

Welcome to a trip like no other

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Unzen
Guide Book

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Unzen City Tourism Guide



Welcome to the world-renowned Unzen Volcanic Area Geopark

Shimabara Peninsula became the first Japanese member of the Global Geoparks Network.



Mascots of Unzen Volcanic Area Geopark "Geo"



"Gina"





Nature

Model routes

By area

Unzen Fugendō Hikari Trail Map
Number (res./only res)

Volcanoes, their blessings,
and a rich natural environment

Unzen Volcanic Area Geopark Q&A

Q What is a geopark?

A Geoparks are outdoor “museums” where visitors can learn about the Earth’s history. Geoparks demonstrate not only interesting topography and geological formations, but also examples of human lifestyles and histories shaped by its natural features.

Q What are the highlights of Unzen City?

A Geosites (places where visitors can observe and experience unique topography and geological formations) such as Heisei Shinzan and Chijiwa Fault. Unzen also offers two completely different hot spring (Onsen) water qualities at its two spas, Obama Onsen and Unzen Onsen.

Specialties

Dining/shopping



The logo indicates geopark-related topography, geological features, products, or natural phenomena.

Unzen Volcanic Area Geopark Promotion Office TEL 0957-65-5540

Events

Accommodation

Transportation

Maps

Chijiwa Fault



PICK
UP!!

Unzen's Four Seasons

Spring



Miyamakirishima in Ikenohara



Miyamakirishima
(city flower of Unzen City)



Taiwan cherry (*Prunus campanulata*)
at the Nabeshima Residence



Tachibana Shrine

Miyamakirishima (*Rhododendron kiusianum*):

Early May (at and around Unzen Onsen) to late May (around Nita Pass)

Yamaboshi (*Benthamidia japonica*): Mid-June to early July (around Mt. Unzen)

Inquiries: Mount Unzen Visitor Center TEL 0957-73-3636

Jacaranda: Early to late June (at and around Obama Onsen)

Inquiries: Obama Hot Spring Tourism Association TEL 0957-74-2672

Summer



Obama town's foliage tunnel



Yamaboshi (city tree of Unzen City)

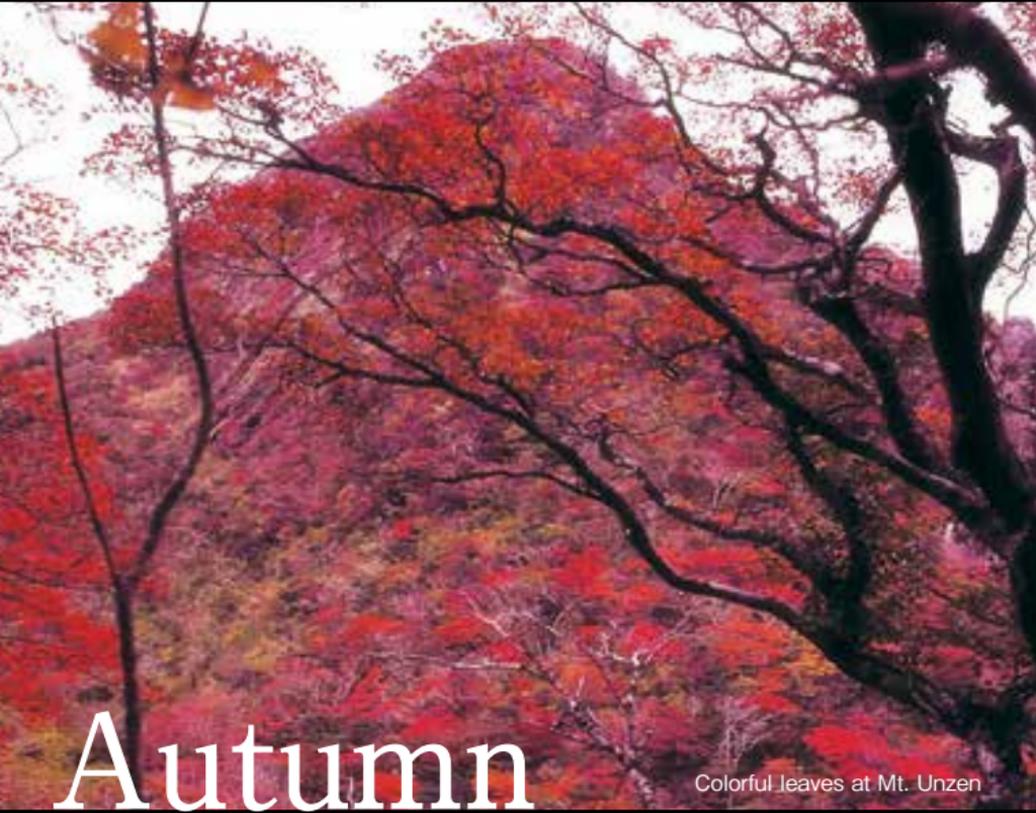


Shirakumo Pond

Jacaranda flowers



See the bewitching beauty of nature.



Autumn

Colorful leaves at Mt. Unzen



Cosmos Yuhi Trail



Heads of rice at rice terraces



Deciduous forest at Fugendake

Autumnal colors

Late October (around Nita Pass) to
Mid-November (at and around Unzen Onsen)

Inquiries: Mount Unzen Visitor Center TEL 0957-73-3636



Winter on Mt.Unzen

Winter



Enjoy Unzen's multifaceted mountains, seas, and hot springs!

Best of Unzen

Model routes

START!!
From Ainomachi

20 min drive



1 Obama Onsen

(Attractions include the Hot Foot 105 foot spa, Kaminokawa Spring, Carbonate Spring, and Obama Town Museum of Historical Materials)

Explore the spa town on foot, then rest your weary feet at Hot Foot 105. Obama's hot spring water is known for its skin benefits and alleviation of cold extremities. Adjoining the foot bath is a large mushigama (lit. steam pot) for visitors to steam-cook and enjoy locally procured vegetables and seafood.



● Carbonate Spring

By car



Recommended Driving Route

20 min drive



● Obama Town Museum of Historical Materials

2 Unzen Onsen

(Attractions include Jigoku, Mount Unzen Visitor Center, and Nita Pass)



● Jigoku



● Nita Pass

Located 700 m above sea level, the spa was in olden times a summer resort that drew many overseas visitors. Attractions include seasonal scenic beauty, such as Miyamakirishima azaleas, Yamaboshi dogwood flowers, colorful autumn leaves, and rime-covered trees. Walking through the steaming Jigoku, trying onsen tamago (hot-spring-boiled eggs), and visiting the Mount Unzen Visitor Center to learn in depth about the three hot springs on Shimabara Peninsula are just some of the popular things to do at Unzen Onsen. Driving up to Nita Pass via the Unzen-Nitatoge Junkan Doro (Unzen-Nita Pass Ring Road, toll-free, 100 yen donations appreciated) to enjoy the panoramic view is also recommended on a fine day.

3 Suishanosato (Iwado Shrine)

Suishanosato is a park created around a stream that flows from Iwado Shrine. The water temperature of the stream is stable throughout the year, so it feels refreshingly cool in summer, and warm in winter. In May the park hosts the annual "Moo Moo Festival," which includes calf weight guessing and other activities for children to see farm animals up close. At other times, the wooded park with plenty of negative ions is perfect for forest therapy.



10 min drive

4 Kojiro Kuji Samurai Residences (Nabeshima Residence)



The group of samurai residences and associated buildings, the oldest of which date from the late 17th century (Genroku era of the Edo period), transport visitors back to the Edo period, helped by the historical ambience of the surrounding stone walls, hedges, waterways, and demarcations. The district was designated a Preservation District for Groups of Traditional Buildings by the national government in February 2005. The most important building among the group is the Nabeshima Residence, which was originally built, along with the other buildings in the group, by Nabeshima Takanari, who was the fourth descendant of Nabeshima Nobufusa (older brother of Nabeshima Naoshige), the first lord of Kojiro, which was an enclave of the Saga Domain.

20 min drive

GOAL!
Back to Ainomachi



Black: Recommended driving route
Red: Romantic driving route

Model route

Romantic Driving Route for Couples

Model routes

1 Aino Station



The roof is topped with a cupid's arrow, and the walls are decorated with heart-shaped clovers bearing numbers. The love-themed station even issues exclusive souvenir tickets for visiting couples.

20 min drive

2 Nabeshima Residence



The residence is Shimabara Peninsula's only National Important Cultural Property, and was reputedly where Katsu Kaishu and Sakamoto Ryoma took lunch together on their way back from Nagasaki. The site inspires thoughts about the two men and what they might have envisaged as they made their journey.

10 min drive



Immediate vicinity

Romantic place to watch the sunset

START!! From Ainomachi



40 min drive

3 Iwado Shrine

Set in a deep, tranquil forest, the shrine has an awe-inspiring atmosphere as if it is steeped in the mysterious powers of nature.

Immediate vicinity

4 "Heart Stone" at Hot Foot 105

Somewhere in Hot Foot 105, Japan's longest foot bath, there is a heart-shaped stone.

5 "I Love You Bench" at Hot Foot 105

Bench representing "I love you" in sign language. Another romantic place to sit and watch the sunset.

20 min drive

6 Konohanasakuyahime Shrine

The shrine of fertility attracts worshippers wishing to have children. Enshrined within the grounds are respective symbols of the male and female sexes.



GOAL!! Unzen Onsen

At Unzen, relax in the luxury of a private, open-air bath



Please inquire below for guided tours.

Unzen Professional Guide, "Sulfur" (Unzen Onsen)

TEL0957-73-2626 <http://www.unzen.or.jp/>

Obama Onsen Tour Guides (Obama Onsen)

TEL0957-74-2672 c/o Obama Hot Spring Tourism Association

Natural Parks Foundation Unzen Branch Office (Hiking)

TEL0957-73-2543

Unzen City Kojiro Kuji Tour Guide Association

TEL090-6605-4204



Original glass-bead items make excellent souvenirs!



Best of
Explore the

Unzen Walking

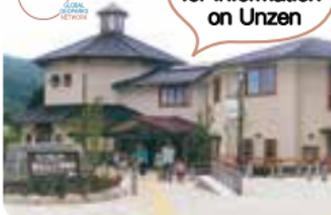
① Unzen Vidro Museum

This very popular attraction incorporates a spa house and a vidro (glass) museum, where visitors can try their hands at making mobile phone charms from glass beads. Handmade phone charms make excellent souvenirs.

●Unzen Vidro Museum TEL 0957-73-3133



One-stop shop for information on Unzen



② Mount Unzen Visitor Center

The Center presents information on Shimabara Peninsula, in particular the natural and historical features of Unzen. It also shows the mechanisms of volcanoes and hot springs. Latest and more detailed information is available from the website.

●Mount Unzen Visitor Center TEL 0957-73-3636



③ Unzen Jigoku

Jigoku ("The Hells") is one of Unzen's foremost visitor attractions. Visitors can walk through the vapor- and heat-spewing "infernal" terrain amidst the powerful smell of sulfur.

●Unzen Tourist Association TEL 0957-73-3434



Hot-spring-boiled eggs are delicious!



For Chijiwa

Furuyu District (street with Taisho-period ambience) 4

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Mt. Unzen Visitor Center 2

Unzen Vidro Museum 1

Unzen Jigoku 3

Police station Shinyu public bath

For Obama

Kojigoku Onsenkan

Unzeline's recommendation

Unzen Onsen's mascot "Unzeline"



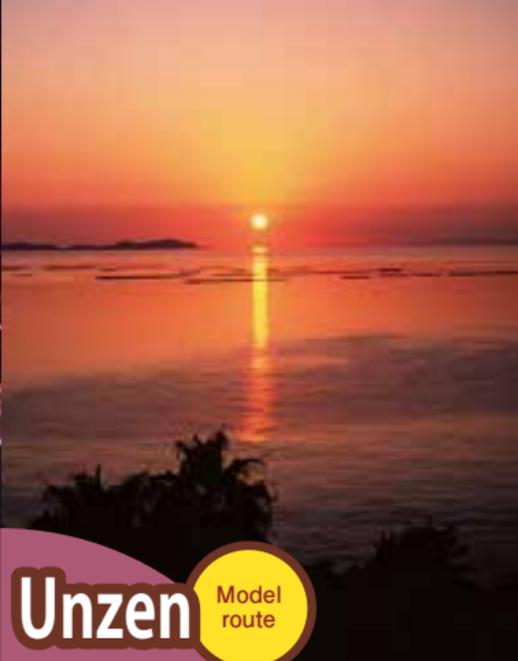
④ Taisho-period streets

The facades of buildings on this street have been restored to recreate the ambience of the Taisho period (early 20th century), when Unzen was a popular resort for overseas visitors.

Period costumes are available to rent (fees apply, inquire for hours) for visitors wishing to experience a complete re-enactment.

●Unzen City Office Tourism and Products Division TEL 0957-38-3111





Model routes

Unzen

Model route

town on foot

and Obama guide

Oyuppie's recommendation



Obama Onsen's mascot "Oyuppie"

Worshipped by local people since time immemorial



1 Sunset Plaza (Saito Mokichi Monument)

The stone monument is inscribed with a poem by poet Saito Mokichi, inspired by the beauty of the sunset over Tachibana Bay. Saito had visited Obama during his teaching tenure at Nagasaki Specialized School of Medicine.
 ●Obama Hot Spring Tourism Association
 TEL 0957-74-2672



2 Obama Shrine

The shrine is believed to have calmed the eruption of Fugendake, and is known for a ceiling painting of a dragon, which was reputedly completed overnight.
 ●Obama Hot Spring Tourism Association
 TEL 0957-74-2672



In olden times, the water was used for public baths and carbonated drinks



5 Carbonate Spring

Obama's only cold spring. Unlike common salt springs, the spring produces water rich in iron and carbonic acid. The water has a sulfurous smell and is believed to be beneficial to the skin.
 ●Obama Hot Spring Tourism Association
 TEL 0957-74-2672

3 Ibotori Jizo

The Jizo is believed to cure warts. "Take this wart away!" is the standard chant of worshippers.
 ●Obama Hot Spring Tourism Association
 TEL 0957-74-2672



4 Kaminokawa Spring

One of Obama's best-known springs, the spring water is used for drinking and other household purposes. People come from all over Nagasaki to collect this excellent water.
 ●Obama Hot Spring Tourism Association
 TEL 0957-74-2672



Best of Unzen

Model route

Hot springs for the time-pressed

Foot Baths & Finger Baths



Relax your weary feet and hands

Foot bath

Great variety of foot baths



Foot bath

Shunyokan

1680 Obamacho Kitahonmachi 1680
Hours: 12:00 to 20:00
Free of charge
Open daily unless otherwise noted



Foot bath

Unzenso

145-2 Obamacho Minamihonmachi
Hours: 12:30 to 22:00
Free of charge
Open daily unless otherwise noted



Foot bath

Obama Town Museum of Historical Materials

923-1 Obamacho Kitahonmachi
Hours: 9:00 to 17:00
Fee: 100 yen (admission to the museum)
Closed Mondays



Foot bath

Obama Kaisan

20-3 Obamacho Marina
Hours: 8:00 to 18:00
Free of charge
Open daily unless otherwise noted



Foot bath

Yumoto Hotel

316 Obamacho Unzen
Hours: 7:00 to 22:00
Free of charge
Open daily unless otherwise noted

Hot Foot 105

This longest foot bath in Japan measures 105m in length. It is perfect for dangling your legs in and watching the sunset. There is also a foot bath for doing exercise-walking, and even a foot bath for pets. 905-68 Obamacho Kitahonmachi
Hours:
April through October 10:00 to 19:00
November through March 10:00 to 18:00
Free of charge
Closed a.m. of the first Monday of the month (a.m. of Tuesday if Monday falls on a public holiday)



Shinyu Ashiyu Hiroba

Covered, rain-proof facility



Foot bath

The covered foot bath measures about 4 m in diameter. It is known to boost blood circulation and relax tired feet. 320 Obamacho Unzen
Open 24 hours (closes at 19:00 during summer)
Free of charge
Open daily

Kaseya Café

315 Obamacho Unzen
Hours: 7:00 to 18:00
Free of charge
Open daily unless otherwise noted

Unzen Iwaki Ryokan

The ryokan (inn), which draws water from its own abundant hot-spring source, also has a dedicated finger bath. 318 Obamacho Unzen
Open 24 hours
Free of charge
Open daily



Try our unique finger bath!

Finger bath

Green Terrace Unzen

320 Obamacho Unzen
Hours: 11:00 until sunset (closed during bad weather)
Free of charge
Closed Wednesdays



Foot bath

●Inquiries about foot and finger baths

Obama Hot Spring Tourism Association TEL 0957-74-2672
Unzen Tourist Association TEL 0957-73-3434

Best of Unzen

Model route

Hot springs for the time-pressed

Hot Spring Daytrips

For locations see maps of Obama Onsen and Unzen Onsen on pp. 49-50 ●

Popular for skin benefits



Model routes

Yunosato Onsen Kyodo Yokujo (Public Bath) [Unzen]



303 Obamacho Unzen
Fee: adults 200 yen, children 100 yen
Hours: 9:00 to 23:00
Open daily

Kojigoku Onsenkan [Unzen]

Venerable spa established in the mid-Edo period. Yoshida Shoin reputedly visited this spa for hot-spring therapy.
500-1 Obamacho Unzen
Fee: 420 yen. 210 yen for children of elementary school age and younger
Hours: 9:00 to 21:00
Open daily

Shinyu Kyodo Yokujo (Public Bath) [Unzen]

320 Obamacho Unzen
Fee: adults 100 yen, children 50 yen
Hours: 9:00 to 23:00
Closed Wednesdays



Unzen Yokayu [Unzen]



380 Obamacho Unzen
Hours: 9:00 to 21:00
Fee: 400 yen. 200 yen for children of elementary school age and younger
Open daily

Hamanoyu Kyodo Yokujo (Public Bath) [Obama]

14-23 Obamacho Kitahonmachi
Unzen City Office Environmental Policy Division
Fee: 150 yen for persons of elementary school age and over (100 yen Unzen City residents)
Hours: 6:00 to 21:00
Open daily unless otherwise noted



Kaijo Rotenburo Naminoyu Akane [Obama]

Located a short distance from the town center, this public open-air bath is situated outside the breakwater of Tachibana Bay.



20 Obamacho Marina
Fee: adults 300 yen, children 200 yen
Hours: April through October 10:00 to 19:00
November through March 10:00 to 18:00
Closed during bad weather

Yudokoro Yoshicho [Obama]

905-32 Obamacho Kitahonmachi
Fee: 300 yen. 150 yen for children of elementary school age and younger (Free if you dine here)
Hours: 9:00 to 22:30
Closed third Wednesday of the month



Wakihama Kyodo Yokujo (Public Bath) [Obama]



7 Obamacho Minamihonmachi
Hours: 7:00 to 21:00
Fee: adults 150 yen, elementary and junior high school students 70 yen, preschoolers 30 yen
Open daily unless otherwise noted



Historical Journey of

● History of Unzen Onsen

The history of Unzen began in 701 CE when Buddhist monk Gyoki established Manmyoji Temple. In 1850 Yoshida Shoin, who was a scholar of classic Japanese literature and culture, sojourned at Kojigoku spa at Unzen during his study trips to Nagasaki, and contemplated the affairs of the country. After the Meiji Restoration, fuelled in part by written mentions by Philipp Franz von Siebold, the popularity of Unzen among overseas travelers to Japan soared, and Unzen grew into an internationally known summer resort.



Historical monuments

Indicated in blue on the map on p. 50



Monument at Onsen Koen Park

“温泉,” pronounced onsen and meaning “hot spring,” was originally pronounced unzen, which was the origin of the place name Unzen. A monument to this historical fact can be found in front of the Unzen Tourist Association.



Kitahara Hakushu Monument

Poet Kitahara Hakushu was an admirer of Unzen’s natural beauty. A monument inscribed with one of Kitahara’s poems inspired by Unzen’s azaleas can be found in front of Unzen Miyazaki Ryokan.



Yoshii Isamu Monument

Yoshii Isamu, who belonged to the Myojo circle of poets, visited Unzen in 1920. His poem inspired by an overnight stay is inscribed on a monument in front of Yumoto Hotel.



Rabindranath Tagore Monument

Indian poet Rabindranath Tagore, who was the first Asian recipient of the Nobel Prize in Literature, also visited Unzen. A monument to Tagore can be found in front of Kyushu Hotel.



Unzen and Obama

●History of Obama Onsen

The earliest written account of Obama Onsen, a hot spring community at the foot of Mount Unzen overlooking Tachibana Bay, is found in the *Hiizen Fudoki*, dating from 731 CE. Obama gained popularity as a spa from around 1614. The arrival of the railway in 1923 (discontinued in 1938) ushered in Obama's heyday, driving the construction of new roads and bringing a lot of business to Obama's ryokan district. Poets Saito Mokichi and Taneda Santoka wrote haiku upon being inspired by the scenic beauty of Obama.



Historical monuments

Indicated in blue on the map on p. 50

Saito Mokichi Monument



A poem inspired by the beauty of the sunset over Tachibana Bay, composed by poet Saito Mokichi, who visited Obama, is inscribed on a monument beside Unzen City Office Obama Branch.

Taneda Santoka Monument



A unique, tofu-shaped stone monument inscribed with a poem by Taneda Santoka can be found in front of Kunisaki Ryokan. The poem was inspired by a trip to Obama made by the poet, who is known for his free verse haiku.

Obamacho Shigemuta Kirishitan Bohi (Christian Tombstone in Shigemuta)



The semi-cylindrical Christian tombstone (referred to in Japanese as a tarugata bohi, or barrel-shaped tombstone) with a pedestal, has no inscriptions or crests, but is of significant scientific value because it is a well-preserved and large example of this very rare type of tombstone, with the typical hog-backed shape. The tombstone can be found near Dogen Shrine.

Egawa Nittoku Monument



The monument, found at Denmyoji Temple, commemorates the achievements of Egawa Nittoku, who was a Chinese pediatrician and doctor of traditional Chinese medicine. Egawa emigrated to Japan, where he was instrumental in widely promoting the health benefits of Obama hot springs.

Kunimi Area



Kunimi is a town that balances dynamism and tranquility. While it is nationally known for its association with soccer, it is also blessed with historical and natural assets.



Hyakkadai Park MAP/P 48·D 2

One of Nagasaki Prefecture's largest and best-equipped parks, Hyakkadai Koen is a lush, green oasis with close-up views of Mt. Unzen's Fugendake and Heisei Shinzan, with the panorama of the Ariake Sea also visible in the distance. Magnificent cherry blossoms during late March to early April.

●Hyakkadai Koen Park Management Office TEL 0957-78-3545

Mini Torii Gates at Awashima Shrine

MAP/P 48·D 1



It is believed that wriggling through the three mini torii gates brings good luck in marriage and childbearing. The grounds are also one of the town's foremost cherry-blossom viewing spots.

●Unzen City Office Kunimi Branch
TEL 0957-78-2111



Soccer-ball street lights MAP/P 48·C 1·D 1

To symbolize Kunimi's association with soccer, 150 soccer-ball-shaped street lamps are installed along Route 251 and neighboring roads. The humorous roadside adornments represent crabs clasping soccer balls.

●Unzen City Chamber of Commerce and Industry Kunimi Branch
TEL 0957-78-2095



Clam digging

Activity

MAP/P 48·D 1

This annual spring pastime is available from March through early May. Entrance fees are required.

●Kunimi Fishery Cooperative Association Main Office
TEL 0957-78-2262
●Kunimi Fishery Cooperative Association Kojiro Branch Office
TEL 0957-78-2834



Yugakunosato Kunimi

MAP/P 48·C 1

The complex comprises tennis courts and an official football pitch, which served as the soccer venue for the 2003 Nagasaki Yume Sotai (Inter-High School Championships).

●Yugakunoyakata TEL 0957-78-3344



Kojiro Kuji and Nabeshima Residence

MAP/P 48·C 1

The Kojiro Kuji district, centered on the Nabeshima Residence, was originally laid out by members of the Nabeshima clan, rulers of Kojiro, which was then part of the Saga Domain. Today the district is listed by the national government as a Preservation District for Groups of Traditional Buildings. Nabeshima Residence was the seat of Nabeshima, the local lord. It became Shimabara Peninsula's first National Important Cultural Property in 2007.

●TEL 0957-61-7778



Nagahama Bathing Beach

MAP/P 48·D 1

Facing the Ariake Sea and known for relatively calm waves, Nagahama is the only bathing beach in the northeastern part of Shimabara Peninsula.

●Unzen City Office Property Management Division
TEL 0957-38-3111



Kunimi Museum of Local History

MAP/P 48·C 1

Housed in the former Kojiro village junior high school building, the museum transports visitors back to the Showa period. On display are folk artifacts and archaeological materials, including rare articles unearthed from archaeological sites.

●TEL 0957-78-2334



Seagull feeding

Activity MAP/P 48·D 1

Available on board Ariake ferry boats. Large numbers of seagulls can be seen up-close between early November and late April (ferry ticket required).

●Ariake Ferry Taira Port TEL 0957-78-2100



Pegasus Riding Park

Activity MAP/P 48·D 2

Enjoy a horseback riding experience on outdoor grounds with plenty of nature and a view of Unzen Fugendake! Safe riding sessions are available for children ages three and up. Offers authentic riding experiences (fees apply).

●TEL 0957-78-5407

Mizuho Area



Mizuho is characterized by bubbling streams, wooded landscapes, lush mountains, starry skies, and local heritage, preserved by cheerful, welcoming people.



Mizuhonomori Park Campground **Activity** **MAP/P 48-C 2**

The park has 35 platforms for installing tents, rental tents, and other camping equipment, cooking facilities, and toilets. The administration building has telephones, showers, and hot water.

Open July 20 to August 31

● Unzen City Office Mizuho Branch TEL 0957-77-2111

Iwado Shrine **MAP/P 48-C 2**

The shrine is located upstream in a tranquil forest of ancient cedar trees. Many of the cedar and cypress trees on the premises are more than 300 years old. It is also known as a so-called "power spot."

● Unzen City Office Tourism and Products Division
TEL 0957-38-3111



Iwado Kanko Garden (Somen Nagashi) **MAP/P 48-C 2**

Located close to Iwado Shrine and its ancient cedar trees, this outdoor eatery makes use of the natural stream to serve flowing somen noodles under the shade of trees (available April to September).

● TEL 0957-77-3040



Noson Koen Suishanosato MAP/P 48·C 2

Agriculture-themed park incorporating the natural forest that spreads at the foot of Unzen-Amakusa National Park. It covers an area of 4 ha and is adjacent to Mizuhonomori Park.

●Unzen City Office Tourism and Products Division TEL 0957-38-3111



Mizuho Sukoyaka Land MAP/P 48·C 1

Complex of sports, culture, welfare, and community interaction facilities. Particularly recommended is the public bath Mizuho Onsen Sennenoyu, which comprises cypress baths and saunas.

●Fureai Kaikan TEL 0957-77-4111

●Mizuho Onsen Sennenoyu TEL 0957-77-4126



Agricultural experience tours

Activity

Tour participants can experience strawberry picking, carnation picking, and other agricultural activities, and take home safe, fresh, and excellent quality farm products (fees apply).

●Shimabara Tourism Board
TEL 0957-62-0655

Azuma Area

Breezy, lush Azuma is characterized by its pleasant and beautiful natural environment, as well as its ancient traditions and culture.



Bokujonosato Azuma

MAP / P 47-B 3

The leisure facility is located 400 m above sea level at Azumadakebokuya, halfway up the Azumadake peak. Features include grazing cattle, and a 480-m long walkway inspired by the Great Wall of China. The walkway commands a panoramic view of the surrounding natural landscape, including the Ariake Sea and Tachibana Bay. The vast Hanano-oka Hiroba area of the facility is perfect for driving by to admire the rapeseed flowers around March and cosmos flowers from mid- to late October.

● Unzen City Office Property Management Division
TEL 0957-38-3111



Iwado Keiryu Park

MAP / P 48-C 2

The landscaped park incorporates a natural forest and stream. A footpath has been created around the forest.

● Unzen City Office Property Management Division
TEL 0957-38-3111



Unzen-Tara Sea Line MAP/P 47·A 1·B 2

Open to both vehicular and pedestrian traffic, the 8-km long road was constructed on top of the tide dike built for the national project to reclaim part of Isahaya Bay, ongoing since 1989.

●Dike Management Office TEL 0957-27-7045



Furusato Fureaikan MAP/P 47·B 2

Situated on Unzen Green Road, the permanent market is packed with seasonal vegetables and fruits lovingly grown by local producers.

●TEL 0957-38-6546



Moriyama Otsuka Kofun MAP/P 47·B 2

The kofun (burial mound) is Shimabara Peninsula's only surviving keyhole-shaped type, and is among the largest found in mainland Nagasaki. It is mentioned in Maboroshi no Yamataikoku by Kohei Miyazaki.

●Unzen City Board of Education Lifelong Learning Division
TEL 0957-37-3113



Yamadajoshi Park MAP/P 47·B 2

The park was created on the site of the former Yamada Castle, which was originally built in 1372. There is an observation deck commanding a panoramic view of Azuma.

●Unzen City Office Property Management Division
TEL 0957-38-3111

Aino Area

Aino is a town overflowing with the richness of nature and love. It is blessed with a mild climate and a nostalgic, rural landscape.



Aino Station

MAP/P 47-A 2

Also the honorary headquarters of the Japanese association of romanticists. The external wall painted with numbered clovers is a favorite photo-shooting spot for couples.

● Shimabara Railway Aino Station
TEL 0957-36-0058



Wind Turbine

MAP/P 47-B 3

The sole wind turbine stands in a potato field in Aino Town, and looks picturesque at dusk. There are parking spaces nearby.

● Unzen City Office Tourism and Products Division
TEL 0957-38-3111

The station has been a favorite destination for couples because combining the two station names Aino (愛野) and Azuma (吾妻 the next station on the line) reads "my beloved wife." Couples can also buy one-way souvenir tickets from Aino to Azuma, issued exclusively by Aino Station.



"Aino,"
the mascot of Aino, Unzen City



Aino Exercise Park

MAP/P 47-A 3

The park in central Aino (behind Aino Junior High School) is a favorite walking and jogging spot for locals, who arrive from early in the morning.

● TEL 0957-36-1600



Yamamoto Art Museum

MAP/P 47-A 3

The museum occupies part of Aino Tenboshō, overlooking Tachibana Bay. The collection comprises works by Kan Kozaki and other printmakers, as well as ceramics (admission charge).

● TEL 0957-36-3701



By area

Aino Vista Point

MAP/P 47·A 3

The viewing platform overlooking Tachibana Bay is located about 100 m above sea level. The Tachibana Bay fault is visible immediately below, and on clear days visitors can see all the way to the Unzen mountain range in the east, Mt. Tara in the north, and even the Amakusa islands.

●Unzen City Office Property Management Division
TEL 0957-38-3111



Cosmos Yuhi Trail

MAP/P 47·A 2

The footpath situated at the edge of Aino, which is the gateway to Unzen City, is known for its magnificent cosmos flowers in autumn.

●Unzen City Office Property Management Division
TEL 0957-38-3111



Kubizuka

MAP/P 47·A 3

There are several different theories as to the nature and origin of the kubizuka (head mound) in Aitsu, Aino Town. According to one, it is where the severed heads of 10,000 Christians were buried by the bakufu after the fall of Hara Castle, which ended the Shimabara Rebellion. Another claims that the war dead from both the rebel and bakufu camps were buried here. There is also the suggestion that it is the burial mound of a 6th- or 7th-century local ruler.

●Unzen City Board of Education Lifelong Learning Division
TEL 0957-37-3113

Chijiwa Area



Utmost sincerity, utmost perfection of skills, utmost purity—Chijiwa is a community that aspires to a future that leverages its local heritage and rich blessings of nature.



Chijiwa Bathing Beach and Chijiwa Fault MAP/P 47-B 3

One of Nagasaki's best-known beaches, Chijiwa Beach attracts families and couples throughout the summer holiday season. The beach is also renowned for its scenic beauty, and has been chosen among Japan's 100 most precious natural landscapes, and the country's 100 most beautiful white sandy beaches with pine trees. The beach is also part of the Chijiwa Fault geosite, where visitors can observe a very clear example of a fault.

● Unzen City Office Tourism and Products Division TEL 0957-38-3111



Tashirobaru Campground MAP/P 48-C 3

Tashirobaru plateau spreads to the north of Unzendake and is known for its unspoiled natural environment, which makes it suitable for nature observation. The campground is near Tashirobaru Trail Center, which provides information on local natural features.

Open May 1 to October 31

● TEL 0957-78-2331



Tashirobaru Trail Center MAP/P 48-C 3

The center provides information useful for nature exploration, such as information on plants, animals, and insects found on and around Tashirobaru plateau.

Open May 1 to November 30

● TEL 0957-78-0441



Yamamenosato Activity MAP/P 48-C 4

The yamame trout (referred to in Japan as the "queen of streams") farm uses Mount Unzen's natural spring water. Yamame trout catching at the fishery is a popular attraction (fees apply).

● TEL 0957-37-3054



Yusuinomori Park MAP/P 47-B 3

The park was created on the former grounds of Chijiwa Hotel, which opened in 1908. Abundant trees and flowers make the park a popular walking course for locals.

● Unzen City Office Tourism and Products Division
TEL 0957-38-3111

Tachibana Shrine and Tachibana Park

MAP/P 47-B 3



The shrine was built in 1940 with support from around the country. It is known for its grand-scale buildings, large grounds, granite torii gate, which is reputedly the tallest in Kyushu at 9.7 m, and its balustraded bridge, known as Gunshin Bridge. The grounds and entryway become inundated with worshippers during the New Year holidays, when the shrine is decorated with a huge kadomatsu, and during April, when 800 cherry trees come into bloom.

●TEL 0957-37-2538



Paragliding Activity

Visitors can safely experience paragliding at the sandy shore of Chijiwa Bathing Beach. The view from above is impressive, with fresh green trees in spring, Unzendake's colorful leaves in autumn, the sparkling water of Tachibana Bay, and distant view of Ariake Sea (inquire for details).

●Unzen City Office Chijiwa Branch
TEL 0957-37-2001



Statue of Miguel Chijiwa

MAP/P 47-B 3

The statue was erected to mark the contributions made by Chijiwa Seizaemon (Miguel Chijiwa) to Japan's exchange with the West. Chijiwa travelled to Rome in 1582 as part of an embassy to the Pope sent by Christian daimyos.

●Unzen City Board of Education Lifelong Learning Division
TEL 0957-37-3113



Tanada Tenbodai (The Vista Point viewing rice terraces)

MAP/P 48-C 4

Situated on the way to Unzen, Tanada Tenbodai is a spot that commands a panoramic view of the terraced rice fields of Chijiwa, which are beautiful any season of the year. The rice terraces are built with stone walls and have been selected among Japan's best 100 rice terraces.

●Unzen City Office Tourism and Products Division
TEL 0957-38-3111



Chijiwanmon

MAP/P 47-B 3

This indoor market, named Chijiwanmon, meaning "products of Chijiwa" in the local dialect, sells agricultural products of Chijiwa, as well as homemade foods, such as kamaage tofu and croquettes.

●TEL 0957-37-2208

Obama Area



Obama is characterized by its proximity to the sea, while Unzen is associated with the mountains. The local histories of both communities are inseparable from their hot springs, but even warmer than the hot springs are the local people.



Obama Onsen MAP/P 49·Obama Onsen area

Obama Onsen is a seaside hot spring resort located at the foot of Mount Unzen and overlooking Tachibana Bay. The earliest known mention of Obama is found in the Hizen Fudoki (713). It gained popularity as a spa from around 1614.

●Obama Hot Spring Tourism Association TEL 0957-74-2672



Foliage tunnel MAP/P 49·B 1

The natural tunnel formed by verdant trees lining both sides of the road can be seen from spring through summer.

●Obama Hot Spring Tourism Association
TEL 0957-74-2672

Rokkaku Ido (Hexagonal Well) MAP/P 49·B 1

According to legend, the site of the well is where water sprang forth from the ground when the Buddhist monk Kukai (Kobo Daishi) thumped on it with his hexagonal staff, thus saving the local community from a water shortage. The water is no longer used for drinking.

●Obama Hot Spring Tourism Association TEL 0957-74-2672



Hot Foot 105 MAP/P 49·Obama Onsen area

Japan's longest foot bath measuring 105 m in length. In addition to the regular foot bath where visitors can sit and soak their feet, there is a "walking foot bath" for stimulating acupressure points on the soles, and a foot bath for pets. Also available for visitor use is the mushigama (steam pot). Use of a steamer basket costs 200 yen. The facility is adjacent to a park with a view of the ocean, which makes it a popular spot to relax and have fun.

●Obama Hot Spring Tourism Association TEL 0957-74-2672

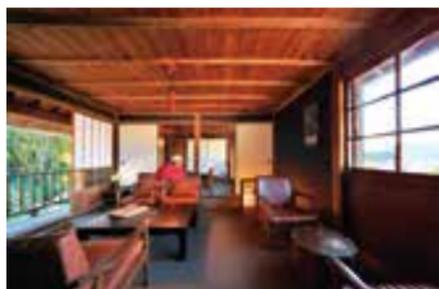


Suwanoike (Campground and Visitor Center)

Activity MAP/P 49·B 3

Suwanoike is in Unzen National Park, and is comprised of well-equipped leisure facilities, expansive lawns, and a lake for fishing and boating. There are opportunities throughout the year to watch, touch, and learn about animals, plants, stars, and planets. Recommended for family outings.

- Campground: Kyukamura Unzen TEL 0957-74-9131
- Visitor Center: Unzen Suwanoike Visitor Center TEL 0957-76-5010



Karimizuan District Activity MAP/P 49·Obama Onsen area

Karimizuan is a shop and café in a converted traditional wooden house. Visitors can enjoy coffee, herb teas, views of the natural landscape through the windows, and browsing through the shop's original range of household accessories. A short uphill walk away is the Aiakane Kobo, a workshop where visitors can try their hands at dyeing with natural plant dyes made from spring water, leaves, and other materials.

- Karimizuan TEL 0957-74-2010
- Aiakane Kobo TEL 090-3899-1393



Obama Public Hall Activity MAP/P 49·Obama Onsen area

Nagasaki Prefecture's oldest surviving wooden public hall, Obama Kokaido (Obama Public Hall) was built in 1934, the year Unzen became a national park. The building has a handsome façade and is in a good state of preservation.

- Unzen City Office Tourism and Products Division TEL 0957-38-3111

Visitors can experience authentic boat fishing without having to bring their own equipment. The angling sessions can be enjoyed even by children and complete beginners. Fees are 3,000 yen per adult and 2,500 yen per child (elementary school age or younger), and include 3 hours of fishing and use of equipment and baits. Reservation required.

- Maruishi Suisan TEL 090-9580-6993 (8:00 to 15:00)
TEL 0957-76-0081 (15:00 to 16:00)



Obama Town Museum of Historical Materials MAP/P 49·B 2

The museum displays exhibits about Obama Onsen's history, with particular emphasis on Honda Yudayu, who was instrumental in the development of Obama Onsen (admission charge).

- TEL 0957-75-0858

Obama Area



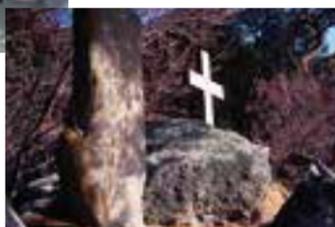
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Unzen Jigoku MAP/P 50 · Unzen Onsen area

Unzen's foremost tourist attraction, Jigoku ("The Hells") was also the scene of tortures and executions of Japanese Christians, remembered today by a martyrdom monument. Unzen Jigoku is actually a collection of about 30 major jigokus or blow-hole, each with its own name—Daikyokan Jigoku, Oito Jigoku, Seishichi Jigoku, and so on—and an associated tragedy or legend.

●Unzen Tourist Association TEL 0957-73-3434



Genseinuma (Gensei Marsh) MAP/P 50 · Unzen Onsen area

Genseinuma is a marsh covering an area of about 10,000 m². It is one of Kyushu's few habitats of sphagnum mosses, and the vegetation of the marsh is designated by the national government as a Natural Monument.

●Unzen Tourist Association TEL 0957-73-3434



Unzen Shrine MAP/P 50 · Unzen Onsen area

The shrine has attracted worshippers from all over Shimabara Peninsula since its establishment in 701, and is the head shrine of all the other Unzen shrines in Shimabara. It is connected to Unzen Jigoku by a footpath.

●Unzen Tourist Association TEL 0957-73-3434



Manmyoji Temple MAP/P 50 · Unzen Onsen area

It is traditionally believed that the temple (also known as Unzensan) was established in 701 by the monk Gyoki. Some of the original stone pillars have survived, weathered by 1,300 years of wind and snow. The rows of Jizo statues replicate the 88-temple pilgrimage of Shikoku.

●TEL 0957-73-3422



Unzen Vidro Museum Activity MAP/P 50 · Unzen Onsen area

The spa house and glass museum is also a very popular hands-on attraction. Visitors can create their own glass bead accessories, which make perfect souvenirs (fees apply).

●TEL 0957-73-3133



Unzen Golf Course

MAP/P 50-D 1

The venerable establishment opened as Japan's first public golf course in 1913, when Unzen was a popular summer resort for overseas visitors.

●TEL 0957-73-3368



Mount Unzen Visitor Center

MAP/P 50 · Unzen Onsen area

The visitor center supplies information on Shimabara Peninsula, especially Unzen's nature and history. There are also exhibits explaining the mechanisms of volcanoes and hot springs.



Shirakumonoike (Shirakumo Pond) Campground

Activity MAP/P 50-D 2

Shirakumo Pond is an artificial lake covering approx. 10,000 m². Set in a deeply wooded area, the unspoiled natural environment and tranquility make the spot ideal for walking and relaxing.

●Mount Unzen Visitor Center TEL 0957-73-3636



Unzen Ropeway

MAP/P 50-D 1

Unzen Ropeway runs services between the Nita Pass parking lot and Myokendake. The panoramic view from 1,300 m above sea level is breathtaking.

●Unzen Ropeway TEL 0957-73-3572



Unzen Omocha Hakubutsukan (Unzen Toy Museum)

MAP/P 50 · Unzen Onsen area

Situated among the hotels and inns, this candy shop and toy museum displays an array of nostalgic games, sweets, playing cards, and tin toys.

●TEL 0957-73-3441



Unzen Catholic Church

MAP/P 50-C 2

The church was built in 1981 to honor the souls of Unzen's martyrs and commemorate the Pope's visit to Nagasaki.

●Unzen Tourist Association
TEL 0957-73-3434



Unzen Kanko Hotel

MAP/P 50 · Unzen Onsen area

A hotel full of old-world charm, the exterior resembles a Swiss chalet, with a red roof, rough-hewn stonework, and European-imported furnishings and fabrics. In recognition of the unique value of the building, the national government has listed it as a Registered Tangible Cultural Property, as well as a Heritage of Industrial Modernization.

●TEL 0957-73-3263



Yusenpei baking

Activity

MAP/P 50 · Unzen Onsen area

A specialty of Unzen, Yusenpei is a wafer made by mixing hot spring water in the dough. It was originally made to the order of Matsudaira Tadakazu, lord of Shimabara Domain, who believed in the benefits of ingesting hot spring water. Visitors can try their hands at baking these popular confections (fees apply).

(Yusenpei making is available March through May, and September through November)

●Totomiya TEL 0957-73-2155

Minamikushiyama Area



Minamikushiyama is an active, dynamic town where nature, industry, and culture come together.



Kunisaki Hanto Prefectural Natural Park

MAP/P 49-A 3

The narrow Kunisaki Peninsula is designated a prefectural natural park. Notable features are the colonies of *Crinum asiaticum* and other subtropical and seaside plants, and the great view, which takes in Mount Unzen, Nagasaki Peninsula, and Amakusa.

● Unzen City Office Minamikushiyama Branch
TEL 0957-88-3111



Kunisaki Andesite

MAP/P 49-A 3

The topography of Kunisaki Peninsula is unusual in that the altitude grows higher toward the sea. A prominent feature of the peninsula is the Kunisaki andesite, which erupted forth some 1.5 million years ago. Kunisaki Peninsula is one of the very few geosites in the country where andesite can be observed in its exposed state.

● Unzen City Office Tourism and Products Division TEL 0957-38-3111



Tanabatake Tenbodai (The Vista Point)

MAP/P 49·A 3

The observation deck offers a view of the roughly 800 terraced fields of the Hegi and Kotakegi districts, which were chosen among the ten most impressive terraced fields in the prefecture. The neat rows of terraced fields and potato fields form a beautiful panorama.

●Unzen City Office Tourism and Products Division
TEL 0957-38-3111



Furusato Shiriyokan

MAP/P 49·A 3

The museum displays fishing tools, agricultural tools, and other household items donated by Minamikushiyama residents, which offer a valuable insight into the lifestyles of previous generations of local people.

●Unzen City Board of Education Lifelong Learning
Division TEL 0957-37-3113



Minamikushiyama Museum of Local History

MAP/P 49·B 3

The museum was constructed on the site of the former Baba Residence, which was home to the Baba family, whose members were shoya (village head) for many generations. Contents include many ancient documents and household goods donated by the Baba family. The museum is adjacent to the verdant Monyama Park.

●Unzen City Board of Education Lifelong Learning
Division TEL 0957-37-3113



Kyodomari Shinyo Special Attack Unit Base Site

MAP/P 49·A 3

During World War II, Shinyo boats (one-man suicide motorboats equipped with explosives) were stored in two tunnels dug in rock cliffs near Kyodomari Port. The war ended before any of the Shinyos were deployed.

●Unzen City Office Minamikushiyama Branch TEL 0957-88-3111



First Japanese geopark to join the Global Geoparks Network

Did you know? Unzen's Uni

Unzen Volcanic Area Geopark

The geopark includes the whole Shimabara Peninsula in Nagasaki Prefecture. A geopark is like a theme park, exhibiting the natural environment—topography, geological features, animals, and plants—as well as human lifestyles, histories, and culture shaped by them.

Unzen boasts many number Here are just a few.



Japan's longest foot bath at 105 m

Heisei Shinzan

Heisei Shinzan lava dome resulted from the November 1990 eruption of Unzen's Fugendake (Fugen Peak). It is roughly in the center of Shimabara Peninsula and looks impressive from Tateiwanomine, situated on the new hiking trail near Nita Pass. Nature's wonder and energy can be felt from Heisei Shinzan's transformation from a scene of natural disaster to that of natural beauty.

Hot Foot 105

Hot Foot 105 is Japan's longest foot bath and picnic area. It is a well-renowned spot in light of recent trends focusing on health and diet. There is also a footbath for pets.

Obama Onsen's quantity of heat

Although the spa has a very long history dating back to ancient times, Obama's 30 or so hot spring sources still produce an impressive 15,000 tons of 105 °C water per day. The hot spring water is believed to be beneficial for neuralgia, rheumatism, and stomach disorders.

No.1 in heat quantity
Water temperature 105°C
Water quantity per day 15,000t





Japan's only
love- and romance-themed station



Shimabara Railway Aino Station
("Station of Love and Romance")

Aino Station serves as the honorary headquarters of the Japanese association of romanticists, and sports the association's logo on a rooftop decoration representing a Cupid's arrow. The arrow permanently points toward Azuma Station, and warmly welcomes couples visiting the station.



Japan's first
national park, also voted best mountain



Unzen-Amakusa National Park

Unzen was voted Japan's most scenic mountain in 1927, and became Japan's first national park in 1934. Because of its long history of nature preservation, Unzen today remains a cornucopia of wildlife, especially birds and highland plants.

Unzen-Fugendale Hikory Trail Map
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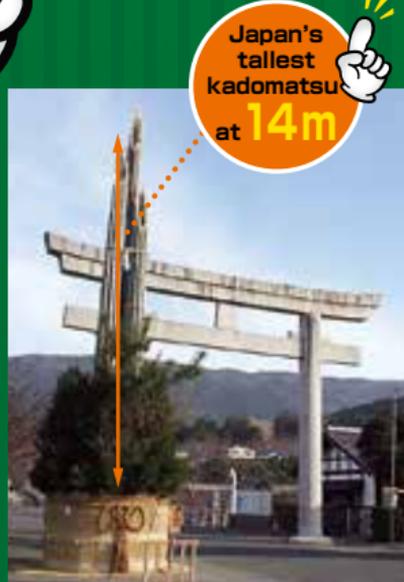
Unique Spots



ones and only ones in the country.



Japan's newest
mountain



Japan's tallest
kadomatsu
at 14m



Kadomatsu at Tachibana Shrine

The kadomatsu reached a height of 14 m in 2010. The shrine receives over 50,000 New Year worshippers each year. Its grand torii gate stands on Route 57, through which the statue of Tachibana Shuta by sculptor Kitamura Seibo is visible.



Japan's first
public golf course



Unzen Golf Course

The venerable golf course opened in 1913, when Unzen was a popular summer resort for foreign visitors. It was the country's first public golf course. The impressive 9 holes, par 36 scale, and attractive location with a magnificent view of Mount Unzen, contribute to the timeless appeal of this golf course.

Map of New Unzen Fugendake Hiking Trail

Your guide to explore Mount Unzen on foot



View from the summit of Kunimidake



Autumn
Mountains dressed in colorful leaves
(best from around late October)

Winter
Snow-covered Mt. Unzen
Rime
(under certain conditions only during December through early March)

Spring Foot

Spring

Miyamakirishima
(*Rhododendron kiusianum*).
From early May

Carpets of
flowers

Hikagetsutsuji
(*Rhododendron keiskei*).
From early through mid-May

Summer

Cool forest breeze
and bird songs

Yamaboshi
(*Benthamidia japonica*).
From early June



Unzen Fugendake Hikage Trail Map
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The new trail stops just 400m short of the summit of Heisei Shinzan



Take a look at the world from above the clouds, as the Daoist immortals did.

Unzen's volcanic activities resumed in 1990 after a 198-year interval, resulting in the birth of Heisei Shinzan, Japan's newest mountain (1,483 m above sea level). A loop trek along the Fugendake trail offers a close-up view of Heisei Shinzan, and enables visitors to discover Earth's live energy, and the hardy, beautiful plants that inhabit it.

Safe  Reliable

Unzen Brands Enjoy!

Excellent products made to outstanding safety, reliability and quality standards!!

Unzen Marugoto Dressing (Yuzu, Mini Tomato, Carrot)

Healthy salad dressings made from whole carrots, mini (cherry) tomatoes, and yuzu harvested in Unzen City. Oil is 100% olive oil.

- Available/ year-round
- Yamanaka Shoten
TEL 0957-37-2005



Unno Sencha (Unzen Tea)

Unzen tea is produced by Mizuho District's tea growers, who have established themselves in the prefecture as producers of early harvest ichiban-cha (first tea). The Unzen Brand certification is granted only to Unzen tea graded "gokujo" in the ichiban-cha category.

- Available/ year-round (shin-cha is only available from early May)
- Association of Unzen Tea Growers
TEL 0957-77-2203

Specially Cultivated Uncured Onions

One of Nagasaki Prefecture's certified "Specially Cultivated Agricultural Products," the uncured onions are sweet, juicy, and less pungent than cured onions, making them delicious when eaten raw. Produced under strict safety and quality control.

- Available/ late March through mid-April
- Obama Association of Producers of Specially Cultivated Agricultural Products
TEL 0957-74-9211



Mizuho Oysters Mizuho Clams

Oysters and clams farmed in Isahaya Bay are large and plump. UV light sterilization is carried out before shipment to ensure product safety.

- Available/ Oysters are available early December through late February; clams are available mid-March through early May
- Mizuho Fishery Cooperative Association TEL 0957-77-3139



Specially Cultivated Potatoes

● Aiyutaka ● May Queen ● Dejima

Aiyutaka is a new variety of potato containing 1.5 times the vitamin C of regular potatoes. It has a floury flesh that absorbs seasonings well.

- Available/ early May through early June, and early December through mid-January
- Obama Association of Producers of Specially Cultivated Agricultural Products
TEL 0957-74-9211



Unzen Kobutakana

The leaf vegetable was chosen for inclusion in the Slow Food Foundation's "Ark of Taste," and also became the first Japanese product to be chosen as a "Slow Food Presidium" in recognition of its rarity and contribution to local revitalization.

- Available/ late November through late December
- Unzen City Association for the Preservation and Promotion of Traditional Vegetables TEL 0957-38-2641



Ainokomachi (red-soil potato)

● Dejima ● Fugenmaru ● Aiyutaka

Ainokomachi potatoes are grown in soil optimized for potato production. The soil contains less fertilizer than the amount used in conventional methods, but higher amounts of minerals. The brand is also popular at supermarkets in and around Tokyo.

- Available/ early May through early June, and early December through mid-January
- Association of Ainokomachi Producers
TEL 0957-36-0091



Hattogi Shironegi

The white negi traditionally produced in and around Hattogi District in Kunimi Town is popular both within and outside Nagasaki Prefecture, and is a recipient of prefectural awards.

- Available/ year-round
- Association of Hattogi Shironegi Producers TEL 0957-78-3963



Unzen Iwagaki

Summer oysters (iwagaki or *Crassostrea nippona*) are a new specialty of Unzen. The large-sized, flavorful meat is delicious both raw and cooked. Iwagaki farming is still very rare in Kyushu, making the Unzen oysters a precious gift from the ocean.

- Available/ mid-April through late August
- Association of Unzen Iwagaki Growers
TEL 0957-74-3117



Azuma Tennen Mugi Miso
Azuma Mugi Miso
Azuma Kome Miso
Azuma Awase Miso
Azuma Natto Miso
Azuma Tekka Miso
Strawberry Jam
Yuzukosho

The products only use domestic ingredients with traceable local origins. Local ingredients are used where possible.

- Available/ year-round
- Azuma Association of Agricultural Processors
TEL 0957-38-6008



Unzen Buri (Unzen Hamachi) Unzen Torafugu

Unzen buri (amberjack) are raised on carbohydrate-rich feeds to improve quality, such as flavor, meat texture, and fat content.

- Available/ year-round
- Unzen Association of Fish Farmers
TEL 0957-74-3117



Unzen Kobutakana-zuke (Honzuke and Asazuke) Handmade Konnyaku Umeboshi Unzen Kobutakana Manju

The products are handmade entirely from domestic ingredients. Local ingredients are used where possible. No additives are used.

- Available/ year-round (Asazuke available roughly from November through March)
- Moriyama Women's Association of Agricultural Processors
TEL 0957-38-2641



Unzen Green Melon

The Unzen Brand certification is granted to melons weighing over 2.5 kg, and roughly 17 degrees Brix or more in sugar content. The very sweet melons are also popular as gifts.

- Available/ mid-June through mid-July
- Association of Unzen Kinsho Melon Producers
TEL 0957-36-1872



Specially cultivated rice "Nikomaru"

The Nikomaru variety of rice not only rivals or surpasses existing varieties in taste, quality, and yield, but also meets production requirements for "Specially Cultivated Agricultural Products," meaning it is very safe and reliable.

- Available/ year-round (new harvest rice available from mid-October)
- Association of Nikomaru Producers TEL 0957-38-2121



Shio no Houseki Sea Salt

The very rare sea salt is made by mixing seawater from local Tachibana Bay with Obama's hot spring water, and drying in the sun. Sun-drying is an unpredictable method affected by the weather, but it increases the mineral content and mildness of the salt.

- Available/ year-round
- Unzen Ecolo Geo Corporation
TEL 095-856-9164 (Kimura)

Unzen Stattice

The stattice flowers are grown in soil formulated with mature compost and organic fertilizers. Because they are grown from mericlonies, the flowers are less susceptible to disease and can be grown with minimum amounts of agricultural chemicals.

- Available/ late November through early May
- Association of Unzen Stattice Producers
TEL 0957-36-0091



Carnations

Unzen City is one of Nagasaki Prefecture's foremost carnation production centers. Carnations from the Mizuho area of Unzen enjoy particular market success.

- Available/ mid-April to late August
- Association of Mizuho Carnation Producers TEL 0957-77-2052



Unzen Akane Pork

The pork is raised on an original blend of feed at very hygienic farms. The meat has an excellent balance of lightness of fat and umami-packed lean.

- Available/ year-round
- Unzen Domannaka
TEL 0957-38-6860

Unzen Beef

Unzen City is one of Nagasaki Prefecture's foremost beef cattle production centers. Unzen beef, defined as "Quality-grade 3 or higher meat of Japanese

Black cattle born and raised in Unzen," is enjoying great market success. The branded beef is the product of Unzen's mineral-rich, well-endowed environment.

- Available/ year-round
- Committee for the Establishment and Promotion of Unzen Brand Beef TEL 0957-38-3111



Unzen Takuminokiku Chrysanthemums

Unzen City is one of Nagasaki Prefecture's foremost chrysanthemum production centers, and its chrysanthemums are enjoying great market success. Consistent in yield and quality, the exquisite chrysanthemums reflecting the skills of master growers were awarded Nagasaki Prefecture's agricultural award for group activities in September 2005.

- Available/ year-round
- JA Shimabara Unzen Association of Takuminokiku Producers, c/o Mr. Inada, Azumachiku Eino Center TEL 0957-38-3233



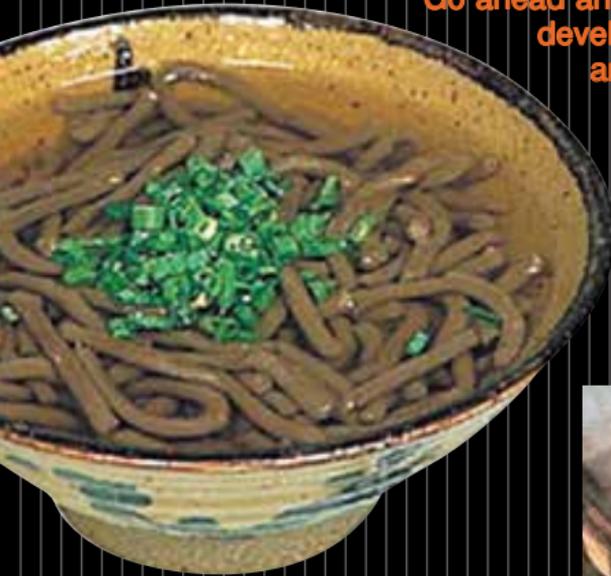
Tairagane (Crab)

Locally referred to as tairagane, the crab is fished in the sea off Taira Port in Kunimi Town. The well-packed meat has a rich, full flavor. Available year-round.

●Unzen Chamber of Commerce and Industry Kunimi Branch
TEL 0957-78-2095

An essential component of every trip Unzen Delicacies

Sampling local food is an essential component of every trip. Go ahead and try the tastes of Unzen, developed by culinary passion and made from ingredients nurtured by Unzen's rich natural environment.



Rokubei

Noodles made from sweet potatoes. The mildly sweet noodles are served in a chicken and bonito broth.

●Rokubeijaya
TEL 0957-37-6544



Unzen Lemonade

A Re-creation of the beverage enjoyed by foreign tourists in the early 20th century, when Unzen was a popular summer resort.

●Cooperative Association of Unzen Ryokans and Hotels
TEL 0957-73-2131

Unzen Onsen Tamago

Eggs steamed in the vapors of Unzen Jigoku. The springy egg white has a whiff of sulfur.

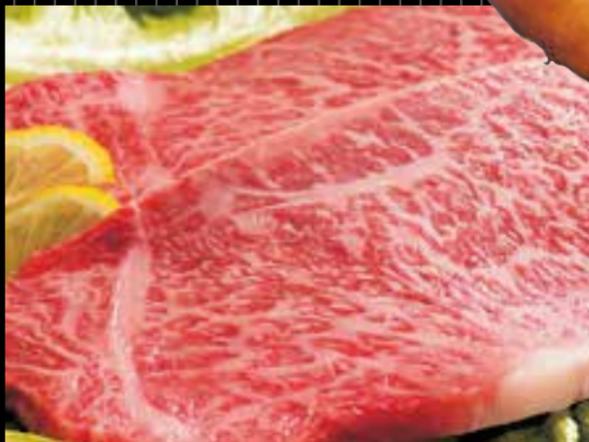
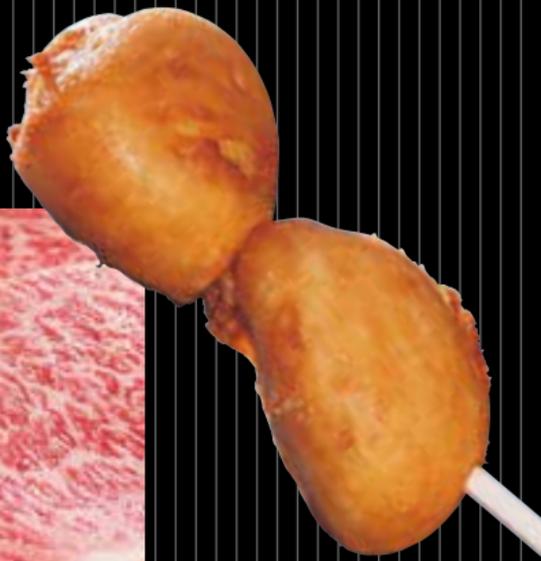
●Unzen Tourist Association
TEL 0957-73-3434



Unzen Tabino Beer Curry

Invented by a curry-loving chef, the highly popular Beer Curry contains the local brew Unzen Yuagari Beer. The beer brings out the flavor of other ingredients, making the curry substantial and full of umami.

●Cooperative Association of Unzen Ryokans and Hotels
TEL 0957-73-3113



Unzen Beef

Unzen beef cattle, raised on mineral-rich grass growing on pastures that receive plenty of sea breeze, are renowned for their soft meat.

●Unzen City Office Agriculture and Fisheries Division Livestock Section
TEL 0957-38-3111

Jagachan

Jagachan is delicious fried potatoes. Crispy on the outside, fluffy on the inside!

●Chijiwa Kanko Center
TEL 0957-37-2254



Unzen Yokamon Zanmai Online Store

Online store specializing in Unzen Brand products, sweets, and other tastes of Unzen nurtured by Unzen's rich natural environment. Unzen's seasonal delicacies can be enjoyed in the comfort of your home. Seasonal specialties also make perfect gifts.
<http://www1.enekoshop.jp/shop/unzenyokamon/>

● Unzen City Product Sales Promotion Council

Email: unzenbussan@gmail.com

Unzenyokamon Search



Kitorasu

Kitorasu, newly opened in Fukuoka, is an "antenna shop" run jointly by the municipalities of Unzen, Nagasaki, and Sasebo. The shop carries fresh and processed agricultural and fishery products from the three cities, has the restaurant Kitorasu Shokudo for sampling their delicacies, and also has a tourism desk supplying information on sightseeing spots and tours, serving as a one-stop information source.

●Kitorasu shop TEL 092-292-5906
Kitorasu restaurant TEL 092-292-5907 Kitorasu tourism desk TEL 092-292-5463
Address: 1F Fukugin Hakata Building, 12-20 Kamikawabatomachi, Hakata Ward, Fukuoka City, Fukuoka Prefecture, Japan

Dining/shopping

01 Nagasaki Beef Demi Katsu

Luxurious dish of breaded, deep-fried Nagasaki beef served with the restaurant's original demi-glaze and rice.

Hotel Toyokan

- ◆Price: 1,500 yen (incl tax)
- ◆Hours: 11:30 to 13:30
- *Reservation required
- ◆tel.0957-73-3243



02 Hayashi Rice

The slightly less sweet Hayashi rice appeals to refined taste buds. The restaurant has a good view of Unzen Jigoku.

Kyushu Hotel

- ◆Price: 1,000 yen (incl tax) with side salad and coffee
- ◆Hours: 11:30 to 15:00 (last order 14:30)
- ◆tel.0957-73-3234



03 Unzen Haikara Omu Hayashi

The Hayashi rice was perfected by a chef who trained at a long-established yoshoku restaurant in Tokyo. The sauce is matured for three weeks to attain the nostalgic Showa-period flavor.

Restaurant Mingeichaya Riki at Unzen Fukudaya

- ◆Price: 980 yen (incl tax)
- ◆Hours: 11:00 to 15:00 (last order 14:30)
- ◆tel.0957-73-2151



04 Unzen Hayashi Saienfu

Enjoy this highly satisfying dish comprising classic Hayashi rice generously topped with fresh vegetables.

Unzen Kanko Hotel

- ◆Price: 1,600 yen (incl tax)
- ◆Hours: 12:00 to 14:00
- ◆tel.0957-73-3263



05 Unzen Tail Hayashi

Hayashi rice containing slow-cooked, tender oxtail. Served with a soft-boiled egg that is the perfect accompaniment to the delectable Hayashi rice.

Unzen Miyazaki Ryokan

- ◆Price: 2,000 yen (incl tax)
- ◆Hours: 12:00 to 14:00
- *Reservation required at least one day in advance
- ◆tel.0957-73-3331



06 Vegimai no Kinoko Tappuri Hayashi

The Hayashi rice is served with "tomato paste rice" and "spinach paste rice," which perfectly complement the Hayashi and are healthy, vegetable-rich alternatives to plain white rice.

Unzen Sky Hotel

- ◆Price: 800 yen, 880 yen as a meal set (incl tax)
- ◆Hours: 11:30 to 14:30, 18:00 to 20:30
- ◆tel.0957-73-3345



07 Nagasaki Beef and Mushroom Hayashi Rice

Hayashi rice made of Nagasaki beef, mushrooms from Shimabara Peninsula, and plenty of seasonal vegetables.

Yumoto Hotel

- ◆Price: 1,000 yen (incl tax)
- ◆Hours: 11:30 to 15:00
- *Reservation required at least one day in advance
- ◆tel.0957-73-3255



80th Anniversary of Unzen

UNZEN GOURMET

M E N U

Unzen has been serving the (originally referred to as yofudon, years ago, when the town was a overseas tourists. To mark the national park designation, Unzen revived the yofudon, updating the Hayashi." Take your pick from



08 Unzen Sauce Katsudon

Komatsu offers a choice of Hayashi-based katsudon, and egg-based katsudon, served in a relaxed atmosphere.

Restaurant Komatsu

- ◆Price: 800 yen (incl tax)
- ◆Hours: 9:00 to 21:00
- ◆tel.0957-73-3515

09 Hayashi Rice

Hayashi rice topped with Unzen's locally grown potatoes. The meal set comes with the café's excellent cup of coffee.

Sabo Imamura

- ◆Price: 1,000 yen (incl tax), with Unzen side salad and coffee
- ◆Hours: 9:00 to 21:00
- ◆tel.0957-73-2444



demi-glace based Hayashi rice or “Western bowl”) since 80 summer resort bustling with 80th anniversary of Unzen’s hotels and restaurants have dish for 2014 as “Unzen the amazing variety on offer.



UNZEN GOURMET MAP



10 Hayashi Rice

The comforting, home-cooked taste is achieved by slow-cooking uncurved local onions to maximize their umami.

Wachuka Kiku

- ◆Price: 750 yen (incl tax)
- ◆Hours: 9:00 to 24:00
- ◆tel.0957-73-3555



11 Onsen Hayashi

Comforting and nostalgic Hayashi rice humorously decorated with potatoes to represent the hot spring symbol.

Tarafukutei

- ◆Price: 850 yen (incl tax)
- ◆Hours: 10:00 to 23:00 (hours differ by day)
- ◆tel.0957-73-3566



12 Unzen Hayashi Chan

A must-try Hayashi served with fried chamon (champion) noodles instead of rice. Topped with a delectable, runny egg.

Kinugasa Shokudo

- ◆Price: 750 yen (incl tax)
- ◆Hours: 10:00 to 24:00 *Parking space for five cars
- ◆tel.0957-73-3491



13 Unzen Omu Hayashi

Hayashi rice made with Unzen beef is combined with Green Terrace’s perennially popular airy-light omelet.

Green Terrace Unzen

- ◆Price: 980 yen (incl tax)
- ◆Hours: 11:00 to 17:00 (last order)
- ◆tel.0957-73-3277



14 Hayashi Rice

The Hayashi rice made with an original homemade demi-glace is simple yet has an untiring appeal.

Café Meshiya the Mall

- ◆Price: 800 yen (incl tax)
- ◆Hours: 12:00 to 15:00; 20:00 to 2:00
- *Pets allowed
- ◆tel.0957-73-3423



15 Onikuyasan no Hayashi Rice

Araki, a butcher shop and yakiniku restaurant, serves exquisite Hayashi rice made with generous amounts of Nagasaki beef and homemade warmth.

Yakiniku no Araki

- ◆Price: 800 yen (incl tax)
- ◆Hours: 20:00 to 24:00
- ◆tel.0957-73-3432



Unzen Hayashi

∞ Inquiries ∞ Unzen Tourist Association
tel.0957-73-3434 <http://www.unzen.org>

Let's go around Unzen City!

Unzen Event

The source of Unzen's vitality

Respect for Unzen's natural and historical assets and culture, and the sense of pride that comes from inheriting them, have been a source of vitality for local residents. Through the festivals and events listed here, visitors too can experience the energy and power created by people who live in a beautiful natural environment.

Unzen Akari no Hana Boro [February]



"Hana boro" is a local term for rime, which is a winter feature of Unzen. In February Unzen spa becomes beautifully illuminated with electric lights and candles inspired by rime, which bring a romantic atmosphere to the streets.

Kan-o Kaen [March]



This dynamic festival of fire is held annually to coincide with the cherry blossoms at Tachibana Shrine, one of the foremost local cherry-blossom viewing spots. The highlight of the festival is the torchlight procession through town, which faithfully re-creates a battle that took place during the Sengoku period more than 400 years ago. Torch-bearing participants in samurai armor look truly impressive.

Unzen Shimin Hanabi Taikai [April]



The fireworks display is part of a traditional festival for thanking the deity of hot springs. There is a parade through town in which participants carry a mikoshi (portable shrine) containing hot spring water, and a stage is set up for performances of Obama taiko and other traditional performing arts of the locality. The greatest highlight is the fireworks display, in which Kyushu's master fireworks makers show off their skills.

Moo Moo Festival [May]



The event is held at the verdant Mizuhonomori Park. The program includes calf weight guessing, serving of fresh milk, and other activities for enjoying contact with nature and animals, such as a petting farm offering visitors the opportunity to experience feeding cattle and sheep, milking, and butter-making. There is also a flea market and a farmers market.

Hadashi de Asobo Unzen [August]



For this day only, children take over the Unzen Golf Course, where they are encouraged to play barefoot. There are also such attractions as kite-flying and a petting zoo.

Kunimi no Hi [September]



Kunimi no Hi (lit. Kunimi Day) is held on September 23 (9.23, which is homonymous to the town name). The large-scale event, with cooperation from those in the fields of sports, culture and industry, takes place at the Ariake Ferry parking lot, and comprises a wide variety of events, a flea market, and stalls.

Unzen Momiji Walk [November]



This is a walking event for walking through the spa town at a leisurely pace, appreciating its distinctive atmosphere and natural beauty. There are a number of courses with different distances, such as a "Fugen hiking course," and a "Parent-child walk." Participants can enjoy Unzen's colorful leaves and scenic beauty.

Yu You Marathon [December]



This is a road-running event that starts from the town center of Obama. Held on the same course as the Unzen Obama Half Marathon held under the auspices of the Japan Association of Athletics Federations, Yu You Marathon attracts participants from within and outside Nagasaki.

Calendar

JANUARY

- Unzen City Fire Department Dezomeshiki (firefighting demonstration) [early January]
- Unzen Obama Half Marathon [mid-January]
- Mizuho Oyster Festival [late January]

FEBRUARY

- Unzen Akari no Hanaboro [early through late February]
- Municipal Art Exhibition [early through mid-February]
- Hikanzakura no Sato Festival [late February through early March]

MARCH

- Tachibana Shrine Hanamatsuri (cherry blossom festival) [late March through early April]
- Kan-o Kaen [late March]
- Clam digging [early March through late May]

APRIL

- Obama Onsen Yumatsuri [first Sunday]
- Unzen Shimin Hanabi Taikai [first Sunday]
- Awashima Shrine Cherry Blossom Festival [early April]
- Aino Hata-age Taikai (kite-flying event) [early April]
- Azuma Hata-age Taikai (kite-flying event) [early April]

MAY

- Municipal Junior Sports Competition [early May]
- Moo Moo Festival [May 4]

JUNE

- Mizuho Tokusanhin Matsuri (local products fair) [early June]
- Obama Onsen Jacaranda Festival [early through late June]

JULY

- Municipal Sports Competition [late July through early September]
- Poka Poka Yoichi [late July]

AUGUST

- Unzen International Golf Meet [early August]
- Unzen International Tennis Tournament [early August]
- Hadashi de Asobo Unzen [late August]
- Zen Kyushu Obama Kanko Kyudo Taikai (Japanese archery competition) [late September]

SEPTEMBER

- Obama Onsen Hawaiian Festival [early September]
- Kunimi Day [September 23]

OCTOBER

- Unzen Municipal Sports Day (biannual, late October)

NOVEMBER

- Unzen Momiji Walk [November 3]
- Taketanada Shukaku Kanshasai (thanksgiving festival) [early November]
- Prefectural High-School Ekiden Race [early November]
- Municipal Music Festival [late November]

DECEMBER

- Yu You Marathon [second Sunday]
- Municipal Industry Festival [first Sunday]
- Tachibana Shrine New Year's Eve Event [late December]

Unzen City

Accommodation INFORMATION

Hotels

Japanese-style inn

Guesthouse

Business hotels

Area	Name	Phone (prefix 0957)	Hot-spring bath	Open-air bath	Bath for non-smoking guests	Wi-Fi
Kunimi	① Ryokan Suehiro	☎78-2716				
	② Ryokan Shoei	☎78-2719				
	③ Ryokan Kangetsuso	☎78-2027				
	④ Yugaku no Yakata	☎78-3344			♿	○
Mizuho	⑤ Mizuho Sukoyaka Land Fureai Kaikan	☎77-4111	♨	♨	♿	
	⑥ Hotel AZ Nagasaki Unzen	☎77-4401				○
Azuma	⑦ Azuma Ryokan	☎38-2045				
Aino	⑧ Kasugaya Ryokan	☎36-0118				
Chijiwa	⑨ Amakawaya Bekkan	☎37-3196				○
	⑩ Musashino Ryokan	☎37-2151				
	⑪ Rest House Mori no Shirabe	☎37-6556				○
Unzen	⑫ Unzen Fukiya	☎73-3211	♨	♨	♿	Limited availability
	⑬ Hotel Toyokan	☎73-3243	♨	♨	♿	Limited availability
	⑭ Unzen Iwaki Ryokan	☎73-3338	♨	♨	♿	○
	⑮ Kyushu Hotel	☎73-3234	♨	♨	♿	○
	⑯ Yuyado Unzen Shinyu	☎73-3301	♨	♨	♿	○
	⑰ Azumaen	☎73-2588	♨	♨	♿	Limited availability
	⑱ Unzen Fukudaya	☎73-2151	♨	♨	♿	Limited availability
	⑲ Unzen Kanko Hotel	☎73-3263	♨	♨	♿	○
	⑳ Unzen Miyazaki Ryokan	☎73-3331	♨	♨	♿	○
	㉑ Unzen Sky Hotel	☎73-3345	♨	♨	♿	Limited availability
	㉒ Yumei Hotel	☎73-3206	♨	♨	♿	Limited availability
	㉓ Yumoto Hotel	☎73-3255	♨	♨	♿	○
	㉔ Ryotei Hanzuiryo	☎73-2111	♨	♨	♿	Limited availability
	㉕ Kokumin Shukusha Seiunso	☎73-3273	♨	♨	♿	Limited availability
	㉖ KKR Unzen Sanso	☎73-3225	♨	♨	♿	
㉗ Minshuku Sekiso	☎73-3477		♨			

Soak in Unzen's hot springs to unwind and relax. Unzen looks forward to welcoming you with the highest quality of hospitality.

Area	Name	Phone (prefix 0957)	Hot-spring bath	Open-air bath	Bath for non-staying guests	Wi-Fi
Unzen	28 Minshuku Marutoya	☎73-3457				
	29 Minshuku Shindo	☎73-2323				
	30 Minshuku Unzen	☎73-3525				
Obama	31 Iseya Ryokan	☎74-2121				○
	32 Uguisuya Ryokan	☎74-2281				Limited availability
	33 Ebisuya	☎74-2201				○
	34 Obamaso	☎74-2056				
	35 Obama Business Hotel	☎75 0331				○
	36 Orange Bay	☎76-0881				○
	37 Kunisaki	☎74 3500				○
	38 Shunyokan	☎74-2261				Limited availability
	39 Yuyado Jokiya	☎74-2101				Limited availability
	40 Tsutaya Ryokan	☎74-2134				○
	41 Fukutokuya	☎74-2181				○
	42 Ryokan Fujiya	☎74 2155				○
	43 Kutsuroginoyado Ryokan Yamadaya	☎75-0505				○
	44 Yamatoya	☎74-2104				
	45 Yunoka	☎75-0100				Limited availability
	46 Mutsuminoyado Ryokan Wataya	☎74-2234				Limited availability
	47 Kokumin Shukusha Boyoso	☎74 3141				
	48 Kyukamura Unzen	☎74-9131				Limited availability
	49 Business Obama Town Hotel	☎74-3590				○
	50 Unzenso	☎76-0550				
51 Genbaku Hibakusha Hoyosho Shin Daiwaso	☎74-2546					

● Reservation required

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Public transport inquiries

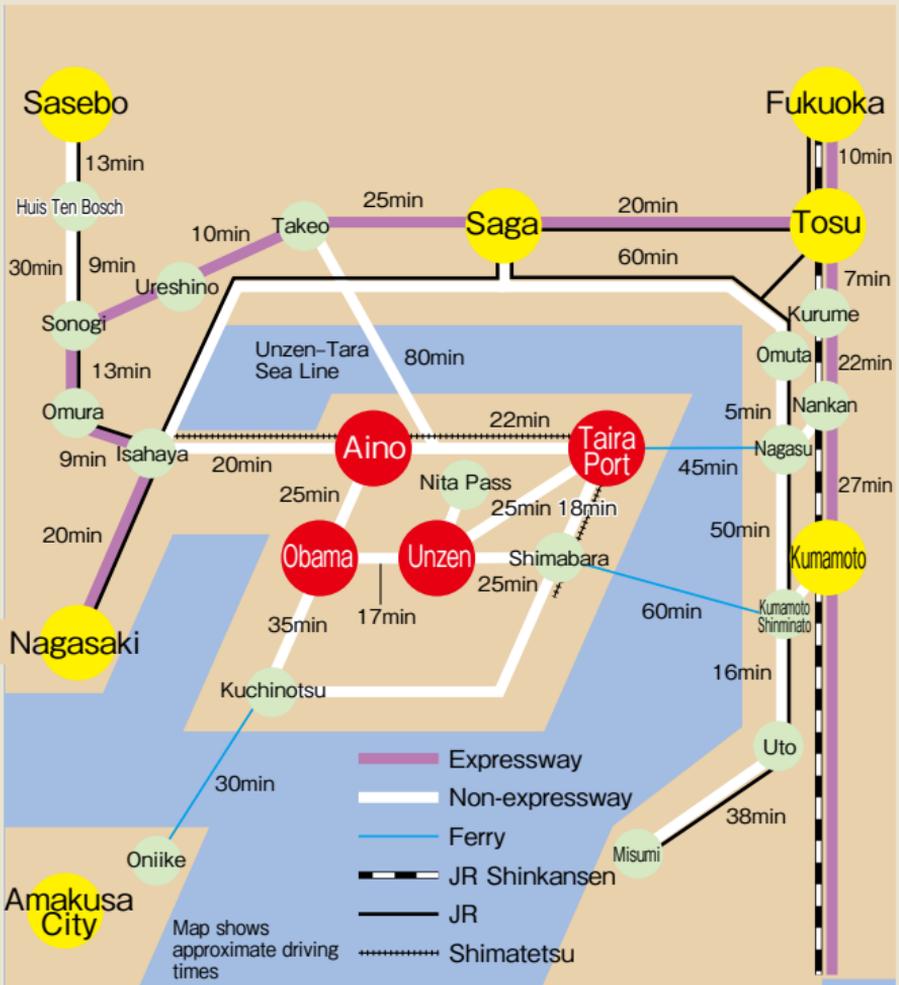
Nagasaki Airport (Nagasaki Airport Building Company)	TEL. 0957-52-5555
JR Nagasaki Station	TEL. 095-826-4336
JR Isahaya Station	TEL. 0957-22-3458
Shimabara Railway Shimabara Station	TEL. 0957-62-2231
Nagasaki Kenei Bus Information Counter	TEL. 095-826-6221
Nagasaki Bus Customer Service Center	TEL. 095-826-1114
Shimatetsu Bus Terminal	TEL. 0957-62-4707
Ariake Ferry Reservation Center (Taira Port – Nagasu Port)	TEL. 0957-78-2105
Shimatetsu Ferry (Kuchinotsu Port – Oniike Port)	TEL. 0957-86-2165
Kyushu Shosen Reservation Center (Shimabara Port – Kumamoto Port)	TEL. 096-329-6111
Kumamoto Ferry Ocean Arrow Reservation Center (Shimabara Port – Kumamoto Port)	TEL. 0957-63-8008





Inquiries about sightseeing in Unzen

Unzen Tourist Association		TEL.0957-73-3434
Obama Hot Spring Tourism Association		TEL.0957-74-2672
Mount Unzen Visitor Center	Information on hiking and nature	TEL.0957-73-3636
Shimabara Tourism Board	Agricultural and fishery activities	TEL.0957-62-0656



Transportation

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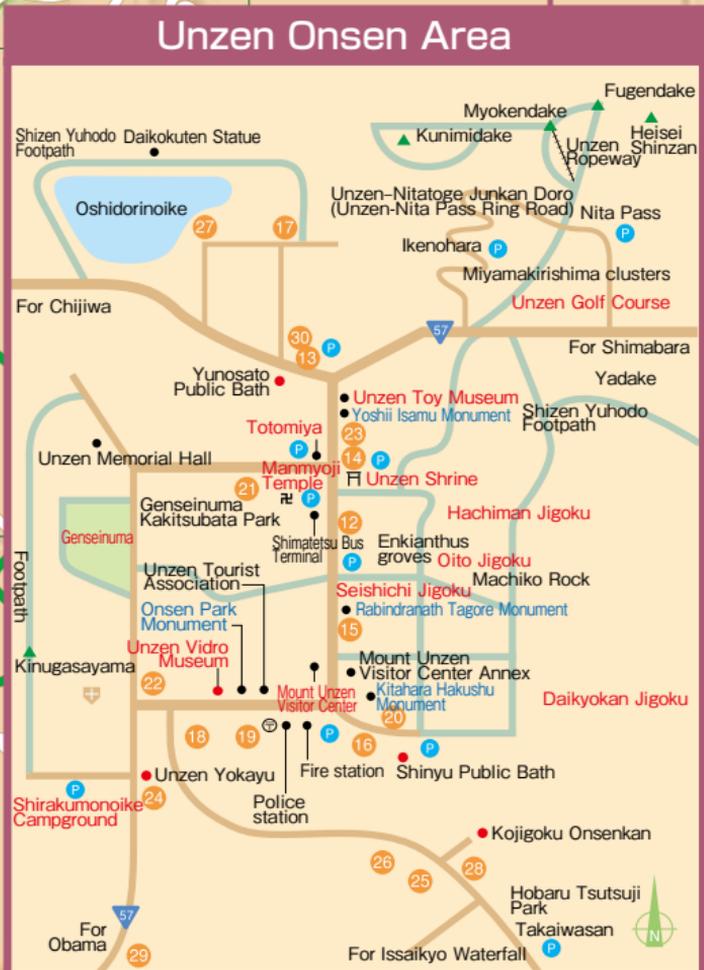
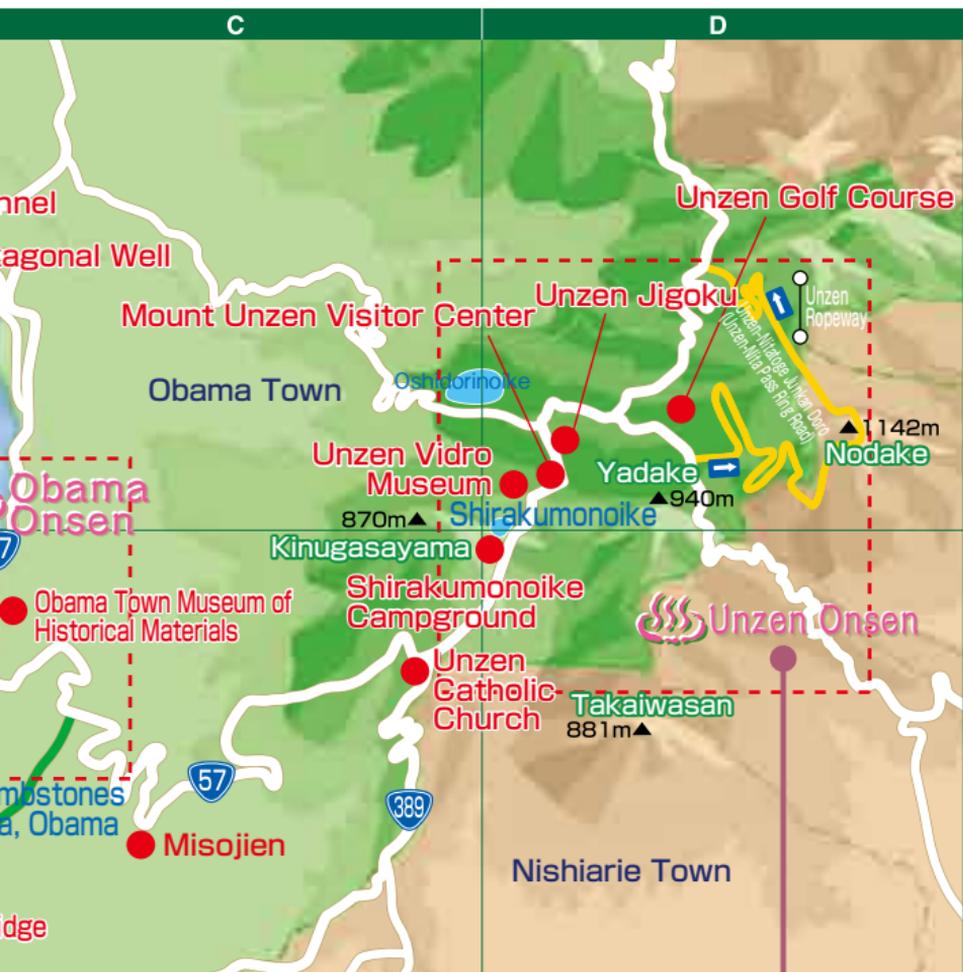




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Nagasaki 854-0514 Japan
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E-mail: info@obama.or.jp

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