



# Marugame Castle

A castle boasting Japan's largest stone wall and chalk keep tower

Marugame 1-bancho  
0877-22-0331 (Marugame Tourism Association)  
<http://www.city.marugame.kagawa.lg.jp>



## Introduction

Marugame Castle was constructed about 400 years ago. The keep tower (the highest part of the castle, used as a look-out) is made of wood, a rare style of construction in Japan, and has been designated as an National Important Cultural Heritage. The stone wall that leads up to the keep tower is the largest of its kind in Japan, at a height of approximately 60 meters. The elegant curvature of the wall is one of its finest features.

This castle was chosen as one of Japan's Best 100 Castles. The determination is made by a group of specialists that cover the fields of architecture, engineering, archeology and history, and it is one of the cultural prides of the country.

There is a charge for entering the keep tower, but entrance to the compound is free and there is plenty of space for strolling around. It is a popular place for taking walks, and is also a place for the community to gather.


In the spring, the approximately 1,200 cherry trees bloom. May 3-4 is the annual Marugame Castle Festival, where many different events are held.


## Map Info


Lat 34.286571 Lon 133.800022

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


## Access and Main Routes


 JR Marugame Station  
Approx. 30 minutes from JR Takamatsu Station on the Yoson express train. Approx. 15 minute walk from JR Marugame Station.


 Zentsuji IC  
Approx. 10 minutes from Zentsuji IC by car.

 Takamatsu Airport  
Airport Limousine Bus available  
Approx 75 minutes from Takamatsu Airport to JR Marugame Station.


## Facility Info


 Keep Tower 9:00-16:30 (Last entrance 16:00)


 No holidays

 Adult 200 JPY, Child (Elementary School and Middle School) 100 JPY  
\* Discount for groups of more than 20 people for Keep Tower only

 50 cars  
\* Open 7:00 - 17:00 (April-September 6:00 - 19:00) / 5 large buses at Marugame Castle Northern Moat

 Available inside (Wheelchair friendly)

 Free Wifi: Not available

 Multilingual Tools: Pamphlet (English), Marugame Tourist Map (English, Chinese (Simplified, Traditional), Korean)

Time Req 30 - 60 minutes

Recomm All year

Indoor/Ou Outdoor (partially indoor)

Ref

## Nearby Facilities

Marugame Inokuma Genichiro Modern Art Museum CHU-spot005 / Don Quixote Marugame KAG-depa004 / Uchiwa Kobo Take KAG-dent003