



The Inland Sea, SETOUCHI

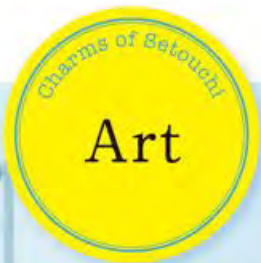
Discover the Hidden Charms of West Japan

Prefectural Tourism Information

Icon Descriptions

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- Onsen (Hot Spring)
- Available year-round
- Recommended season: Spring
- Recommended season: Summer
- Recommended season: Autumn
- Recommended season: Winter

*Contact support in languages other than Japanese may not be available from the telephone numbers listed for each of the recommended sights.



With art from artists such as Yayoi Kusama and architects such as Tadao Ando, the islands of the Seto Inland Sea feature extraordinary contemporary art pieces that attract art fans from all over the world. Opened in 2015, Naoshima Hall actively uses natural energy such as solar and wind power. This novel building envisions the future of architecture while remaining true to the streetscapes of the past.

Naoshima Island [Kagawa]

- Access: 20 minutes by ferry from Uno Port
- Location: Naoshima-cho, Kagawa
- Contact: Town-Naoshima Tourism Association, +81-87-892-2299
- Website: <http://www.naoshima.net/en/>

▲ "Red Pumpkin" ©Yayoi Kusama, 2006 Naoshima Miyanoura Port Square Photo: Daisuke Aochi

Naoshima Hall Owner: Naoshima Town Architect: Sambuichi Architects Photo by Shigeo Ogawa ▼



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The Seto Inland Sea includes numerous islands dotting the waters under a seemingly endless sky. When it comes to an exhilarating seaside ride under expansive skies, nothing quite compares to the Setouchi area. The Shimanami Kaido along seven large and small islands connecting Hiroshima and Ehime prefectures is particularly noteworthy and attracts cyclists from all over the world.

Shimanami Kaido Cycling

[Hiroshima, Ehime]

Hiroshima Area

- Access: Accessible by bike from JR Onomichi Sta.
- Location: Mukojima / Innoshima / Ikuchijima Islands, Onomichi, Hiroshima
- Contact: Onomichi Tourism Association, +81-848-37-9736
- Website: <http://www.ononavi.com/>

Ehime Area

- Access: Accessible by bike from JR Imabari Sta.
- Location: Omishima / Hakatajima / Oshima Islands, Imabari, Ehime
- Contact: Ehime Local Promotion Association, +81-89-961-4500
- Website: <http://iyokannet.jp/english/index.htm>



A cruise is the best way to fully enjoy the roughly 700 small and large islands that make up the "Tatoubi." Passengers will be treated to exciting shore excursions and superb views from the deck of the ship.

Setonaikai (The Inland Sea) Yacht Cruising

- Access: 5 minutes on foot from JR Takamatsu Sta. (Takamatsu Marina)
- Location: 68-17 Hamano-cho, Takamatsu, Kagawa
- Contact: Foucalt Co., Ltd., +81-87-802-2284
- Website: <http://www.foucalt.co.jp/en/>

