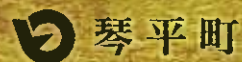


KOTOHIRA TOURIST GUIDE BOOK



Useful Information

Kotohira Town Tourism Association

For details: www.kotohirakankou.jp

We provide information about the town of Kotohira's tourism facilities. We cover all information relating to events, sightseeing, maps, access, food, souvenirs, and ryokan (Japanese style inns) in Kotohira. Also, in addition to Kotohira tourism information, Kagawa/Konpira Tourist Information Office stocks a wealth of materials about Kagawa's sightseeing spots. Please feel free to stop by.

Kagawa・Konpira Tourist Information Office Omotesando

811 Kotohira, Nakatadotsu, Kagawa, Zip code: 766-0001

TEL: 0877-75-3500 / FAX: 0877-75-3700 / Business hours: 10:00 - 18:00 (open every day)

Free Public Wireless LAN Internet Service: Kagawa Wi-Fi

For details: www.my-kagawa.jp/wifi



Easily access tourism information online with a smartphone or tablet from the easy to navigate Kagawa Prefecture Official Tourist Information Website "Udon-ken Travel Net". In the event of an emergency, it can also be used as a means of transmitting information.

SSID: KAGAWA-WiFi

Usage Fee: Free

Connection time: Per User: 30 minute maximum session up to 8 times a day for a total of 240 minutes per day

Burari Konpira AR



Supports Japanese / English / Traditional Chinese / Simplified Chinese / Korean
Supports iOS/Android

"Burari Konpira AR" is an application which allows you to experience the atmosphere of the Edo period by AR in various places around the town of Kotohira, which is famous for "Konpira-san." Especially at the Konpira Grand Theater (Kanamaru-za), all kinds of fun combing Kabuki and AR has been prepared. In the town you can enjoy daily life and old pictures of the Edo period with AR and you can also take a commemorative AR photo with Kotohira's mascot character "Konpi-kun." Please be sure to download "Burari Konpira AR" and listen to the fun song "Konpira Func Func" while you enjoy walking around Konpira Grand Theater and the town of Kotohira.



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Visiting Kotohira Shrine

Once in a Lifetime

Historic and Cultural Town KOTOHIRA

From long ago there is believed to have been interest in Kotohira-gu Shrine.

The town of Kotohira prospered in the hospitality industry and served those visiting Kotohira-gu Shrine.

The charm of Kotohira spreads from Kotohira-gu Shrine.

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KOTOHIRA Guide Map

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Tourist Information Office**
TEL. 0877 75-3500

Public Parking Lot
West TEL: 0877-73-4761
East TEL: 0877-73-5761



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Kotohira Location



Kotoden Kotohira Station



JR Kotohira Station

Relaxation



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Izutama Shrine

When you climb the staircase of 583 steps from the main shrine, there is an inner shrine that celebrates the guru Izutama Hikononukoto of Kotohira's original teachings. Located higher than the main shrine, you can look down on the streets of Kotohira, and it is a power spot from which you can see the Seto Inland Sea.

8:00 - 17:00
0877-75-2121



Note

On the west side there is a cliff called Itoku Iwao, and there are also Tengu (mythical Japanese flying creature) and crow Tengu sculptures.

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Natural treasure

Daisendan

Approximately 300 years old, the tree is 18 meters high, and has a trunk circumference of 7 meters. In the Manyo period, the Sendan was called "Afuchi" and it is said that lovers' encounters were made under this tree.



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Japanese-style Garden Kotohira Kadan

Founded in 1627, this a traditional inn where famous literary people of Japan stayed. Please enjoy time in this lush, purely Japanese garden that is nestled apart from the tea ceremony arbor.

0877-75-3232



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Kotosankaku Rose bath

The rose bath, which is a bathtub shaped like a ship that has rose petals floating inside is recommended for ladies, and you can relax in an elegant mood wrapped in the scent of roses.

0877-75-1000



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season by season Kotohira Park

A promenade that continues to the mountaintop on the left side as you proceed on your way to visiting Kotohira-gu Shrine's Hongu (Main Shrine). You can enjoy looking at the flowers on your way and you can see a spectacular view from the observation deck.

Note

Shinme Gekkin-go

A horse is dedicated to the shrine as a ride for the god, and there was a habit of dedicating horses to the shrine for prayers since the Nara period.



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Kotohira-gu Shrine Hon-gu (Main Shrine)

Secluded at the top of 785 steps, the main shrine of Kotohira-gu Shrine, which has been famous for the god of the sea since long ago, also has priceless virtues for a five-grain harvest, prayers for a big fishing catch, business prosperity and other divine virtues.

6:00 - 18:00 (Apr. - Sep.)
6:00 - 17:00 (Oct. - Mar.)

Note

Konpira-inu Bronze Dog Statue

Around the Edo period, there were times when dogs came to Kotohira-gu Shrine instead of their owners. Now, the dog statue watches over people who visit the shrine.



3

The forefather of modern Western painting in Japan Yuichi Takahashi Museum

Among the works of Yuichi Takahashi, a Western-style painter who was active from the end of the Edo period to the middle of the Meiji period, 27 oil paintings purchased by a chief priest in the Meiji period are on permanent display.

8:30 - 17:00 (Open Year-Round)
0877-75-2121
Admission Fee: General ¥800
High-school and university students ¥400
Free admission for middle-school students and below



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Important Cultural Property

Konpira Grand Theater (Kanamaru-za)

The oldest existing theater in Japan that was built in the 6th year of the Tenpo period (1835). The stage equipment conveys all of the human effort put forth and the atmosphere of the Edo period.

9:00 - 17:00 (Open Year-Round) 0877-73-3846
Admission Fee: Adults ¥500
High-school and middle-school students ¥300
Children ¥200



Note

Kotohira Town Mascot character Konpi-kun

If you meet the small lucky god born in the former Konpira Grand Theater, there is no mistake you will have luck.

Culture

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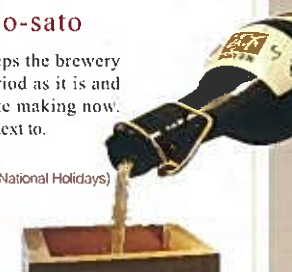


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Sake Brewery Kinryo-no-sato

It is a museum that keeps the brewery founded in the Edo period as it is and tells the process of sake making now. Sake is sold at the store next to.

9:00 - 16:00 (Mon. - Fri.)
9:00 - 18:00 (Sat., Sun. & National Holidays)
0877-73-4133
0120-64-1336
(Toll free within Japan)



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Important
Cultural Property

Omote Sho'in Main Drawing Room

This was reportedly a building of the Manji Years (1658-1660) and was used as a place of reception for various ceremonies and people who visited.

8:30 - 17:00 (Open Year-Round)
0877-75-2121
Admission Fee: General ¥800
High-school and university students ¥400
Free admission for middle-school students and below





Note

Marugame Uchiwa Fans

Marugame is the entrance to Kotohira Shrine, and since the beginning of the Edo period Marugame Uchiwa Fans have spread as a souvenir of visits to Kotohira Shrine. A round metal is a mark on a red or yellow fan.



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**Kamiyoame
Gonin Hyakusho**

As soon as you enter from the Daimon (large gate), there is a shop with a white umbrella that was specifically allowed to trade within the shrine. It is famous for Kamiyoame candy which is tapped and cracked with a hammer and eaten.

9:30 - 17:30

Note

**Shoyu Mame
(Soy-sauce beans)**

This is a local food from Kagawa that is soaked in sweet-spicy soy sauce base after thoroughly browning and roasting the dried beans. Please try purchasing it as a Kagawa souvenir.



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Sanuki Ittobori
Yamanaka Zoudou



Sanuki Ittobori is a traditional craft carving method from Kotohira where wooden crafts are made by only beating with a blade. Reservations are full for 4 years to purchase the modern pattern POP Daruma doll.

10:00 - 17:00
0877-73-3009



Note

Oiri

It was used at weddings since ancient times in the west part of Kagawa called "Seisan", and it is now used as a souvenir or soft cream topping. Colorful with a texture that is light and crispy, it is popular for being tasty to eat and nice to look at.



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**Yellow amulet of happiness and Mini Konpira-inu (Konpira Dog)
Hon-gu Main Shrine Charm Shop**

Yellow amulets of happiness and Konpira-inu (Konpira Dog) charms are available at the Hon-gu Main Shrine Charm Shop.

9:00 - 17:00
0877-75-2121 (Open Year-Round)



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**Udon and Soba
Toraya**



This is a restaurant that uses a building from the Toraya Ryokan Inn that has been established for about 400 years and the wonderful tigers and dragon wood carvings are something to see. Feel the history while eating udon.

9:00 - 17:00 (Open Year-Round)
0877-75-3131



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**Cafe & Restaurant
Kami
Tsubaki**

Enjoy Western cuisine and sweets of Shiseido parlor in Tokyo/Ginza in a corner of the grounds of Kotohira-gu Shrine, wrapped in rich forest green.



Cafe Floor
9:00 - 17:00 (Open Year-Round)

Restaurant Floor
Lunch 11:30 - 14:30 (Open Year-Round)
Dinner 17:00 - 21:00 Reservations required*

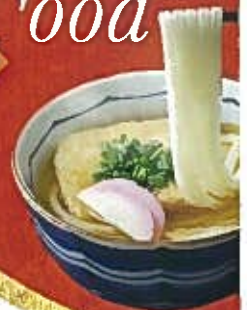
0877-73-0202
*Reservations accepted 9:00 - 17:00 (accepted until 15:00 the day before)
*Closed Mondays (Open during the Kabuki theatre season)

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**Yunoto Konpira Onsen Hot Springs
Hama no Yu Kobaiten
Kappo Dining Maruchu**

It is a dining restaurant incorporating modern elements while using beams from 300 years ago for wooden construction. In the evenings, you can enjoy a cuisine that you can taste with all five senses, such as eyes, ears, scents, etc. in live kitchen style.

Lunch 11:30 - 14:30 (L.O. 14:00)*Lunch Buffet
Dinner 18:00 - 21:00 (L.O. 20:30)
0877-75-1111 (Open Year-Round)



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**Kyuman Honpo
Ishidanya**

Tea and sweets are prepared for relaxing the tired body from visiting Konpira. Please be sure to enjoy Kotohira's "famous kyuman."

7:30 - 17:00 (Open Year Round)
0120-73-5678



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**Nakanoya Kotohira
Nakano Udon School**



Udon teachers will teach you how to make hand-kneaded real Sanuki udon from kneading the flour to rolling it out with the menbo (rolling pin), boiling and eating it. Udon you make yourself is exceptional!

9:00 - 15:00
Time required: 40 - 60 minutes
0877-75-0001

Access

Airplane

	Departure / Boarding	Time difference	Time	Arr. / Dep.	Boarding	Time	Arrival	
China	Hong Kong International Airport	HK express	-1	3hrs. 40min	Takamatsu Airport	Kinku Bus Bus stop 1 ¥1,500	50 min.	Kashikiri Town
	Shanghai Pudong International Airport	SPRING AIRLINES	-1	2hrs.				
Taiwan	Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport	CHINA AIRLINES	-1	2hrs. 40min.				
Korea	Incheon International Airport	AIR SEOUL	+0	1hrs. 40min.				
Tokyo	Tokyo Haneda International Airport	ANA/JAL		1hrs. 20min.				
	Narita International Airport	Jetstar		1hrs. 20min.				
Okinawa	Naha Airport	ANA		1hrs. 50min.				

Train

Kotoden Takamatsu Chikko Station	Kotohira line	Kotoden Kotohira Station
	Y620 / 1hrs. 2min.	
JR Takamatsu Station	Yosan line	JR Tadotsu Station
		Dosan line
	Local trains ¥660 + ¥360 / 1hrs. 15 min.	
	Yosan line / Dosan line	JR Kotohira Station
	Direct Express Sunport Y850 / 59 min.	
JR Tokyo Station	Shinkansen Bullet train	JR Okayama Station
	Using the Tokaido or Sanyo Shinkansen Bullet trains and local trains / 4hrs. 58 min.	Seto Ohashi line / Yosan line / Dosan line

*Please note: Depending on the weather and traffic conditions on the day of use, the details may differ from those described here.

● For going around Konpira, **Gold Rental bicycles** are convenient!



In the area around Kotohira, there are a lot of things to see. With map in one hand, try leisurely cycling around town for one day. Gold bicycles are available for rent at Kagawa - Konpira Tourist Information Center in Omotesando.

*You can not get to Hongu by bicycle. *There are other bicycles for rent besides the gold ones.

① Deposit / Rental Inquiries
Kagawa, Konpira Tourist
Information Office
TEL. **0877-75-3500**
Hours of operation 10:00 - 18:00
(Open Year-Round)

Regular Bicycle

Electric Bicycle

Up to 1 hour ¥100 | Each add hour ¥100 | 1 day max. ¥500 | Up to 1 hour ¥200 | Each add hour ¥200 | 1 day max. ¥1,000

Accommodation

A Kotohira Onsen Hot Springs Kotosankaku

www.kotosankaku.jp

MAP B5

☎ 685-11 Kotohira ☎ 0877-75-1000

B Yumoto Konpira Onsen Hot Springs Hana no Yu Kobaitei

www.kobaitei.jp

MAP C6

☎ 556-1 Kotohira ☎ 0877-75-1111

C Kotohira Grand Hotel Sakura no sho

www.sakuranosho.jp

MAP A3

☎ 977-1 Kotohira ☎ 0877-75-3218

D Kotohira Riverside Hotel

www.hananoyu.co.jp/river/

MAP C4

☎ 246-1 Kotohira ☎ 0877-75-1880

E Konpira Onsen Hot Springs Yumoto Yachiyo

www.yachiyo.cc

MAP C4

☎ 611 Kotohira ☎ 0877-75-3261

F Kashikiri Yu no Yado KOTONE

www.yachiyo.cc/kotone/

MAP B4

☎ 685-21 Kotohira ☎ 0877-75-6633

G Kotohira Kadan

www.kotohira-kadan.jp

MAP C1

☎ 1241-5 Kotohira ☎ 0877-75-3232

H WATAYA RYOKAN Inn

www.wataya-ryokan.jp

MAP B3

☎ 796 Kotohira ☎ 0877-75-4111

I Kotohira Park Hotel

kph.anabuki-enter.jp

MAP MargIn

☎ 706-7 Enai, Kotohira ☎ 0877-73-3939

J Tsuruya Ryokan Inn

tsuruya-ryokan.com

MAP C3

☎ 620 Kotohira ☎ 0877-75-3154

K Takaraya Ryokan Inn

www.takaraya-ryokan.jp

MAP B5

☎ 555 Kotohira ☎ 0877-75-5195

L Fuji Ryokan Inn

www.fuji-ryokan.jp

MAP C4

☎ 613 Kotohira ☎ 0877-75-2245

M Hashimotoya Ryokan Inn

www.hashimotoya-ryokan.jp

MAP C3

☎ 618 Kotohira ☎ 0877-75-2031

N Kotobuki Ryokan Inn

www.kotobuki-ryokan.jp

MAP C3

☎ 245-5 Kotohira ☎ 0877-73-3872

O Tokishirazu Bed & Breakfast

www.tokishirazu-bb.com

MAP MargIn

☎ 577-1 Enai, Kotohira ☎ 0877-75-5761