

RESTAURANTS AND CAFES

Quick Bites & Fine Dining



**1 Hanamasa**  
**The Best in Fresh, Local Cuisine**  
 Offering local dishes and splendid kaiseki courses plus a selection of local sake and shochu.  
**HOURS** 11AM-3PM, 5PM-7PM



**2 Ginnan**  
**Fantastic Seasonal Buffet**  
 Buffet featuring 40 different dishes, from local favorites to desserts that'll satisfy your sweet tooth.  
**HOURS** 11AM-3PM, 5PM-7PM \*



**3 Sakuranzaka**  
**Chic Cafe Decorated with Stylish Art**  
 Enjoy premium coffee carefully brewed with real Aso Shirakawa spring water.  
**HOURS** Weekdays 11AM-5PM  
 Weekends, holidays 10AM-5PM



**4 Yamami Chaya**  
**Experience the Foods of Aso**  
 Offering Aso's best, like stone-grilled horsemeat, takana (mustard greens), and local vegetables.  
**HOURS** 11AM-7PM \*



**5 Yumeakari**  
**Kumamoto's Famous Ramen**  
 Try some Kumamoto-style ramen, with tonkotsu broth and topped with pickled mustard greens.  
**HOURS** 11AM-7PM \*



**6 Kaimaru**  
**A Wide Selection of Fresh Seafood**  
 Try our Uni Korokke for a quick bite to go, or take a seat and enjoy a tasty sashimi rice bowl.  
**HOURS** Food: 11AM-4PM, 5PM-7PM  
 Shop: 9AM-7PM \*

\* Open until 8PM on Sat, Sun & Holidays

Accepted at all 23 shops:



For more information visit  
<http://johsaien-shops.jp>



Accepted at 13 shops:



Currency Exchange Machine  
 available inside Johsaien.

**i For Tourist Information**

**Johsaien Tourist Information Center**

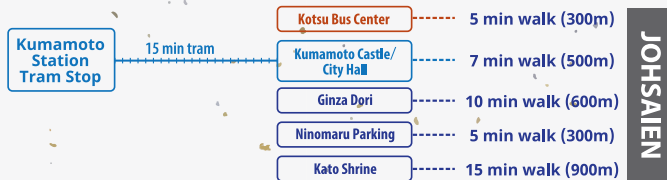
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Hours 9:00AM-5:30PM Closed 12/30-31

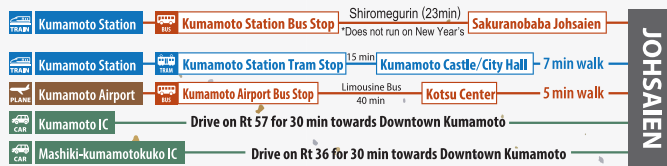
Kumamoto Castle Map



Getting to Johsaien (from Downtown Kumamoto)



Getting to Johsaien (from Kumamoto Station, Airport, IC)



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 JOHSAIEN

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# Sakuranobaba JOHSAIEN

## History, Food & Fun at Kumamoto Castle

### COOL!!

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### KUMAMOTO CASTLE SAMURAI SHOW

Exciting 15-minute performances  
daily at 11:30AM and 2:30PM

# Your Visit to Kumamoto Castle starts Here!

Johsaien is the perfect place to start your visit to Kumamoto Castle. Learn all the secrets and history of the Castle at Wakuwakuza then have a taste of some of Kumamoto's local food and drink!

**Recommended Route** Total **120 minutes**



**Still got time? Visit the Castle in your kimono!** 40 minutes

**See how the earthquakes damaged the Castle**  
Be sure to watch the scale-model Kumamoto Castle projection mapping show to see what the earthquakes were like in stunning detail. Subtitled in English, Korean, and Chinese.

**Experience the Castle as it once was**  
Head to the theater upstairs to take a video tour of a realistic virtual recreation of what Kumamoto Castle looked like centuries ago. Subtitled in English, Korean, and Chinese.

**Tons of photo spots!**  
Get your photo taken in a private plananquin, on a Japanese war-horse statue, or dressed up in traditional Japanese clothing!

**START!**  
**Tons of Styles to Choose From!**  
**Rent a Kimono @ Wakuwakuza!**  
Head to the entrance of Wakuwakuza and transform into a samurai, princess, or ninja. From casual to cosplay, there's plenty to choose from! Just ¥1000 for 120 minutes!

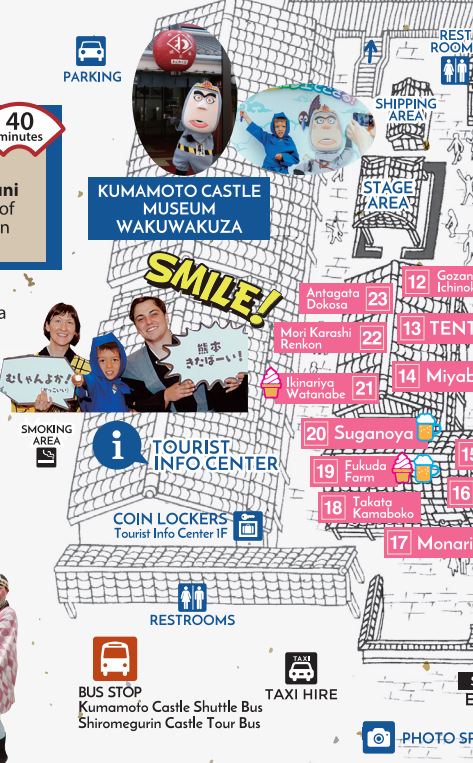
Now that you're all suited up, it's time to explore all the cool shops and food stalls of Johsaien!

**Grab a Bite and a Drink!** 40 minutes  
Try some spicy **karashi renkon**, a savory **uni korokke** or one of over 20 different kinds of **ice cream!** Check out the **Samurai Show** in front of **Wakuwakuza**, too!

Find your new favorite Japanese snack? Now it's time to head back to Wakuwakuza and learn about the castle!

**Discover the Mysteries of the Castle**  
**Explore the Museum!** 40 minutes  
Learn about the history of **Kumamoto Castle**, see how it was damaged in the earthquakes, and see what Kumamoto was like when the **samurai ruled.**

**Kumamoto Castle Museum WAKUWAKUZA**  
**HOURS** 9AM-5:30PM (last entry 5PM) Closed: 12/29-31  
**ADMISSION** Adults ¥300 Kids (elem & junior high) ¥100 \*Groups of 30 or more qualify for group pricing  
Wakuwakuza's Kumahachi



**LEGEND**  
■ Restaurants ■ Shops & Food Stalls  
■ Both Food & Shopping Available

**3 Sakura Shio Ice Cream Sakuranzaka**  
HOURS M-F 11AM-5PM Sat, Sun, hol 10AM-5PM  
¥500

**4 Hinokui Beer Yamami Chaya**  
HOURS 11AM-7PM  
¥500

**5 Horsemeat Bun Yumeakari**  
HOURS 11AM-7PM  
¥400

**6 Premium Umi Korokke Kaimaru**  
¥390 each

**7 Gunbai Monaka Shinzaburo**  
¥194 each

**8 Jindaiko Kobaian**  
¥173 each

**9 Amakusa Daio Fried Chicken Shunsaikan**  
(Sat/Sun/Hol only)  
¥800 each

**10 Kumamoto Wine Kumamoto Sakagura**  
starting at ¥400 glass

**11 Aso Milk Kikuya**  
¥210 / 200ml

**12 Yuba Tofu Soup Dumplings Gozanbo Ichinokura**  
¥100 each

**13 Oni Mori Melon Ice Cream TENTE**  
¥600

**14 Kumamon Snow Globe Miyabi**  
¥1,296

**15 Green Tea Ice Cream Ocha-no Izumi-en**  
¥300

**16 Tofu Ice Cream Itsukiya Honpo**  
¥360

**17 Yuzu Pepper Takoyaki Monario**  
¥550 (8pcs)

**18 Oranda Age Takata Kangaboko**  
¥216 each

**19 Shiranui Roman Craft Beer Fukuda Farm**  
¥540 each

**20 Horsemeat Menchi Katsu Suganoya**  
¥250 each

**21 Premium Ikinari Dango Ikinariya Watanabe**  
starting at ¥200 each

**22 Karashi Renkon Mori Karashi Renkon**  
¥324 (3pcs)

**23 Higo Daiko Antagata Dokosa**  
¥129

**HOURS 9AM - 7PM (close at 6PM Dec to Feb)**