



EVENTS & FESTIVALS



27 Iwakuni Ropeway Moon-viewing Event

[Date] Evening of the harvest moon



20 Hofu Tenman-gu Shrine Gojinko Festival

[Date] 4th Saturday in November



25 Inaho Festival (Fox's Wedding)

[Date] November 3



20 Hofu Tenmangu Shrine

This is Japan's first Tenmangu shrine, where Sugawara no Michizane, the god of learning, is enshrined. Visitors on their way can stop at the Hoshouan tea house for some matcha green tea.

- 9 Mitajiri-Nakanoseki Port 25 min by car
- 8 Tokuyama-Kudamatsu Port 45 min by car
- 4 Ube Port 55 min by car



23 Rurikoji Temple and the 5-storied Pagoda (A National Treasure)

Known as one of the three great pagodas of Japan, this pagoda is recognized as the best example of architecture from the mid-Muromachi period. Roofed with cypress bark, the pagoda presents an impressive slim, clean form.

- 9 Mitajiri-Nakanoseki Port ... 40 min by car
- 4 Ube Port 50 min by car
- 2 Hagi Port 55 min by car



21 Amidaji Temple

Amidaji Temple is also known as the "hydrangea temple of the west." This festival is held in the month of June, and every year draws large numbers of visitors. It features 4,000 hydrangea plants of 80 varieties including mountain hydrangea, lacecap hydrangea, common hydrangea, western hydrangea, hydrangea hirta, and Japanese snowflower.

- 9 Mitajiri-Nakanoseki Port 30 min by car
- 8 Tokuyama-Kudamatsu Port 35 min by car
- 4 Ube Port 55 min by car



24 Remains of the Kaiten Training Base/ Kaiten Memorial on Ozushima

The Kaiten was a human torpedo used in the Pacific War. Here on Ozushima, there was a base where pilots underwent strict training. The Kaiten Memorial Museum displays personal effects of those who died.

- 8 Tokuyama-Kudamatsu Port ... 0 min + *28 min
- 7 Hiraon Port ... 50 min by car + *28 min
- 9 Mitajiri-Nakanoseki Port ... 55 min by car + *28 min
- *18 min by high-speed ferry + 10 min on foot



22 Mori Garden

This was the residence of the Mori family, lords of the old Hagi Domain. It was completed in 1916 and is now a National Site of Scenic Beauty. The residence is an Edo-era palace, and its large structure that required all the architectural skills of the day to construct. It incorporates luxurious elegance that would be impossible to make today, including doors made from single boards of Yaku cedar. The garden is in a circuit style, with many and varied cherry trees and wisteria blooming in the spring and the splendor of maple leaves in the autumn. Visitors can enjoy rich and colorful scenery that changes with each season.

- 9 Mitajiri-Nakanoseki Port 30 min by car
- 8 Tokuyama-Kudamatsu Port 40 min by car
- 4 Ube Port 55 min by car



26 Ito Memorial Park

Japan's first Prime Minister, Ito Hirobumi, was born and raised in Hikari, Yamaguchi. You can see the residence that he designed and many of the items that he left behind.

- 7 Hiraon Port 25 min by car
- 8 Tokuyama-Kudamatsu Port ... 35 min by car
- 10 Mukuno Fishing Port 45 min by car