

# Kumamoto Castle Shops

Take a stroll through these careful reconstructions of 18th-century traditional Japanese buildings, where you'll find a wide selection of the best souvenirs and foods Kumamoto has to offer.

# JOSAIEN MAP AND FOOD & SOUVENIR INFORMATION

Featuring a selection of the best shops and restaurants from around Kumamoto

## 1 Hanamasa

The Best in Fresh, Local Cuisine



Offering local dishes and splendid kaiseki courses, plus a selection of local sake and shochu.

**HOURS**  
11AM-6PM  
Last order: 6PM  
TEL 096-312-3321

## 2 Ginnan

Fantastic Seasonal Buffet



Buffet featuring 40 different dishes, from local favorites, to desserts to satisfy your sweet tooth.

**HOURS**  
11AM-6PM  
Last order: 6PM  
TEL 096-312-2691

## 3 Sakuranzaka

Chic Cafe



Enjoy premium coffee carefully brewed via French press method.

**HOURS**  
Weekdays 11AM-5PM  
TEL 096-312-2709

## 4 Yamami Chaya

Experience the Foods of Aso



Offering Aso's best, like stone-grilled horsemeat, takana (mustard greens), and other mountain vegetables.

**HOURS**  
11AM-6PM  
Last order: 6PM  
TEL 096-327-9293

## 6 Menya Yamamura

Kumamoto Ramen & Taipien



Featuring classic tonkotsu ramen, plus horse broth ramen and Kumamoto's famous taipien.

**HOURS**  
11AM-6PM (last order: 6:00PM)  
TEL 096-356-2560

## 6 Kaimaru

Amakusa's Famous Uni Korokke



Our famous sea urchin croquettes, plus so much more!

**HOURS**  
Dining: 11AM-3PM (last order: 2:30)  
5PM-6PM (last order: 6PM)  
Shop: 9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-319-5073

## 7 Sugi Bee Farm

Over 5 years of quality farmed honey



We offer a selection of Japanese honeys, plus tasty honey ice cream and honey drinks.

**HOURS**  
9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-351-3838

## 8 Kobaian

Kumamoto's Master Sweetsmaker



Home of Kumamoto's most famous sweets, including Mushagaeshi and Jindaiko.

**HOURS**  
9AM-6PM  
Cafe 9AM-5:00PM  
TEL 096-288-0039

## 10 Kumamoto Sakagura

Renowned Kumamoto Wine



A wide selection of local wine, sake, and shochu, including the award-winning Kumamoto Wine.

**HOURS**  
9AM-6PM  
Cafe 9AM-5:00PM  
TEL 096-288-5588

## 12 Gozanbo Ichinokura

A Kumamoto Spin on Mentaiko



Our popular Akazake Mentaiko take a painstaking 120 hours to make.

**HOURS**  
9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-325-7530

## 14 Miyabi

Fine Selection of Kumamoto Souvenirs



Offering all kinds of souvenirs, from traditional Japanese crafts to plenty of Kumamoto-themed merchandise.

**HOURS**  
9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-288-5880

## 16 Itsukiya Honpo

Loved by Locals for 800 Years



We take the finest tofu and age it with miso to create a rich, creamy delicacy that has been enjoyed for centuries.

**HOURS**  
9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-288-5500

## 17 MONARIO

Healthy Soymilk Sweets



Our soymilk puddings are made with real mangoes, strawberries, melons, pears, and more!

**HOURS**  
9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-288-4777

## 18 Takata Kamaboko

Fresh from the Seas of Ashikita



Our products are made with fish caught by traditional utasebune boats in nearby Ashikita.

**HOURS**  
9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-288-4777

## 19 Fukuda Farm

The Best of the Shiranui Sea



Our juices, wines, and jams are made with delicious ingredients grown locally in Minamata.

**HOURS**  
9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-288-0880

## 20 Suganoya

Experts in Horsemeat for 200 Years



Offering the freshest, highest quality basashi and other horsemeat products. Try a piping hot horsemeat korokke!

**HOURS**  
9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-312-0377

## 21 Ikinariya Watanabe

Assorted Ikinari Dango Treats



We use only carefully selected sweet potatoes from the Aso-Ozu area to make our hearty Ikinari dango.

**HOURS**  
9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-1876-8017

## 22 Mori Karashi Renkon

A Classic, Unchanged for Centuries



Loved by the ruling lords of Kumamoto for centuries, our handmade karashi renkon are an important piece of history.

**HOURS**  
9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-351-0052

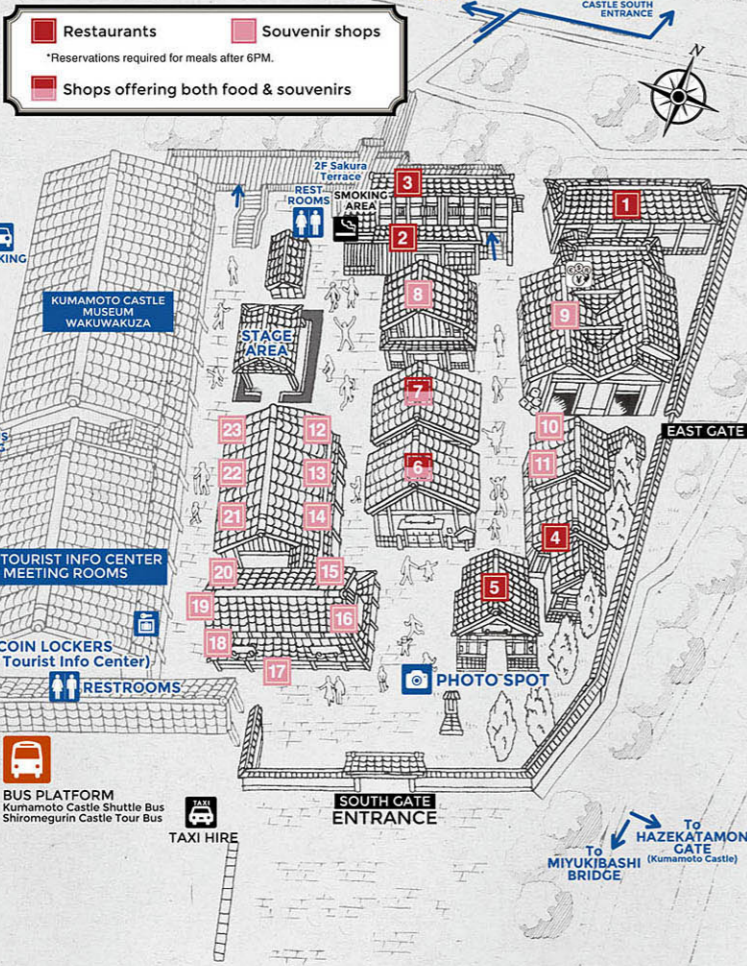
## 23 Antagata Dokosa

Expertly Crafted Snacks



These artisanal snacks feature the tasty crunch of peanuts and the savory sweetness of soy sauce.

**HOURS**  
9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-288-5800



**NOTICE**  
Operating hours may change in response to COVID-19 infection rates. Please check operating hours before arriving.

# KUMAMOTO CASTLE WALKING MAP

Stroll around one of Japan's most amazing castles

## Kumamoto Volunteer English Tour Guides

Free tour guides are available for tours around the castle, and a good number of them can speak English! Our friendly guides can teach you all about the history and culture of Kumamoto!

**HOURS** 9AM-3PM  
**TOUR LENGTH** About 1 hour  
**TOUR GROUP SIZE** 1 to 4 people  
English-speaking guides may not be available at certain dates/times. Call for details.  
**096-356-2333**  
<http://www.k-yokotoko.com/english.html>

Guided tours are available by reservation (tour fee required). Contact your office for more details.

**Free Shuttle Bus**  
Sakuranobaba Josaien (Platform 1)  
↓  
Ninomaru Parking (near clock)  
**Hours** 9AM-5PM  
Last bus leaves from Ninomaru Parking. Buses are scheduled to run every 15 minutes but traffic conditions may cause delays. Buses are wheelchair- and stroller-accessible.

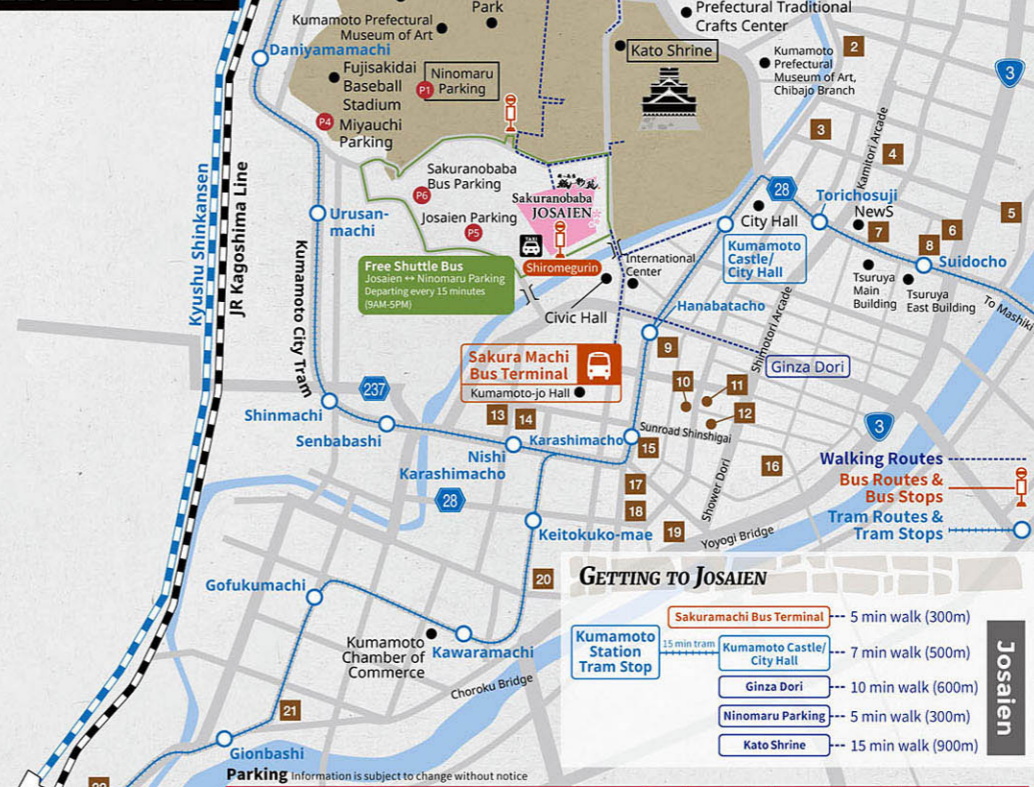
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**Kumamoto Castle Routes**  
Route lengths are rough estimates. Tickets are required to enter the castle and are available at any ticket office.  
**1. See the Castle Exterior (80 min)**  
Josaien→8 min→Ninomaru Park→5 min→Inui Yagura→5 min→Kato Shrine (Views of Uto Yagura and Castle Keep)→9 min→Ninomaru Park→8 min→Josaien (Shopping)  
**2. Tour the Castle Interior (180 min)**  
Josaien→5 min→Entry via South Ticket Office→120 min→Exit via South Ticket Office→5 min→Josaien (dine on Kumamoto cuisine)

**Highlights of Reopened Castle Interior**  
Hours: 9AM-5PM (Last entry: 4:30PM)  
A Niyo no Ishigaki  
B Honmaru Goten Main Hall (Dark Passage)  
C Renovated interior of Castle Keep

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# JOSAIEN AREA MAP & HOTEL GUIDE



Parking Lot	Hours	Capacity			Prices		
		Cars	Motorcycles	Buses	Cars	Motorcycles	Buses
① Ninomaru	April to October 9AM-6:30PM (last entry: 5:30PM)	210	About 10	5	¥200 for first 2 hours, ¥100 for each extra hour	¥100 for first 2 hours, ¥50 for each extra hour	¥700 for first 3 hours, ¥200 for each extra hour
② Sannomaru #1	November to March 8AM-5:30PM (last entry: 4:30PM)	231	41	54	¥200 for first 2 hours, ¥100 for each extra hour	¥100 for first 2 hours, ¥50 for each extra hour	¥700 for first 3 hours, ¥200 for each extra hour
③ Sannomaru #2	8AM-5:30PM (last entry: 4:30PM)	231	41	54	¥200 for first 2 hours, ¥100 for each extra hour	¥100 for first 2 hours, ¥50 for each extra hour	¥700 for first 3 hours, ¥200 for each extra hour
④ Miyauchi	8AM-5:30PM (last entry: 4:30PM)	231	41	54	¥200 for first 2 hours, ¥100 for each extra hour	¥100 for first 2 hours, ¥50 for each extra hour	¥700 for first 3 hours, ¥200 for each extra hour
⑤ Josaien	8AM-10:30PM (last entry: 9:30PM)	58		42	¥200 for first 2 hours, ¥100 for each extra hour	¥100 for first 2 hours, ¥50 for each extra hour	¥700 for first 3 hours, ¥200 for each extra hour
⑥ Sakuranobaba Bus	8AM-10:30PM (last entry: 9:30PM)	58		42	¥200 for first 2 hours, ¥100 for each extra hour	¥100 for first 2 hours, ¥50 for each extra hour	¥700 for first 3 hours, ¥200 for each extra hour

# Kumamoto Hotel Guide

1 KKR Hotel Kumamoto	3-31 Chibajo-machi, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-355-0121
2 Ark Hotel	5-16 Joto-machi, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-351-2222
3 Kumamoto Hotel Castle	4-2 Joto-machi, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-326-3311
4 Wasuki Tsukasakan	7-35 Kamitori-cho, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-352-5101
5 Hotel Mielparque Kumamoto	14-1 Suido-cho, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-355-6311
6 Hotel Wing International Select	2-13 Suido-cho, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-325-1000
7 Hotel Nikko Kumamoto	2-1 Kamitori-cho, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-211-1111
8 Toyoko Inn Kumamotojo Toricho Suji	1-1 Suido-cho, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-325-1045
9 Kumamoto Green Hotel	12-11 Hanabata-cho, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-325-2222
10 Comfort Hotel Kumamoto Shinshigai	2-13 Shinshigai, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-211-8411
11 Toyoko Inn Kumamoto Shinshigai	3-25 Shinshigai, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-324-1045
12 Richmond Hotel Kumamoto Shinshigai	6-16 Shinshigai, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-312-3511
13 Nest Hotel	4-39 Karashima-cho, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-322-3911
14 Dormy Inn Kumamoto	3-1 Karashima-cho, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-311-5489
15 Kumamoto Tokyu REI Hotel	7-25 Shinshigai, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-322-0109
16 Washington Hotel Plaza Kumamoto	2-3-10 Shimotori, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-355-0410
17 Toyoko Inn Kumamoto Kotsu Center Mae	1-24 Konyaima-machi, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-322-1045
18 Mitsui Garden Hotel Kumamoto	1-20 Konyaima-machi, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-352-1131
19 Riverside Hotel Kumamoto	4-12 Konyaima-machi, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-355-3110
20 Hotel Hokke Club Kumamoto	20-1 Tori-cho, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-322-5001
21 ANA Crowne Plaza Kumamoto New Sky	2 Higashi Amidaji-machi, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-354-2111
22 The New Hotel Kumamoto	1-13-1 Kasuga, Nishi-ku	TEL 096-326-1111
23 Hotel Route-Inn Kumamoto Ekimae	1-14-19 Kasuga, Nishi-ku	TEL 050-5847-7557
24 Toyoko Inn Kumamoto Ekimae	2-8-10 Kasuga, Nishi-ku	TEL 096-351-1045