

Mysterious

Shizuoka Heritage

Facing the Pacific Ocean and surrounded by majestic mountains such as Mt. Fuji, Shizuoka Prefecture is rich in nature and preserves a variety of historical and cultural heritage sites.

This leaflet introduces several of the historical and cultural heritage sites found in Shizuoka. These recommendations are accompanied with sightseeing information. The directions to each spot can be checked via links below. Experience all the charms Shizuoka has to offer!



◀ Go here to check videos. Shizuoka's sightseeing spots are available and waiting for you!



Korean



Simplified Chinese



Traditional Chinese



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Akihasan Hongu Akiha Shrine / Akiha Fire Festival (Hamamatsu City)

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Akiha Shrine : <https://g.co/kgs/gC6Yo5u>



Hoko-ji Temple (Hamamatsu City)

Hoko-ji is a historic Zen temple. Its natural tree cover will soothe your soul and give you a taste of the Zen experience. You may also enjoy a traditional Buddhist vegetarian meal, fresh from the temple, while you contemplate the scenery. The oldest buildings in the temple are dated to 1401.

Hoko-ji Temple : <https://g.co/kgs/XDrz2Td>



Yusuge Park (Minami Izu Town)

Located on the southwest coast of Izu Peninsula, Yusuge Park is a peaceful landscape dotted with lemon-yellow yusuge flowers and bordered by a splendid ocean view. The coastal line seen from the park is one of the best sightseeing spots on Izu’s southwestern coast. You can enjoy a breathtaking view of a landscape created by many years of volcanic activity and erosion.

Yusuge Park : <https://g.co/kgs/4ozgwyJ>



Arai Ryokan (Izu City)

Arai Ryokan proudly promises a relaxing and extraordinary stay, and will delight guests with its beautifully arranged Japanese garden, seasonal cuisine, and excellent hot spring. The inn is famous for its commitment to quality and Japanese tradition over its 150 year history. It has been registered as a culturally significant property and will be a highlight of any traveler’s trip.

Arai Ryokan : <https://g.co/kgs/bPMZjdn>



Utsunoya Mountain Pass (Shizuoka city, Fujieda city)

Historically known as one of the toughest mountain passes in Japan’s Tokaido region, this pass was once the main road connecting Tokyo to Kyoto, and was used by warriors in the Edo period during their journey between the two cities. The cobblestone and tunnel, made in the Meiji period (1904), will let you experience the atmosphere of these traveling warriors. The scenery is wonderful in every season so there is never a bad time to visit!

Utsunoya mountain pass : <https://g.co/kgs/FBsjYc>



Kunozan Toshogu Shrine (Shizuoka City)

Kunozan Toshogu is the very first shrine dedicated to Tokugawa Ieyasu, a powerful general during the Edo period. Luxuriously decorated with artistic carvings and gorgeous colors, it has been designated as a National Treasure as well as an Important Cultural Property of Japan. Visitors are often amazed by the shrine’s elaborate craftsmanship and the depth of history within its walls. Located atop a mountain, the shrine and a stunning view of Suruga Bay await those brave enough to climb the 1,000 step staircase to the top.

Kunozan Toshogu Shrine : <https://g.co/kgs/VfNyo8v>



Miho no Matsubara (Shizuoka City)

Miho no Matsubara, a World heritage site, offers a magnificent view of Mt. Fuji from its coastal area. Additionally, when walking through the beautiful pine groves you will find yourself on the “God Path,” which is named after the belief that all the gods coming into Miho pass along that walkway. Even if the weather is not permitting, you can still have a splendid view of Mt. Fuji at Miho Shirube Theater.

Miho no Matsubara Coast : <https://g.co/kgs/eHTXaoW> Kami no Michi Path : <https://g.co/kgs/4hTdaKj> Miho Shirube Theater : <https://g.co/kgs/mEFCJc1>

Sightseeing Information for nearby Areas



Kashinoichi Market, Shimizu Port (Shizuoka City)

Shimizu Port has the largest tuna harvest in Japan, so you have a variety of options for souvenir shops and restaurants that serve exceptionally fresh fish.

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Ichiba-Kan (Fish Market Hall) : <https://g.co/kgs/23erz1Z> Maguro-Kan (Tuna Market Hall) : <https://g.co/kgs/LXBjUpY>



Leisure Center Yanagawa (Izu City)

This center will amuse visitors who want to experience old-fashioned Japanese entertainment, such as shooting booths. Such games were often played after enjoying the hot springs. This place will give you a rare opportunity to experience traditional games.

Leisure Center Yanagawa : <https://g.co/kgs/XEMNU6Z>



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