

## 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 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.

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Last order: 6PM  
TEL 096-327-9293

### 5 Menya Yamamura

**Kumamoto Ramen & Taipein**

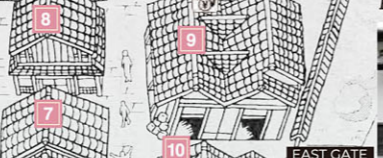


Featuring classic tonkotsu ramen, plus horse broth ramen and Kumamoto's famous taipein.

HOURS 11AM-6PM  
Last order: 6PM  
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

### 8 Kobaian

**Kumamoto's Master Sweetsmaker**



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

HOURS 9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-288-0039

### 9 Sugi Bee Farm

**Over 75 Years of Quality Honey Farming**



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

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### 10 Kumamoto Sakagura

**Renowned Kumamoto Wine**



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

HOURS 9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-288-5588

### 11 Wa Collection Mito

**Kimono & Yukata Rentals**



Offering full kimono & yukata outfits to rent, with fitting fees included. Over 150 yukata and kimono to choose from.

HOURS 9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-245-7379

### 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 Kumamon-themed merchandise.

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

### 13 TENTE

**Featuring the Many Fruits of Kumamoto**



Specializing in fresh juices, smoothies, and soft serve made with fruits, vegetables, and milk mostly from Kumamoto.

HOURS 9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-288-1092

### 15 Ocha-no Izumi-en

**Home of Nationally Renowned Green Teas**



Our full-bodied yet mild teas are grown deep in the misty mountains of Kumamoto.

HOURS 9AM-6PM  
TEL 096-288-0015

### 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 Fukuda Farm

**The Best of the Shiranui Sea**



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

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### 20 Suganoya

**Experts in Horsemeat for 200 Years**



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

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 096-346-0247

### 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

### 9 Shunsaikan

**Souvenirs from All Over the Prefecture**



Offering a full selection of local foods and specialties that make excellent souvenirs.

HOURS 9AM-6PM  
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### 23 Antagata Dokosa

**Expertly Crafted Snacks**

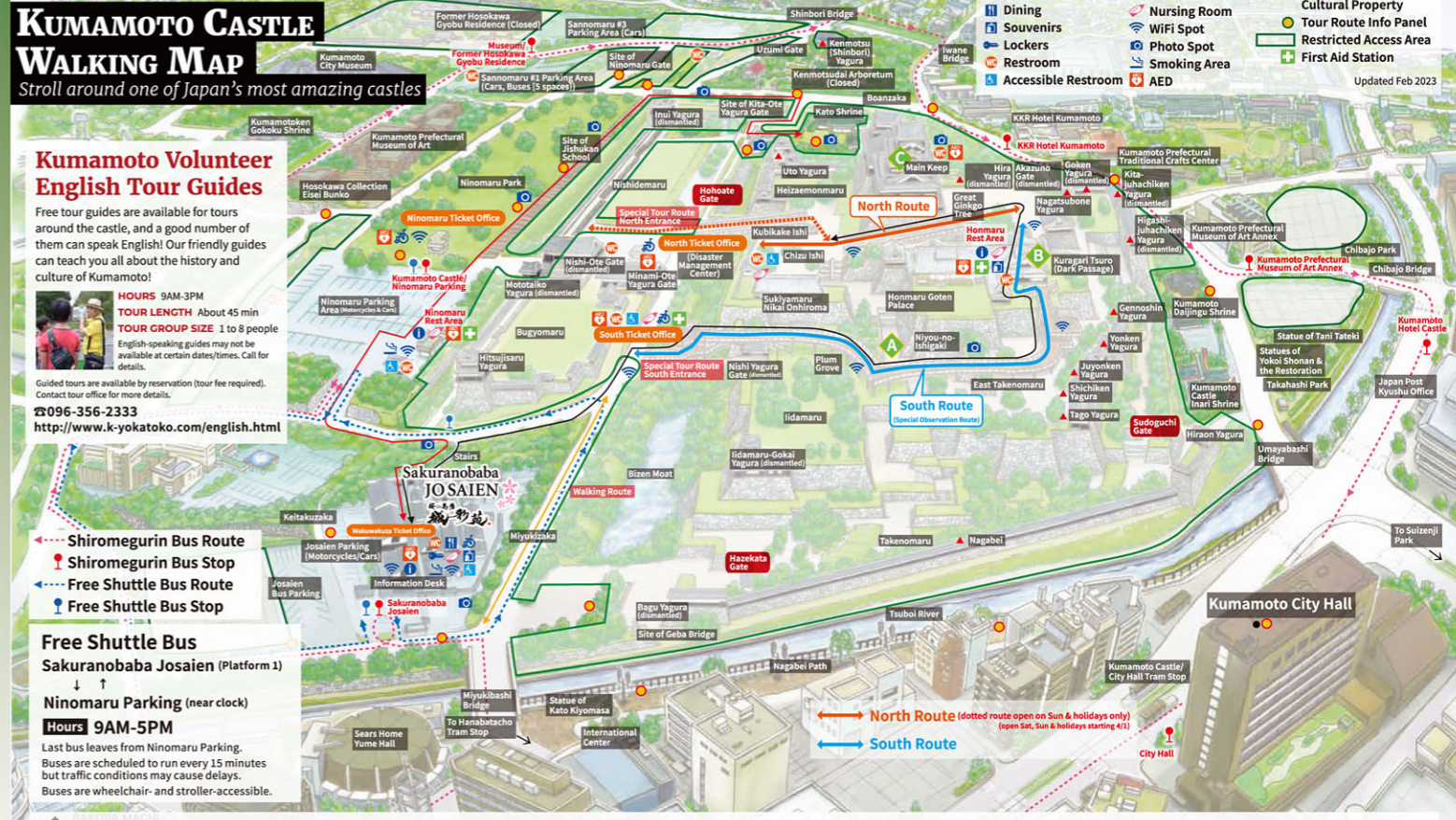


These artisanal snacks feature the tasty crunch of peanuts and the savory sweetness of soy sauce.

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## 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 45 min  
TOUR GROUP SIZE 1 to 8 people  
English-speaking guides may not be available at certain dates/times. Call for details.

Guided tours are available by reservation (tour fee required). Contact tour office for more details.  
☎096-356-2333  
http://www.k-yokotoko.com/english.html

**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.

**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

## JOSAIEN AREA MAP & HOTEL GUIDE



**SHIROMEGURIN CASTLE LOOP BUS**  
Leaving daily from Kumamoto Station to spots around Kumamoto Castle. 1-3 buses an hour.

	Single Ride	Day Pass
Adult	¥180	¥500
Child	¥90	¥250

No weekday buses until 3/22 (Fri).

## Kumamoto Hotel Guide

Rank	Hotel Name	Address	TEL
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	2-10 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	3-10 Shimotori, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-355-0410
17	Toyoko Inn Sakuramachi Bus Terminal Mae	1-24 Konyama-machi, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-322-1045
18	Mitsui Garden Hotel Kumamoto	1-20 Konyama-machi, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-352-1131
19	Hotel Mystays Kumamoto Riverside	4-12 Konyama-machi, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-355-3110
20	Hotel Hokke Club Kumamoto	20-1 Tori-cho, Chuo-ku	TEL 096-322-5001
21	ANA Crown 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	1-14-1 Kasuga, Nishi-ku	TEL 050-5847-7557
24	Toyoko Inn Kumamoto Ekimae	2-8-10 Kasuga, Nishi-ku	TEL 096-351-1045