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"YOKOSO" means "welcome"

OKINAWA

OKINAWA ISLAND

The Island of Okinawa (沖縄島), some 685 km away from the south-western tip of Kyushu, is the largest of a string of 70-odd islands and islets of the Ryukyu Islands. Okinawa itself has a subtropical climate boasting plants and flowers all year round. Coral reefs, emerald seas and

sunny skies attract sea and sunbathers all year round. Okinawa also abounds in sites of historical interest. Its rich cultural heritage differs markedly from that found in mainland Japan.

Access:

Naha (那覇), the capital city of Okinawa, is the gateway to and from Okinawa for both seaborne and airborne visitors.

By Air:

To	From	Operated by	Time required	One-way (¥)
Naha 那覇	Haneda (Tokyo) 羽田	ANA, JAL, JTA	2 hrs. 30 min.	37,400
	Haneda (Tokyo) 羽田	SKY		Approx. 24,700
	Itami (Osaka) 伊丹	ANA, JAL	2 hrs.	31,400
	Kansai (Osaka) 関西	ANA, JAL, JTA	1 hrs. 50 min.	31,400
	Sendai (Miyagi) 仙台	ANA, JAL	3 hrs.	46,400
	Fukushima 福島	JTA	2 hrs. 40 min.	42,900
	Komatsu (Kanazawa) 小松	JTA	2 hrs. 15 min.	37,400
	Chubu (Nagoya) 中部	ANA, JAL	2 hrs. 15 min.	35,400
	Fukuoka 福岡	JTA, ANA, JAL	1 hr. 40 min.	25,200
	Okayama 岡山	JTA	1 hrs. 55 min.	31,400
	Hiroshima 広島	ANA	1 hr. 50 min.	29,400
	Matsuyama 松山	JTA	1 hr. 40 min.	28,700
	Takamatsu 高松	ANA	2 hrs. 5 min.	30,800
	Nagasaki 長崎	ANA	1 hr. 25 min.	26,100
	Kumamoto 熊本	ANA	1 hr. 30 min.	24,800
	Miyazaki 宮崎	ANA	1 hr. 25 min.	26,000
	Kagoshima 鹿児島	ANA	1 hr. 20 min.	24,100
	Amami-oshima 奄美大島	RAC	1 hr. 10 min.	21,400
	Yoron 与論	RAC	40 min.	13,000
	• Shin-chitose (Sapporo) 新千歳	JAL	3 hrs. 40 min.	53,400
• Kobe 神戸	JAL, ANA, JTA, SKY	1 hrs. 55 min.	31,400	

JAL = Japan Airlines, ANA = All Nippon Airways JTA = Japan Transocean Air, RAC = Ryukyu Air Commuter, SKY = Sky Mark Airlines

* The one-way fare is regular time price and may change by season. Please check it in advance.

• The service will be suspended by the season.

By Sea:

To	From	Operated by	Time required	One-way fare (¥)	Access to the port (Note)
Naha 那覇	Tokyo (Ariake Pier) 有明埠頭	Marue Ferry マルエーフェリー	47 hrs.	23,500 – 47,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ariake Pier (Tokyo): 15 min. by bus for Ferry Futo Terminal from Shin-Kiba Sta. on JR Keiyo Line or Subway Yurakucho Line: get off at Okinawa-yuki Noriba Bus Stop. ● 15-min. walk from Kokusai-Tenjijo-Seimon Sta. on Yurikamome Line. ● Osaka Nanko Pier: 10 min. by bus to Kamome Pier from Ferry Terminal Sta. on the New Tram Line. ● Rokko Island Pier (Kobe): 10 min. by bus from Rokko Island Sta. on the Rokko Liner. ● Kagoshima Pier: 15 min. by bus to Shinko Pier from JR Nishi-Kagoshima Sta. or 10 min. by taxi to Honko Pier from JR Kagosima Sta. <p>Contact numbers: Marue Ferry: Tokyo Office, Tel. (03) 5643-6170. Osaka Office, Tel. (06) 6341-8071. ● Arimura Sangyo: Nagoya Office, Tel. (052) 659-2671. Osaka Office, Tel. (06) 6531-9267.</p>
	Nagoya 名古屋	Arimura Sangyo 有村産業	45 hrs.	21,200 – 39,200	
	Osaka (Nanko Pier) 大阪南港	Arimura Sangyo 有村産業	30 hrs. 40 min.	19,800 – 37,200	
		Marue Ferry マルエーフェリー	39 hrs. 15 min.	19,800 – 37,600	
	Kobe (Rokko Island Pier) 六甲アイランド	Marue Ferry マルエーフェリー	40 - 42 hrs. 30 min.	18,800 – 37,600	
Kagoshima Shinko Pier 鹿児島新港	Marue Ferry マルエーフェリー	24 hrs. 40 min.	15,200 – 28,400		

Places of Interest by Bus:

To	Bus		
	Route No	Line	Name of Bus Stop
Shurijo Castle (首里城)	1	Shuri Makishi Line	Shurijo Koen Iriguchi (首里城公園入口)
	8	Shuri-Jokamachi Line	
	17	Ishimine Line	
	46	Itoman-nishihara Line	
Okinawa Prefectural Museum & Art Museum (沖縄県立博物館・美術館)	3	Matsukawa Shintoshin Line	Kenritsu Hakubutsukan-mae (県立博物館前)
	10	Makishi Shintoshin line	
	11	Yasuoka Uehara Line	
	223	Gushikawa Omoromachi Line	
	298	Ryudai Omoromachi Line	
Shikinaen Garden (識名園)	2	Shikina Kainan Line	Shikinaen-mae (識名園前)
	5	Shikina Makishi Line	
Himeyuri Monument / Himeyuri Peace Museum (ひめゆりの塔/ひめゆり平和資料館)	82	Gyokusendo-Itoman Line	Himeyurintou-mae (ひめゆりの塔前)
	107	Nanbu Kanjo Line	
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Mabuni Hill (摩文仁の丘)	82	Gyokusendo-Itoman Line	Heiwakinendo Iriguchi (平和祈念堂入口)
Okinawa World (おきなわワールド)	54	Maekawa Line	Gyokusendo-mae (玉泉洞前)
	83	Gyokusendo Line	
Chinen Marine Leisure Center (知念海洋レジャーセンター)	38	Shikiya Line	Chinen Marine Leisure Center (知念海洋レジャーセンター)
Southeast Botanical Garden (東南植物楽園)	90	Chibana Line	Okinawa-shi Nomin Kenshu Center Mae (沖縄市農民研修センター前)
Ryukyumura Village (琉球村)	20	Nagonishi Line	Ryukyumura-mae (琉球村前)
	120	Nagonishi Kuko Line	
Manzamo (万座毛)	20	Nagonishi Line	Onnason Yakuba-mae (恩納村役場前)
	120	Nagonishi Kuko Line	
Ocean EXPO Park (Okinawa Commemorative National Government Park) (海洋博公園)	65	Motobu Hanto Line	Kinenkoen-mae (記念公園前)
	66	Motobu Hanto Line	
	70	Bise Line	
Okinawa Churaumi Aquarium (沖縄美ら海水族館)	65	Motobu Hanto Line	Kinenkoen-mae (記念公園前)
	66	Motobu Hanto Line	
	70	Bise Line	
Tropical Dream Center (熱帯ドリームセンター)	65	Motobu Hanto Line	Kinenkoen-mae (記念公園前)
	66	Motobu Hanto Line	
	70	Bise Line	

Sightseeing Taxis: (English spoken)

Reservation in Naha: Okinawa-ken Kojin Taxi Kumiai

(沖縄県個人タクシー事業協同組合)

Tel. (098) 868-9726 (except Suns. & holidays)

Tel. (098) 868-1145 (Suns. & holidays)

Rent-a-car Agents in Naha:

Nippon Rent-a-Car (日本レンタカー)

Tel. (098) 868-4554

Japaren (ジャパレン)

Tel. (098) 859-2900

Toyota Rent-a-Lease (トヨタレンタリース沖縄)

Tel. (098) 857-0100

OTS Rent-a-Car (OTSレンタカー)

Tel. (0120) 34-3732

Places of Interest:

Central Naha City (那覇市街)

15 min. by bus from Naha Airport to Central Naha City. Fare: ¥200

Kokusai Street (国際通り)

As Naha's main street and downtown shop district. There are hotels, stores, souvenir shops, and many other stores lined up and down this lively 1.6 km street starting from Naha Bus Terminal.

Makishi Public Markets (第一牧志公設市場)

If you walk down Ichiba Hondori Street that runs from the area around Okinawa Mitsukoshi Department Store, you will find Ryukyu-glass work, imported goods, clothes and even plaster Shiisa (Lion-Dogs). There are some restaurants on the 2nd floor that cooks the stuff you bought at the 1st floor's. It is necessary to pay a cooking fee. 8-min. walk from Miehashi Monorail Sta. Open: 10:00-20:00. Closed: 4th Sun. (Fresh Fish Market: 2nd, 5th Sun.)

Tsuboya pottery Museum (壺屋焼物博物館)

10-min. walk from Makishi Monorail Sta. Displays Okinawa's ceramic history, technique and progress of Tsuboya-yaki and characteristic Tsuboya-yaki's work. Open: 10:00-18:00 (enter by 17:30). Closed: Mon. and Dec. 28-Jan. 4. Admission: ¥315

Fukushu-En Garden (福州園)10-min. walk from Kenchomae Monorail Sta. This authentic Chinese garden has 8,500m² of grass area. All buildings are made of wood.

Entrance and exit gate towards the four points of the compass. Each gate has a different style and traditional Chinese structure. Open: 9:00-18:00 (enter by 17:30). Closed: Wed. (When Wed. is a national holiday, the next day will be closed.) Admission: free

Okinawa Prefectural Museum & Art Museum (沖縄県立博物館・美術館)

10-min. walk from Omoromachi Monorail Sta. In the permanent exhibition of the museum, you can see Okinawa's nature, history and culture. The collection of the Art museum is composed of contemporary arts related to Okinawa, Japan and Asia. Both museum also present special and planned exhibitions. Open: 9:00-18:00 (enter by 17:30), -20:00 on Fri. & Sat. Closed: Mon. If Monday is a holiday or Okinawa Memorial Day, closed on Tue. New year's holidays. Admission of permanent exhibition: ¥400 for Museum, ¥300 for Art Museum.

Shurijo Castle Park & Vicinity (首里城公園及び周辺)**Shurijo Castle Park** (首里城公園), 15-min. walk from Shuri Monorail Sta., is a national park as well as a world heritage. In an old section of Naha City overlooking the downtown district, the park was once the seat of the Ryukyu Dynasty which reigned from 1429 to 1879. It abounds in historical relics including Shurijo Castle (首里城) The following is a recommended walking course through the park, which will take about 3 hours.

①Tamaudun (玉陵) → ②Shureimon Gate (守礼門) → ③Stone Gate of Sonohyan (園比屋武御嶽石門) → ④Shurijo Castle (首里城) → ⑤Ruins of Enkakuji Temple (円覚寺跡) → ⑥Benzaitendo Shrine (弁財天堂) → ⑦Ryutan Lake (竜潭池) → ⑧Stone-paved path at Kinjo District (金城町石畳) → ⑨Shikinaen garden (識名園)

①**Tamaudun Royal Mausoleum** (玉陵), designated as a World Heritage Site is the tomb of an ancient Okinawan king, which was built in 1501. The mausoleum is built into a large natural rocky hillside. Open: 9:00-18:00 (enter before 17:30). Admission: ¥200. ②**Shureimon Gate** (守礼門) is one of the restored gates of the ruined Shurijo Castle. ③**Stone Gate of the Sonohyan** (園比屋武御嶽石門), designated as a World Heritage Site, was used by the kings to pray for safe journeys. ④**Shurijo Castle** (首里城) is designated as a World Heritage Site. Several castle structures, including Main Castle, North Castle and South Castle, border a big open space. Shurijo Castle is a unique architecture of the mixture of Chinese, Japanese and Okinawan styles. Open: 8:30-21:00 (Jul.-Sep.), 8:30-10:00 (Dec.-Mar.), 8:30-20:00 (rest of the year). Admission: ¥800. ⑧**Stone-paved path at Kinjo District** (金城町石畳), a 15-min. walk from Shurijo Castle Park, is lined with old-style houses with red-tiled roofs and stone walls. ⑨**Shikinaen Garden** (識名園), 15 min. by bus or taxi from Kinjo District, is a beautiful garden where the detached villa of an old royal family of Okinawa once stood. A World Heritage Site. Open: 9:00-17:00 (Oct.-Mar.) / -17:30 (Apr.-Sep.) (enter 30 min. before closing time). Closed: Wed. When Wed. is a national holiday, next day will be closed. Admission: ¥300

Southern Part of Okinawa (那覇南部)

Okinawa was a major battleground during World War II. Among relics and monuments associated with the tragic war are:

Himeyuri Monument (ひめゆりの塔), 60 min. by bus was erected to console the memories of 219 high-school girls (trainee nurses) and their teachers who committed mass suicide to prevent their capture by the Allied Forces. **Himeyuri Peace Museum** (ひめゆり平和資料館) Open: 9:00-17:30 daily. Admission: ¥300. **Mabuni Hill** (摩文仁の丘), 60 min. by bus from Naha, commands a beautiful and peaceful view of the southern part of Okinawa, was a battle site during the war. Casualties on both sides were many. On the hill stand the Okinawa Peace Memorial Hall and many monuments for the war dead constructed by the prefectures of Japan.

Okinawa World (おきなわワールド) is a leisure land re-creating an ancient Okinawa village including Gyokusendo (玉泉洞). Gyokusendo is

the longest limestone cave in the Orient. 890m is open to the public (Total length is about 5km). You can see an Okinawa textile fabrics and glass making demonstration Ryukyu-dance and Ryukyu folk song on the stage. Also there are Habu (venomous pit viper of Ryukyu) Park and Tropical Fruit Garden. Open: 9:00-17:00 (Nov.-Mar.), / -17:00(Apr.-Oct.) (enter before 1hrs.). Admission: ¥1,200- (including Gyokusendo).

Chinen Marine Leisure Center (知念海洋レジャーセンター) Chinen Marine Leisure Center (知念海洋レジャーセンター) at the tip of Cape Chinen is noted for its beautiful coral reefs and emerald green sea. Colorful coral reefs and tropical fish can be seen from a glass-bottomed boat (¥1,400 for a 25min. ride). A high-speed boat service is also available to a secluded island off the cape where you can enjoy swimming, surfing, diving and angling. Open: 9:00-17:00 (Oct.-Mar.), / -17:30 (Apr.-Sep.).

Middle & Northern Parts of Okinawa (沖縄中部及び北部)

Southeast Botanical Garden (東南植物楽園), in its 400,000m² in size, has 100 species of plants, 3,000 kinds of tropical flowers and 200 tropical fruit trees collected from all over the world. Open: 9:00-17:00. Admission ¥1,000.

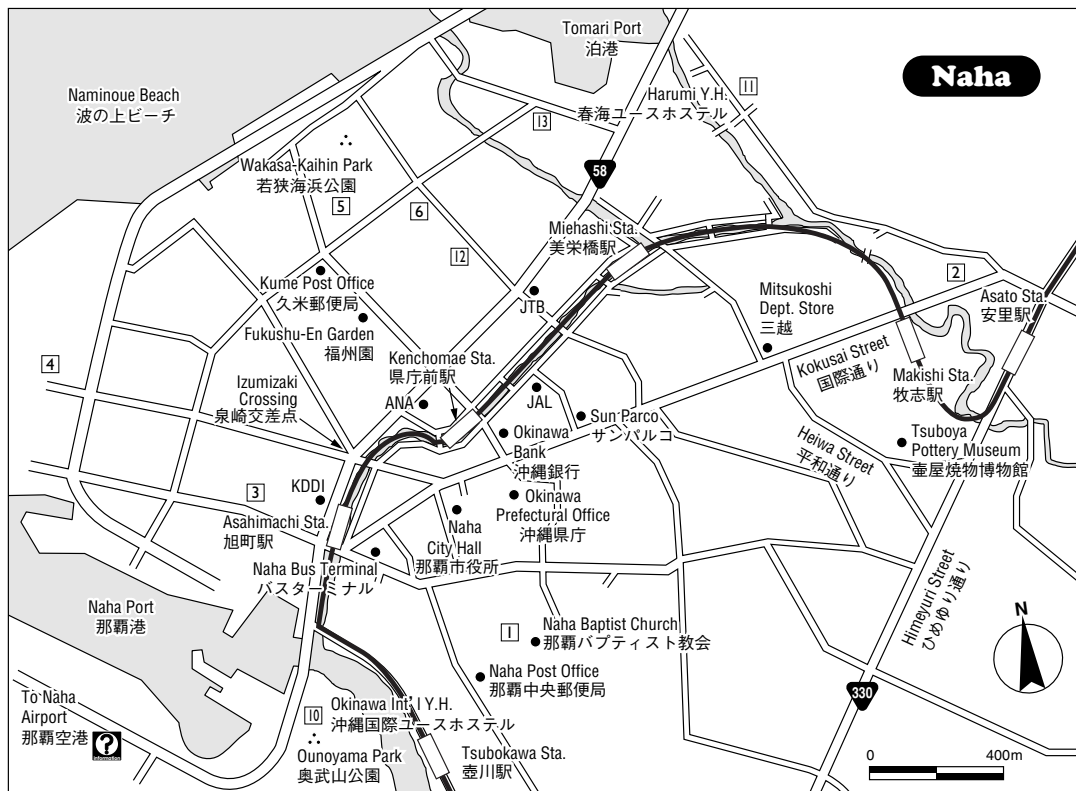
Ryukyumura Village (琉球村) is a leisure center developed at the foot of Tokayama Hill. There are 7 different types of tropical Ryukyu (Old Okinawa)- style houses and exhibit of Okinawa handicrafts. Habu, a poisonous snake found only in Okinawa and Taiwan, are on display. Open: 8:30-17:00. (enter by 16:30) Daily Admission: ¥840.

Manzamo (万座毛) is a grass plateau jutting into Nago Bay. The scenic view available here is said to be one of the best in Okinawa. Cobalt blue waters constantly spray the sheer coral cliffs. Nearby are many fine bathing beaches including Manza beach (万座ビーチ).

Ocean EXPO Park (Okinawa Commemorative National Park) (海洋博記念公園), about 3 hrs. by bus from Naha, is a national park. Originally constructed for the 1975 Ocean EXPO, this is the largest theme park in Okinawa.

Okinawa Churaumi Aquarium (沖縄美ら海水族館) is the world's first aquarium designed to raise multiple whale sharks and mantas. The world's largest acrylic panels are used here. Open: 8:30-18:30 (Oct.-Feb.) / -20:00 (Mar.-Sep.). enter 1hr. before closing time. Closed: 1st Wed. & Thu. of Dec. Admission: ¥1,800 <http://www.kaiyohaku.com/en/index.html>

Tropical Dream Center (熱帯ドリームセンター) is famous for 2,000 orchids and tropical plants flowering throughout the year. Open: 8:30-19:00 (Mar. - Sep.) -17:30 (Oct. - Feb.). Admission: ¥670



① - ⑬ correspond to those in the accommodations list on page 6/8

MIYAKO ISLAND & ISHIGAKI ISLAND

Access to Miyako Island (宮古島) and Ishigaki Island (石垣島):

By Air:

To	From	Operated by	Time required	One-way fare (¥)	Note
Miyako	Tokyo (Haneda)	JTA	3 hrs. 20 min.	50,900	JTA (Japan Transocean Air) 日本トランスオーシャン航空 Tel. (0120) 25-5971
Miyako	Naha	JTA, ANA	45 min.	16,100	
Ishigaki	Naha	JTA, ANA	50 min.	21,100	ANA Tel. (0120) 029-222
Ishigaki	Tokyo (Haneda)	JTA	3 hrs. 30 min.	54,400	
Miyako	Osaka (Kansai)	ANA	3 hrs. 55 min.	44,400	
Miyako	Ishigaki	JTA, RAC	30 min.	10,900	RAC (Ryukyu Air Commuter) 琉球エアークミューター Tel. (0120) 25-5971
Miyako	Tarama	RAC	20 min.	7,800	

* The one-way fare is regular time price and may change by season. Please check them in advance.

By Sea:

To	From	Operated by	Time required	One-way fare (¥)	Note
Ishigaki	Naha	Arimura Sangyo	14 hrs. 15 min.	6,800–20,000	operated by Arimura Sangyo 有村産業 Osaka: Tel. (06) 6614-7612 Naha: Tel. (098) 860-1980

* The one-way fare is regular time price and may change by season. Please check them in advance.

Miyako Island

Miyako Island (宮古島), about 300 km southwest of Okinawa Island, is like a heaven for skin and scuba divers. The whole island, planted with sugar cane, is surrounded by white sandy beaches washed by the emerald green sea. The island is noted for the unique Miyako jofu fabric. An International Triathlon Competition is held every year in April. The island is free of Habu, the poisonous snake common to some southern regions.

Access to Places of Interest:

Although infrequent, a regular bus service runs from the main area Hirara to places of interest. Regular sightseeing buses (in Japanese) operate on Sundays only. It is most advisable to do the sights by taxi or rent-a-car. Bicycles and bikes can also be rented.

Places of Interest:

Nakasone Toyumiya's Tomb (仲宗根豊見親墓) in Hirara area was built with pieces of coral arranged in the shape of a stairway that attests to the skill of the 15th century stonemasons.

Tax Stone (人頭税石), also in Hirara area, is supposed to have been used to levy taxes from the 17th to the 19th centuries. All the inhabitants were taxed when they grew to be the same height as the stone (1.4m high).

Sunayama Beach (砂山ビーチ), 15 min. by bus from Hirara area, is small but excellent for swimming. The natural crescent of heaped coral and white sands harmonize to form a point of scenic beauty.

Miyako jima City Tropical Garden (宮古島市熱帯植物園), 15 min. by car from Hirara area, with an area of 120,000m², has 40,000 tropical and subtropical plants and trees growing there all the year round. Open: daily. Admission: Free.

Maehama Beach (前浜ビーチ), 20 min. by bus from Hirara area, directly facing Kurima Island (home to the migratory hawk Sashiba), is a 7-km stretch of white sandy beach, one of the best swimming sites on the island. Campsites available.

Higashi Henna Cape (東平安名崎), 50 min. by bus and then a 1-hr. walk at the east end of the island, has a 90m cliff overlooking the East China Sea to the left and the Pacific Ocean to the right. From Hirara City.

Muiga Cliff (ムイガー断崖), 40 min. by bus from Hirara area, and then a 20-min. walk, is a 90 m sharp curved cliff. From here, the view of the Pacific Ocean and Higashi Henna Cape is breathtaking.

Ishigaki Island

Ishigaki Island (石垣島), about 14 hrs. by ship (3-4 runs in a week) from Naha Shinko (Naha new port), 60 min. by plane from Naha

Airport, about 120 km further southwest of Miyako Island, is also noted for its emerald green water and white sandy beaches. The island is also well-known for its pineapples and black pearls which are unique to this island. Ishigaki Island is also said to be the gateway for visits to other Yaeyama Islands further in the south.

Access to Places of Interest:

There is a bus service circling the island, but it runs infrequently. Sightseeing buses (in Japanese), taxis, rent-a-car and rent-a-cycle services can also be contracted.

Places of Interest:

Miyara Donchi (宮良殿内), a 15-min. walk from Ishigaki Port, was built in 1819. It is the only remaining home of a high-ranking samurai in Okinawa. It features a red-tiled pyramidal roof with a strong stone fence and a rock garden of limestone. Open: 9:00–17:00. Closed: Tue. & Dec. 30 – Jan. 3. Admission: ¥200.

Torinji (桃林寺), a 15-min. walk from Ishigaki Port, is a Buddhist temple of the Rinzaï Sect built in 1614. The two king images at the entrance are believed to be the guardian deities of the island.

Yaeyama Museum (八重山博物館), a 5-min. walk from Ishigaki Port, displays 300 items from the Yaeyama people's daily lives. Open: 9:00–17:00 (enter by 16:30). Closed: Mon., national holidays & Dec. 29–Jan. 3. Admission: ¥200.

Chinese Grave (唐人墓), 10-15 min. by taxi from Ishigaki Port, is the grave of 128 Chinese who died from many causes following their shipwreck in 1852. The bow-shaped roof and colors are exotic.

Kabira Bay (川平湾), 40 min. by bus ride from Ishigaki Port, is one of the most scenic spots with its white sands opening onto an emerald sea dotted with tiny islets. It is also a culturing area for the unique black pearl found here.

Sukuji Beach (底地ビーチ), a 15-min. walk from Kabira Park, is excellent for swimming with white sands and shallow waters reaching afar. Diving and fishing are also to be enjoyed.

Mangrove Wood along Miyara River (宮良川のマングローブ), 25 min. by bus from Ishigaki Port, is a real attraction for its size and number of mangrove trees. About 500 **Yaeyama Palm Trees growing in the Yonehara area, the protected plant**, (米原のヤエヤマヤシ群落) are also worth seeing.

Taxi and rent-a-car services in Miyako/Ishigaki Island:

Sightseeing taxis (¥)		Rent-a-car	
Miyako Taxi in Miyako: (Association)	Tel. (0980) 72-4123	Nippon Rent-a-car in Miyako:	Tel. (0980) 72-0919
Taihei Taxi in Miyako:	Tel. (0980) 72-2717	Toyota Rent-a-car in Miyako:	Tel. (0980) 82-3629
Ishigaki Taxi:	Tel. (0980) 82-3088	in Ishigaki:	Tel. (0980) 72-0100
		Nissan Rent-a-car in Miyako:	Tel. (0980) 88-0202
		in Ishigaki:	Tel. (0980) 73-7723 / 4788
			Tel. (0980) 83-0024

TAKETOMI ISLAND

Taketomi Island (竹富島), 10 min. by boat from Ishigaki Island, is only 9 km in circumference and is made entirely of coral. Private houses with red tiles surrounded by coral walls are scattered about and retain traces of olden times. While bicycling on ancient Taketomi roads surrounded

Rent-a-cycle: ¥300 per hour; ¥1,500 a day.
Buffalo carts (水牛車): ¥1,200 for 30 min. per person.

by white sand made from coral, you can see carts pulled by water buffalo, relish the tropical atmosphere and enjoy bananas, hibiscus and bougainvillea in bloom. The island is also noted for its star-shaped crystalline sand, which is rapidly dwindling.

Available at:
Nitta Kanko (新田観光): Tel. (0980) 85-2103.
Taketomi Kanko Center (竹富観光センター): Tel. (0980) 85-2998.

IRIOMOTE ISLAND**Iriomote Island**

Iriomote Island (西表島) is reached in 50 min. or 1 hr. 30 min. by boat from Ishigaki Island. It has an area of 322 km² and a population of about 2,300. With the largest coral reef in Japan stretching 20 km long and 15 km wide, this island is a tropical paradise. Nearly 90 percent of the island is covered by a primeval jungle predominately of mangrove, palm

and banyan trees. This island is also famous as the habitat of the Iriomote wild cat. An atmosphere of unspoiled nature, free from the hustle, bustle, and pollution of urbanized city life, is the most attractive asset of this island. For individuals, sightseeing is difficult, since there are no taxi or regular bus services. However, there are many sightseeing tours from Ishigaki Island operated by several travel agencies.

Access to Taketomi Island (竹富島) and Iriomote Island (西表島) from Ishigaki Island (石垣島) by sea:

To	Operated by	Time required	One-way fare (¥)	Frequency/Day	Operator
Taketomi Island	Yaeyama Kanko Ferry Anei Kanko	15 min.	580	Every 30 min.	Yaeyama Kanko Ferry 八重山観光フェリー Ishigaki: (0980) 82-5010
Iriomote Island Ohara Port 大原港	Yaeyama Kanko Ferry	40 min.	1,540	12 times	
Uehara Port 上原港	Yaeyama Kanko Ferry	50 min.	2,000	5-9 times	Anei Kanko 安栄観光 Ishigaki:(0980) 83-0055

* The one-way fare is regular time price and may change by season. Please check them in advance.



TOURIST INFORMATION

(Visit Japan Information Network)

Naha Airport Visitor Information Center:

Naha Airport, 150, Kagamizu, Naha City, Okinawa Pref.
9:00-21:00 Tel. (098)857-6884

Earthtrip:

1F 5-11-4 Kinjyo, Naha city, Okinawa Pref.
9:00-19:00 Tel. (098)857-6545

Okinawa Convention & Visitors Bureau:

2F Sangyoshien Center, 1831-1 Aza Oroku, Naha City (In the Okinawa Industry Support Center) Okinawa Pref. Tel. (098)859-6123
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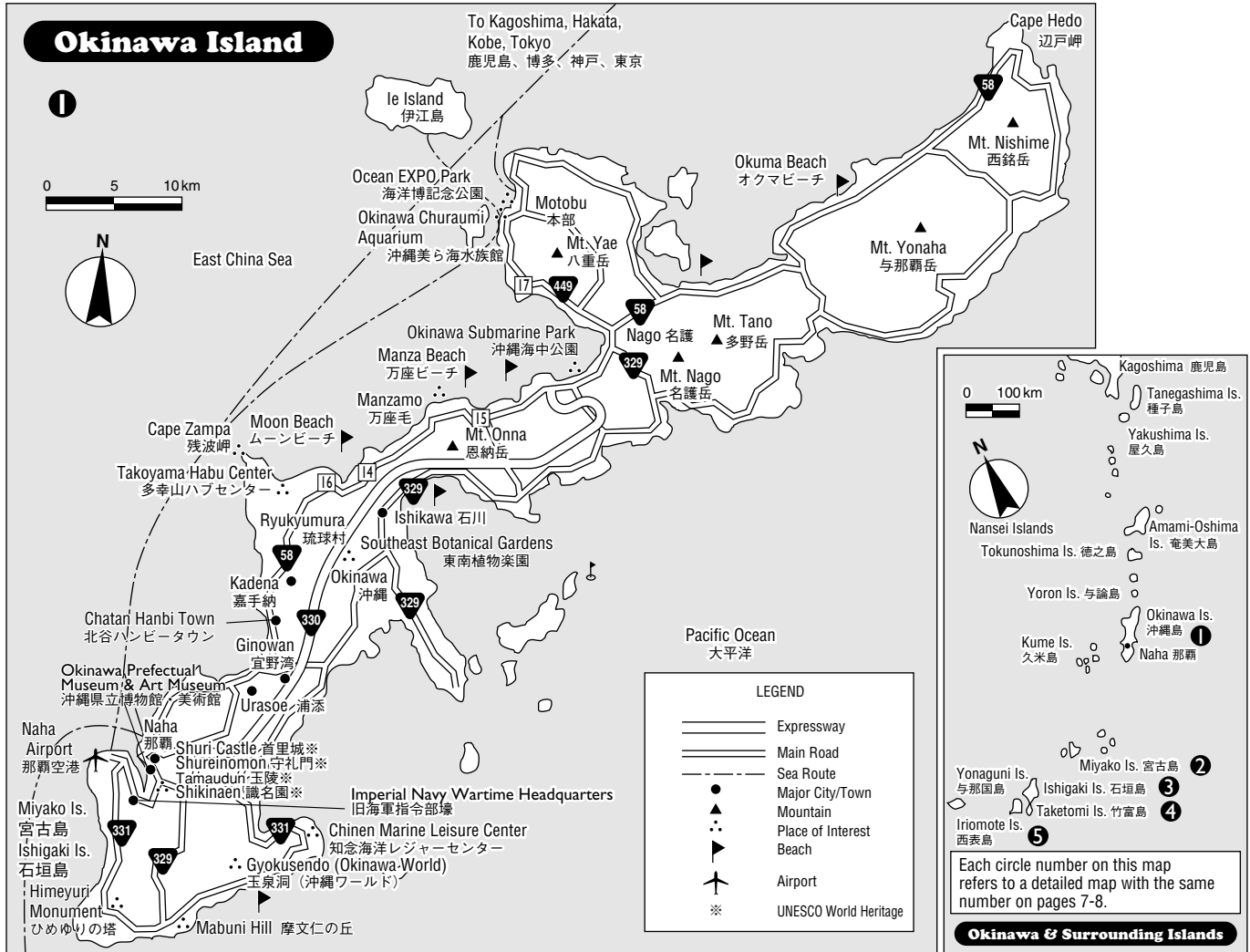
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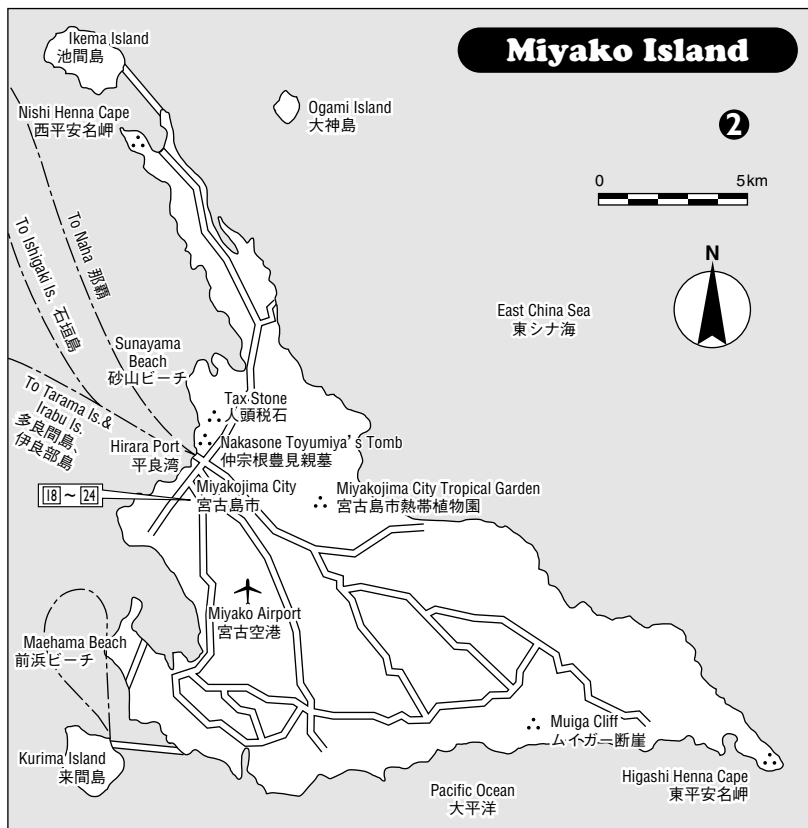
Name of facility	Tel.	Fax.	Room rate (¥)
Okinawa Main Island			
Naha City:			
1 Okinawa Harbor View Hotel (H)	(098) 853-2111	(098) 835-9696	¥¥¥
2 Hotel Royal Orion (H)	(098) 866-5533	(098) 862-9039	¥¥¥
3 Okinawa Fuji Hotel (H)	(098) 868-1118	(098) 868-2189	¥¥¥
4 Pacific Hotel Okinawa (H)	(098) 868-5162	(098) 868-8876	¥¥
5 Hotel Victory (H)	(098) 868-0701	(098) 868-5934	¥¥
6 Roco Inn Okinawa (H)	(098) 869-6511	(098) 866-0078	¥¥
7 Ekka Hotel (H)	(098) 867-5111	(098) 868-1783	¥¥
8 Hotel Nikko Naha Grand Castle (H)	(098) 886-5454	(098) 887-0070	¥¥¥
9 Okinawa Miyako Hotel (H)	(098) 887-1111	(098) 886-5591	¥¥¥
10 Okinawa Int'l Youth Hostel (Y)	(098) 857-0073	(098) 859-3567	¥
11 City Front Harumi YH (Y)	(098) 867-3218	(098) 862-5219	¥
12 Hotel Taira (BH)	(098) 868-4515	(098) 868-8200	¥
13 Okinawa Oriental Hotel (BH)	(098) 965-6459	(098) 965-6459	¥
Onna Village:			
14 Hotel Moon Beach (H)	(098) 965-1020	(098) 965-0555	¥¥¥
15 Manza Beach Hotel & Resort (H)	(098) 966-1211	(098) 982-3006	¥¥¥
16 Maeda Misaki Divers House (M)	(098) 964-2497	(098) 964-2497	¥
Motobu Town:			
17 Chisun Resort Okinawa Churaumi (H)	(0980) 48-3631	(0980) 48-3639	¥¥¥
Miyako Island			
Miyakojima City:			
18 Hotel New Marukatsu (H)	(0980) 72-9936	(0980) 73-2199	¥¥
19 Hotel Kyowa (H)	(0980) 73-2288	(0980) 73-2285	¥¥
20 Kawada-so (M)	(0980) 72-3368	-	¥
21 Maruwa-so (M)	(0980) 72-2258	-	¥
22 Asahi-so (M)	(0980) 72-0572	-	¥
23 Shichifuku-so (M)	(0980) 72-3316	(0980) 72-3316	¥
Maehama Beach:			
24 Miyakojima Tokyu Resort (H)	(0980) 76-2109	(0980) 76-6781	¥¥¥
Ishigaki Island			
Ishigaki City:			
25 Hotel Nikko Yaeyama (H)	(0980) 83-3311	(0980) 83-3201	¥¥¥
26 Hotel Miyahira (H)	(0980) 82-6111	(0980) 83-3236	¥¥¥
27 Plaza Hotel (H)	(0980) 82-2422	(0980) 83-3965	¥¥
28 Rakutenya (M)	(0980) 83-8713	(0980) 83-8713	¥
29 YH Yashima Ryokan (Y)	(0980) 82-3157	(0980) 82-4546	¥
30 ANA Hotels & Resorts Ishigaki	(0980) 88-7111	(0980) 88-7211	¥¥¥
Kabira:			
31 Ohama-so (M)	(0980) 88-2347	(0980) 88-2401	¥
Hoshino:			
32 Trek Ishigakijima YH (Y)	(0980) 86-8257		¥
Taketomi Island			
33 Ohama-so (M)	(0980) 85-2226	(0980) 85-2226	¥
34 Izumiya (M)	(0980) 85-2250	(0980) 85-2250	¥
35 YH Takana Ryokan (Y)	(0980) 85-2151	(0980) 85-2129	¥
Iriomote Island			
36 Akebono-kan (M)	(0980) 85-6151	(0980) 85-6479	¥
37 Nanpu-so (M)	(0980) 85-5356		¥
38 Iriomote-so Youth Hostel (Y)	(0980) 85-6255	(0980) 85-6076	¥
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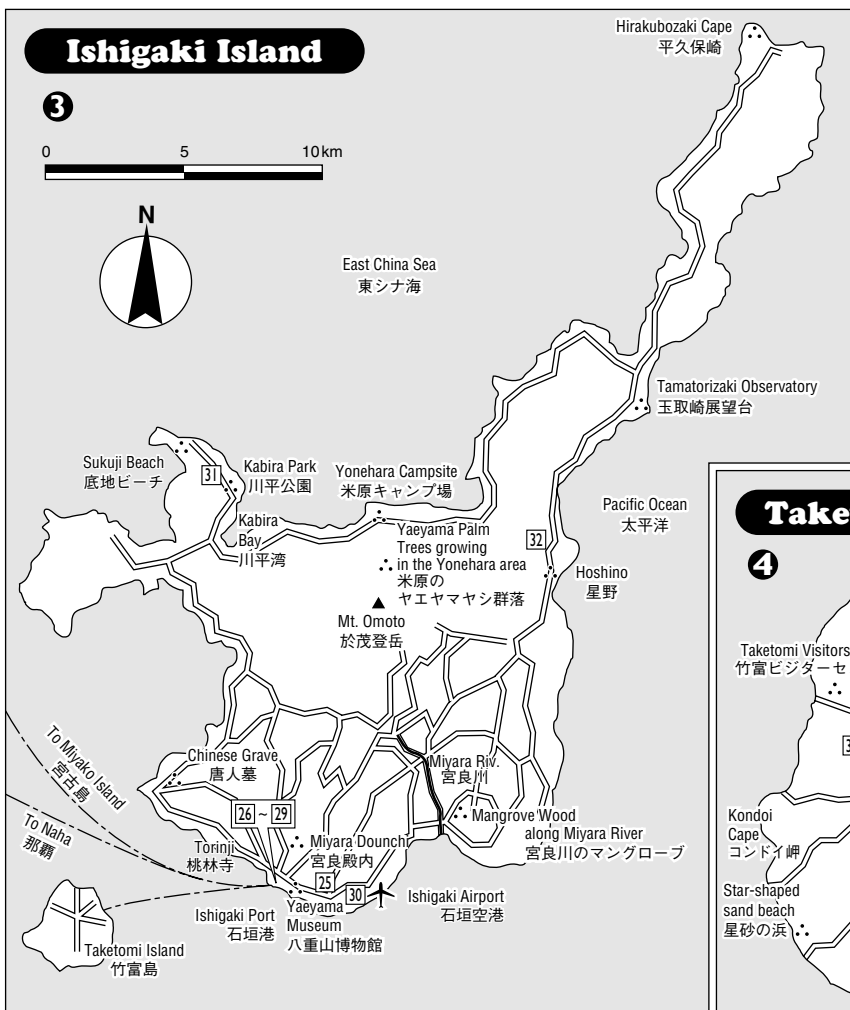
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H = Hotel Rate for a twin room.
BH = Business Hotel Rate per person.
R = Ryokan Rate per person.
Y = Youth Hostel Rate per person.
M = Minshuku (family-run inn) Rate per person.
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¥ 8,000yen or less



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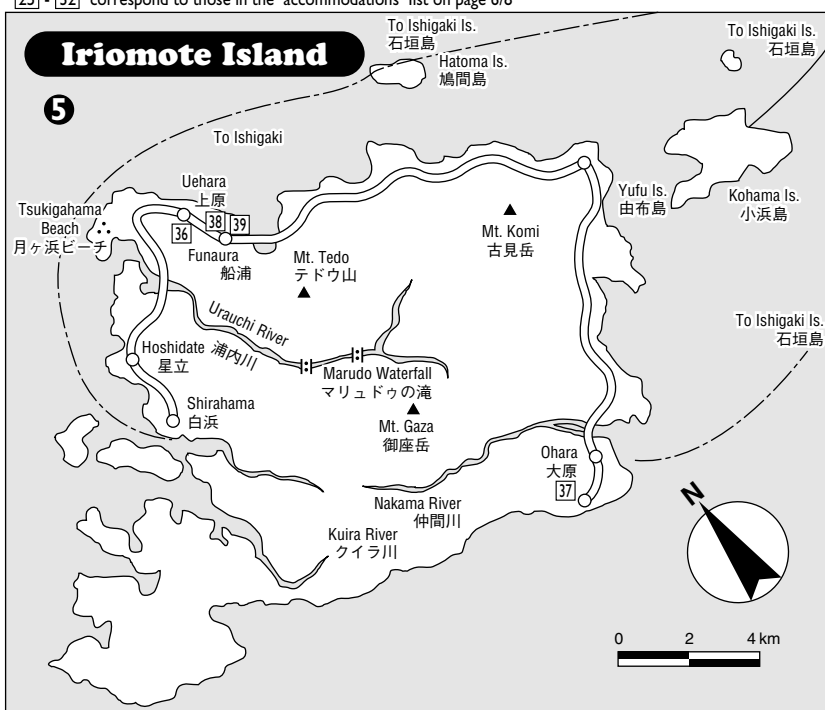


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