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Hiroshima (広島), the world-renowned "City of Peace", is the largest city in the western end of the Japanese mainland. It has enjoyed a miraculous rebirth as a modern thriving city with a population of well over 1,171,000 (as of Apr, 2009) due to the bold and far-sighted city-building programs worked out since

1954. Hiroshima now forms an important center of administration, education, communication and tourism in that part of the country and the visitor is always assured of excellent hotel accommodations, delicious food and many sightseeing attractions.

Access from Tokyo to Hiroshima:

By JR Shinkansen: From Tokyo Sta. 5 hrs. by Hikari* (¥17,540), 4 hrs. by Nozomi (¥18,550).

By Airplane: 1 hr. 20 min. (from Haneda Airport to Hiroshima Airport), ¥30,800.

Access to Hiroshima Sta. (city center) from Hiroshima Airport: 45 min. by bus, ¥1,300.

By Bus: From Tokyo Sta. 11 hrs. or 12 hrs. by JR Bus Kanto, Chugoku JR Bus and Odakyu Bus (¥11,600) (Overnight).

Access from Kyoto and Osaka to Hiroshima:

By JR Shinkansen: From Kyoto Sta. 1 hrs. 55 min. by Hikari *(¥10,790), 1 hr. 40 min. by Nozomi (¥11,090).

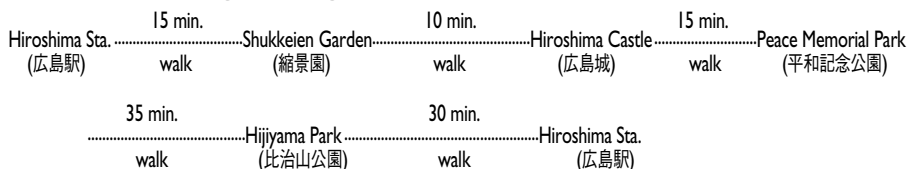
From Shin-Osaka Sta. 1 hr. 35 min. by Hikari (¥9,950), 1 hr. 20 min. by Nozomi (¥10,150).

By Bus: From Kyoto Sta. 6 hrs. 45 min. by Chugoku JR Bus (¥6,300) (Overnight).

From Osaka (Namba). 7 hrs. by Chugoku JR Bus (¥5,700) (Overnight).

* Transfer at Shin Osaka Sta.

Recommended Sightseeing Route:



Sea Route to and from Hiroshima

Matsuyama-Hiroshima ¥6,900 by super jet

boat. 14 services/day each way; 1 hr. 10 min.

Matsuyama-Hiroshima ¥3,500 by ferry

10 services/day each way; 2 hrs. 30 min.

operated by Setonaikai kisen Co. Ltd.

Tel: 082-253-1212 (9:00-19:00)

- Sightseeing by taxi with recorded English commentaries for the above-mentioned course is available. Reservations: Hiroshima Prefectural Private Taxi Corporation (Tel. 082-283-2311), Hiroko Taxi (Tel. 082-291-3232) Tsubame Taxi (Tel. 082-221-1955), Rijo Taxi (Tel: 082-232-4311)
- Sunrise Tour (JTB Sunrise Center Western Japan, Tel. 075-341-1413); Sightseeing tour by bus (with English-speaking guide) 10:30 a.m., the tour is in operation Thu. – Tue. in Apr. and Oct., and on Mon., Tue., Fri. and Sat. the rest of the year. Closed: Jan. 1 – 8 and Dec. 27 – 31.

One-day tour: Hiroshima (Peace Memorial Park only) and Miyajima (¥14,700/¥12,600 children)

- Hiroden Streetcar (Hiroshima Dentetsu): Streetcar is convenient for city sightseeing. ¥150 for a ride on City Line; ¥210 for Miyajima Line. Transfer (specified stations only): pay ¥150 when getting off and ask for a transfer ticket.

One-day Trip card: ¥600 is valid for all the streetcar lines including Miyajima Line which terminates at Hiroden Miyajima-guchi Sta.

One-day Trip card (street car and ship): ¥840 is valid for all street car lines including Miyajima Line which terminates at Hiroden Miyajima-guchi Sta. and Matsudai tourist ship (Miyajima-guchi ↔ Miyajima).

Two-days Trip card: ¥2,000 is valid for all street car lines including Miyajima Line which terminates at Hiroden Miyajima-guchi Sta., Matsudai tourist ship (Miyajima-guchi ↔ Miyajima) and Miyajima ropeway (Momiji-dani ↔ Shishi-iwa).

Places To Go:

Shukkeien Garden (縮景園), 15-min. walk or 5 min. by bus from Hiroshima Sta., was originally designed in 1620 by Nagaakira Asano, a feudal lord ruling this district. Later emerging in its present form, the garden covers an area of 5 ha. and is registered as a Scenic Place. It is situated on Kyobashi River, from which water is drawn to create streams and ponds within its enclosure. The islets and bridges, the swimming carp and the surrounding woods combine to lend a special beauty to the garden. Open: 9:00–18:00 (Apr. – Sep.), 9:00–17:00 (Oct. – Mar.); enter 30min. before closing time. Admission: ¥250. Closed: Dec. 29–Jan. 3.

Hiroshima Prefectural Art Museum (広島県立美術館) was opened in 1968. This urban style art museum is located in the center of Hiroshima City, adjacent to the lush green Shukkeien Park. Open: 9:00–17:00 (Sat. –19:00); enter 30min. before closing time. Closed: Mondays (open when Mon. falls on a national holiday), year end and new year 1. Admission for permanent exhibition: ¥500. Tel. (082)221-6246.

Hiroshima Castle (広島城), also called "Rijo" (Carp Castle), 10 min. by bus or 10 min. walk after 10 min. ride in streetcar from Hiroshima Station, was completed in 1589 by Mori Terumoto, a feudal lord. It served as the residence of the Asano family for more than 250 years until the Meiji Restoration of 1868. The interior of the five-story donjon, reconstructed in its original style, has been used as a local museum, but the castle and its precincts now serve as a public park. From the top, visitors can obtain a view of Hiroshima Harbor and Miyajima Island on Hiroshima Bay as well as the panorama of the whole city. Open: 9:00–18:00, (–17:00. Weekday of Dec. – Feb.) enter 30 min. before closing time. Admission: ¥360. Closed: Dec. 29 – Jan. 2.

Peace Memorial Park (平和記念公園), 15 min. by streetcar or by bus from Hiroshima Sta., or 15-min. walk from Hiroshima Castle, was laid out after the Pacific War at the northernmost corner of the delta separating the affluence of the Ota River into two additional branches—the Motoyasu and Honkawa Rivers. The park includes the modern Peace Memorial Museum (East & West Bldg.), Memorial Cenotaph for A-Bomb Victims and the Hiroshima International Peace and Culture Hall.

Peace Memorial Museum is open 8:30 – 18:00 (Mar. – Nov.), 8:30 – 17:00 (Dec. – Feb.), 8:30 – 19:00 (Aug.); enter 30min. before closing time. Closed: Dec. 29 – Jan. 1. Admission: ¥50. Rental audio guide is available in 16 languages ¥300. Tel. (082)241-4004.

Atomic Bomb Dome (原爆ドーム), 15 min. by bus or streetcar from Hiroshima Sta., stands completely gutted. The concrete section was burnt and even melted, leaving the skeletal steel frame exposed against the sky. The dome is situated at Otemachi near the eastern edge of Aioi Bridge, which was approximately the epicenter of the atomic explosion of August 6, 1945. It is the only atomic-bombed building in the city that has been permitted to stand. A-bomb Dome was registered as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in December 1996.

Memorial Cenotaph for A-Bomb Victims (原爆死没者慰霊碑): Under the huge vault, shaped like the figurine clay saddles found in ancient tombs, a stone chest has been placed containing the roll of those killed by the atomic bomb. On the front of the chest is an epitaph inscribed in Japanese, which means "Repose ye in peace, for the error shall not be repeated."

Hiroshima Museum of Art (ひろしま美術館), mainly exhibits European modern art including Impressionism from the beginning of the 19th century to the present day. Open: 9:00–17:00; enter by 16:30. Closed: Dec. 29 – Jan. 2. Admission: ¥1,000.

Hijiyama Park (比治山公園), 10 min. by streetcar from Hiroshima Sta., forms a small hill situated in the eastern part of the city. A drive leads to the summit, and from the southern crown, the visitor can obtain a fine view of most of the city, including Peace Boulevard. The hillside is covered with multitudes of cherry trees, making it a popular place in the city for the viewing of cherry blossoms.

Hiroshima City Museum of Contemporary Art (広島市現代美術館), located in the compound of Hijiyama Park. The museum displays contemporary art works created after World War II. Open: 10:00 – 17:00 (– 19:00. Sat of Jul. and Aug.); enter before 30 minutes each closing time. Closed: Mon. (If Mon. falls on Aug. 6 or a national holiday, next day will be closed) & Dec. 29–Jan. 3. Admission: ¥360.

Asa Zoological Park (安佐動物公園), 50 min. by bus from JR Hiroshima Sta. or 20 min. by JR Kabe Line from Hiroshima Sta. to Omachi Sta. and 5 min. by Astram Line to Kamiyasu Sta., or 20 min. by Astram Line from Kencho-mae Sta. under Hiroshima Bus Center to Kamiyasu Sta., then 10 min. by bus, is home to nearly 1,500 wild animals mostly from Africa in its compound of 256,000 sq.m surrounded by low mountains. The animals are not confined to standard-type cages. Open: 9:00–16:30 (enter by 16:00). Closed: Thur. (When Thu. falls on Aug. 6 or a national holiday, it will be closed on the previous day.) and Dec. 29 – Jan. 1. Admission: ¥500.

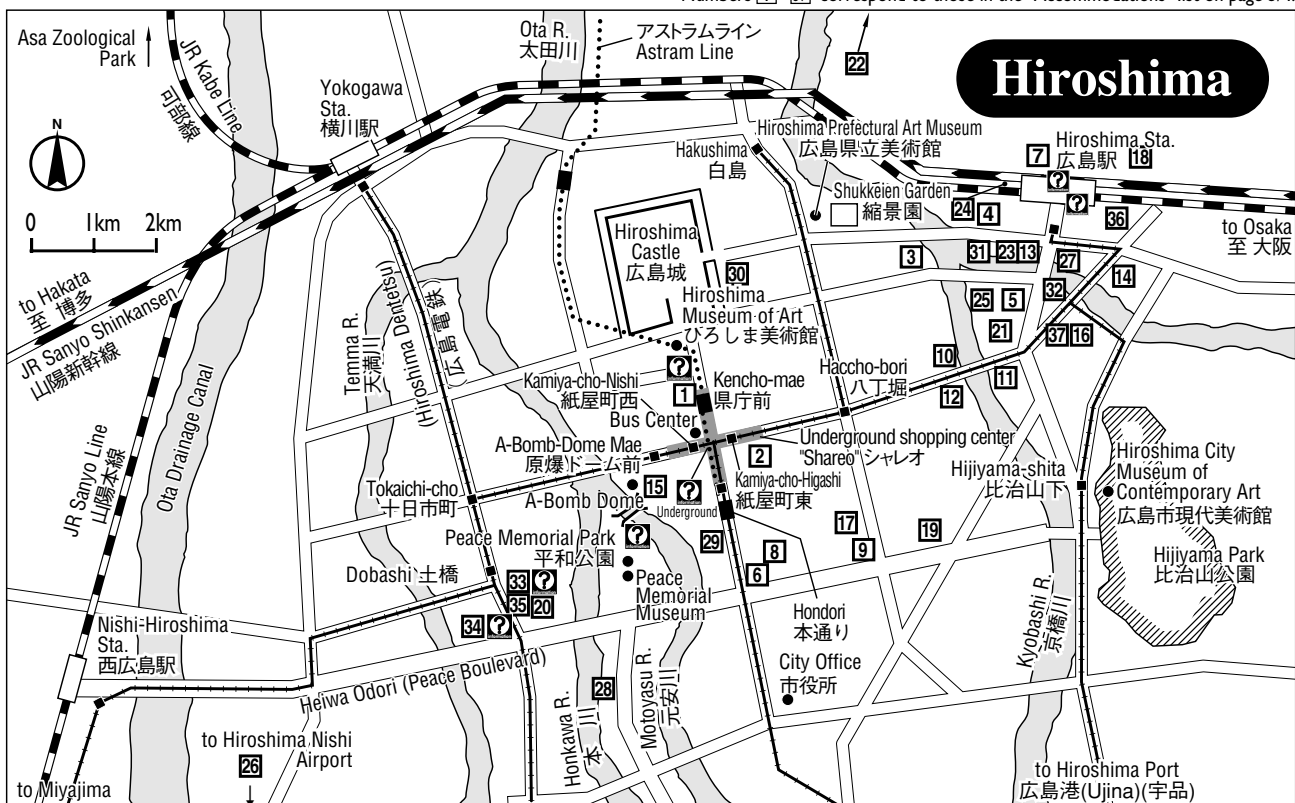
Other Places to Visit in the Vicinity:

Kintai Bridge (錦帯橋), 15 min. by bus from Iwakuni Sta. in Yamaguchi Pref. was originally constructed in 1673 by Hiroyoshi Kikkawa, a feudal lord of the district, for the purpose of protecting the residents from flooding by Nishiki River. The bridge is 193 m long, 5 m wide and 12 m above the water at the highest point. To erect the bridge, no nails were used at all; instead, some clamps and wires were employed as fasteners. During the three months from June to August, demonstrations of cormorant fishing are held under the bridge. Bridge toll: ¥300.

Sandankyo (三段峡), 80 min. by express bus from Hiroshima Bus Center, a gorge designated a gorge designated as an "Outstanding Scenic Place," is situated on the upper reaches of Ota River, 73 km northwest of Hiroshima. Noted for its scenic beauty, created by the fresh verdure and natural colors in season and a number of fine waterfalls and rapid streams, the gorge can be reached by bus in 2 hrs. from Hiroshima Bus Center. The gorge extends for 16 km and must be traversed on foot. Sandankyo is the best place for fall hiking when the leaves turn red. (The area opens from Apr. to the end of Nov. but is closed the rest of the year.)

Yuki Onsen Spa (湯来温泉), 1 hr. 10 min. by bus from JR Itsukaichi sta. Center, is a quiet hot spring resort situated in the valley of Minochi River to the west of Hiroshima. In summer, the croaking of frogs and flashing of fireflies add to the attraction of the place. With Yunoyama Onsen Spa in the neighborhood, the district is popular with hikers.

Numbers 1–37 correspond to those in the "Accommodations" list on page 3/4.



Accommodations:

Name of Facility	Tel.	Fax.	Room Rate (¥)	Name of Facility	Tel.	Fax.	Room Rate (¥)
Hiroshima:				25 Hotel New Ginkaku (R)	(082)261-8628	(082)261-8641	¥
1 Rihga Royal Hotel Hiroshima (H)	(082)502-1121	(082)228-5415	¥¥¥	26 Hiroshima Diamond Hotel (H)	(082)292-3161	(082)291-1400	¥¥
2 Hiroshima Kokusai Hotel (H)	(082)248-2323	(082)248-2622	¥¥	27 Hotel Kawashima (BH) [W]	(082)263-3535	(082)263-0345	¥
3 Hotel Flex (H) [W]	(082)223-1000	(082)223-5678	¥¥	28 Aster Plaza (Hiroshima International Youth House)	(082)247-8700	(082)246-5808	¥
4 Hotel New Hiroden (H)	(082)263-3456	(082)263-3784	¥¥¥	29 Park Side Hotel (BH)	(082)244-7131	(082)242-6071	¥
5 Hiroshima Grand Intelligent Hotel (BH)	(082)263-5111	(082)262-2403	¥	30 Hotel Unizo Hiroshima (BH) [W]	(082)228-3351	(082)228-4114	¥
6 ANA Crown Plaza Hotel Hiroshima (H)	(082)241-1111	(082)241-9123	¥¥¥	31 Hiroshima Ekimae Green Hotel (BH) [W]	(082)264-3939	(082)262-2669	¥
7 Hotel Granvia Hiroshima (H)	(082)262-1111	(082)262-4050	¥¥¥	32 Hotel Ceutory 21 Hiroshima (H)	(082)263-3111	(082)263-7601	¥¥¥
8 Hotel Hokke Club Hiroshima (BH)	(082)248-3371	(082)248-4799	¥	33 Ikawa Ryokan (R) [W]	(082)231-5058	(082)231-5995	¥
9 Hiroshima Tokyu Inn (H)	(082)244-0109	(082)245-4467	¥¥	34 Business Ryokan Sansui (R) [W]	(082)293-9051	(082)233-2377	¥
10 Regalo Hotel (BH)	(082)224-6300	(082)224-6301	¥	Backpackers hostels:			
11 Hiroshima Intelligent Hotel Annex (BH)	(082)263-7878	(082)263-7892	¥	35 J-Hoppers Hiroshima	(082)233-1360	(082)559-9085	¥
12 Hiroshima Central Hotel (BH) [W]	(082)243-2222	(082)243-9001	¥	36 Hana Hostel [W]	(082)263-2980	(082)298-2988	¥
13 APA Hotel (BH)	(082)264-9111	(082)262-8282	¥	37 K's House Hiroshima [W]	(082)568-7244	(082)568-7240	¥
14 Ark Hotel Hiroshima (BH)	(082)263-6363	(082)263-6262	¥	Yuki Spa:			
15 Aioi (R)	(082)247-9331	(082)247-9335	¥¥	Kajika-so (R)			
16 Taisho Ryokan (R)	(082)262-2181	(082)264-5570	¥	(082)985-0311			
17 Sera Bekkan (R)	(082)248-2251	(082)248-2768	¥¥	Yuki People's Lodge (PL)			
18 New Tachibana (R)	(082)263-7281	(082)263-7286	¥	(082)985-0111			
19 Toyoko Inn Hiroshima heiwa-o-dori (BH)	(082)504-1045	(082)504-1046	¥	*closed for renovation until Oct., 2010			
20 Minshuku Ikedaya (M)	(082)231-3329	(082)231-7875	¥	Sandankyo:			
21 Mikawa Ryokan (R)	(082)261-2719	(082)263-2706	¥	Sandankyo Hotel (R)			
22 Hiroshima Youth Hostel (Y)	(082)221-5343	(082)221-5377	¥	(082)28-2308			
23 Hotel Sun Palace (BH) [W]	(082)264-6111	(082)261-3000	¥				
24 New Matsuo (R) [W]	(082)262-3141	(082)261-2259	¥				

Remarks:

- 1 - 34 correspond to those on the map on page 2/4.
 H = Hotel Rate for a twin room.
 R = Ryokan Rate per person.
 [W] = **Welcome Inn** member (See page 4/4 for more information.)

- BH = Business Hotel Rate per person.
 M = Minshuku Rate per person.
 (family-run inn)
 Y = Youth Hostel Rate per person.
 PL = People's Lodge Rate per person.

Note: Advance inquiry by phone for vacant rooms is required.

- ¥¥¥ more than 15,000 yen
 ¥¥ 8,001 yen - 15,000 yen
 ¥ 8,000 yen or less

Note: The Welcome Inns provide single rooms priced at 8,000 yen or less.

MIYAJIMA

Miyajima (宮島), literally Shrine Island, a popular name for Itsukushima Shrine, has long been revered as a sacred island because of Itsukushima Shrine founded there in 593 A.D. which is dedicated to the maritime guardian goddesses. The island, about 31 km in circumference, is easily accessible by ferryboat in 10 min. from Miyajimaguchi Sta., which is reached in 30 min. by

JR Sanyo Main Line from Hiroshima Sta. Miyajima, noted for its magnificent landscape, including the shrine, is an ideal summer resort, replete with excellent swimming beaches and many pleasant trails for strolling. It is also noted for its cherry blossoms as well as for its autumnal tints. The lighting of the Shrine makes the opposite shore beautiful till 23:00.

Accommodations: Accommodation numbers correspond to the map on page 4/4.

Name of Facility	Tel.	Fax.	Room Rate (¥)
1 Miyajima Grand Hotel Arimoto (R)	(0829)44-2411	(0829)44-2416	¥¥¥
2 Hotel Miyarikyu (R)	(0829)44-2111	(0829)44-2554	¥¥¥
3 Jukeiso (H) [W]	(0829)44-0300	(0829)44-0388	¥¥¥
4 Mizuhaso (R)	(0829)44-0173	(0829)44-0183	¥¥
5 Guest House Kikugawa (P) [W]	(0829)44-0039	(0829)44-2773	¥¥
6 Yamaichi Bekkan (R) [W]	(0829)44-0700	(0829)44-0701	¥¥
7 Iwaso Ryokan (H)	(0829)44-2233	(0829)44-2230	¥¥¥

Remarks:

- H = Hotel Rate per twin room.
 R = Ryokan Rate per person.
 Y = Youth Hostel Rate per person.
 P = Pension Rate per person.
 [W] = **Welcome Inn** member (See page 4/4 for more information.)

- ¥¥¥ more than 15,000 yen
 ¥¥ 8,001 yen - 15,000 yen
 ¥ 8,000 yen or less

Note: The Welcome Inns provide single rooms priced at 8,000 yen or less.

Access from Hiroshima to Miyajima:

By JR: Hiroshima Sta. → Miyajimaguchi Sta., 25 min. ¥400.

By Streetcar operated by Hiroshima Dentetsu: Hiroden-Hiroshima Sta. → Hiroden-Miyajimaguchi Sta., 65 min. ¥270.

Note: JR trains leave about every 6 - 30 min. Streetcars run about every 7 min. Miyajima is reached by ferryboat (10 min. ¥170) from Miyajimaguchi Pier, a few-minutes walk from JR Miyajimaguchi Sta. or Hiroden-Miyajimaguchi streetcar station.

By Boat: Ujina Port (Hiroshima Port) → Miyajima Pier, 24 min., ¥1,800. Tel. (082) 254-1701. (Reservation is required.)

(Timetable)	Lv. Hiroshima:	8:25*	9:25	10:25	11:25	12:35*	14:25	15:25	16:25
	Lv. Miyajima:	9:00*	10:00	11:00	11:55*	14:00	15:00	16:00	17:00

* Service is available on Sat., Sun. and national holidays.

- Ujina Port (40 min. by Hiroshima Dentetsu from Hiroden-Hiroshima Sta. ¥150)
- 2 -day pass valid for the local streetcars, ferryboats and ropeway is available (¥2,000).

4-hour Hiking Route:

Miyajima Pier (宮島棧橋)	10 min.	Itsukushima Shrine (厳島神社)	5 min.	Nishi-Matsubara & Kiyomori Shrine (西松原)	5 min.	Miyajima Aquarium (宮島水族館) *closed until Jul, 2010	5 min.	Omoto Park (大元公園)
.....	5 min.	Miyajima Museum of Historical and Folk Materials (宮島歴史民俗資料館)	3 min.	Daiganji Temple (大願寺)	1 min.	Treasure Hall (宝物館)	1 min.	Tahoto (Pagoda) (多宝塔)
.....	20 min.	Hiramatsu Park (平松公園)	20 min.	Momijidani Park (紅葉谷公園)	10 min.	Five-storied Pagoda & Senjokaku (五重の塔)	10 min.	Miyajima Pier (宮島棧橋)

Places To Go:

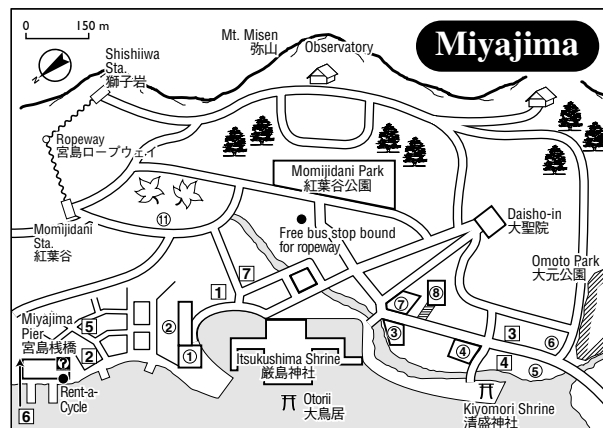
Itsukushima Shrine (厳島神社), 10-min. walk from the pier, presently consists of the Main Shrine and several subsidiary shrines and buildings—all connected by wide corridors or galleries. These stretch above the sea on both sides of the shrine so that when the tide comes in, the whole edifice seems to be floating. The Main Shrine, Heiden (Offering Hall), Haiden (Hall of Worship), Haraiden (Purification Hall) and the corridors have been designated as UNESCO world Heritage site. Along the corridor the utensils and sacred vessels used in Shinto worship. Open: 6:30 – 17:30 (6:30 – 18:00, Mar. 1 – Oct. 14). Admission: ¥300.

Mt. Misen (弥山), alt. 535 m, is the highest peak on the island. Take a ropeway from Momijidani Sta. to Shishiiwa Sta. (Time: 20 min. Fare: ¥1,800 for a round trip). The summit can be reached by 30 minutes hike from there. The primeval forest here is preserved as a natural monument. A splendid view is afforded of Hiroshima City, the nearby mountains and the Inland Sea with its innumerable islets.

Annual Events:

Kangen-sai (管絃祭) (Orchestra Festival) is the largest annual festival held on the day of Jun. 17 by the lunar calendar at Itsukushima Shrine, when three stately barges bearing a portable shrine as well as priests and musicians cross the bay along with other gaily decorated boats joining the colorful procession.

Rent-a-Cycle is at



Numbers [1]-[7] correspond to those accommodations on page 3/4.

JR Miyajima Sambashi Sta.
Charge: ¥320 / 2 hrs.,
¥1,050 / day
(Extending time is charged
¥110 per hour.)
Open: 8:00–17:00.
(enter by 15:00)
Tel: (0829)44-0035.

- ① Senjokaku
- ② Five-storied Pagoda
- ③ Daiganji Temple
- ④ Miyajima Historical & Folklore Materials House
- ⑤ Miyajima Aquarium
- ⑥ Miyajima People's Lodge
- ⑦ Treasure Hall
- ⑧ Tahoto (Pagoda)

**TOURIST INFORMATION**

(Visit Japan Information Network)

Hiroshima City Tourist Information Center

Peace Memorial Park, 1-1 Nakajima-cho,
Naka-ku, Hiroshima City, Hiroshima Pref. Tel.(082)247-6738
9:30–18:00 (Apr.–Sep.); 9:30–19:00 (Aug.1–15), 8:30–17:00 (Oct.–Mar.)

RIHGA ROYAL HOTEL HIROSHIMA

6-78, Motomachi, Naka-ku, Hiroshima City,
Hiroshima Pref. Tel.(082)502-1121
8:00-20:00

Ikawa Ryokan

5-11, Dobashi-cho, Naka-ku, Hiroshima City,
Hiroshima Pref. Tel.(082)231-5058
9:00-17:00

Business Ryokan Sansui

4-16, Koami, Naka-ku, Hiroshima City,
Hiroshima Pref. Tel.(082)293-9051
7:00-10:00(AM), 15:00-19:00(PM) ; Closed irregularly

Miyajima Tourist Information Office

Miyajima Pier Tel.(0829)44-2011
9:00-17:00 every day year-around

Fukuyama Tourist Information Center

JR Fukuyama Station, 30-1, Sannomaru-cho, Fukuyama City,
Hiroshima Pref. Tel.(0849)22-2869
8:30-17:00; Closed on Dec.29-Jan.3

Shin-Onomichi Station Tourist Information Office

JR Shin-Onomichi Station, 9381-4, Kurihara-cho, Onomichi
City, Hiroshima Pref. Tel.(0848)22-6900
9:30-18:00 ; Closed on Dec. 29-Jan.3

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