



Tsuruga Loop Excursion Bus

This bus goes around tourist facilities in Tsuruga city. There is also a shopping route where you can buy Tsuruga souvenirs. If you want to visit a lot of places, using the 1-day pass is a good deal. Please see the website for more information including hours of operation.

| | Adults | Children |
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| Once | ¥200 | ¥100 |
| 1 day free | ¥500 | ¥250 |

*A child is an elementary school student or younger. One preschooler is free. There is a charge from the second person.

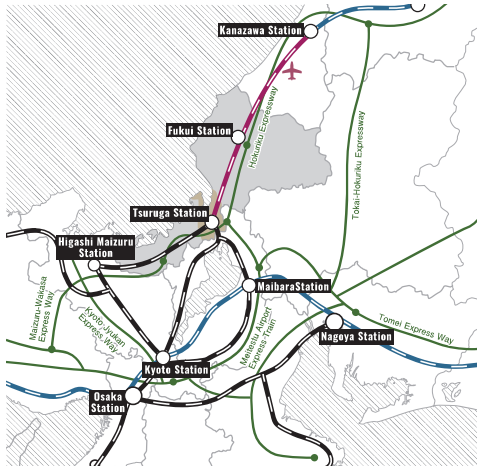


Share cycle

This is a bicycle sharing service that allows you to rent a bicycle when you want to ride it and return it wherever you go in the city. Anyone can borrow the bicycle by touching the IC card to the bicycle at the cycle port. As a new meaning of transportation besides trains, buses, and cars, how about riding a red e-bike with ease?

Rental time : 5:00-24:00 (open all year round)

| kinds | 1 day pass | |
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| retailer | Tsuruga Share Cycle Secretariat | convenience store website |
| price | ¥1,650 /day (card fee included) | ¥1,430/day |
| Payment Method | cash | Cash, etc. (Credit card required on the website) |



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| Tokyo | Approx. 3hr., 20min. Hokuriku Shinkansen (Kagayaki) | |
| Tokyo | Approx. 2hr., 30min. Tokaido Shinkansen (Hikari) | Maibara |
| Osaka | Approx. 1hr., 30min. JR Thunderbird Limited Express | |
| Nagoya | Approx. 1hr., 30min. JR Shirasagi Limited Express | |
| Kyoto | Approx. 1hr. JR Thunderbird Limited Express | |
| Kanazawa | Approx. 1hr., 15min. JR Thunderbird or Shirasagi Limited Express | |
| Kansai International Airport | Approx. 1hr. JR Kansai Airport Rapid Service | Osaka |
| Chubu Central International Airport | Approx. 30min. Meitetsu p-SKY Airport Rapid Limited Express | Nagoya |
| Kansai International Airport | Approx. 3hr. Hanwa Expressway Kinki Expressway Meishin Expressway Hokuriku Expressway | |
| Chubu Central International Airport | Approx. 2hr. Central Line Nagoya Expressway Bay Gate Meishin Expressway Hokuriku Expressway | |



Tsuruga Tourism Association
Tsuruga Tourist Information Center
TEL.0770-21-8686

Hours: Open daily 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Contact with your questions about sightseeing in Tsuruga.

English Tourism Website
<https://tsuruga-kanko.jp/lang/>



TSURUGA SIGHTSEEING INFORMATION

Fukui Prefecture

Tsuruga's landscape makes it a naturally good harbor, and with its convenient location near two major metropolitan areas (Kyoto, Osaka, and Kobe to the west, and Nagoya to the east), the city has flourished through its key position for transportation.

Tsuruga is blessed with an abundance of natural beauty of both land and sea, making all four seasons wonderful in their own ways. We hope you have an exceptional time during your travels in Tsuruga.



LOCAL SPECIALITY

EVENT



Flower-Exchanging Festival early April

Long ago, young men and women viewing the cherry blossoms would offer to exchange cherry blossom tree branches with one another, as a show of their feelings. The exchange of cherry blossom branches is said to be a prayer for a couple's true love and happiness. Many of young men and women come to participate in the event every year.



Tsuruga Festival Sep.2-15

Kehi-Jingu Shrine annual festival Sep.2-4

The festival of the Kehi-Jingu shrine is held for long days from 2nd September to 15th September. Local people call the festival "Naga matsuri" meaning a long festival. Today we can join the parades and traditional dance on those days.

Floating Lanterns and Fireworks Show Aug.16

A night of incredible beauty, set against the backdrop of the natural beauty of Kehi no Matsubara (Pine Tree Park). Red, blue, and yellow floating lanterns brilliantly light up the sea, while fireworks are fired off from offshore, filling the sky above with magnificent light and sound.



Tsuruga Port Illumination Miraie Nov.3-Dec.25

Lighting date confirmation required

Kanegasaki Ryokuchi facing the port is colored with illuminations to create a fantastic space. A 70m-long tunnel of light and illumination monuments with the theme of railroads and harbors will shine.



Echizen Crab

In Japan, crab is considered an undeniable candidate for "king of winter foods." Snow crabs caught in the northern region of Fukui prefecture are known as "Echizen Crabs," and people far and wide count down the days to November 6, when crab-fishing season begins each year.



Tsuruga Blowfish

In season from October to March, these blowfish from the Sea of Japan have deliciously firm flesh from the cold winter water, making them a real treat, and because they're caught nearby, visitors can enjoy fresh Tsuruga Blowfish at reasonable prices. Try it once and you'll be hooked!



Tsuruga red sea bream

Tsuruga red sea bream, which is cultivated in the harsh environment of the Sea of Japan, has the vitality to withstand sudden changes in water temperature. By feeding them with highly nutritious feed, they are finished in very good condition with good quality and fat.



LOCAL GOURMET



Tsuruga Ramen

Ramen with roots in the ramen trucks near the station. Ramen trucks and shops open from 8:00 at night until 2:00 the next morning, offering a variety of delicious ramen options.

Sause Katsudon

A bowl of rice topped with freshly fried pork cutlets, flavored with a special sauce based on Worcestershire sauce. The slight sweetness of the sauce goes with the crispness of the pork cutlets, for a that will leave you wanting more.



Sashimi Rice Bowl (Kaisendon)

A rice bowl topped with raw, seasonal seafood caught in the Sea of Japan. You can enjoy various kinds of seafood at once. Fish that they catch varies according to the season, you can enjoy the change in four seasons in the water around Sea of Japan through sashimi (fresh raw fish) topping in kaisendon.

Sushi

Sushi is vinegared rice topped with a raw fish. Sushi can be served in several variations. The most popular type of sushi is "Nigiri" which features a slice of raw fish on the vinegared rice. In Japan, Sushi is often eaten for celebrations and special occasions.



Shredded Kombu Kelp

Tsuruga is a prominent producer of prepared kombu kelp on the national level. Tsuruga's tesuki oboro kombu (kombu hand-shaved by artisans) has a texture like fine silk, and holds an 85% share of Japan's production.



Higashiura Tangerines

Grown in a grove located on a hill facing the sea to the south, and perfect for picking your own in fall. The perfect amount of tartness gives these tangerines a wonderfully old-fashioned flavor.

Map Of Central Tsuruga



Port of Humanity Tsuruga Museum

人道の港 敦賀ムゼウム
OPEN 9:00-17:00
CLOSE WEDNESDAY
TEL 0770-37-1035

Polish orphans who lost their families in the Russian Revolution and were left alone in that harsh environment were brought to Japan, and came ashore in Tsuruga. Likewise, Jewish refugees escaping oppression by the Nazi government of Germany were issued "visas for life" by Japan's consular agent Sugihara Chiune, and were brought ashore here as well. Visitors can learn about this chapter of history.

Tsuruga Municipal Museum

敦賀市立博物館
OPEN 10:00-17:00
CLOSE MONDAY
TEL 0770-25-7033

Built into the former Owada Bank building, which was completed in 1927. The bank's lavish architecture was exemplary of the prosperity that Tsuruga Port experienced at the time, making even the building itself quite the sight to see. At the Tsuruga Municipal Museum, visitors can learn about the history, folk culture, and art of Tsuruga.

Mizushima Resort Island

水島
OPEN Early July to late August
9:00-15:30

Mizushima, a small uninhabited island off the tip of the Tsuruga Peninsula, is a popular summer destination for its clear waters and beautiful white beaches. Accessible only during the beach season.

Saifukuji Temple

西福寺
OPEN 9:00-17:00
TEL 0770-22-3926

Described as an earthly representation of the Buddhist land of perfect bliss, this 4,620-square-meter Shoin garden is nationally designated as a place of scenic beauty - the fresh greenery of spring and bright colors of autumn (usually best around mid November) are especially sublime in the early morning sunlight.

The Tsuruga Red Brick Warehouse

敦賀赤レンガ倉庫
OPEN Diorama : 9:30-17:30
Restaurant : 9:30-22:00
CLOSE WEDNESDAY
TEL 0770-47-6612

Built in 1905 to be used for petroleum storage, this warehouse is an architectural emblem of the history of the port city of Tsuruga. Today, the warehouse is home to a diorama of Tsuruga's railroads and port, as well as restaurants, making it a core sightseeing establishment for Tsuruga.

Minato Tsuruga Yama Museum

みなとつるが山車(やま)会館
OPEN 10:00-17:00
CLOSE MONDAY
TEL 0770-21-5570

Three beautiful and splendid floats from the Tsuruga Festival are on display. In the permanent exhibition, there are statues of military commanders, authentic armor, Noh masks, etc., and there is also an exhibition of Yoshitsugu Otani, the lord of Tsuruga Castle. The giant floats of the Tsuruga Festival look impressive even in videos and slide projectors.

Kehi no Matsubara (Pine Grove)

氣比の松原

One of Japan's three finest pine groves, and nationally designated as a place of scenic beauty. The pristine beach stretches a kilometer and a half along this vast pine forest, with the white of the sand providing a magnificent contrast to the green of the pine trees. In summer, the area is opened to beachgoers, making it a popular swimming destination.

Nihonkai Sakanamachi (seafood market)

日本海さかな街
OPEN Weekday : 10:00-17:00
Weekend : 10:00-17:30
CLOSE Irregular holidays
TEL 0770-24-3800

It is a huge seafood market with more than 50 shops such as stalls with fresh seafood, souvenir shops, and restaurants where you can eat seafood rice bowls and sushi. The voices of the salespeople echo in the hall, and it is full of energy.

Kanegasakigu Shrine

金崎宮
TEL 0770-22-0938

This shrine, with its hundreds of cherry trees, is famous for its incredible blossoms. The flower-exchanging festival is held here early April of each year, during which many young adults visit the shrine to pray for love.

Tsuruga Museum Street

博物館通り

This area once flourished as the economic center of the port city of Tsuruga. Luckily, it avoided destruction during World War II, and remains standing to this day. The road is lined with shops built into repaired machiya townhouses.

Kehi Jingu Shrine

氣比神宮

OPEN Apr. to Sep. : 5:00-17:00
Oct. to Mar. : 6:00-17:00
TEL 0770-22-0794

This shrine is said to have been built in the year 702. The 11-meter-tall wooden torii gate stands alongside those at Nara's Kasuga-Taisha and Hiroshima's Itsukushima Shrine as one of Japan's three greatest wooden torii gates, and is nationally designated an important cultural property.

Nakaikemi-shicchi Wetland

中池見湿地
OPEN Mar. to Oct. : 9:00-16:30
Nov. to Feb. : 9:00-16:00
CLOSE MONDAY Dec.-Feb.
TEL 0770-20-1110

About 3,000 rare species of plants and animals, including endangered species, can be observed here. In 2012, Nakaikemi-shicchi was registered as a Ramsar Site.