



Overview of Kudamatsu

Population: 57,165
(at the end of January, 2019)
Number of Household: 25,952
(at the end of January, 2019)
City area: 89.35km²

Kudamatsu is a very livable city and is ranked highly among comfortable places to live in Japan.

Kudamatsu promotes the three pillars of “-Smile, -Flower and -Nursery rhymes”. They represent community development of spiritual richness and heart full of Ninjyo (human warmth).



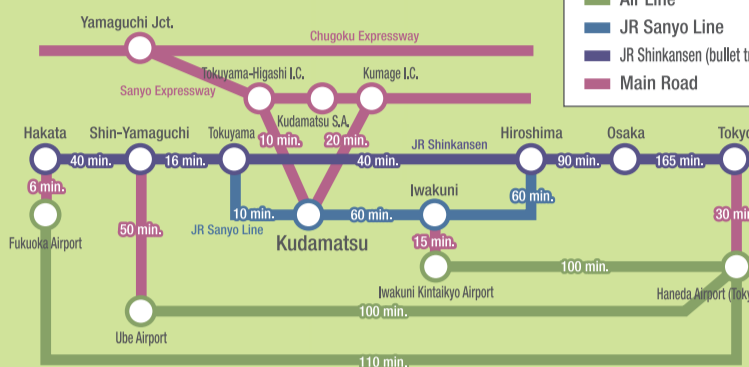
Location of Kudamatsu City Hall
3-3-3 Ote-machi, Kudamatsu City, Yamaguchi Prefecture
East Longitude 131°52'
North Latitude 34°00'
● About 10 min. by car from Tokuyama-Higashi I.C.
● About 10 min. on foot from Kudamatsu Station

The Origin of “Kudamatsu”

There is a legend that long ago a big star fell upon a pine tree in this area. The name of Kudamatsu City is derived from the legend of “the pine tree upon which a star fell” (kudari matsu). A pine tree is cared for at Kanawa Shrine. This “Kanae no Matsu” is considered descendent from the original pine tree in the shooting legend. Offspring of the original tree has been watching over the city.



ACCESS



To Kudamatsu City by Air
● Tokyo (Haneda) → 100 min. → Iwakuni Kintaiyo Airport
→ About 60 min. by car
● Tokyo (Haneda) → 100 min. → Ube Airport
→ About 90 min. by car

To Kudamatsu City by Car
● Sanyo Expressway
-About 10 min. from Tokuyama-Higashi I.C.
-About 20 min. from Kumage I.C.
● Time required: About 10min. from Tokuyama Station

To Kudamatsu Station by Train
● Take the JR Sanyo Shinkansen to Tokuyama, then change to the JR Sanyo Line (local train).

Welcome to Kudamatsu City Sightseeing Guide



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Other Sights in the Neighborhood



Tokuyama Zoo (Shunan City)
Approximately 520 animals representing 130 different species are raised at Tokuyama Zoo. The zoo is designed so visitors see the animals up close while providing a comfortable child-friendly experience.



Night View of Industrial Complex (Shunan City)
Shunan Industrial Complex is on the south side of JR Tokuyama Station and you can see a beautiful panoramic night view. It is rare for plants and factories to be located so near the heart of town. The night view is also observable from hotels adjacent to the station.



Ito-Ko Museum (Hikari City)
The museum is dedicated to the achievements of Japan's First Prime Minister. Articles owned by Hirofumi Ito are among the items on display. The museum focuses on Japan's movements toward the end of the Edo Period.



Nijigahama (Hikari City)
Nijigahama is a 2.4 km long beach with shoals, beautiful sand and pine trees. It is one of the best swimming beaches in western Japan. Additionally the beach has been selected as one of the top 100 beaches in Japan for beautiful pine trees, cozy beaches and so on.



Kasado Bridge
Built in the longer truss style, Kasado Bridge was completed in 1970. Its shape and bright red color provide a beautiful view in the Seto Inland Sea.



Yuhi-Misaki
This is one of the most beautiful spots in western Japan for viewing the sunset. Since the view in winter is particularly magnificent, many photographers visit here.



Kasadojima Family Resort Village
Located 150 m above sea level on Kasado Island, the Family Resort Village offers cottages, auto-camping and barbecuing, all while overlooking Kasado Bay.
● TEL. 0833-52-1001

Specialty of Kudamatsu Kasado Hirame (Flounder)

“Kasado Hirame” is farmed on Kasado Island. It is luxury foodstuff and specialty of Kudamatsu which is especially fleshy and juicy while providing a delicate sweetness. Besides, Kasado Hirame has the reputation of being more delicious than natural one. You can enjoy eating it in all seasons.



Hanaguri Swimming Beach and Promenade on the Sea (Kaijo Promenade)
Hanaguri Beach offers a 300 m long promenade. It is popular with many people throughout a year.



Kudamatsu Kasadojima Marine Ikada (Raft) Race
This is a typical summer event in Kudamatsu. The popular event features rafts made by participants. The competitors are judged on both design and speed in a race between Hanaguri Beach and Oojou Cape.

Kudamatsu Kasadojima Island Trail (Running Race)
Running Race through the natural and hilly Trail! The running course is designed for runners to enjoy full of variety of the island and is rare in the country.



Nagaoka Gaishi Park
Located in National Hotel Oojou, the park features a statue of Nagaoka Gaishi. He is “a pioneer of skiing and aviation technology in Japan”. The statue stands facing Kudamatsu urban district.



Kasadojima Oojou Onsen Fireworks Display
About 1500 fireworks burst to light up the sky and are reflected in the sea on Kasado Island. In addition, various vendors set up stands and performances are held at National Hotel Oojou. Many people come to enjoy the festivities.



National Hotel “Oojou”
All visitors are welcomed to stay in the renovated National Hotel “Oojou”. You will be surely satisfied with fresh food and also a beautiful bird's eye view of Setonaikai Inland Sea from the open-air bath.

Setonaikai National Park

Crescent shaped Kasado Island has a circumference of about 36 km around and is located to the south of Kudamatsu Port. The island is connected to the mainland by the Kasado Bridge. Hiking trails and a promenade on the sea are built on the island. In summer the beach is popular for swimming and a camping site is open.

Kasadojima (Island)