

How to Access

Traveling from major cities to Kagoshima Airport

The airport can be reached in two hours from major international airports.

- Approx. 1hr. 50mins. from Tokyo Haneda and Narita airports.
- Approx. 1hr. 20mins. from Osaka Airport.

The following international services fly to Kagoshima Airport

- Approx. 1hr. 35mins. from Seoul Airport.
- Approx. 1hr. 35mins. from Shanghai Airport.
- Approx. 3hrs. from Hong Kong Airport.
- Approx. 2hrs. from Taipei Airport.

From Fukuoka City

- 1hr. 11mins. by Shinkansen
- Approx. 3hrs. by car

From Kumamoto City

- 32mins. by Shinkansen
- Approx. 2hrs. by car

From Kagoshima Airport

(International & domestic flights)

- Approx. 1hr. 15mins. by Airport Shuttle Bus

From Kagoshima City

- 24mins. by Shinkansen
- Approx. 2hrs. by car

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Enjoy a comfortable, short ride to Izumi on the Shinkansen.

Izumi City, Kagoshima Prefecture

Izumi City is on the border with Kumamoto Prefecture in the northwest of Kagoshima Prefecture.

The Kyushu Shinkansen stops at "Izumi Station," and it takes one hour and eleven minutes from Fukuoka City and twenty-four minutes from Kagoshima City by Shinkansen. From November to March, you can see the white-necked crane and hooded crane, which are on the red list of the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources (IUCN). There is also the Izumi-Fumoto Samurai Residences, Important preservation district for group of traditional buildings. You can also enjoy flowers and nature throughout the four seasons, including cherry blossoms in late March, fireflies in May, hydrangeas in June, cosmos in October, and autumnal foliage in late November.

Farmers providing accommodation can also guide you to these scenic spots.

Kagoshima Prefecture

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Izumi Farm Stay Experience

Coming to the Japanese countryside will make you smile

A farming experience and homestay program with a farming family



~City of cranes and history~
Izumi City,
Kagoshima
Prefecture

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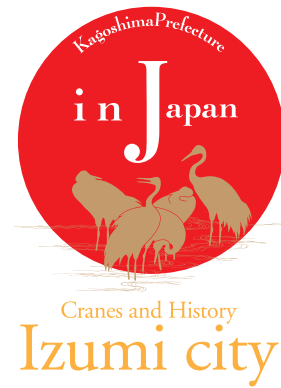
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Experience country-living in Japan,
something you won't find in larger cities.
There is abundant nature; there is deep history.
Farmers are waiting to welcome you with a smile.



- Only one group per day at each farm.
- Farmers will greet you at Izumi Station, a Shinkansen stop.
- Farmers providing accommodation will treat you like relatives.
- There are many things to enjoy on each farm, including star-strewn sky, wild deer, and homecooked meals, as well as farming experience.
- Having drinks with dinner with the farmers is also the appeal of Nou-haku (farm stay)
- You can also enjoy sightseeing in Izumi with them.



Recommended overnight course (example)

- Nowhere else in the world can you see tens of thousands of white-necked and hooded cranes take wings from November to March.
- Wearing a kimono or a yukata in the samurai residences (fees apply / kimono from October to April, yukata from May to September) Women may keep the kimono as souvenirs.
- With the kimono on, tour the Samurai Residences, the largest of their kind in Japan, on an oxcart.

For lunch on the second day, you will be able to enjoy a local delicacy "Izumi Oyako Steak Gohan"(chicken steak) made with a double-yolk egg and Izumi's brand of chicken.

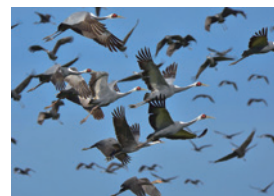
Day 1, A Farming Experience and Homestay

You can experience working on a farm that grows mandarin oranges, vegetables, rice, and tea, or one that raises cattle and enjoy feasting on meals prepared by the farmers.

* Please notify in advance if you have dietary requirements due to religion, etc.



Greeting and farewell at Izumi Station, a Shinkansen stop.



Day 2, History and Culture Exploration

Explore Izumi's Samurai Residences from the Edo period 400 years ago, while getting in touch with Japan's beautiful kimono culture and wearing one and savor the Japanese ambience by riding an old-fashioned oxcart.

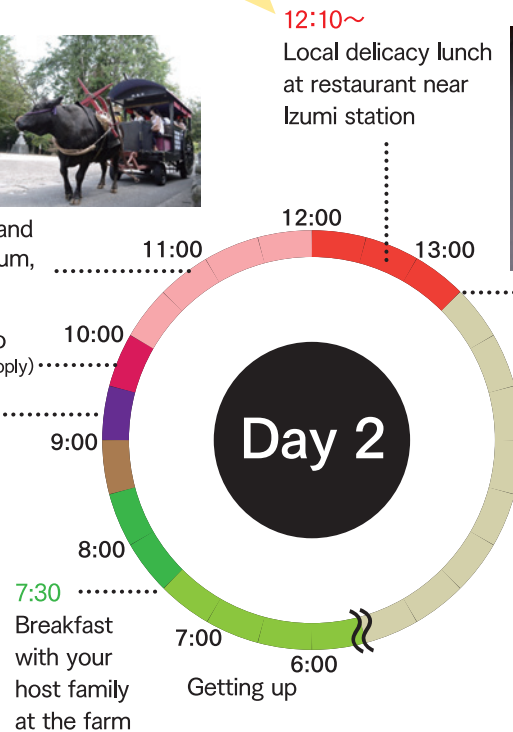


10:00~11:50

Keeping the kimono on, tour the samurai residences and Izumi-Fumoto Historical Museum, or ride an oxcart

Experience wearing a kimono in a samurai residence (fees apply)

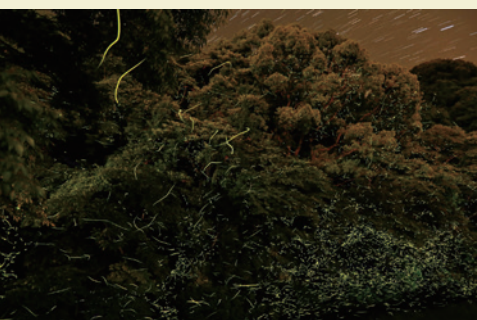
9:30 Farewell ceremony at the Izumi-Fumoto Samurai Residences



Enjoy a fulfilling day.

The four seasons of Izumi

Seasonal charms of Izumi await.



Fireflies



Cherry blossoms



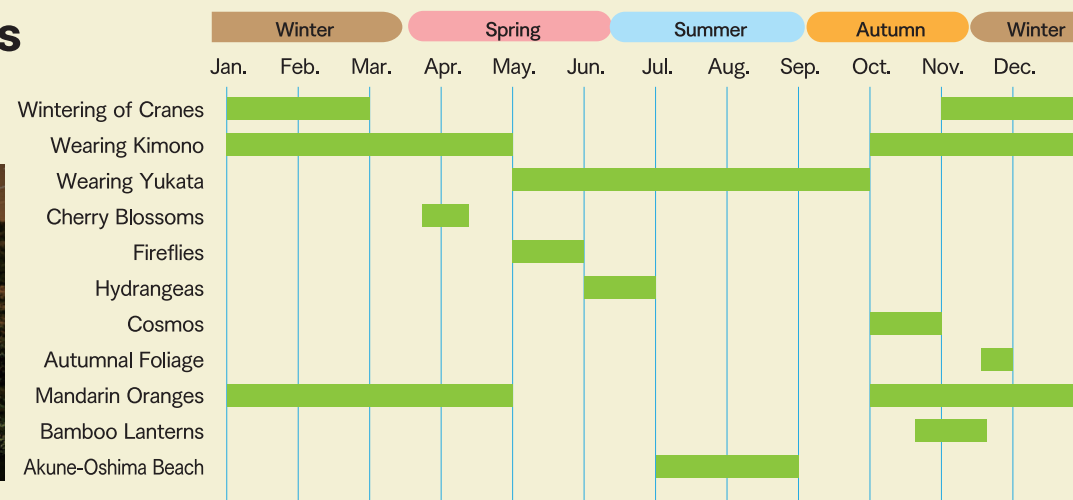
Akune-Oshima Island (uninhabited)



Hydrangeas



Starry sky



Japan's top wintering spot for cranes

10,000 cranes taking wings is a spectacle you can only see in Izumi

Over 10,000 cranes migrate from Siberia from mid-October to December and stay until March each year to winter in Izumi, Japan's most significant wintering spot for cranes. The number and variety of migration are the largest in Japan, and the "cranes of Kagoshima and their wintering spot" are designated as the nation's special national treasures. Over 10,000 cranes taking wings in the early morning are a spectacle you can see nowhere else in the world but here.

● Period: November - March



Savor the ambiance of Japan

Wearing kimono (yukata) and tea ceremony in the samurai residences

Would you like to stroll through the streets that retain the character of the old Edo period in a kimono? In this tour, you can choose a kimono and obi(sash belt) in the patterns you like from among many and have staffs dress you in a samurai residence. Once you change into a kimono, let's savor the art of Japanese tea ceremony while enjoying the view of the beautiful garden. You will have Japanese sweet and matcha tea while receiving instructions on etiquette. The end of the tour, female customers can take away the kimono and obi(sash belt) as souvenirs which will remind you of the trip.

- Period: October - April (kimono) / May - September (yukata)
- Duration: 2-3 hours
- Minimum number of participants : 5 people
- Booking required (at least 2 weeks in advance)
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