

From Japan's historic naval ports

Yokosuka, Kure, Sasebo, Maizuru

# Recommended Dishes

The curry and *nikujaga* that are such familiar parts of modern life in Japan were born in and spread from naval bases.

It is said that Western cuisine had its start in Japan when the navy introduced Western-style dishes as a means of eliminating malnutrition.

Even today, cuisine that originated in the navy can be enjoyed in the Four Cities.



The symbol of the Four Cities

## Yokosuka Kaigun Curry

Made with a recipe from the Meiji Era, Yokosuka Kaigun Curry authentically recreates the taste of those times! Each shop serves Kaigun Curry having a uniquely special flavor.



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## Kure Kaiji Curry

The "curry culture" of the former navy is carried on by today's Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF). The same curry that is served aboard JMSDF vessels can be enjoyed at restaurants in the Kure. Kure restaurants faithfully recreate the curry flavor, which varies from vessel to vessel. More than 30 varieties can be found.



KURE

## Kaigun-san no Beef Stew

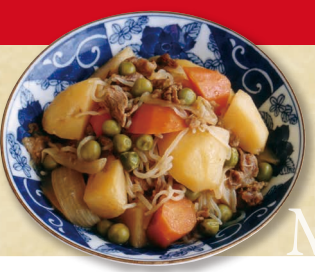
It is said that beef stew became known in Japan when Togo Heihachiro, once commander of the Sasebo naval base, encountered it while studying in England. Menus featuring beef stew made with authentic recipes from Togo's day can be enjoyed at hotels and restaurants in the city.



SASEBO

## Maizuru Nikujaga

*Nikujaga's* roots can be traced back to a Japanese-style *umani* stew flavored with soy sauce and sugar that was made by a subordinate of Togo Heihachiro, the first commander of the Maizuru Naval Base. Having been ordered by Togo to make beef stew, the subordinate came up with *nikujaga* instead because he could not get the proper ingredients. Maizuru Nikujaga made with unique variations of the *umani* recipe can be enjoyed in Maizuru.



MAIZURU

## Historic Naval Bases

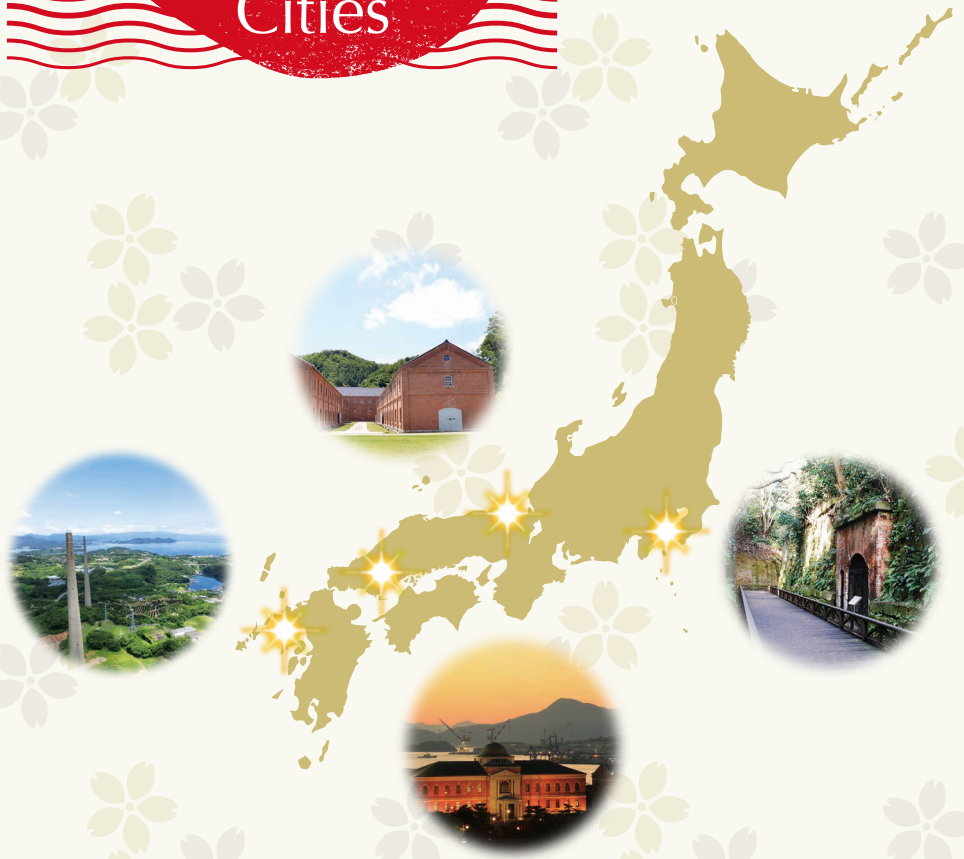
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# A Historical Guide to Japan's First Naval Port Cities



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## Japan Heritage

### Historic Naval Bases

# Yokosuka Kure Sasebo Maizuru

Places to Experience Japan's  
Dynamic Modernization

### Follow the sea breeze for a trip

Yokosuka, Kure, Sasebo, and Maizuru: Four naval port cities born in Japan's Meiji Era (1868-1912).

Following the arrival of Commodore Perry's "Black Ships" in 1853, Japan embarked on a national project to build a modern navy for coastal defense. Originally small farming and fishing villages, the four cities of Yokosuka, Kure, Sasebo, and Maizuru (referred to in this pamphlet as the "Four Cities") had excellent natural harbors, a quality that led to their being chosen as naval bases (*chinjufu*).

The government brought the latest technologies and equipment to the new bases. It constructed ports capable of handling the comings and goings of large naval vessels, ironworks and shipbuilding yards, and sturdy red-brick buildings. It also worked to cultivate new technicians and engineers. The shipbuilding and other technologies that were amassed in the Four Cities were constantly improved as they were passed among the cities and absorbed into the private sector. And in this way, they provided a foundation for Japan's modernization.

### back to Japan's Meiji Era.

Also built were waterworks, railroads, and other urban infrastructure that incorporated the latest technologies. The Four Cities developed rapidly as a result. Food culture in the forms of curried dishes and *nikujaga* (stewed meat and potatoes), sports, and musical culture were also brought in with the navy.

At the conclusion of the Second World War, the Four Cities made use of their former military assets to be reborn as "peacetime industrial coast cities." Today, many of the assets that were built during the cities' naval base days remain in service in one form or another and support local industry and community life.

Of all of Japan's cities, only the Four Cities share a history of service as naval bases and offer opportunities to experience that unique history. Take some time to visit these four former ports of the Imperial Japanese Navy and appreciate their past as dynamic contributors to Japan's modernization.

The stories of the Four Cities were recognized as "Japan Heritage" in 2016.

### What is a *chinjufu* (naval base)?

One of four main Imperial Japanese Navy (IJN) bases that were built on Japanese soil.

## Japan Heritage

The Japan Heritage project was launched by the Agency for Cultural Affairs in 2015. Through it, the agency recognizes cultures and traditions of Japan that are passed down in stories based on unique regional histories and characteristics as "Japan Heritage" so as to raise their domestic and international appeal.

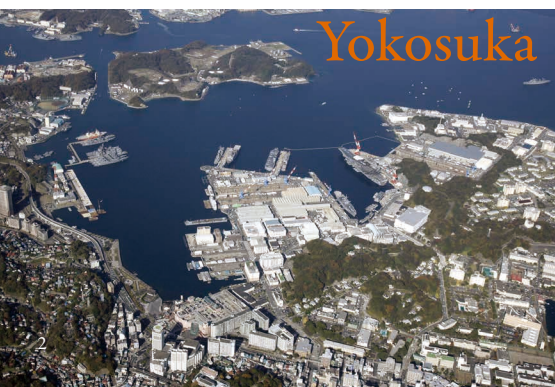


Address Access (public transport) Access (car) Hours Closed  
 Entrance fee Telephone No. Japan Heritage/Cultural Property

\*The entrance fees provided are the adult (ordinary) fee. Please contact the facility you wish to visit for information on other fees.

\*This document was prepared based on information that was current as of June 2017.

\*Please note that some cultural properties are ordinarily closed to the public or have restricted access.



A city at the forefront of  
Japan's modernization

Kanagawa Prefecture

# Yokosuka

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A dynamic spectacle  
—up close!



## ● Detailed view of Yokosuka (1895)

Traces of the  
Yokosuka Port seen  
in this Meiji-Era  
guide map can still  
be seen today.

## ● Yokosuka U.S. Navy Base dry docks No. 1 to 6

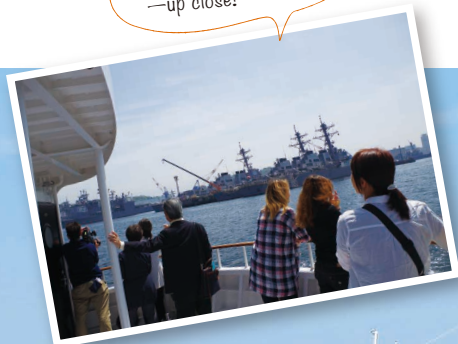
These stone-built docks  
within the Yokosuka Base  
remain in service some  
150 years after their  
completion.  
(Closed to the public)



Dock No. 1 to 3

## Yokosuka Naval Port Cruise

See JMSDF vessels, U.S. Navy Aegis  
guided missile cruisers, and other sights  
from a ship that visits the main Yokosuka  
Port, where the U.S. Navy's Seventh Fleet  
is based, and Nagaura Port, home of the  
JMSDF's headquarters.



## Information

- Shiiori Pier, 2-1-12 Honcho, Yokosuka (1st floor, Seaside Village, Shoppers Plaza Yokosuka)
- 3-minute walk from Shiiori Station on the Keikyu Main Line/8-minute walk from JR Yokosuka Station
- 5 minutes via the Honcho Yamanaka Toll Road from the Yokosuka Interchange on the Yokohama-Yokosuka Road
- ¥1,400 yen
- 046-825-7144 (Tryangle Ltd.)

\*Reservations are recommended. Visit the following website for details.  
<https://www.tryangle-web.com/naval-port.html>

## Verny Park

Verny Park features French-style flowerbeds  
and fountains as well as busts of Oguri  
Kozukenosuke and the French engineer  
Léonce Verny, two driving forces behind the  
establishment of the Yokosuka Ironworks.  
Some 130 varieties of rose, many of which  
come from France, can be viewed there.



## ● Hemi Gate Guardhouses

Guardhouses at the former  
Yokosuka Naval Port's Hemi Gate  
that were built between the late  
Meiji Era and early Taisho Era.



Léonce Verny, a leading figure  
in the Yokosuka Ironworks' founding

## Verny Commemorative Museum

This museum tells of  
the accomplishments of  
Léonce Verny, a French  
engineer who helped build  
the Yokosuka Ironworks,  
as well as the history of  
the ironworks. Its exhibits  
include a ●steam hammer  
that was manufactured in  
the Netherlands in 1865  
and installed in the former  
Yokosuka Ironworks.



## Information

- 1-1 Higashihemicho, Yokosuka
- 1-minute walk from JR Yokosuka Station
- 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- ✕ Mondays and the year-end/New Year's holidays  
\*The following day when Monday is a national holiday
- Free
- 046-824-1800





### ● Sarushima

Sarushima is an island situated some 1.7 km from Mikasa Park in Yokosuka. It is the only natural island in Tokyo Bay. Gun battery sites, ammunition stores, brick tunnels, and other relics of former times remain on the island. The fusion of nature and artifacts from Japan's modernization create a striking landscape.



A great place for a barbecue or fishing!

### Information

- 🚢 Ten minutes by boat (regular service) from Mikasa Pier, next to Mikasa Park  
\*Boats run daily between March and November; weekends and national holidays only between December and February.
- 👉 The roundtrip boat fare is 1,300 yen.  
A 200-yen fee is required to enter Sarushima Park.  
\*Visit the following website for the boat schedule.  
<https://www.tryangle-web.com/sarushima.html>
- ☎ 046-825-7144 (Tryangle Ltd.)

### There's more! Japan Heritage Sites and Cultural Properties in Yokosuka City /

See the map on the next page.

- Tokyo Bay Fortress sites (Chiyogasaki Battery) ● Shikkama Tunnel
- Kannonzaki and Hashirimizu Batteries (Kannonzaki Battery, Sangenya Battery, and Hashirimizu Low Battery)
- Tokyo Bay Third Coast Battery structures (observation post, searchlight, ammunition store)
- Hashirimizu water source (brick reservoir, reinforced concrete clean-water reservoir)
- Hemi water purification plant (4 slow filtration rooms, 2 distribution reservoir intakes, 1 venturi meter room)

For inquiries concerning Japan Heritage sites in Yokosuka, please call the  
Tourism Planning Division of Yokosuka City's Economic Department (Tel.: 046-822-9577).  
For inquiries concerning sightseeing in Yokosuka, please call Yokosuka Tourist Information "Suka Navi ①" (Tel.: 046-822-8301).

## Yokosuka Historical Adventure Map



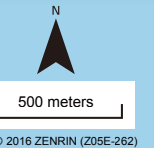
### Yokosuka City, Kanagawa Prefecture



### Access to Yokosuka City

- From Tokyo**  
• Approx. 90 minutes via the JR Yokosuka Line
- From Osaka**  
• Approx. 2 hours and 30 minutes by plane + Keikyu Main Line  
• Approx. 4 hours by Shinkansen + JR Yokosuka Line

- : Japan Heritage/Cultural Property
- ❓ : Tourist information
- 🚢 : Place for viewing naval vessels



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### Verny Commemorative Museum

- Steam hammer

U.S. Navy Yokosuka Base  
Dry dock Nos. 1 - 6

- U.S. Navy Yokosuka Base Bldg. C1
- U.S. Navy Yokosuka Base Bldg. C2
- U.S. Navy Yokosuka Base Bldg. B39



- Bricks engraved with "Yokosuka Ironworks" and "Yokosuka Shipyard"
- 230 plans, materials, and other items concerning the building of a modern shipyard
- Illustrations of the Yokosuka Port area



A city that flourished as the  
Orient's premier naval base

Hiroshima Prefecture

# Kure

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## ●Kure Maritime Museum (Yamato Museum)

The Yamato Museum details the history of Kure, a city that flourished as Japan's top naval arsenal and the Orient's premier naval base, as well as the science and technology related to airplanes and shipbuilding that served as a foundation upon which this history was built. The centerpiece of the museum is a one-tenth scale model of the world's largest battleship, *Yamato*, which was built in Kure. Actual items from the city's past, including a Zero fighter and Kaiten manned torpedo, are also exhibited. There is a park (Yamato Wharf) outside the building that is laid out in a pattern resembling *Yamato* at her actual size. We recommend taking a stroll and enjoying the sea breeze there, or cruising to and from Kure Chuo Wharf, where you can see naval vessels from the sea.



Yamato Wharf

The JMSDF Kure Museum  
is also close by. A submarine on land?!



### Information

- 📍 5-20 Takaramachi, Kure
- 🚌 5-minute walk from JR Kure Station
- 📍 5 minutes from the Kure Interchange of the Hiroshima-Kure Road (Kurea Line)
- 🕒 50 minutes via the Higashihiroshima-Kure Expressway from the Takaya Interchange of the Sanyo Expressway
- 🕒 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (Entry is permitted until 5:30 p.m.)
- 🗓 Tuesdays (the following day, if Tuesday is a national holiday)
- 💰 500 yen
- ☎ 0823-25-3017

## Irifuneyama Memorial Museum

The Irifuneyama Memorial Museum is a collection of historical structures of Kure. Among other structures on the grounds are the commander's residence for the former Kure Naval Base, a detached house in which the Togo family lived, a clock tower of the former Kure Naval Arsenal, and an ammunition store for the Takagarasu Battery. There is also a local history museum and folk museum, providing ample opportunities to trace back Kure's history.



Former Kure Naval Arsenal clock tower



Former Kure Naval Arsenal commander's residence



Detached residence of the Togo family

### Information

- 📍 4-6 Saiwai-cho, Kure
- 🚌 15-minute walk from JR Kure Station/3-minute walk from "Meganebashi" bus stop on a Hiroden Bus departing from JR Kure Station
- 📍 5 minutes from the Kure Interchange of the Hiroshima-Kure Road (Kurea Line)
- 🕒 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (admittance until 4:30 p.m.)
- 🗓 Tuesdays (the following day, if Tuesday is a national holiday), December 29 to January 3
- 💰 250 yen ☎ 0823-21-1037



## ●JMSDF Kure District HQ Building No. 1 (Former building of the Kure Naval Base)

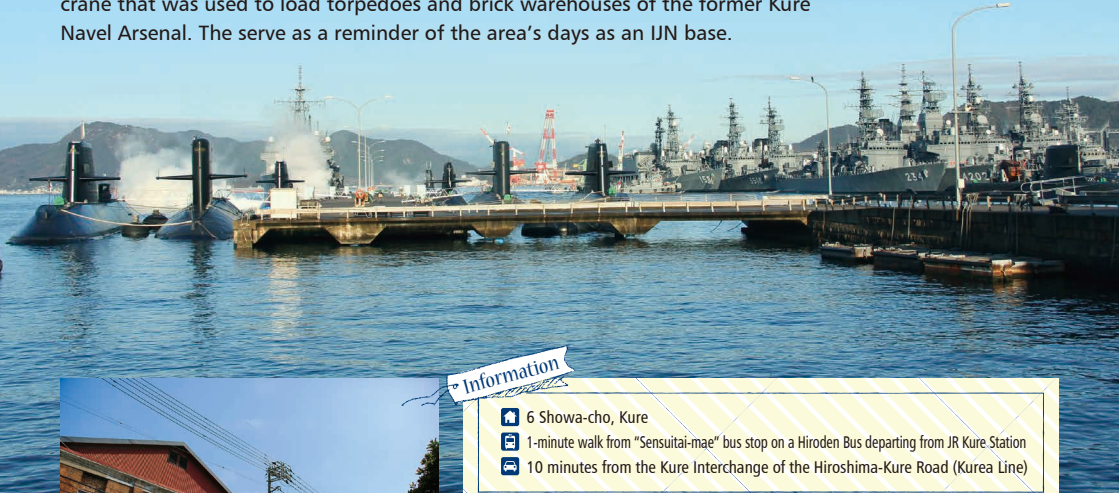
Completed in 1907, this building is representative of surviving brick structures in Kure. The modern Western-style architecture combining bricks and granite has a majestic beauty and speaks a lot about the high technical capabilities of those days. Today, it is cherished by the Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force as the first HQ building in Kure District.

### Information

- 📍 8-1 Saiwai-cho, Kure
- 🚌 20-minute walk from JR Kure Station/1-minute walk from "Sokanbu-mae" bus stop on a Hiroden Bus departing from JR Kure Station
- 🕒 Sundays (May be closed on other days without notice.) \*Prior application is a must in order to visit the museum. Visit the following website for details
- 🌐 <http://www.mod.go.jp/msdf/kure/info/facilities/> ☎ 0823-22-5511

## ●Alley-Karasukojima

This park offers close-up views of JMSDF submarines. In the vicinity there are a crane that was used to load torpedoes and brick warehouses of the former Kure Naval Arsenal. The serve as a reminder of the area's days as an IJN base.



### Information

- 6 Showa-cho, Kure
- 1-minute walk from "Sensuitai-mae" bus stop on a Hiroden Bus departing from JR Kure Station
- 10 minutes from the Kure Interchange of the Hiroshima-Kure Road (Kurea Line)



●Brick warehouses of Showa-cho

## ●Hill Overlooking Historic Areas

This park offers a panoramic view of Kure's historical structures and port. Among the things visible are sites where workshops stood during the former IJN days, including the dock where the battleship *Yamato* was built, and buildings of the former Kure Naval Base.



Monument for the Battleship Yamato

## ●Large roof of Japan Marine United Corporation's Kure Shipyard (former Kure Naval Arsenal's shipbuilding dock)

The large roof of the shipbuilding dock that was used to build the battleship *Yamato* still exists.



### Information

- 5 Miyahara, Kure
- Hiroden Bus from JR Kure Station
- 1-minute walk from "Shikikui-mae" bus stop
- 10 minutes from the Kure Interchange of the Hiroshima-Kure Road (Kurea Line)

## There's more! Japan Heritage Sites and Cultural Properties in Kure City /

See the map on the next page.

- Niko water source intake ●Honjo water source weir and supply facility
- Gun batteries protecting Kure Bay (Hiro Bay) (remnant of Takagarasu Battery and remnant of Ozorayama Battery)

For inquiries related to Japan Heritage sites in Kure, please call the **Planning Division of Kure City's Planning Department** (Tel.: 0823-25-3225).

For inquiries related to sightseeing in Kure, please call the **Kure Tourist Information Plaza** (Tel.: 0823-23-7845).

## Kure Historical Adventure Map



## Kure City, Hiroshima Prefecture



### Access to Kure City

#### From Tokyo

- Approx. 2 hours and 30 minutes by plane + Airport Bus
- Approx. 4 hours and 30 minutes by Shinkansen + JR Kure Line

#### From Osaka

- Approx. 2 hours by Shinkansen + JR Kure Line



500 meters

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## ● Mukyudo

This giant air-raid shelter was dug into the bedrock by elementary school teachers and students during the Second World War. Inside are a kitchen, toilet, and classrooms.



### Information

- 📍 Joma-cho, Sasebo
- 🚶 20-minute walk from JR Haenosaki Station
- 🚗 20 minutes from the Sasebo-Daito Interchange on the Nishi-Kyushu Expressway
- 🕒 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- 📅 December 29 to January 3
- 💰 Free
- ☎ 0956-59-2003

Even the teacher's podium was made by digging out the bedrock.

An "exotic" port town where Japanese and American cultures are intermingled

Nagasaki Prefecture

# Sasebo

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### Information

- 📍 382 Harionaka-machi, Sasebo
- 🚶 30-minute walk from "Takahata" bus stop on a Saihi Bus departing from JR Sasebo Station
- 🚗 20 minutes from the Sasebo-Daito Interchange on the Nishi-Kyushu Expressway
- 🕒 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m./1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Follow the guidance of the docent when touring the facility.
- 📅 December 29 to January 3
- 💰 Free
- ☎ 0956-58-2718

## ● Old Sasebo Wireless Transmission Facility (Hario Transmitting Station)

These reinforced concrete towers are the oldest yet most technically advanced structures constructed in Japan by the Japanese Navy. They were completed in 1922. The total cost of construction is estimated to have been equivalent to about 25 billion yen in today's money. The facility is comprised of three giant 136-meter-high radio towers.



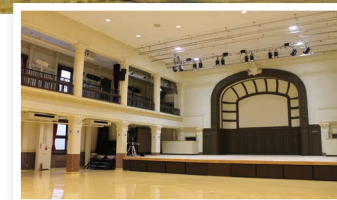
## ● Former Sasebo Naval Base Triumphal Memorial Hall (Sasebo Citizen's Culture Hall)

Constructed in 1923 as a hall commemorating the military's triumphal return from the First World War.



### Information

- 📍 2 Hirase-machi, Sasebo
- 🚶 1-minute walk from "Saseboshi Sogo Iryo Center Iriguchi" bus stop on a bus (Sasebo City or Saihi) departing from JR Sasebo Station
- 🕒 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. (until 5:00 p.m. if no events are scheduled)
- 📅 Tuesdays, December 29 to January 3
- ☎ 0956-25-8192



Get a fantastic view of nearby naval vessels from the observation lobby!



## ● JMSDF History Museum Sasebo (Sail Tower)

This history museum inherits the legacy of the Imperial Japanese Navy. It stands on the site of "Sasebo Suikosha (Navy Club)," a building that naval officers used for entertainment and events. The exhibits detail the naval history of Sasebo, from the opening of the Naval Base to the present day.



### Information

- 📍 8-1 Uwamachi, Sasebo
- 🚶 2-minute walk from "Saseboshi Sogo Iryo Center Iriguchi" bus stop on a bus (Sasebo City or Saihi) from JR Sasebo Station
- 🚗 1 minute from Sasebo-Daito interchange on the Nishi-Kyushu Expressway
- 🚗 2 minutes from the Matsuura intersection on National Route 35
- 🕒 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (admittance until 4:30 p.m.)
- 📅 Third Thursday of each month, December 28 to January 4
- 💰 Free
- ☎ 0956-22-3040

## Sasebo Naval Port Cruise

This cruise offers views of structures, warehouses, shipyards, and a giant cantilever crane from the former naval port and arsenal. Come aboard and see Sasebo Port's transition from the Meiji Era to today.



With only 3 surviving in Japan and 11 in the world, giant cantilever cranes are very rare indeed.



● Sasebo Heavy Industries Co., Ltd.'s 250-ton crane



● Nishikyushu Warehouse Co., Ltd. Maehata No. 1 warehouse (former No. 5 torpedo warehouse)

### Information

- 🏠 8-1 Shinminatomachi, Sasebo (Shinminato Terminal)
- 🕒 5-minute walk from JR Sasebo Station
- 🕒 Departure at around 11:30 a.m. (cruises operate on weekends and national holidays only)
- 📅 Late December to mid-March
- 💰 2,000 yen \*Tickets are sold at the Sasebo Tourism Information Center (in JR Sasebo Station) \*A reservation is required.
- 🗑️ Cruises may be canceled by noon on the previous day when stormy weather is predicted.
- ☎️ 0956-22-6630 (Sasebo Tourism Information Center)

## Sasebo Cruise Bus "Umikaze"

This bus, fashioned to resemble a luxurious yacht, visits the Kujukushima Islands and popular sights of the Sasebo port town. Passengers can leave the bus to see the shipyards and warehouses up close.



Let us be your guide!

### Information

- 🏠 Tours leave from Huis Ten Bosch, the Sasebo Bus Center, and Minato Exit of Sasebo Station (the point of departure may vary depending on the course).
- 🕒 Varies depending on the points of departure and arrival
- 📅 Thursdays
- 💰 Departure from Sasebo Bus Center or Sasebo Station's Minato Exit: 1,800 yen  
Departure from Huis Ten Bosch: 2,000 yen
- ☎️ 0956-22-6630 (Sasebo Tourism Information Center)

### \ There's more! Japan Heritage Sites and Cultural Properties in Sasebo City / (partial list)

See the map on the next page.

- Okamoto water source ● Yamanota water source ● Tategami pier
- Sasebo Heavy Industries Co., Ltd.'s docks No. 5 and 6 ● Hirase brick warehouses
- Tategami brick warehouses
- Sasebo Fortress and related facilities (Marudeyama battery site, observation post, etc.)
- Maehata magazine ● Haenosaki Tunnel ● Shimizunose Bridge
- Batteries of the Sasebo Naval Guard (Tajimadake antiaircraft battery, Tonoo Market, etc.)

For inquiries concerning Japan Heritage sites in Sasebo, please call the  
Tourism Division of Sasebo City's Department of Tourism, Commerce and Industry (Tel.: 0956-25-9639).

For inquiries concerning sightseeing in Sasebo, please call the Sasebo Tourism Information Center (Tel.: 0956-22-6630).

## Sasebo Historical Adventure Map



### Sasebo City, Nagasaki Prefecture



A port town of  
beautiful red brick and nostalgia

Kyoto Prefecture

# Maizuru

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## ●Maizuru Brick Park

In 1901, the only naval base on the nation's Sea of Japan side was established at Maizuru. From that time until 1921, numerous brick structures were constructed in the city. Of the twelve red brick warehouses that survive today, five have been formed into a tourist destination called "Maizuru Brick Park." Visitors enjoy a retro and romantic atmosphere that makes them feel as if they've traveled back in time.



### Information

- 📍 1039-2 Kitasui, Maizuru
- 🚌 10-minute walk from JR Higashi-Maizuru Station
- 🕒 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (admittance until 4:30 p.m.)
- 📅 December 29 to January 1
- 💰 Free World Brick Museum: 300 yen
- ☎ 0773-66-1096

The warehouses have been remodeled into cafés and spaces for events.



## Maizuru Port Pleasure Boat

This roughly 30-minute cruise offers incredible views of escort vessels, shipyards, and other highlights of the port from the sea!

### Information

- 📍 Kitasui red brick pier (next to the World Brick Museum)
- 🚌 10-minute walk from JR Higashi-Maizuru Station
- 🕒 Cruises leave at 11:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 1:00 p.m. (Boats operate on weekends, national holidays, and August 13 to 15 only.)
- 📅 December to mid-March 💰 1,000 yen
- ☎ 0773-75-8600 (Maizuru Tourist Station)



## ●Navy Memorial Hall

This museum for the former Imperial Japanese Navy was established in part of the large auditorium of the JMSDF's Maizuru District HQ. Some 200 valuable items related to the IJN are on display, among them some concerning Togo Heihachiro, the Maizuru Naval Base's first commander.



### Information

- 📍 1190 Amarubeshimo, Maizuru
- 🚌 "Jieitaisanbashi-mae" bus stop on a Kyoto Kotsu Bus from JR Higashi-Maizuru Station
- 🚌 Twenty minutes from the Maizuru-Higashi Interchange on the Maizuru-Wakasa Expressway
- 🕒 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (open to the public on weekends and national holidays only; admittance ends at 2:45 p.m.)
- 💰 Free ☎ 0773-62-2250

It's sometimes used as a movie set.



### Information

- 📍 1200 Amarubeshimo, Maizuru
- 🚌 5-minute walk from "Zosenjo-mae" bus stop on a Kyoto Kotsu Bus from JR Higashi-Maizuru Station
- 🕒 Open to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month (the second Sunday in January)
- 🌐 <http://www.mod.go.jp/msdf/maizuru/kengaku/tougoutei.html>
- 💰 Free ☎ 0773-62-2250

## ●Togo Historic Residence (Maizuru Naval Base commander's residence)

This was the house used by commanders of the Maizuru Naval Base, beginning with the very first, Togo Heihachiro. It is a single-story home built with a blending of Japanese and Western styles. It is currently managed by the JMSDF and used as a meeting place for the Maizuru District HQ.










## Maizuru Repatriation Memorial Museum

Following the end of the Second World War in 1945, some 6.6 million Japanese remained abroad. Of them, roughly 600,000 were interned in the Soviet Union in Siberia. For a period of thirteen years that ended in 1958, approximately 660,000 Japanese were warmly welcomed back to their country at Maizuru. The museum has received some 16,000 invaluable items from all parts of Japan, among them coats and other cold-weather clothing worn in Siberia and paintings depicting conditions there. More than 1,000 of them are on display. The museum's mission is to convey the historical facts of the repatriation and a wish for peace to coming generations. In 2015, 570 items in the museum's collection were entered into the UNESCO Memory of the World Register.



Information

-  1584 Taira, Maizuru
-  "Hikiage Kinenkan-mae" bus stop on a Kyoto Kotsu Bus from JR Higashi-Maizuru Station
-  Fifteen minutes from the Maizuru-Higashi Interchange on the Maizuru-Wakasa Expressway
-  9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (admittance until 4:30 p.m.)
-  Third Thursday of each month (except in August or on a national holiday), December 29 to January 1
-  300 yen
-  0773-68-0836



See the map on the next page.

- Katsura reservoir (Maizuru municipal waterworks facility)
- Kishidani reservoir (Maizuru municipal waterworks facility)
- Matsunoodera Station (JR Obama Line facility)
- Former Okada Bridge
- Yuragawa Bridge (tunnel and bridge facility of the Miyama Line, Kyoto Tango Railway)
- Former Maizuru Fort (Makiyama Battery, Ashidani Battery, Kanagasaki Battery, Tatebe Battery, etc.)
- Kanzaki Brickyard Hoffmann-style ring kiln and Minato Junisha washstand

For inquiries concerning Japan Heritage sites in Maizuru, please call the  
**Tourism & Commerce Division of Maizuru City's Tourism & Community Development Department (Tel.: 0773-66-1024).**  
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