📶 Kotohiragu

This famous Japanese shrine is the focus of much reverence

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Introduction

This is a popular shrine, commonly known as Konpira-san.

There is an extremely long staircase, consisting of 1,368 steps. At the bottom, there are cafes, teahouses, souvenir shops, udon shops and many other in this lively area. You can rent a walking stick and go for a stroll, or take a ride in a 'kago' palanquin and enjoy the sights as you are carried around.

When you have ascended the staircase to the mid-way point, you will find the Hongu, the center of the shrine. There are many gods housed here, including the gods of agriculture, livestock, medicine and marine safety.

There are wonderful paintings on the ceiling of the Hongu, and on certain festival days you can see the priests and priestesses dancing in traditional clothes. You can also purchase a beautiful Kofukuno-Kiiroi-Omamori (Yellow Charm of Happiness).

If you are looking for further blessings (good luck from the gods and the Buddha), ascend all the steps and proceed to the Izuma Jinja in the back. The view from 421 meters is magnificent.

Map Info

Lat 34.183997 Lon 133.809404

The location can be checked on a map online by entering the lat-lon coordinates into a smart phone connected to the Internet.

Access and Main Routes



JR Kotohira Station

60 minutes from JR Takamatsu Station on the Tosan Line. 10 minute walk from JR Kotohira Station.

Approx. 60 minutes from Kotoden Takamatsu Station on the Kotohira Line. Approx. 5 minutes from Kotoden Kotohira Station by car.



Zentsuji IC

Approx. 15 minutes from Zentsuji IC by car



Takamatsu Airport
Airport Limousine Bus available
Approx. 45 minutes from
Takamatsu Airport to JR
Kotohira Station, 10 minute walk
from JR Kotohira Station

Facility Info



Museum 8:30-17:00 (Last entry 16:30)



No holidays



Worship entry fee, permanent museum exhibition entrance 800 JPY (varies by exhibition)



District managed parking lot available nearby (paid) * Can accommodate large buses



Available inside



Free Wifi: Available



Multilingual Tools: Not available

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Time Required Approx. 60 minutes for worship

Recommended Autumn, winter, spring

Indoor/Outdoor Outdoor (partially indoor)

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Nearby Facilities Konpira Grand Theatre (Kanamaruza) KOT-spot02 / Nakanoya Kotohira KAG-take003 / CAFE&RESTAURANT Kamitsubaki KAG-cafe002