

North area



Bise

You can enjoy a tour down streets lined with ficus trees on a buffalo-drawn cart.



The one-kilometer-long Kouri Bridge has made the island a popular spot for a leisurely drive.



Yaedake is Okinawa's second highest mountain. This is where cherry blossoms appear the earliest in all of Japan.



Okinawa rail

If you're lucky, you might encounter an Okinawa rail.



You'll see both the Pacific and the East China Sea in one glance from the 230-foot-high cliff.



About 50,000 azaleas bloom in the garden in March.



Participating in one of the ecotours offered in Higashi Village is the best way to explore Okinawa's rich subtropical features, including the Tanaga-gumui ravine and the mangrove forest in Gesashi.



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Onna & Yomitan area



A scenic spot where you can enjoy Okinawa's rich natural environment while looking out on a beautiful coral reef in the crystal clear water and watch the waves breaking on the shores.



One of the most famous diving points on the island. (Paid parking hours: December-February 7:00-17:30; March-April -18:30)



Ryukyu Mura is composed of old Okinawan homes with red-tile roofs. Guests will have the opportunity to try their hand at making traditional Okinawan crafts.

Hours: 8:30-17:30
July-September 9:00-18:00



BIOS no Oka is a six-acre park with a wealth of natural attractions. You can enjoy a canoe ride or simply relax in the peaceful natural environment.

Hours: 9:00-18:00



Hours: May-October 9:30-18:00; November-April 9:30-17:30

This place is famous for its view of Kadena Air Base from the lookout platform.

Hours: 8:00-22:00



Overlooking a splendid panorama of the East China Sea, this is a popular spot for a picnic.

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Nuchi-una | Map > P70-D2 |

Nuchi-masu has attracted national attention not only as an effective flavor enhancer but also for its proven health benefits (250g for ¥1,050).

Produced 100 percent from Okinawan seawater, sea salt Nuchi-masu -- richer in variety and amount of minerals and 25 percent lower in sodium chloride content than other salts -- was registered in the Guinness World Records in 2000 for its significant mineral content. This salt serves not only as a flavor enhancer but also as an ideal mineral supplement. A multipurpose facility called Nuchi-una features a shop with an assortment of food products along with esthetic treatments for the hands using Nuchi-masu and a restaurant with healthy Nuchi-masu cuisine. There is also a factory where visitors can observe its world-first, patented method of salt production.

Tel: 098-983-1111 / Hours: Salt factory tour 9:00-17:30; café & restaurant 10:00-17:30
Open daily



Katsuren Castle Ruins

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Katsuren Castle is the former residence of Amawari, a powerful lord who until the very end resisted the king of the Ryukyu Kingdom in his process of stabilizing the country. With a spectacular panorama of Nakagusuku Bay, the castle is perched on hill near the Katsuren Peninsula. After doing away with Gosamaru, Amawari attacked Shuri, but his attempt was in vain and he was slain by the king. In the north, the mountains near Kin Bay and small islands administered by Uruma City can be observed as well as the Chinen Peninsula, Kudaka Island and the ruins of Gosamaru's former residence, Nakagusuku Castle.

Tel: 098-978-7373 / Hours: 24 hours
Open daily / Admission: Free



Nakagusuku Castle Ruins

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On a 167-meter-high hill rising above Nakagusuku Bay, the ruins of Nakagusuku Castle, with its six enclosures lying in a straight line stretching from northeast to southeast, survived fierce battles during World War II. Good maintenance has served to preserve what remains of the compound in its original condition. The beautiful castle wall skillfully mirrors the geographical features of the area. You can view Nakagusuku Bay in the east and the East China Sea in the west from here.

Tel: 098-935-5719
Hours: October-April 8:30-17:00; May-September 8:30-18:00 / Open daily
Admission: ¥400 for adults, ¥300 for junior high and high school students and ¥200 for elementary school students and under.

Central area



Chatan area



The Sunabe area on the Miyagi coast is well known as a dining spot. Dotted along the waterfront are cafés, restaurants and bars.

Island Life Concierge
Tel: 055-915-8593



Dragon Palace

Coin-operated games, instant photo sticker machines and many other arcade games are available.

Hours: 10:00-23:00



Mihama 7plex

This is a 8-screen cinema complex.



Mihama Carnival Park Ferris wheel

Hours: 11:00-22:00
Price: ¥500 for adults, ¥300 for ages 4 to high school students



Terme Villa Chula-U

Hours: Hot bath facilities 7:00-23:00
Outdoor facilities 10:00-22:00



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South area



Hours: July-September 8:30-17:00, October-June 8:00-17:00



Seifa Utaki is believed to have been the supreme sacred place in the days of the Ryukyu Kingdom.



Hours: 9:00-17:30



Okinawa World is a theme park consisting of a scenic village of old-time Okinawa, Gyokusendo and the Hbu Park.

Hours: 9:00-18:00



At this shallow water beach, nestled in a pristine natural environment, you can enjoy viewing schools of tropical fish up close from a glass-bottom boat.



Here you can try your hand at glass making in Okinawa's largest Ryukyu glass workshop.

Hours: 9:00-17:30

This monument was constructed in memory of the young girls and teachers who served as nurses for the Japanese Army and who lost their lives during the Battle of Okinawa. Adjacent to the monument is the Himeyuri Peace Museum with a replica of a bomb shelter, books of testimonials and portraits of the victims.

Hours: 9:00-17:30



Okinawa Peace Memorial Park

Hours: 8:00-22:00

Okinawa Prefectural Peace Memorial Museum

Hours: 9:00-17:30



Naha area

A quick tour of Yui Rail

Okinawa Urban Monorail

Service schedule
(time/distance between stations):

Naha-Kuko Station 4 minutes 1.95 kilometers	Shuri Station 2 minutes 1 kilometer
Akamine Station 1 minute 0.76 kilometers	Gibo Station 2 minutes 0.96 kilometers
Oroku Station 2 minutes 0.97 kilometers	Shiritsu-byoin-mae Station 2 minutes 0.92 kilometers
Onoyama-Koen Station 2 minutes 0.84 kilometers	Furujima Station 2 minutes 1.01 kilometers
Tsubogawa Station 2 minutes 0.81 kilometers	Omoromachi Station 1 minute 0.75 kilometers
Asahibashi Station 1 minute 0.58 kilometers	Asato Station 2 minutes 0.59 kilometers
Kencho-mae Station 2 minutes 0.72 kilometers	Makishi Station 2 minutes 0.98 kilometers
Miebashi Station	



Fare Adults: ¥320 and up / Children: ¥110 and up
 *1-day pass: Adults: ¥600 / Children: ¥300
 *Children: 6-12 years of age
 *Up to 2 children under 6 years of age with a guardian are free.
 *Commuter pass, tickets and group discounts are available.
 Hours of operation: 6:00-23:30 all year round



Makishi Public Market

Pick out your favorite seafood on the first floor and have it cooked however you like upstairs.

This is Naha's nightlife center with numerous drinking establishments of various types.

Gateway to the Kerama Islands, Kume Island and the remote islands southeast of Okinawa Island.

The only beach in Naha City, in the eastern part of the city. Shower and changing room facilities are available. Swimming season: April-October

International Visitor Support Office
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