

Guides

Shima-no-Kaze

Stroll through Himeshima Island with a chief Shinto priest

Explore the village with an illustrated map from the Meiji era in hand and enjoy the unchanged and changed sceneries as you imagine what Himeshima must have been like in the olden days.

The seven mysteries of Himeshima Island



Himeshima regarded as an island of legends has many oral traditions associated with a princess which have been handed down as the seven mysteries of Himeshima. (Amida oysters, Ukisu, Shoshimizu, Sennindo, Kanetsuke stone, Ukita, Sakasayanagi)

③Daruma Bridge

What used to be a bridge is now a road, but the area had a canal running through in the Edo period where boats traveled under the arched Daruma Bridge.

①Ohtarashi Hachiman Shrine



Built in the same Hachiman style as main shrine of Usa Jingu. 18 deities are enshrined in the grounds. The shrine used to be a place where the Kitsuki Domain lords came to pray for safe childbirth.

Himeshima Bon Dance



Traditional dances that have been passed down in the region include the fox dance which involves local children in distinctive fox make-up perform a funny dance, Ase, Zeni Daiko, and Sarumandayu.

⑦Kaiganji Temple
A sect of Chionjin Temple in Kyoto. It houses a bell tower and an image of the ten underworld kings.

⑧Ebisu Shrine
The god of fishermen is enshrined through the length and breadth of Japan. The shrine has a particularly large altar.

⑨The old red brick warehouse of Senbaisho

⑩Tiger prawn farm

⑪The fourth-generation post office
The only set of traffic lights in Himeshima Village. It's the only set in the village!

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When?	Weekdays	
Times	①9:30AM-12:00PM ②2:30PM-5:00PM	
Meet-up	Ohtarashi Hachiman Shrine 2064, Himeshima Village	Fee ①2,500 yen (including lunch) ②1,000 yen (no lunch)