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Nijisseiki Pears

White Peaches and

Muscat Grapes

Pufferfish Cuisine

city of Shimonoseki in

guchi Prefecture is the

rfish capital of the world.

ferfish sashimi is sliced thinly to

ved in an artistic arrangement. I

repared by nationally certified

kayama





San'in-Setouchi-Shikoku

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castles in Japan, has been designated as a National Treasure. It stands majestically in the background when the cherry blossoms are in full bloom. Enjoy the cherry blossor at night, in the glow of the festive lantern



positioned at the top of the shrine's 6-meter tall torii gate. On SNS it is ofter called the most difficult offeratory box in Japan to toss a coin into.

Kurashiki Bikan

Okayama

Historical Quarter

hiki Bikan Historical Quarter is one of

ry blossoms along the riverside in this quain with white walls that evoke a sense of his

d some time relaxing at a café or shop in th

Mine Shaft is the only shaft that remains open to the public. The old townscape that remains nestled in the greenery of the mountain evokes a feeling that you have slipped back in time into 17th century. | | Tomonoura Ryugenji Mabu Mine Shaft **⊙**9:00 to 17:00(to 16:00 from De Feb) **ⓒ**Adults: ¥500, Children: ¥250 **Ⅲ** 599 082 238\*73 Edo period. It is said that it was the setting for "Ponyo on the Cliff by



. The Great Torii gate, a symbol of Miyajima and a rar st wooden torii gates in Japan. At high tide it appears to oating magically on the sea, and at low tide you can walk

as the god of matchmaking. It has long history and dates

k to the Age of the Gods. The shrine grounds are quite large

l include the Main Hall, Worship Hall, Sacred Dance Hall, iliary shrines, subordinate shrines, library, and Treasure Hall

articular, the shimenawa (sacred ropes) at the Sacred Dance

21 | Mitokusan <u>Sanbutsuji Temple</u>

This mountain temple is on 900-meter tall Mt. Mitoku. Nageiredo Hall, located on a steep cliff, is said to be

Japan's most dangerous National Treasure." The solem

Japanese Heritage site. For safety, non-slip climbing o

↑ Admission: 8:00 to 15:00 (Until 16:30 for the main hall) \* The mountain path is off limits during inclement weather (December to early April), Groups of 2 or more only, ⑥(Main Hall) Adults: 400 en; Elementary School to Senior High School Students: 200 yen (Nageiredo Hall) Adults: 1,200 yen; Elementary School to Senior High School Students: 500 yen 349 ± 220 480°D;

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path is quite impressive! It is recognized as the first

fee), are required to climb the mountain path.

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Miyajima

12 Kintaikyo Bridge

m 115 891 651\*27

4 Tsuyama Castle(Kakuzan Park)

¶ Taikodani Inari Shrine

Chugoku Expressway

Oji Parking Area

Shimonoseki, Yamaguchi Prefecture

This is one of Japan's five great Inari shrines. It is the second most

visited shrine in Shimane Prefecture, after Izumo Taisha Shrine

suwano, you can see the vermilion-colored torii gates that line

Looking in the direction of Mt. Shiroyama from the town of

Kintaikvo Bridge, built with traditional construction methods, has five beautiful wooden rches. Built in 1673, the bridge is 193.3 meters long and 5 meters wide.

(a traditional method of "Ayu" fishing), with the bridge standing majestically in the

It has been designated as a National Site of Scenic Beauty, and is a popular spot for viewing cherry blossoms and autumn leaves. It is particularly beautiful while illuminated at night. From

🛮 🖔 Taishakukyo Gorge

pleasure boat covered with tatami mats.

Enjoy a 40-minute cruise around Lake Shinryuko, surrounded by autumn leaves in autumn and fresh greenery in summer. The deep blue lake surface, green mountains, and red bridge create a beautiful contrast, which you can enjoy again from a different perspective on

land. One of the highlights is the view of the cliffs and the strangely shaped rocks along both sides. Enjoy a relaxing "stroll on the water" of

Leasure boat Mid-March - Early December: 9:00 to 16:30 இ Junior high schoot tudents and older: ¥1,500, Elementary school students and younger: ¥750 Ø Ope very day during the season ■ 326 312 760'76

throughout the year. Participate with the local residents to get the full experience.

24 Hiruzen Snow Festival Okayama This event celebrates winter and snow in Hiruzen. The venue h

large igloos, as well as mini-igloos that are made by visitors. At night, 1000 igloos are illuminated by candlelight, creating a dream-like atmosphere. Enjoy winter activities, such as sleddir snowshoeing, as well as live concerts and local cuisine. 



25 Bihoku Winter Illumination This event is held at Bihoku Hillside Park from early November to early January. The area where each tree is decorated with lights is called the "Glowing Forest." The depth of the decorations,

combined with the topography of the park, is stunning.

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Kudamatsu

Miyajima

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### **26** Yanai Goldfish Lantern Festival Yamaguchi This major summer event held in the city of Yanai is based on the motif of

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99 Tottori Shan-Shan Festival

merfestival. About 4,000 dancers, holding colorful Japanese umbrellas, efully move to the shan-shan ring of bells, creating a masterpiece of danc

he world. It was recognized in 2014 by the Guinness Book of World Records

23 Matsue Water Lantern Festival

During October, the area around Matsue Castle is lit up with

night during this period. Enjoy the fantastic scenery of the castle

'goldfish lanterns,' a type of local folk art. About 2500 goldfish lanterns bathe the entire town in a warm, gentle glow. Even on days other than the festival, you can see cute goldfish lanterns throughout this charming white-walled town, moving their fins slowly in the gentle breeze. From JR Yanai Station to the white-walled section of town III 115 163 451\*86



Bitchu Matsuyama

Bitchu Matsuvama Castle, also known as tl

Castle in the Sky," is notable as the castle with

the highest elevation above sea level in Japan The castle appears to float on a sea of clouds, creating a beautiful and fantastic image.

Autumn and winter are the best seasons fo

seeing this sea of clouds in the early morning

Castle
Okayama

There are many activities available in the Chugoku Region, Experience nature, culture, and history,



29 Okonomiyaki Experience

28 Fruit Picking

climate of this "Land of Sunshine." Check the following URI

for more information about seasons and farms

Okayama

oy kayaking on the Uradome Coast, which is part of a UNESC obal Geopark. When you row out onto the clear blue sea in a nsparent kayak, it seems as if it is just you floating on the water.

servations required: http://iwami.to/menu.html)

y to the end of September III 960 010 718\*14



30 Tea Ceremony in Hofu Tenmangu Shrine Yamaguchi

Enjoy the beautiful garden and the delicious tea served by the shrine maiden. Hofu Tenmangu Shrine is dedicated to Sugawara no Michizane, he god of learning. Hoshoan was built due to Michizane's deep connection with tea. You can feel the four seasons here. ⑤ 9:30 to 16:00 ⑥ Admission to the garden is free of charge. One serving of tea is ¥500 [mil 93 234 187\*61]

#### 31 Karato Market Yamaguchi

You will find Karato Market in Shimonoseki, the pufferfish capital of the world. On Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, you can enjoy fresh seafood caught that day at one of the sushi stalls. On weekdays, we recommend the cafeteria and conveyor belt sushi on the second floor of the market, as well as the restaurants at Kamon Wharf nearby. 

## The Chugoku Region has many unique natural environments that you cannot find elsewhere. Enjoy soothing and relaxing experiences as you discover the unexpected.





📗 Onomichi and Shimanami Kaido

The Setouchi Shimanami Kaido is a series of bridges that connects : has a 70-kilometer cycling road that is known as a sacred place for cyclists. It feels exhilarating and refreshing to cross the bridges on bic



Shimonoseki in Yamaguchi Prefecture. It is one of the longest bridge to a remote island in Japan (1780 m) that is also not a toll road. The spectacular view of this majestic bridge spanning the cobalt blue sea had led to it being called "the most beautiful bridge in Japan." For a panoramic view of the bridge, visit the nearby Amagase Park.

mestone cave with a total length of about 450 meters has been designated al Monument of Okayama Prefecture. In particular, we recommend seeing the lersea Palace Bridge," which crosses the lake at its deepest point inside the cave, an "Rice Terraces," which feature some of Japan's best rimstones. The quiet cave is minated with colorful LEDs, creating a magical atmosphere.



You can find hot springs in many different locations, such as at beaches, in the mountains, and in the cities. They are great places to relax.



The source of the hot spring is the sea, which is rare in reeze in an open-air bath that overlooks the sea. You car also enjoy bathing in the sea in summe



34 Yunogo Hot Spring Yunogo Hot Spring is said to have been discovered 1200 years ago



33 Tamatsukuri Hot Spring

Japan. Nearby, there are many Japanese inns that evoke a sense of

35 Yuda Hot Spring ource of Yuda Hot Spring is in the center of Yamaguchi City. Enjoy local sake and ed rice cakes called Uiro at a nearby café. There are also many Japanese pubs in

# Delicious Food September 1997 Vegetarian Muslim

The food is beautiful to look at, fun to learn about, and delicious to eat,

Enjoy a delicious meal.







Shimane

Okayama

Bara-zushi

bamboo shoots, and

Kawara Soba

ıra soba noodles are prepare

with matcha) on a roof tile.

noodles are then topped with

repe. To enjoy this delicious

Noodles

ımaguchi

Wagyu Beef

mane Wagyu Beef is meat from

ked #1 in the Wagyu Olympics

neat quality, Shimane Wagyu is vn for its vivid color and

ulous marbling. Try Shimane

nese black cattle born and raised

which includes historical buildings and cultural

properties, and the Ginzan area, which includes a

e refined flavor of snow crab vinter delicacy that is sentative of Tottori. It is cious either boiled or broiled! al) goes perfectly with sake.

Matsuba-Gani

Snow Crab



as a tea master. Due to his ce, it became customary for to enjoy Japanese sweets and matcha casually without a tea nony. Enjoy the delicious tea



alty of Hiroshima Prefecture dients of your choice, such etables, meat, and seafood, yered on top of a flour-based , fried on an iron griddle, n topped with a special

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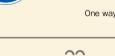
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Prefectural

Flower Park

'ome see autumn flowers at Japan'

argest flower park. One of the best-known sights here is scarlet sage ctober) covering the hill. Enjoy

tulips in spring, sunflowers in summer and nighttime illumination in winter.











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