

SASEBO & OJIKA

Nagasaki Prefecture - Sasebo & Ojika Tourist Guide Book

Take a walk in central Sasebo

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How about looking around central Sasebo?

START

1 JR Sasebo Station

Matsura Railway is the station available. Sasebo Tourist Information Center is located inside.

21-1 Miura-cho, Sasebo



The westernmost station on the JR Line



5 mins. walk

Landmark of peaceful city Sasebo

2 Miura-cho Catholic Church

A beautiful piece of gothic architecture. It was censored and considered heathenism by the military during WWII. It was once painted completely black, so as not to be targeted in an air raid.

+81-956-22-5701
4-25 Miura-cho, Sasebo
5 mins. walk from JR Sasebo Station



2 mins. walk

3 Tono Market, Tunnel Yokocho



A vibrant market

These are the places you can get a sense of the good old days of Sasebo, as well as local food. [Tono Market] has been Sasebo's food central for over 100 years. [Tunnel Yokocho] is where vendors used old evacuation tunnels from WWII.

7 mins. walk from JR Sasebo Station

1 min. walk

4 Saruku City 403 Arcade



About 1km long! It is the longest arcade strip in Japan. There are more than 160 shops. Since there's roof over the arcade. You can enjoy shopping no matter the weather.

3 minute bus ride (Get off at Kyo-machi)
7 mins. walk from JR Sasebo Station.

10 mins. walk

5 Sasebo Central Park



A new activity spot with indoor athletic park for kids, lawn field, restaurants, camping facilities etc.

+81-956-37-8488
89-1 Miyaji cho, Sasebo
9:00 am - 5:00 pm
2 min walk from Matsuura cho (Chuo koen guchi) bus stop

10 mins. Walk

The trending area in Sasebo City!



BRICK MALL SASEBO

A new popular spot of Sasebo with the atmosphere of old and new mixed together. A two-story commercial facility built of bricks located in Yorozu-cho facing Sasebo Port. There are cafes, bar, general stores, and art studios in the building. The restoration using original wood and bricks result in a relaxing atmosphere. This area, including other shops around the facility, is called "Yorozu Rokku (the 6th division)" and becoming popular as a new sightseeing spot in Sasebo.



7 MSDF Sasebo History Museum (Sail Tower)

Features the history of the Imperial Japanese Navy and MSDF with many exhibitions.

+81-956-22-3040
8-1 Uwamachi, Sasebo
9:30am-5pm (Enter by 4:30pm)
Every 3rd Thursday 12/28~1/4
Free 20cars
10 minutes from JR Sasebo Station (Get off at Sasebo Sogo Iryou Center Iriguchi) and walk for 2 mins.
A minute drive from Sasebo Chuo IC



Japan Heritage

3 mins. Walk

6 Former Sasebo Naval District Triumph Memorial Hall (Sasebo Cultural Hall)



This facility was built in 1923 in memory of WWI. They have exhibitions about the Former Sasebo Naval base, and also hold musical performances.

+81-956-25-8192
2 Hisase-cho, Sasebo
9am-10pm (They close at 5pm if not in use)
Tuesdays and around New Year's Holidays (Dec.29-Jan.3)
Free
10 mins. from JR Sasebo Station

Japan Heritage

Some places in Sasebo have been recognized as Japanese Heritage Sites

Japan Heritage

Japan Heritage is a list of tangible and intangible cultural properties/assets, i.e. regional histories, traditions and customs, recognized by the country. [Naval District] (The Four Dynamic Coastal Cities of Yokosuka, Kure, Sasebo, and Maizuru-Centers of Japanese Modernization and [Mikawachi Ware] (The Ceramics of the Hizen-Birthplace of Japanese Porcelain Ware) have been recognized.

SASEBO'S SCRUMPTIOUS GOURMET

Originated in Sasebo Lemon steak

Thinly-sliced meat grilled on an iron plate. Enjoy the soy sauce-based, lemon-flavored steak. Mixing the remaining sauce with rice is the way it's done in Sasebo.



Custom Imperial Japanese Navy Recipe Navy's Beef Stew

There is an Imperial Japanese Navy recipe book from the Meiji era. Each restaurant modifies the [Stewed beef] which is in the book. Taste differs at each restaurant.



Celebration Treat Imperial Japanese Navy's [Nyuko Zenzai]

Nyuko Zenzai, which literally means eating zenzai (Sweet bean soup) while entering a seaport, is thusly named as sailors on warships of the former Imperial Japanese Navy celebrated their return to port by eating the soup. Taste differs at each restaurant.

Great variety in size and taste!



Sasebo: Japan's Home of the Burger Sasebo burger

It began around the 1950s by the locals after having heard about the recipe directly from the American Navy. Sasebo's proud local specialty.

Inquiries

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Beautiful islands made by
Mother Nature

Kujukushima

Experience the beauty of Sasebo. Our Proud Observatories

The Eight Scenic Spots of Kujukushima (Kujukushima Hakkei)

A superb view woven by 208 islands and coastlines. The ocean area spreads out about 25km to Hirado. Enjoy different angles of the beautiful scenery from the observatories dotted around the city.

Kujukushima Bay has joined "The Most Beautiful Bays In The World"

In April, 2018, Kujukushima was inducted into "The Most Beautiful Bays In The World", an international non-governmental association, which acts to protect nature and to support sustainable development of the economy and tourism of the bays, including its precious nature, culture and history.



Kujukushima Park

A new park offering panoramic views of the Kujukushima Islands. From the "Viewing Hill," an expansive 4.7-hectare grassy hill, you can see a panorama of the Kujukushima Islands and experience a view like never before!

Directions

By car/ 20 min. from Nishikyushu Exp. Way Sasebo Chuo IC.
By bus/ 45 min. from Sasebo Ekimae Bus Terminal (No.5 bus stop)
by the bus bound for "Kujukushima Park (Tenkaiho)".



Tenkaiho Observatory

You can enjoy the view of the Kujukushima and Sasebo Port right below you. This place is also known for its gorgeous canola flowers in spring and cosmos in fall.

399 Shimo Funakoshi-cho, Sasebo 120 cars
20 mins. drive from Sasebo Chuo IC
(Nishi Kyushu Express Way) Take G7 or G8 bus at
Sasebo Ekimae to Tenkaiho for about 45 mins.

Kujukushima Pearl Sea Resort

This resort park is also a gateway to Saikai National Park Kujukushima. There are a variety of boat services that allow you to both see and experience the islands up close, such as yacht sailing, kayaking, and a mini cruise. This park has the 'Umikirara' aquarium, gift shops, restaurants, etc., you can have a good time with your family.

Kujukushima Aquarium Umikirara

An aquarium where you can enjoy yourself
as if you are swimming around the Kujukushima.



Kujukushima Dolphin pool

You will encounter various sea creatures inhabiting the sea of the Kujukushima. The dolphin show is a must-see as they put on a spectacular performance.



You can try to
shuck a pearl oyster
and harvest a pearl!

Directions

By car / 10 min. from JR Sasebo Station. Or approx. 7 min. from Sasebo Chuo IC.
By bus / 25 min. from Sasebo Ekimae Bus Terminal (No.6 bus stop).
Take the bus bound for "Pearl Sea Resort•Kujukushima Aquarium", get off at the last stop.



Pearl Queen

Hop onboard the elegant Pearl Queen and experience excitement when she travels through narrow pathways between islands and makes a sharp U turn in one of the coves.



Catamaran Sailing Boat
[99TRITON]

Relaxing open deck and spacious lounge.
Its also available delux lunch or sushi dinner cruise.

Huis Ten Bosch

Huis Ten Bosch,
a moving resort of light and flowers



The Kingdom of Lights

Huis Ten Bosch has been crowned to be No.1 in the National Illumination Ranking of General Entertainment Category for 6 years in a row. Its night view is honored as [Japan's Best Night View]. It's the world's largest illumination show of over 13 million light bulbs, including a dreamy light & fountain canal, 3D projection mapping, and various other attractions. You can enjoy its beautiful night views throughout the year.



Flower town

Huis Ten Bosch welcomes early spring with the [Tulip Festival] between February and April. Asia's largest and Japan's No.1 [Rose Festival] with 2,000 kinds of roses starts from April. The [Hydrangea Festival] and [Lily Festival] are held in June, where they have a large variation of flowers found in Japan. They entertain flower lovers all year round.



Medieval Europe

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Access to Huis Ten Bosch

Directions

By bus 30 min. from Sasebo Ekimae Bus Terminal (No.1 bus stop) / destination for To Nagasaki airport
30 min. from Sasebo Ekimae Bus Terminal (No.3 bus stop) / destination for HusTen Bosh west gate

By train(JR) or car 30 min. from JR Sasebo Station.



Bus



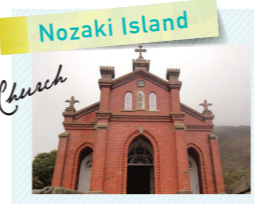
JR



1 hour by ferry from Sasebo port //

Ojika Island

Ojika is recognized as one of 'The Most Beautiful Villages in Japan' and consists of 17 islands. 7 of them are residential. Stay at a private home which provides meals and lodging and get a feeling of the life of the islanders. You might also encounter some wild Japanese deer during your stay at Nozaki Island.



Nozaki Island

An island with the memory of prayers

Former Nokubi Church

This church is located in a village where the hidden Christians moved. This well erected church was made possible by funds from Catholic islanders consisting of 17 families, who saved for years.

Church manners

- The churches are not tourist attractions, but important places for Christians to pray. When you visit the churches for sightseeing, please observe proper manners to make sure it is a comfortable experience for everyone.
- [Advance confirmation] is required by everyone when visiting world heritage churches
- <http://kyoukaigun.jp>
- Please take off your hats and wear appropriate clothes.
- Eating, drinking and smoking are forbidden; please keep calm and quiet.
- Please do not touch the ceremonial objects, Bibles, or ornaments.
- The chancel (the altar and the area around it) is a holy place. Please do not enter it under any circumstances.
- Please refrain from taking pictures.
- Please turn off the lights and close the doors after your visit.
- Please be aware of the possibility that your visit may be declined due to Mass or ceremonial occasions.
- There are no restrooms for visitors.
- Please give a donation in return for your visit.
- *Your donation will be used for the protection of cultural property.

Information

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About 3 hours . by ferry from Sasebo port //

Uku Island

Uku Island is the Northernmost island of the Goto Islands. 'Amanshi,' who used to help this island's economy by fishing, are still heroes. Beautiful beaches, and a lighthouse, which overlooks the sleepy fisherman town. You'll be sure to cherish the memories of this island trip once you visit!

Information

Uku Island Tourism Association 2524-23 Taira Uku-machi, Sasebo
<http://ukujima.com/> ☎ +81-959-57-3935



50 mins. from Ainoura port by ferry //

Kuroshima Island

Kuroshima is a part of Kujukushima. It is an island of faith and has a history of hidden Christians with 80% of its population still practicing Christianity. People who escaped from persecution once lived here and the current generation still keep their faith in this island. [Villages on Kuroshima Island] has been registered a UNESCO World Heritage Site as a part of [Hidden Christian Sites in the Nagasaki and Amakusa Region] on July, 2018.

Information

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