



Echizen Kawara Roof Tiles Factory Tour & Tile-Splitting Experience

Traditional "Echizen Tiles" have been protecting the roofs of Fukui for generations. The factory, where large machinery and kilns operating at temperatures exceeding 1,200 degrees Celsius are in full swing, is a powerful place to visit! You can even try your hand at splitting a roof tile to feel like a karate fighter!

Basic information	Content	Note
Venue	Echizen Seramika (5-12 Ikenokamicho, Echizen, Fukui 915-0873, Japan)	
Appointed time		
Meeting place	Echizen Seramika (5-12 Ikenokamicho, Echizen, Fukui 915-0873, Japan)	
Access to the meeting place	12 minutes drive from Hapi Line Fukui Takefu Station.	
Time required	50 minutes	
Schedule	<p>Observe the production process of Echizen Kawara, roof tiles from Fukui. You can also try your hand at splitting the roof tiles to feel like a karate fighter!</p> <p>Schedule</p> <p>1. 30-minute factory tour After a brief explanation of Echizen Tiles and its history, the tour will then take you through the process of making the tiles, from clay mixing to molding, drying, glazing, and firing. This is an authentic Japanese factory tour where you get to experience the production process from its impressive scale and sounds, all the way to the heat that results from it.</p> <p>2. Explanation of the tile-splitting experience (5 minutes) Lecture on how to split a roof tile. We will provide appropriate clothing for the activity. You will be asked to sign a letter of intent.</p> <p>3. Tile-splitting experience 10 min. Through mental concentration, you will try your hand at kawara-splitting. You can start with one tile (average is 10 for men and 5 for women).</p>	Year-round (Monday to Saturday; 10:00~16:00)
Fee (tax excluded) *Per person	1-tile course: 500 yen 5-tile course: 2,000 yen 10-tile course: 4,000 yen	
Features included in the travel fee		

Features not included in the travel fee		
Option features and fee		
Payment method		
Supported languages	We don't provide interpretation services	
Event period	Year-round	
Reservation acceptance period	Up to one day before	
Cancel policy		
Number of participants available (minimum/maximum)	From 1 to 80 persons	
Pick-up and drop-off availability, details		
What to wear, what to bring		
Limitations (age, health condition, etc.)	The factory is a two-story building. There are no elevators, so you will need to go up and down stairs.	
Other notes and cautionary notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Please note that the factory may be out of operation due to maintenance or other reasons. -It gets very hot in the factory when It is in operation. -Echizen tiles are very hard, so we will prepare special tiles for the tile-splitting activity. -we are not responsible for any injuries caused by the experience. -Please feel free to take pictures inside the factory. 	
Contacts and business hours	Echizen Seramika 0778-24-0832	