース専門））	+81-959-88-9510
Naru Rent a Car (Naru Island) （奈留レンタカー（奈留島））	+81-959-64-2148
Naru Island Port Rent a Car (Naru Island) （奈留島港レンタカー（奈留島））	+81-959-64-2168
GuestHouse Fujiya （GuestHouseふじや）	+81-80-2720-4434
Shimabiyori Rent a Car （島日和レンタカー）	+81-80-5805-2258
Bloom Rent a Car （ブルームレンタカー）	+81-959-76-3777

Goto Islands Calendar

Goto Islands are beautiful year-round, making it a perfect destination anytime!
Come and enjoy all that Goto Islands have to offer.

Month	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Season	Winter		Early spring	Spring		Early summer

Weather data (Goto and Fukue)



Clothing



Don't forget cold weather protection and enjoy the cold season.



Don't underestimate the cold and be sure to dress to stay warm.



Be wary of the potential for cold weather even if you feel signs of the coming spring.



The warm weather is comfortable, but nights can be chilly.



This is a season of refreshing new greenery. Short sleeves are OK during the day.



Humidity increases as the rainy season begins.

Seasonal flowers

- Camellia (February to April)
- Hamajincho (January to April)
- Rapeseed flowers (March to April)
- Hydrangea

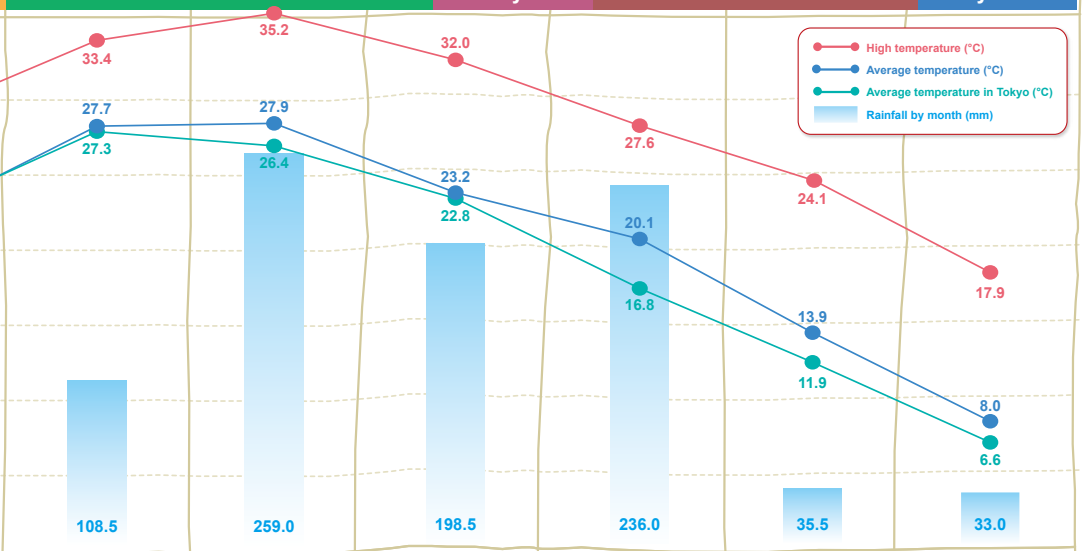
Seasonal fish

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Bluefin tuna (Shibi, yokowa)	Cutlassfish	Spiny lobster	Red seabream	Horse mackerel	Chicken grunt

Major events

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
(Nagasaki Prefecture-designated Intangible Folk Cultural Property) Kaitsu Shishi-koma Dance (Kaitsu-jinja Shrine, Kaitsu district) (Nationally designated Important Intangible Cultural Property) Folk Cultural Property "Hetomato" (Shirahama-jinja Shrine in Shimosakiyamacho, Goto-shi)	Goto Camellia Festival (Samurai Residence Street Furusato Museum) Goto Camellia Marathon (Miiraku Peninsula)	Tomie Cherry Festival (Sansan Tomie Camping Village)	Rapeseed Flower Festival (Gyogasaki Park)	Children's Nature Park Festival (Onidake Park, Goto-shi) Tomie Peninsula Blue Line Health Walk (Sansan Tomie Camping Village)	Goto Nagasaki International Triathlon (Throughout Fukue Island) Hydrangea Festival (Gyogasaki Park)

Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Summer		Early fall	Fall		Early winter





The rainy season ends by mid-month and summer arrives in full force.



The sun beats down, and summer leisure is at its peak.



It might be called autumn, but it still feels like summer, so enjoy those summer vibes.



This is a comfortable season of gentle sunlight.



Mornings and evenings can feel chilly.



Pay attention to temperature changes and stay healthy.

Crinum (July to September)

Tanukiayame (August to October)

Sakishimafuyo (October to December)

(June to July)

Sunflower (July to August)

Cosmos (September to October)

Striped bonito	**Abalone**	**Flying fish**	**Fan lobster**	**Bigfin reef squid (Oval squid)**	**Grouper (Longtooth grouper)**
Night Market (Goto Central Shopping Arcade)	(Nagasaki Prefecture-designated Intangible Folk Cultural Property) **Chankoko and other Buddhist dances** (Throughout city of Goto)	**Shiratori-jinja Shrine Grand Festival** (Throughout Tamanoura district)	**Fukue Port Festival** (Goto Central Shopping Arcade)	**Daihogo Sand-throwing Ritual** (Throughout Daiho district)	**Final Sunset Viewing** (Osezaki Observation Point)
Manyo-no-Sato Peiron Festival (Miiraku Fishing Port)	(Nagasaki Prefecture-designated Intangible Folk Cultural Property) **Omonde** (Sagano Island)	**Iwatate-jinja Shrine Grand Festival** (Kishiku-machi)	**Cosmos Festival** (Gyogasaki Park)		**Local Product Festival** (Tomie, Miiraku, Kishiku, Naru)
	Gotoretto Yuyake Marathon		**Naru-jinja Shrine Grand Festival** (Naru Island)		

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