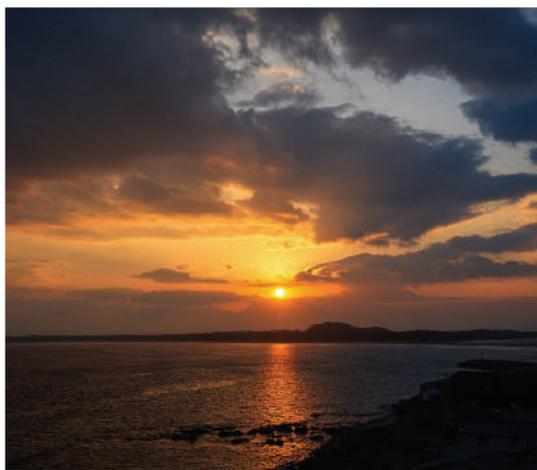




## Morning Purification Over the Sea at Shikaumi Shrine



- Enter the Main Hall: After sprinkling purified sand, ascend the Main Hall—an area generally off-limits to the public.
- Participate in a Special Morning Ritual: The shrine priest will lead a ceremony consisting of drums, chanting, and spiritual tools
- Immerse in the Refreshing Atmosphere: Witness the morning light brighten the sky, and soak in the sacred atmosphere. If you're lucky, you may catch a beautiful sunrise!
- Learn from a Priest Himself: Interact with the shrine's priest who serves as this tour's guide.

Step into the grounds of Shikaumi Shrine, a sacred shrine dedicated to the gods of the sea. The priest will guide guests around the shrine, teaching about the different customs and the shrine's history. After, they will be led to the Great Hall - a space typically off-limits - where a special morning prayer ceremony will take place. Listen to the sounds of the drum and the chanting of the priest in this stirring experience.

After the ceremony, watch as the sky brightens with morning light from the shrine's extraordinary viewpoint that overlooks the sea. This is a unique opportunity to connect with oneself and soak in the refreshing atmosphere as dawn breaks over the water below.



Length  
1 hour



Area  
Shikanoshima,  
Fukuoka



Group Size  
2-10 people  
1 person can participate  
for the price of 2



Season  
Sept-Mar



Price/Person  
15,000~ JPY  
For a group of 2



## Fishing on the Genkai Sea & Aged-Fish Gastronomic Tasting Course



- **Guided by Seasoned Fishermen:** Embark on a fishing boat and try your luck fishing in the waters around Shikanoshima. The sea is abundant with many types of fish!
- **A One-of-a-Kind Gastronomic Meal:** At dinner, partake in a specially prepared meal that includes comparing the taste of delicately aged fish to that of the morning's catch.
- **Experience Specially Aged Fish:** As you enjoy the special course dinner, hear about the intricate and time-consuming aging process that spans days to weeks.
- **Join With Ease:** All of the necessary items to fish will be provided.

In this two-part experience, guests will first hop aboard a fishing boat and head out into the waters around Shikanoshima Island. Under the guidance of an experienced fisherman, they will learn how to cast their lines and fish. These waters are abundant with many different types of fish. Later in the evening, settle down for a cozy meal at Maruryo, a local restaurant on the island that is famous for its aged-fish dishes. During the course meal, the fish caught in the morning will be served alongside Maruryo's carefully aged fish. Savor the different flavors and textures in this exciting, one-of-a-kind gastronomic experience.



Length

AM: 2-4 hours  
PM: 2 hours



Area

Shikanoshima,  
Fukuoka



Group Size  
2-8 people



Season

Late Sept-Early June  
The fishing portion will be carried out depending on the condition of the waves



Price/Person  
25,000~ JPY  
For a group of 2



## Rosary Making and Buddhist Treasures at Shogonji Temple



- **Create an Original Rosary Bracelet:** String a personal bracelet out of wooden beads. These beads are made from remnants of the temple's former Main Hall, which was destroyed by an earthquake.
- **Beads with Meaning:** In addition to the wooden beads, include colorful beads imbued with different meaning to the rosary.
- **Learn About Cultural Assets:** See statues designated by Fukuoka City as Cultural Properties and learn about their connection to the temple and Buddhism.
- **Idyllic View Above the Sea:** This temple is situated in an excellent location with panoramic views of Hakata Bay and the Genkai Sea.

This tour takes place at Shogonji, a Zen temple on Shikanoshima that boasts a sprawling view of Hakata Bay. Step into the entryway to find an expansive interior and an impressive display of statues, some of which have been designated by Fukuoka City as cultural properties. Enjoy this rare opportunity to learn about the sculptures and view them up close.

During the tour, guests will also string their own rosary bracelet using special wooden beads. These beads were made from remains of the temple's former Main Hall, which was destroyed by an earthquake in 2005. In addition to these beads, which carry a special story, guests can add their choice of colorful "power beads" for an added personal touch.



Length

30 min - 1 hour



Area

Shikanoshima,  
Fukuoka



Group Size

1-30 people

Please inquire about larger groups



Season

Year-round

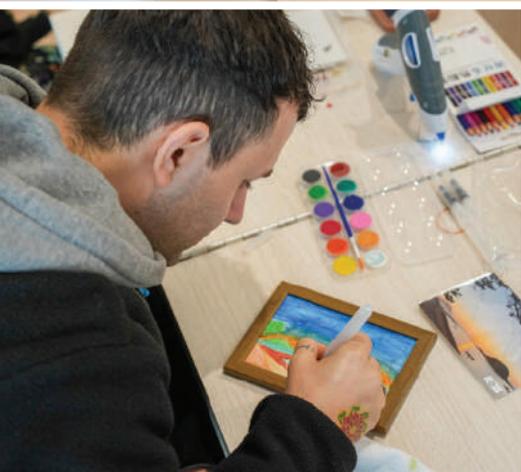


Price/Person

4,000~ JPY



## Beach Combing and Art by Katsuma Beach



- Explore Katsuma Beach: Just a short walk away from the Shikanoshima Visitor's Center is a beach famous for sunsets.
- Discover Treasures in the Sand: Learn where the best beach combing spots are and find treasures in the sand, such as beach glass, pottery, and shells.
- Express Your Creativity: Enjoy creating an original art piece using items found at the beach.
- Learn about Shikanoshima: Peruse the recently renovated Visitor Center and ask the knowledgeable staff any questions about the island.

At the recently renovated Shikanoshima Visitor's Center, participants will learn about the island and its special beach combing spots. Guests will then be able to spend their own time at Katsuma Beach hunting for treasures such as sea glass and shards of pottery hidden in the sand. This beach is famous for sunset views, so visitors can enjoy lovely scenery during their visit. Back at the Visitor's Center, create a bespoke art piece using the items found at the beach. Guests can choose to use prepared design templates or embrace their creativity fully and make an original piece. This activity is perfect for families and overnight visitors looking for a way to enjoy and remember their time on Shikanoshima.



Length  
1 hour



Area  
Shikanoshima,  
Fukuoka



Group Size  
1-20 people  
Please inquire about larger groups



Season  
Year-round



Price/Person  
500~ JPY



## Hakata-Ori Factory Tour and Table Centerpiece Experience at Kuroki Orimono



- Behind-the-Scenes Workshop Tour: Enter the factory, see the machines, and learn about the processes up close - an exclusive experience for tour guests only.
- Learn About Hakata-ori from the Artisan Himself: Kazuyuki Kuroki, third-generation head of Kuroki Orimono, and his wife, Shigeko, teach visitors about Hakata-ori.
- Finish a Table Centerpiece: Learn how to tie and trim the ends of a woven Hakata-ori piece to create a small centerpiece.
- A Valuable Keepsake: Take home the finished centerpiece as a wonderful souvenir of the visit.

Hakata-ori is a traditional silk textile that has been produced in Fukuoka for more than 770 years. On this tour, guests will be able to peek behind the scenes into how this textile is made. The production process is carefully explained by the artisan himself, Kazuyuki Kuroki, third-generation head of Kuroki Orimono. Inside the factory, which is usually off-limits, visitors will be able to view the antique looms up close, see the artisans working at their craft, and witness the magic of how silk threads are woven into beautiful patterns. After the factory tour, participants will learn how to tie the ends of a woven piece of Hakata-ori to make a finished centerpiece that can be taken home. This is a unique experience that brings guests behind the scenes of textile production.



Length  
1 hour



Area  
Kitazaki,  
Fukuoka



Group Size  
2-10 people  
1 person can participate  
for the price of 2



Season  
Year-round



Price/Person  
15,000~ JPY  
For a group of 2



## Sunset Cycling and Historical Sites Along the Kitazaki Coast



- Explore Fukuoka's West Coast: Ride through different parts of Kitazaki, accompanied by a knowledgeable guide.
- Enjoy Beautiful Scenery, Historical Sites, and a Coastal Atmosphere: Ride through a pine tree forest, visit the ancient Mongol Defense Walls, and take in the sunset at Futamigaura Beach.
- Join with Confidence!: Each tour is specially tailored to participant's riding abilities.
- Come Empty-Handed: Electric-assist bikes, helmets, and safety information are all included in the tour so guests can join with ease.

The coast of Kitazaki is known for its beautiful views and is a popular biking spot for visitors year-round. On this tour, an experienced guide will lead guests to scenic and historic spots in the Kitazaki area. Visit the ruins of the ancient Mongol Defense Walls, embrace the serenity of the local landscape, and enjoy watching the sun set behind the picturesque torii gate and Couples' Stone at Futamigaura Beach.

The tour contents and route can be flexibly adapted to suit the skill and comfort level of the participants. Comfortable e-bikes and helmets are included in the tour.



Length  
4 hours



Area  
Kitazaki,  
Fukuoka



Group Size  
2-6 people



Season  
Year-round



Price/Person  
11,000~ JPY  
For a group of 2



# Island Hopping Cruise on the Genkai Sea



- **Breathtaking Views:** Enjoy stunning, picturesque views that can only be viewed from aboard a vessel.
- **Sail to Uninhabited Islands:** Head out into the sea and cruise around different small islands, drifting right up-close if the waves permit.
- **Learn About the Geological History:** Hear how the islands were formed from volcanic activity hundreds of years ago.
- **Sunrise Tours:** Special tours to see the sunrise can also be arranged. These are perfect for guests looking for a unique atmosphere to enjoy a scenic view of the rising sun.

Ride aboard a small sightseeing vessel, and soak in the grandeur and stunning topography of Fukuoka's Coast. During the trip, the captain will navigate around different islands, cruising right up close if the waves permit. Guests will be able to see the famous Couple's Rock and torii gate in the sea from behind, a unique view that can only be enjoyed from a boat.

Special morning tours can also be arranged to view the sunrise above the sea. This boat tour is the perfect way to soak in the awe-inspiring views of the area's volcanic rocks, sea caves, and spiritual highlights in one.



Length  
1 hour



Area  
Kitazaki,  
Fukuoka



Group Size  
1-9 people



Season  
Apr-Dec

The tour will be carried out depending on the condition of the waves



Price/Person  
3,000~ JPY



## The Beauty of Found Objects Craft a Wooden Tray



- Learn the Story of Japanese Products: Each item carries its own story, originating from the important process of “creating”. Learn these stories through touch and sight.
- Transform Wooden Offcuts Into an Original Accessory Dish: Breathe new life into a piece of wood by shaping and polishing it into a small dish.
- A Select Shop of Unique Products: Wood scraps from furniture and cutlery production, paper scraps from printing, unused ceramic kiln tools—find these and more at the Material Market.
- Meet the Kubo Design Team: This tour is conducted by a designer duo that enjoys all sorts of creative activities.

Traditionally, waste materials from factories and workshops are disposed of—incinerated, sent to landfills, or recycled—all at a cost. While this may be the best method in certain situations, Material Market has created a new system: one in which items that still hold potential are gathered for creative reuse.

Inside the cozy workshop and store, learn how materials from different production areas are given new lives instead of being disposed of. In an intimate, hands-on experience, transform the off-cuts of a wooden bowl into a small accessory dish - shaping the form with your own hands and finishing it with a specially formulated wax.



Length  
1 hour



Area  
Kitazaki,  
Fukuoka



Group Size  
2-5 people  
1 person can participate  
for the price of 2



Season  
Year-round



Price/Person  
3,000~ JPY  
For a group of 2