

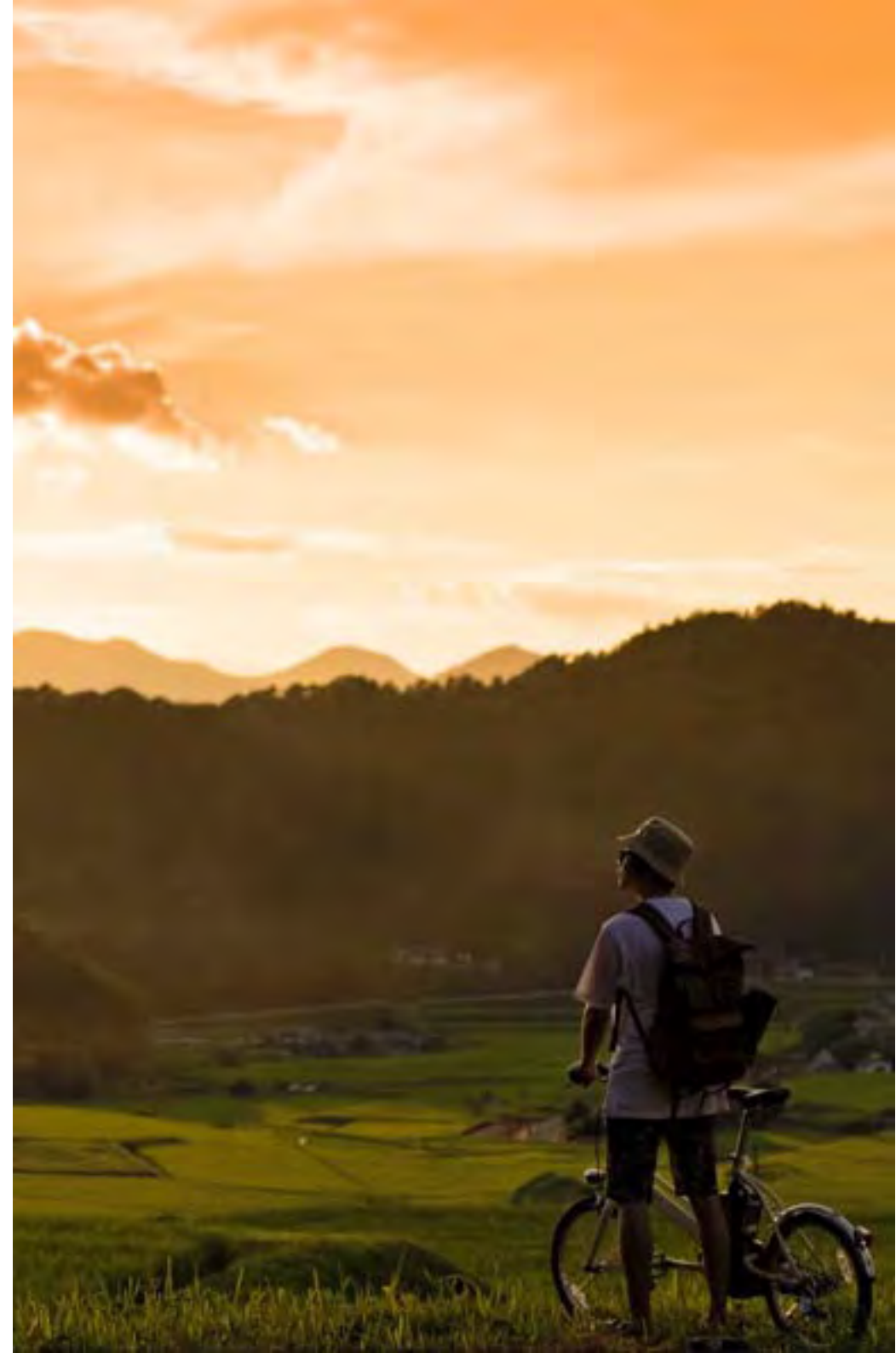
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Shobara, HIROSHIMA

"Satoyama" Adventure

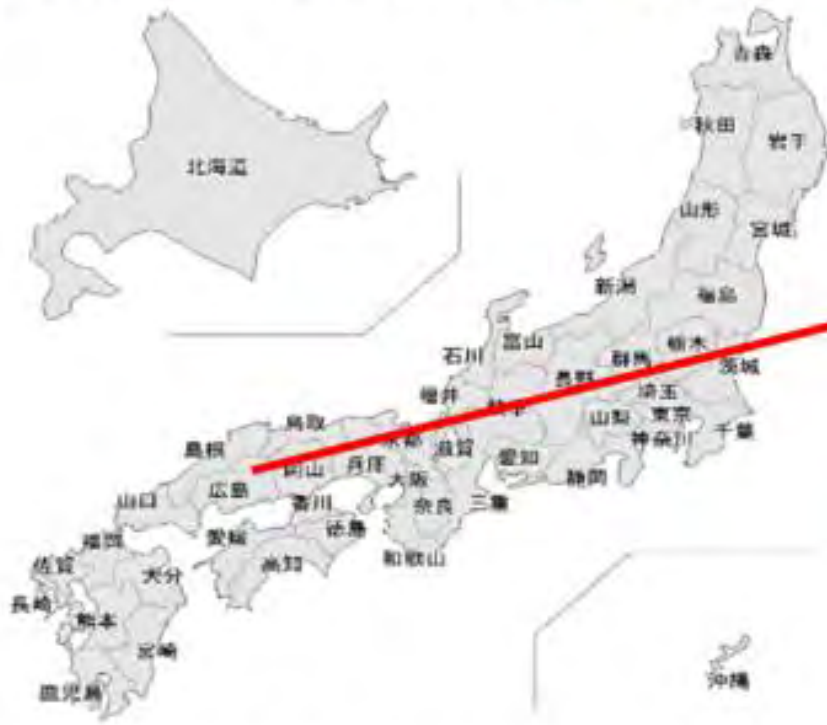
Travel in the real countryside of Japan
Product Proposal

Shobara Tourism Authority



LOCATION

【SHOBARA... Hidden village in Hiroshima】



Located in the Chugoku Mountains of northern Hiroshima Prefecture, Shobara boasts the largest area of any city in western Japan.



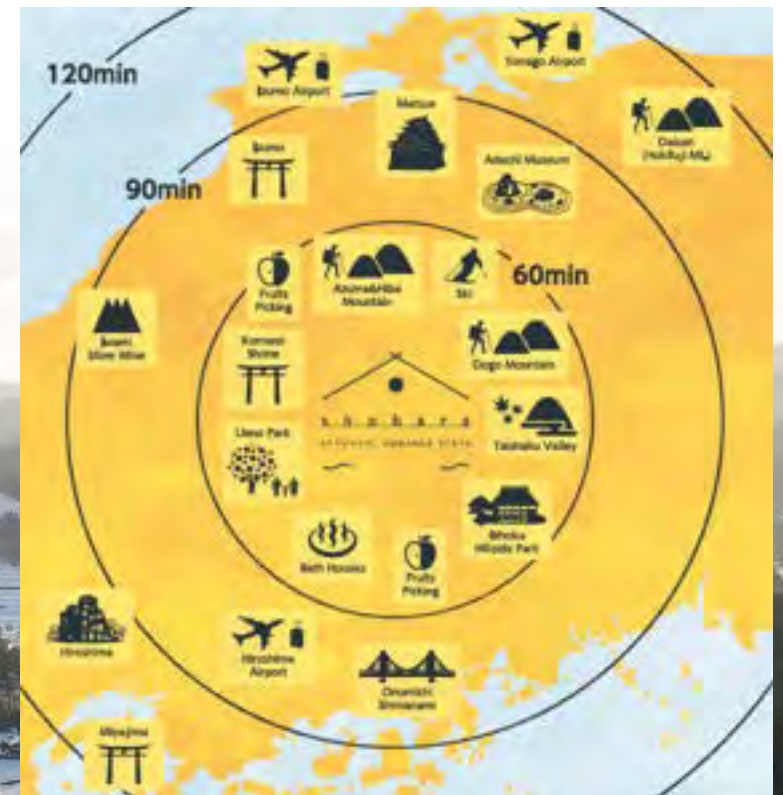
ABOUT SHOBARA

One of Japan's Best Views of Satoyama Landscapes with Traditional Houses

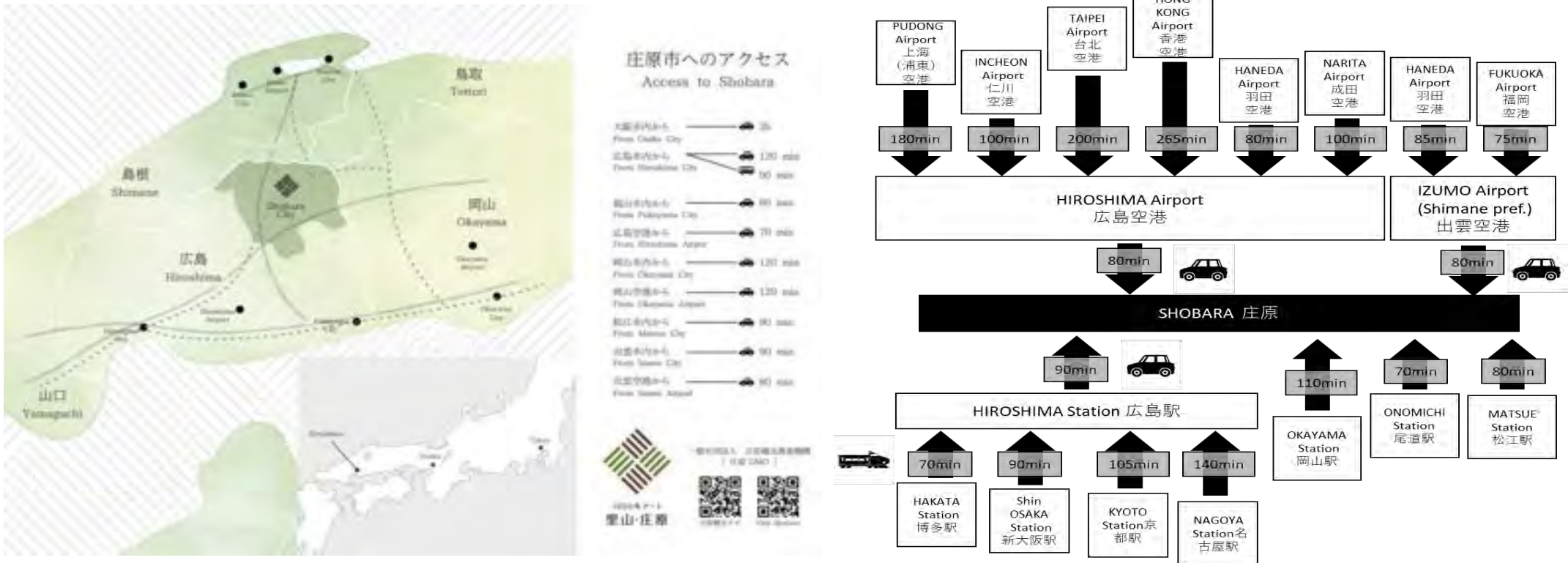
Lush rice paddies spread out between verdant forests, nearly unbroken by modern structures or signage. The satoyama landscape of Shobara preserves a rural landscape that is gradually disappearing from Japan. Remarkably, most of the houses here are traditional houses built more than 70 years ago. Not only is Shobara among the top three areas in Japan for number of traditional houses^{*1}, but its Nationally Selected Terraced Rice Field Landscapes^{*2} make it a special place with some of the best rural landscapes in Japan.

*1 2018 Housing Land Survey

*2 The "Rice Terraces of Hiwa Mitsuigaichi" was listed in the 2021 Japan Rice Terrace Heritage by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.



Shobara provides easy access to the main tourist attractions in the Hiroshima and Sanin area. These include: Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park, Miyajima, Onomichi, the Shimanami-kaido, and Izumo Taisha.



The Onomichi Matsue Highway makes it easy to access the northern part of Hiroshima and further on to the Sanin area, while enjoying abundant greenery along the way.





TOUR PROGRAM

We offer adventure travel that immerses guests in Shobara's satoyama landscapes and millennia of history, with a focusing on four themes: nature, culture, lifestyle and myth. Visitors can delve into the deep history, culture, and unspoiled scenery of Japan through agricultural experiences and activities amidst the bountiful nature of the Chugoku Mountains, stay in traditional houses, try out traditional crafts, enjoy kagura performances, and more. This program gives them a chance to see a side of Japan rarely glimpsed by tourists, and experience the mix of terraced rice fields and traditional homes that have made satoyama landscapes so widely praised for the harmonious coexistence of people and nature.

Tourism Product Name	Theme	The Art of 1000 Years: Nature
A Tour for Immersing Yourself in the Nature of the Hiroshima Mountain Region		



Product Overview	
Just 1.5 hours drive from the center of Hiroshima City, Shobara encompasses a vast natural area with over 1,000 years of history. Experience the lifestyles of those living together with nature. These lifestyles have evolved from living close to nature. Outdoor activities like whitewater rafting and cycling will bring you face-to-face with the environment, and unveil an ideal symbiosis between humans and nature.	
Theme	Adventure tourism / Farm tour / Sustainable tour
Target demographic	Those who like nature and moving their bodies / Those interested in interacting with local people

Highlights
•Local guides help guests dive deeper into local history and nature •Immerse yourself in nature through forest bathing in Taishaku Gorge and panoramic views from Mt. Hiba. •Be at one with your surroundings as you ply the Saijo river on a whitewater raft! (Instructor-led) •Activity-packed plans including things like morning yoga, cycling, and agricultural experiences with local farmers •Savor a full-course meal of wild game and local ingredients prepared by a personal chef at your traditional house

Schedule (Course contents)
① Day 1 Arrive in Shobara in the afternoon Satoyama rafting → Wild game dinner prepared on-site by personal chef Spend night at Setouchi Cominca Stays ② Day 2 All day: Hiking Mt. Hiba (onigiri or sandwiches provided for lunch) *Course and sunset location proposed depending on level of experience Spend night at Setouchi Cominca Stays ③ Day 3 Morning: Yoga → AM: Takano cycling, Agricultural experience → PM: Forest bathing walk in Taishaku Gorge

Details				
Supported travel formats	Individuals	○	Groups	
Period offered	Year round		Limited time	March – November
Blackout dates	December – February			
Tour duration	3 days 2 nights after lunch Starts from afternoon of 1st day, ends 3rd day			
Tour location	Shobara			
Meeting place	Hiroshima Station			
Price (Per person)	Starting from ¥300,000			
Items included in price	Chartered vehicle, tour guide, meals (2 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 2 dinners), accommodations, local guide, activity costs, tour guide meals, highway tolls			
No. of guests	Min.	2	Max	8
Languages handled	English			
Access (Car/Public Transport)	Chartered vehicle			
Parking	Car		Bus	
Other important notes	•Wear clothes that are easy to move around in (swimsuits are preferable for rafting) •Confirm any allergies etc. in advance			
Sales outlet				
Booking registration				
Bookings/Inquiries				
Company				
Department in charge/Person in charge				
Tel.				
email				
Website (URL)				

Arrive at Hiroshima Station

Model Course ②: A Tour for Immersing Yourself in the Nature of the Hiroshima Mountain Region (Shobara × Setouchi)Min. no. of participants: 2, Meals: Breakfast 2, Lunch 1, Dinner 2 Departing from Hiroshima Station (chartered vehicle)									
Day 1	Location	Content	Duration	Guide	Departure	Transport to next location	Notes/Objective/Etc.	Overall cost	Cost per person
11:20	Hiroshima Station	Meet up: Vehicle (HIACE)	Chugoku Expressway (120 mins)		11:30	Car (120 mins)	Driver & vehicle (¥67,500), Tour guide (Half-day ¥15,000), Highway tolls (¥2,300)	¥84,800	
13:30	Ayu no Sato Park	Satoyama Rafting (Starts @ 1:30 PM)	180 mins	Meet with tour guide & Rafting guide	15:30	Car (45 mins)	Includes activity costs for guide	¥5,000	¥5,000
16:15	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Chojaya	Check in		Tour Guide finished for day				¥55,000	
18:00	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Chojaya	Chef Mikawa's Full Course Wild Game Meal at Accommodations	180 mins (Plus just under 1 hr for prep and cleanup)	Chef Mikawa			Wild game (Per person: ¥16,500) + Travel expenses (¥16,500)	¥16,500	¥16,500
Day 2	Location	Content	Duration	Guide	Departure	Transport to next location	Notes/Objective/Etc.	Overall cost	Cost per person
8:30	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Chojaya	Breakfast		Meet with tour guide	10:00	Car (50 mins)	Driver & vehicle (¥5,700), Tour guide (¥30,000)	¥87,000	¥600
11:00	Hiroshima Kenmin no Mori	Hiking Mt. Hiba	180 mins	Hiking guide	14:00	Car (70 mins)	Box Lunches		¥10,000
15:10	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Furosen	Check in			16:40	Car (20 mins)		¥55,000	
17:00	Iwatsuki Teppan Restaurant -Yoshi-	Dinner: Okonomiyaki experience (with transportation)	20 min transit + 60 min activity			Pick up and drop off at accommodations	Activity (meal) can be extended until 8:00 PM *Includes activity fee for guide	¥3,500	¥3,500
	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Furosen			Tour Guide finished for day					
Day 3	Location	Content	Duration	Guide	Departure	Transport to next location	Notes/Objective/Etc.	Overall cost	Cost per person
8:00	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Furosen	On-site morning yoga	60 mins	Yoga Teacher			Per person (¥2,000) + Travel expenses (¥500)	¥500	¥2,000
9:00	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Furosen	Breakfast	45 mins	Meet with tour guide	10:30	Car (35 mins)	Driver & vehicle (¥78,000), Tour guide (¥15,000)	¥93,000	¥600
11:40	Taishakukyo Parking Lot (Yayoi Shokudo)	Taishakukyo Forest Bathing Walk (Hakuundo Cave / Onbashi Stone Arch)	120 mins	Nature Guide, Tour Guide finished for day	13:40	Car (110 mins)	Move to lunch venue when ready	¥5,000	¥5,000
15:30	Hiroshima Station	Part ways	Tojo IC (Chugoku Expressway - 110 mins)			Part ways	Highway tolls (¥3,300)	¥3,300	
		Number of participants (2 to 8)	2 people	Cost calculation = (overall cost) + (cost per person × number of people)			¥495,000	¥408,600	¥43,200
		Insurance (Participation: ¥231 × number of participants) + Tour operators (¥607)	¥1,069	Shobara DMO cost (20%) + Insurance			¥100,069	Total price	¥595,069
		Children's rate (6 to 11 years old) formula *30% OFF	¥30,240	Tour price (Per person / minimum 2 participants)			Starting from ¥300,000	Price per person	¥297,535

Tourism Product Name	Theme:	The Art of 1000 Years: Lifestyle
	What is "lifestyle?" A Tour to Uncover the Hidden Assumptions of Daily Life	



Product Overview	
This scenery, laid down layer-upon-layer over generations until the only word we have for it is "art", was created day-by-day as people lived their unique satoyama "lifestyle". Of course, this lifestyle was not easy. As people strive to live amidst the harshness of nature and developments of each era, this sometimes brings with it over-exploitation and destruction of things that should be preserved. But what about in this satoyama? As each generation left their mark on the landscape, they maintained a harmony with what came before, held precious the natural blessings they received, and devised ingenious ways to live amidst the harshness of nature. What was it like to live this lifestyle? As you interact with the people of Shobara, you might find hints here in the satoyama for living well in the future.	
Theme	Learn about traditional Japanese satoyama lifestyle through interactions with local people
Target demographic	Those interested in Japanese culture and lifestyle, who are authenticity oriented, and are interested in interacting with local people
Highlights	
•Stay at a traditional house and dive into local history, Japanese culture, and lifestyles with help from a local guide •A cooking experience using local organic vegetables that teaches traditional cooking methods •A ranch whose story is interwoven with that of a couple who moved to Shobara and opened it following the Great East Japan Earthquake in 2011 •Experience the blessing of the countryside first-hand with a cycling tour and harvesting experience	
Schedule (Course contents)	
① Day 1 Arrive in Shobara in the afternoon Check in to traditional house → Take a break and walk around the area Enjoy the peaceful scenery and atmosphere → Encounter the implements and scenes of satoyama lifestyle at the Kuchiwa Local Museum Accommodation: Setouchi Cominca Stays - Chojaya ② Day 2 Experience a traditional Japanese way of life at Lifestyle Inn Ofuru (wood-chopping / fire-making / kamado oven), lunch-making experience → Rural healing at a tiny ranch / cheese-making experience Accommodation: Setouchi Cominca Stays - Kozako-mori ③ Day 3 Visit farms, interact with local residents, and harvest produce on a cycling tour	

Details				
Supported travel formats	Individuals	O	Groups	
Period offered	Year round		Limited time	March – November
Blackout dates	December – February			
Tour duration	3 days 2 nights Starts 1st day PM, ends 3rd day after lunch			
Tour location	Shobara			
Meeting place	Hiroshima Station			
Price (Per person)	Starting from ¥300,000			
Items included in price	Chartered vehicle, tour guide, meals (2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners), accommodations, local guide, activity costs, tour guide meals, highway tolls			
No. of guests	Min.	2	Max	8
Languages handled	English			
Access (Car/Public Transport)	Chartered vehicle			
Parking	Car		Bus	
Other important notes	•Wear clothes that are easy to move around in (clothes that you don't mind getting dirty doing farm work) •Confirm any allergies etc. in advance			
Sales outlet				
Booking registration				
Bookings/Inquiries				
Company				
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Arrive at Hiroshima Station

Model Course ④: Tour to Experience Rural Lifestyles and Uncover the Hidden Assumptions of Daily Life (Shobara × Setouchi) Min. no. of participants: 2, Meals: Breakfast 2, Lunch 1, Dinner 2 Departing from Hiroshima Station (chartered vehicle)

Day 1	Location	Content	Duration	Guide	Departure	Transport to next location	Notes/Objective/Etc.	Overall cost	Cost per person
11:50	Hiroshima Station	Meet up: Vehicle (HIACE)	Chugoku Expressway (120 mins)		12:00	Car (120 mins)	Driver & vehicle (¥85,000), Tour guide (Half-day ¥15,000), Highway tolls (¥2,300)	¥102,300	
14:00	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Chojaya	Check in		Meet with tour guide	15:30	Car (30 mins)		¥55,000	
16:00	Kuchiwa Local Museum	This facility helps pass on local ways of life to future generations through vintage audiovisual equipment and historical/folk materials.	60 mins	Museum Curator	17:00	Car (5 mins)	Free Admission		
17:10	Ichigaki	Chef Mikawa's Full Course Wild Game Meal	180 mins	Chef Mikawa	19:50	Car (30 mins)	Includes meals for tour guide	¥16,500	¥16,500
20:20	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Chojaya			Tour Guide finished for day					
Day 2	Location	Content	Duration	Guide	Departure	Transport to next location	Notes/Objective/Etc.	Overall cost	Cost per person
8:30	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Chojaya	Breakfast		Meet with tour guide	9:40	Car (20 mins)	Driver & vehicle (¥64,000), Tour guide (¥30,000)	¥94,000	¥600
10:00	Lifestyle Inn Ofuru	Experience traditional rural Japanese lifestyle (Chop wood, build a fire, cook rice)	180 mins		13:00	Car (40 mins)	Day Trip to Lifestyle Inn Ofuru	¥4,500	¥4,500
13:40	Fuku Fuku Farm	Farm tour (milking, cottage cheese making)	120 mins		15:40	Car (30 mins)	List of Activities	¥3,800	¥3,800
16:10	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Kozako-mori	Check in		Tour Guide finished for day				¥55,000	
		Dinner: Barbecue Goemon tub experience, etc.							
Day 3	Location	Content	Duration	Guide	Departure	Transport to next location	Notes/Objective/Etc.	Overall cost	Cost per person
8:00	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Kozako-mori	Breakfast	60 mins	Meet with tour guide	9:30	Car (10 mins)	Driver & vehicle (¥67,500), Tour guide (¥15,000)	¥82,500	¥600
9:40	Shimotaka Community Center	Apple Road Cycling Apple picking (Oct. - Nov.), Daikon radish harvesting (Mar. - Nov.), etc.	120 mins	Local guide	12:40	Car (5 mins)		¥8,000	¥8,000
12:45	Mori-no Salad House Ashibi	Lunch: Hiroshima Beef Steak Lunch	60 mins	Tour Guide finished for day	13:45	Car (95 mins)	Hiroshima Beef Steak Set (¥1,650)	¥1,650	¥1,650
15:20	Hiroshima Station	Part ways	Chugoku Expressway - Onomichi-Matsue Route (90 mins)			Part ways	Highway tolls (¥2,300)	¥2,300	
		Number of participants (2 to 8)	2 people	Cost calculation = (overall cost) + (cost per person × number of people)			¥496,850	¥425,550	¥35,650
		Insurance (Participation: ¥231 × number of participants) + Tour operators (¥607)	¥1,069	Shobara DMO cost (20%) + Insurance			¥100,439	Total price	¥597,289
		Children's rate (6 to 11 years old) formula *30% OFF	¥24,955	Tour price (Per person / minimum 2 participants)			Starting from ¥300,000	Price per person	¥298,645

観光 Tourism Product Name プロダクト名	Theme	The Art of 1000 Years: Culture			
	Tour for Learning about the History and Culture of Tatara Ironmaking, and Experiencing the Techniques Developed by Craftsmen				
					
Product Overview					
A unique Japanese ironmaking technique called “tatara” developed in the Chugoku mountains in ancient times. Iron was born from natural materials., and this region is blessed with rich soil and iron sand. As tatara ironmaking developed, so did the culture of the people who lived here. You'll learn about the history of ironmaking, which is interwoven with the history of this region, Japanese swords, craftsmen's techniques, and the Japanese lifestyle that was enriched by this iron. As an option, you can experience visiting a Japanese sword master's workshop and make your own knife.					
Theme	Experience beautiful terraced rice field landscapes and Japanese sword culture				
Target demographic	Those interested in Japanese culture and craftsmanship, those who value authenticity, and those who enjoy craft tourism				
Highlights					
- Dive deep into the region's history and Japanese ironmaking while staying in Shobara - Watch part of the Japanese sword-making process by a swordsmith living in Okuizumo Town - Savor a special wild game dinner using local ingredients including wild boar meat - Cycle through beautiful terraced rice fields that emerged from former tatara sites with a guide - Enjoy luxurious moments at a renovated folk house with exclusive rental					
Schedule (Course contents)					
Day 1: PM Arrive in Shobara Tanabe Family Storehouse Group townscape walk → Iron History Museum → Sugaya Tatara Mountain Life Tradition Hall Stay at: Kozako –Mori and bathe in a traditional goemonburo bath Day 2: Lunch with Izumo soba → Japanese sword workshop visit by swordsmith and sword appreciation Stay at: Chojaya Day 3: Terraced rice field cycling → Lunch at a famous soba restaurant (using soba from Hiwa)					
Details					
Supported travel formats	Individuals	O	Groups		
Period offered	Year-round		Limited time	March-November	
Blackout dates	December-February				
Tour duration	2 nights 3 days from afternoon of day 1 to early afternoon of day 3				
Tour location	Shobara~Oku-Izumo				
Meeting place	Hiroshima Station				
Price (Per person)	¥305,000~				
Items included in price	Chartered vehicle, tour guide, meals (2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners), accommodations, local guide, activity costs, tour guide meals, highway tolls				
No. of guests	Min.	2	Max.	8	
Languages handled	English				
Access (Car/Public Transport)	Private car				
Parking	Car		Bus		
Other important notes	•Wear clothes that are easy to move around in (clothes that you don't mind getting dirty doing farm work) •Confirm any allergies etc. in advance				
Bookings / Inquiries					
Company					
Department in charge/Person in charge					
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"Hiroshima Station Departure/Arrival"

Model Course ①: A Tour for Learning about the History and Culture of Tatara Ironmaking, and Experiencing the Techniques Developed by Craftsmen (Shobara × Sanin) in. no. of participants: 2, Meals: Breakfast 2, Lunch 2, Dinner 2 Departing from Hiroshima Station (chartered vehicle)

Day 1	Location	Content	Duration	Guide	Departure	Transport to next location	Notes/Objective/Etc.	Overall cost	Cost per person
9:50	Hiroshima Station	Meet up: Vehicle (HIACE)	Chugoku Expressway (120 mins)		10:00	Car (120 mins)	Driver & vehicle (¥85,000), Tour guide (Half-day ¥15,000), Highway tolls (¥2,300)	¥102,300	
12:00	Tanabe Family Storehouses	Walk around historic town near Tanabe Family Storehouses (includes Tessendo shop)	30 mins (10 mins at Tessendo + 10 min walk)	Meet with tour guide	12:40	Walk	Free parking		
12:40	Museum of Iron-making History	Easily introduce the history and techniques of ironmaking, as well as the role that iron played (Introduction to tatara story)	45 mins (tour/transit)		13:30	Car (10 mins)	Admission (¥520)	¥520	¥520
13:40	Sugaya Tatara Yamauchi Living Heritage Museum	Tataraba Ironworks tour (30 min guided tour)	45 mins (tour/transit)	Location Guide	14:30	Car (35 mins)	Admission (¥310)	¥310	¥310
15:05	Michi-no-Eki (Roadside Station) Takano	Shopping, etc.	30 mins		13:00	Car (20 mins)			
15:45	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Kozako-mori	Check in		Tour Guide finished for day			Dinner (¥5,500)	¥55,000	
	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Kozako-mori	Dinner: Barbecue Goemon tub experience, etc.							¥5,500
Day 2	Location	Content	Duration	Guide	Departure	Transport to next location	Notes/Objective/Etc.	Overall cost	Cost per person
8:30	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Kozako-mori	Breakfast		Meet with tour guide	11:00	Car (60 mins)	Driver & vehicle (¥5,700), Tour guide (¥30,000)	¥87,000	¥600
12:00	Cafe Tataranoie	Lunch: Okuizumo soba	60 mins		13:00	Car (20 mins)	A soba restaurant in a traditional house featuring petting goats and near Kanayago Shrine	¥1,300	¥1,300
13:20	Okuizumo Tatara Sword Museum	Japanese sword forging demonstration (Starts @ 2 PM)	70 mins (40 min activity + 30 min tour)	Location Guide	14:30	Car (60 mins)	https://okuizumo.org/jp/plantour/detail/310/#box2 Activities (¥20,000) + Admissions (¥1,270)	¥1,270	¥21,270
15:30	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Chojaya	Check in		Tour Guide finished for day				¥55,000	
18:00	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Chojaya	Dinner: Chef Mikawa's on-site full-course wild game meal	180 mins (Plus just under 1 hr for prep and cleanup)	Chef Mikawa			Wild game (Per person: ¥16,500) + Travel expenses (¥16,500)	¥16,500	¥16,500
Day 3	Location	Content	Duration	Guide	Departure	Transport to next location	Notes/Objective/Etc.	Overall cost	Cost per person
8:30	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Chojaya	Breakfast		Meet with tour guide	9:30	e-bikes	Driver & vehicle (¥67,500), Tour guide (Half-day ¥15,000)	¥82,500	¥600
9:30	Rice terrace cycling	Tea time and cycling through the terraced rice fields	60 mins	Cycling Guide	11:00	Car (30 mins)	Check out / Cycling (¥3,000)		¥3,000
11:30	Sobadokoro Minori	Lunch: A famous soba restaurant with a passion for high-quality ingredients	60 mins	Tour Guide finished for day	12:30	Car (120 mins)	https://www.shobara-info.com/2581	¥1,210	¥1,210
14:30	Hiroshima Station	Part ways	Chugoku Expressway (120 mins)			Part ways	Highway tolls (¥2,300)	¥2,300	
		Number of participants (2 to 8)	2 people	Cost calculation = (overall cost) + (cost per person × number of people)			¥506,830	¥405,210	¥50,810
		Insurance (Participation: ¥231 × number of participants) + Tour operators (¥607)	¥1,069	Shobara DMO cost (20%) + Insurance			¥102,435	Total price	¥609,265
		Children's rate (6 to 11 years old) formula *30% OFF	¥35,567	Tour price (Per person / minimum 2 participants)			Starting from ¥305,000	Price per person	¥304,633

観光プロダクト名	Theme	The Art of 1000 Years: Mystery
	Tour to Encounter the Gods and Mysterious Tales Told About this Ancient Land	



Product Overview	
Japan is a land of countless gods and supernatural beings. The people who lived in satoyama since ancient times have always lived close to nature. Sometimes she gives them gentle blessings. Other times she gives harsh trials that cannot be overcome by human power alone. These natural forces were revered as "gods," and people have treated their power with reverence for generations. Here in Shobara, there are mountains with unusual shapes, stones mentioned in Japan's creation myths, stands of giant trees that have watched over this land, and many legends that have taken root in the area. While we have grown wealthy through technological and civilizational development, there are things we have forgotten. Let's set out to rediscover these and encounter the mysteries of the satoyama.	
Theme	Adventure Tourism, Sustainable Tourism, Japanese Culture, Animism
Target demographic	Those who enjoy nature and physical activities, those interested in interacting with locals

Highlights
- Dive deep into local history, culture, and nature with a local guide - Visit the mysterious waterfalls, and feel the power of the mountain's blessings - Watch kagura, a performing art that grew out of the rituals of traditional culture - Visit Japan's greatest mystical spot, the land of Izumo - Encounter mystical power at Kumano Shrine, a place where gods sleep as recorded in Japan's document.

Schedule (Course contents)
Day 1: PM Arrival in Shobara Visit Okinotani's Otaki and Metaki waterfalls said to be inhabited by dragons → Check in to accommodation, and experience an on-site kagura performance Stay at: Cominka Stays Kozako-mori and explore the surrounding rural landscape + bathe in a goemonburo bath Day 2: "To Japan's greatest mystical spot, the land of Izumo" → Izumo Taisha → Explore Izumo Taisha → visit Hinomisaki Shrine → Hot spring Stay at: Cominka Stays Kozako-mori and enjoy a dinner of local ingredients Day 3: Kumano Shrine "where the gods slumber", giant cedar trees → Three shrines → Lunch at folk house restaurant

Details				
Supported travel formats	Individuals	○	Groups	
Period offered	Year-round		Limited time	March- November
Blackout dates	December-February			
Tour duration	2 nights 3 days from afternoon of day 1 to early afternoon of day 3			
Tour location	Shobara~Izumo~Shobara			
Meeting place	Hiroshima Station			
Price (Per person)	¥310,000~			
Items included in price	Chartered vehicle, tour guide, meals (2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners), accommodations, local guide, activity costs, tour guide meals, highway tolls			
No. of guests	Min.	2	Max.	8
Languages handled	English			
Access (Car/Public Transport)	Private car			
Parking	Car		Bus	
Other important notes	•Confirm any allergies etc. in advance			
Booking / Inquiries				
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"Hiroshima Station Departure/Arrival"

Model Course ③: Tour to Encounter the Gods and Mysterious Tales Told About this Ancient Land (Shobara × Sanin)☒in. no. of participants: 2, Meals: Breakfast 2, Lunch 2, Dinner 2☒
Departing from Hiroshima Station (chartered vehicle)

Day 1	Location	Content	Duration	Guide	Departure	Transport to next location	Notes/Objective/Etc.	Overall cost	Cost per person
11:50	Hiroshima Station	Meet up: Vehicle (HIACE)	Chugoku Expressway - Onomichi-Matsue Route (90 mins)		12:00	Car (90 mins)	Driver & vehicle (¥64,000), Highway tolls (¥2,300)	¥66,300	
13:30	Michi-no-Eki (Roadside Station) Takano	Snacks & souvenirs	40 mins	Meet with tour guide	14:10	Car (10 mins)	Tour guide (¥15,000)	¥15,000	
14:20	Ogidani (Ondaki and Mendaki waterfalls)	Since ancient times, it has been held that a dragon dwells in the basin of the Ondaki falls. In times of drought locals would pray to the dragon to bring rain.	40 mins	Local guide	15:00	Car (10 mins)			¥3,000
15:10	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Kozako-mori	Check in						¥55,000	
16:00	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Kozako-mori	On-site Kagura Experience (Performance and costume try-on)	120 mins	Anagasa Kagura Troupe				¥58,000	
18:30	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Kozako-mori	Dinner: Barbecue Goemon tub experience, etc.		Tour Guide finished for day			Dinner (¥5,500)		¥5,500
Day 2	Location	Content	Duration	Guide	Departure	Transport to next location	Notes/Objective/Etc.	Overall cost	Cost per person
8:30	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Kozako-mori	Breakfast		Meet with tour guide	10:00	Car (90 mins)	Driver & vehicle (¥81,500), Tour guide (¥30,000)	¥111,500	¥600
11:30	Izumo Oyashiro Shrine (Izumo Taisha Shrine)	To Izumo, one of Japan's most mystical locations	90 mins	Local guide	13:00	Walk (10 mins)	For more info about local guides visit https://izumo-kankou.gr.jp/volunteer/7001 (Japanese)	¥5,000	¥500
12:50	Izumo Oyashiro Shrine environs	Lunch: Okuizumo soba	60 mins		14:10	Car (20 mins)		¥1,300	¥1,300
14:30	Hinomisaki Shrine	Shrine and scenic spots	40 mins		15:10	Car (70 mins)			
16:20	Okuizumo Yumura Onsen Yunouekan	One-day visit to open-air bath next to the river	60 mins		17:40	Car (40 mins)	Yunouekan Sanin Izumo Hideaway *Limited to 2 groups per day [Yunnan City, Shimane Prefecture - Oku Izumo Yumura Onsen] One-day visit (10:00 AM to 9:00 PM) ¥600	¥600	¥600
18:20	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Kozako-mori	Check in			18:50	Car (10 mins)		¥55,000	
19:00	Wasosaku Kurane	Dinner: A dinner made with local ingredients	60 mins		20:00	Pick up and drop off at accommodations		¥2,500	¥2,500
	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Kozako-mori			Tour Guide finished for day					
Day 3	Location	Content	Duration	Guide	Departure	Transport to next location	Notes/Objective/Etc.	Overall cost	Cost per person
8:00	Setouchi Cominca Stays - Kozako-mori	Breakfast	60 mins	Meet with tour guide	9:30	Car (50 mins)	Driver & vehicle (¥85,000), Tour guide (¥15,000)	¥100,000	¥600
10:20	Kumano Shrine	Recorded in Japan's oldest written text as the resting place of the goddess of Japan's founding myth Kumano shrine, grove of giant cedars -> Visit to the three shrines	90 mins	Nature Guide	11:50	Car (10 mins)			¥5,000
12:00	Yamasemi	Lunch at farmhouse cafe: Daily special set meal	90 mins	Tour Guide finished for day	13:30	Car (120 mins)		¥1,250	¥1,250
15:30	Hiroshima Station	Part ways	Chugoku Expressway (120 mins)			Part ways	Highway tolls (¥2,300)	¥2,300	
		Number of participants (2 to 8)	2 people	Cost calculation = (overall cost) + (cost per person × number of people)			¥515,450	¥473,750	¥20,850
		Insurance (Participation: ¥231 × number of participants) + Tour operators (¥607)	¥1,069	Shobara DMO cost (20%) + Insurance			¥104,159	Total price	¥619,609
		Children's rate (6 to 11 years old) formula *30% OFF	¥14,595	Tour price (Per person / minimum 2 participants)			Starting from ¥310,000	Price per person	¥309,805

YOUR GUIDE

Tour guides who can speak both English and Japanese are available to accompany you (optional).



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Kota Kawaguchi



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Activities and Attractions (1)



Shobara Satoyama Rafting

Raft down a lively river that carves through the majestic nature of the Chugoku Mountains. Your rafting guide will lead you on a thrilling expedition through swift currents and whitewater rapids. Along the way, you'll spot abundant wildlife, dive from boulders into refreshing pools, and swim surrounded by schools of ayu (sweetfish). You'll find yourself literally immersed in nature.

Location: Ayu no Sato Park
Address: 1641-1 Nagata, Kuchiwacho, Shobara-Shi, Hiroshima
Date & Time: Early April to late November
Duration: 180 mins
Ages: 7 to 70
Cost: 1 group (up to 4 people) ¥22,000 (incl. tax)
*Groups of 5 or more will be charged additional fees.
Adults: ¥3,500 Children: ¥2,500
*Fees increase during peak season
Minimum group size: 1 person
*Individual plans start at ¥5,500
Notes:

*Boats can seat up to 8 people, including the guide
*Price includes rental of life jackets and related equipment
*Water shoes cost an additional ¥300

[Shobara Satoyama Rafting | Shobara Tourism Info \[Official\] Shobara, Hiroshima Tourism Information Site](#)



Straw Craft Workshop

This workshop teaches anyone, from small children on up, to make simple straw crafts such as miniature brooms and teru teru bozu dolls. Participants gather around a sunken hearth in a traditional house to make old-fashioned straw crafts. Under the guidance of craftsmen, they turn straw into straw brooms. Come savor the atmosphere of a traditional Japanese house and learn a new skill!

Location: Bihoku Hillside Park (Hibano-Sato Lower Farmhouse)
Address: 4-10 Mikkaichicho, Shobara-Shi, Hiroshima
Date & Time: 9:30 to 16:30 (Last entry: 15:30)
Duration:
Ages:
Cost: Free
Notes:

[Straw Craft Workshop](#)



Setouchi Cominca Stays Anagasa Kagura Troupe On-site Performance

Enjoy an optional performance by a kagura dance troupe from Anagasa in Miyoshi City when you stay at any of our Cominca Stays accommodations. After the dance, you will get to try on kagura costumes and props while learning the meaning and background of the kagura performance. The experience is sure to satisfy even if it's your first encounter with kagura.



Japanese Sword-making

Watch a swordsmith living in the town of Okuizumo perform some of the steps for making a Japanese Katana. Part of the fun is the witty conversation around Japanese swords. The smith uses traditional tamahagane steel, which is produced through the tatara steelmaking process that exists nowhere in the world besides Okuizumo. What does it take to turn this tamahagane into a Japanese sword? Join in to learn the secret.

Location: Setouchi Cominca Stays Accommodations
Address:
Date & Time: Negotiable
Duration: 120 mins
Ages:
Cost: ¥58,000 (3 performers)
Notes: Consultation required for live kagura performance

[Discover Anakasa Kagura Troupe on Facebook | #穴笠神楽団](#)

Location: Okuizumo Tatara Sword Museum
Address: 1380-1 Yokota, Okuizumochi, Nita-Gun, Shimane 699-1832
Date & Time: 10:00 to 16:00
Duration: 40 mins
Ages:
Cost: ¥20,000 *Admission not included
Notes:

[Japanese sword forging demonstration | Experience Plan/Tour | Okuizumo Official Tourism Guide](#)

Shobara's Nearby Attractions (1)



Hiwa Museum of Natural History

A museum which shares information related to the nature and history of the Chugoku Mountains. It has two permanent galleries, a discovery room where children can learn, and a special exhibition hall. Panels explain the development of the Chugoku Mountains through different eras, from the formation of their foundations, to when they were at the bottom of the Seto Inland Sea, to the birth of Mt. Azuma and the first human settlements.

Tel: 0824-85-3005
Address: 1119-1 Mitsugaichi, Hiwacho, Shobara-Shi, Hiroshima
Parking: 20 spaces
Closed: New Year's holidays (December 29 to January 4)
Hours: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Admission:
General (High school age and above) individuals: ¥310
Groups (20 people or more): ¥250
*Free for junior high school age and below
Notes:

[Hiwa Museum of Natural History, Shobara | Shobara Tourism Info \[Official\] Shobara, Hiroshima Tourism Information Site](#)



Taishakukyo Museum Jiyukan

This museum showcases the nature and history around Taishaku Gorge. Learn about the progress and discoveries of more than 50 years of excavations at the Taishakukyo Archaeological Sites, including the Yosekuraiwakage Site, Taishakukyo Mawatari Site, and Taishaku Nagoeiwakage Site. You can also see numerous precious artifacts recovered from these sites.

Tel: 08477-6-0161
Address: 1909 Taishakumido, Tojocho, Shobara-Shi, Hiroshima
Parking: 10 standard-size cars, (can accommodate motorcoach buses)
Closed: Wednesdays (Thursday if Wednesday is a public holiday)
Hours: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Admission: General (High school age and above) ¥410
*Free for junior high school age and below
Notes:
Staff-guided tours can be arranged for groups if booked in advance

[Taishakukyo Museum Jiyukan | Shobara Tourism Info \[Official\] Shobara, Hiroshima Tourism Information Site](#)



Kuchiwa Local Museum

A facility which collects, preserves, and exhibits local historical and folk materials, and connects current generations to past ways of life. Housed within a former wooden school house, it conveys a chic, retro atmosphere. What sets this museum apart from others is its vast collection of old audio and video equipment, and the fact that so many of them are maintained in working order. This is a dynamic exhibit that visitors can see, hear, and feel.

Tel: 0824-87-2230
Address: 1641-1 Nagata, Kuchiwacho, Shobara-Shi, Hiroshima
Parking: 20 standard-size cars (can accommodate motorcoach buses)
Closed: Tue, Wed, Fri, Sun, and New Year's holidays
Hours: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
Admission: Free

[Kuchiwa Local Museum | Shobara Tourism Info \[Official\] Shobara, Hiroshima Tourism Information Site](#)



Hiroshima Kenmin no Mori

A leisure facility at the foot of Mt. Hiba. Surrounded by abundant nature, including a virgin beech forest designated as a Natural Monument of Japan, this facility offers guests ample opportunities for camping, hiking, and stargazing. The kaleidoscopic array of activities on offer includes hiking amidst brilliant foliage in fall, and skiing and snowshoeing in winter.

Tel: 0824-84-2020
Address: 156-14 Yuki, Saijocho, Shobara-Shi, Hiroshima
Parking: 400 spaces (Free of charge)
Closed:
Hours: 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM
Notes:

[Hiroshima Kenmin no Mori - "Hiroshima Kenmin no Mori" is a leisure facility at the foot of Mt. Hiba.](#)

Shobara's Nearby Attractions (2)



Ogidani Campground

A nature-rich campground nestled in a broadleaf forest. With different attractions in each season, guests can have fun year round. A clear stream runs through the campground, and it is a particularly great place for children to play and escape the heat in Summer. It also boasts a rich array of activities, such as its "Tree Adventure" ropes course.

Tel: 0824-86-2323
Address: 257 Minami, Takanochō,
Shobara-Shi, Hiroshima
Parking: Yes
Closed:
Hours: 8:30 AM to 5:30 PM (Office
Hours)
Admission:
Notes:

<http://www.ogidani.co.jp/>



Sugaya Tatar Sannai

Sannai is the general term for the area where people engaged in the ancient Japanese method of ironmaking known as Tatar lived and worked. The takadono, former sheds, and tenement house remain, preserving the scenery of the village to the present day. The takadono was the building where tatar steelmaking took place, and this takadono is the only one left in all of Japan.

Tel: 0854-74-0311
Address: 1214 Yoshida, Yoshidachō,
Unnan-Shi, Shimane
Parking: 20 spaces
Closed: Mondays (Tuesday if Monday
is a public holiday)
Hours: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM (Last
entry 4:00 PM)
Admission: ¥310
Notes: Tataraba guide available free
of charge

[Recalling the era when Tatar steelmaking was at its peak – Tetsunorekishimura Regional Development Corp](#)



Yumura Onsen Yunouekan (public bath)

Yumura Onsen is extremely ancient, and is even mentioned together with Tamatsukuri-Onsen in the Izumo no Kuni Fudoki (Gazetteer of Izumo Province) compiled for Emperor Shōmu in the year 713. Recorded as "the medicinal bath near the river at Shitsuni" the spring still produces a huge amount of hot water to this day.

Tel: 0854-48-0513
Address: 1336 Yumura, Kisukichō,
Unnan-Shi, Shimane
Parking: 20 spaces
Closed: Never (open every day)
Hours: 10:00 AM to 9:30 PM
(Reception open until 9:00 PM)
Admission:
Public bath Spring source Shitsuni
no yu
Adults: ¥600, Elementary school
age: ¥200, Young children: ¥150
* There is a separate room charge of
¥1,100 for family baths (50 mins per
session)
Notes:

[Yunouekan Sanin Izumo Hideaway](#)
[*Limited to 2 groups per day](#)
[\[Yunnan City, Shimane Prefecture -](#)
[Oku Izumo Yumura Onsen\]](#)



Museum of Iron-making History

This museum introduces the history and technology of the tatar steelmaking method. It exhibits Japan's unique ironmaking traditions, and explains the revolutionary impact iron had on agriculture and daily life, showcasing ironmaking technologies, their contributions to society, the history of mine management and blacksmithing groups. Rare written documents and actual tools bring this history to life. Come learn the secrets employed to make Japanese iron.

Tel: 0854-74-0043
Address: 2533 Yoshida, Yoshidachō,
Unnan-Shi, Shimane
Parking: Tanabe Family Storehouses
Parking Lot
Closed: Mondays (Tuesday if Monday
is a public holiday)
Hours: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM (Last
entry 4:00 PM)
Admission: ¥520
Notes:

[Exhibits show the history and techniques of tatar steelmaking and the tools used by steelmakers – Tetsunorekishimura Regional Development Corp.](#)

ACCOMMODATION LIST

Accommodation Name	Type	Location	Rate (approximate)	Equipment/Features	Typical Room Type	Contact Information
Oka-no-sato La forêt Shobara	Hotel (hot spring resort)	5281-1 Shinjocho, Shobara	1 night with 2 meals: From ¥13,800	Natural hot spring, open-air baths, saunas, free Wi-Fi, parking for 200 cars, restaurant, meeting rooms and sports facilities	42 Japanese-style rooms and 20 Western-style rooms (wheelchair accessible twin rooms available)	Tel: 0824-73-1800 Official website: oukanosato.jp
Taishakukyo Hotel Yokoso	Japanese-style inn (tourist hotel)	922-1 Misaka, Tojocho, Shobara	1 night with 2 meals: Around 7,000 yen (about 7,150 yen with breakfast)	Large public bath (no hot spring), free parking (50 cars, 15 buses), restaurant , meeting rooms, credit cards accepted	19 Japanese-style rooms 8 to 12 tatami mat size (all Japanese-style)	Tel: 08477-2-4100 Official website: youkousou.jp
Setouchi Cominca Stays Hiroshima - Kozako-mori	Traditional house glamping (rent entire house)	279 Shimoyukawa, Takanochi, Shobara	*Varies depending on the season and the number of people (Please inquire.)	Full traditional house rental (up to 8 people), fully-equipped with kitchen, outdoor fire pit, Wi-Fi, BBQ equipment, and free parking (up to 3 cars)	3 dome-style cabins with 5 semi-double beds and 3 futons (2 bedrooms, 1 tatami mat room, and living room)	Tel: 0824-72-3385 Official website: cominca-stays.jp/cominca/kozako-mori/
(Setouchi Cominca Stays Hiroshima) Chojaya	(Traditional house rental, limited to 1 group at a time)	1528 Mitsugaichi, Hiwacho, Shobara	*Varies depending on the season and the number of people (Please inquire.)	Free Wi-Fi, parking (up to 2 cars free), island kitchen (equipped with cooking utensils, tableware, microwave, refrigerator, stove, etc.), large bathroom, 2 toilets, air conditioning and heating. Amenities such as towels, toothbrushes, and shampoos are available on-site. *No hot spring facilities. No meals provided (can arrange for self-catering/personal chef)	Full building rental (capacity 6 to 8 people): 1 Western-style bedroom (2 double beds), 2 Japanese-style bedrooms (up to 6 futons). Includes a living-dining room with a hearth, a dirt-floor foyer, museum room (former cow shed)	Tel: 0824-72-3385 Official website: https://cominca-stays.jp/cominca/chojaya
(Setouchi Cominca Stays Hiroshima) Furosen	(Traditional house rental, limited to 1 group at a time)	796 Uedanicho, Shobara	*Varies depending on the season and the number of people (Please inquire.)	Free Wi-Fi, parking (up to 3 cars free), kitchen (equipped with cooking utensils, tableware, microwave, refrigerator, toaster, etc.), dining room, large indoor bath and outdoor goemonburo hot tub, 2 toilets, air conditioning and heating. Amenities such as towels, toothbrushes, and shampoos are provided. *Not a natural hot spring. No meals provided (can arrange for self-catering or outdoor BBQ *Requires reservation in advance, does not include breakfast)	Full building rental (capacity 6 to 8 people): 1 Western-style bedroom (2 double beds), 2 Japanese-style bedrooms (up to 6 futons). Overlook terraced rice fields from large living room with a veranda. A century-old traditional home renovated into a holiday cottage.	Tel: 0824-72-3385 Official website: https://cominca-stays.jp/cominca/furosen
Kougen-no-Shuku (Plateau Station Takano)	Accommodation (budget hotel)	5006-1 Shimonde, Takanochi, Shobara	Overnight without meals: From ¥6,600 per person (incl. tax)	Each room equipped with a shower and toilet, free Wi-Fi, parking for 50 cars, can accommodate large vehicles, meals available by reservation (breakfast, boxed lunch, etc.)	8 Western-style rooms (single and twin)	Tel: 0824-74-6880 shobara-info.com
Experiential Farm Guest House Hyakushoan Tsumugu	Farmhouse inn (traditional B&B)	1570 Kushiro, Tojocho, Shobara	Weekdays, from ¥5,000 without meals, from ¥10,000 with 2 meals	130-year-old farmhouse inn, sunken hearth, agricultural experience, food culture experience program, no Wi-Fi (mountainous area), parking for 6 cars	One 13-tatami mat Japanese-style room (capacity: 5 people), one 7-tatami mat Japanese-style room (capacity: 2 people), and one 6-tatami mat Western-style room in separate building (capacity: 2-3 people)	Tel: 08477-2-4468 shobara-info.com
Kyukamura Taishakukyo	Resort hotel & campground	962-1 Misaka, Tojocho, Shobara	Overnight without meals (2 people per room): From ¥15,000 (¥7,500 per person)	Natural hot spring (large public bath/sauna), Wi-Fi available in some facilities, free parking for 100 cars	56 Western-style twin and Japanese-style rooms (main building), 20 cottages, 42 drive-in campsites	Tel: 08477-2-3110 Official website: qkamura.or.jp/taishaku/
Cohan Stays Shobara	Glamping (dome-style tents)	(Inside Bihoku Hillside National Government Park)	1 night with 2 meals: Around ¥13,000 per adult (For 2 people)	6-12 person dome-style cabin (lake view, premier, dog friendly), each cabin is equipped with a bath, toilet, kitchen, air conditioning and heating, Wi-Fi, a private BBQ terrace and bonfire space. Includes parking fee and park admission.	3 styles of 8-10 meter glamping domes (one 6-person dome, one 12-person dome, and one pet-friendly dome)	Tel: 0824-74-6058 Official website: https://glamping-hiroshima.com/
Takano Penta-goten	Glamping (Cottages)	5059-184 Shimonde, Takanochi, Shobara	Rental fee for 1 cottage + fee per person (Ex: ¥32,000 for 3-person cottage during peak season + ¥1,000 per person)	Rental villas with pentagonal design (4 villas for 3-5 people) Each includes a shower, sink, washlet-style toilet, kitchen, cooling and heating, and Wi-Fi	1 villa with double bed and sofa bed (for 3 people), 3 villas with 2 semi-double beds + futons (for 5 people)	Tel: 0824-86-3000 Official website: pentagoten (*regional website)
OMOYA Soryo	Rental guest house (wheelchair accessible accommodation)	Soryocho, Shobara (address not disclosed *Guests informed upon reservation)	Rental fee for 1 house: ¥58,000 for up to 7 people on weekdays (excl. tax)	300-year-old renovated traditional house, wheelchair accessible (movable ramps, handrails, etc.)	Multiple Japanese-style rooms and Western-style bedrooms (capacity: about 7 people), includes living room and veranda	*No reservations by phone (make reservations via website) Official website: omoya-soryo.site
Kadoya-ryokan Inn	Japanese-style inn (tourist inn)	2103 Taishakumido, Tojocho, Shobara	1 night with 2 meals: ¥6,500 to ¥20,000 per person	Wooden two-story mountain inn, Check-in from 14:00	4 Japanese-style rooms (capacity: about 10 people)	Tel: 08477-6-0005 dive-hiroshima.com
Lifestyle Inn Ofuru	B&B (home-stay in a traditional house)	1812-9 Kawakitacho, Shobara	1 night full building (including ingredients and experiences): ¥44,000 (up to 5 people, incl. tax)	Experience the country lifestyle in a 120-year-old traditional house. Includes old-fashioned facilities, such as a Goemon bath and wood burning kitchen stove. No television, microwave, etc. (digital detox)	2 Japanese-style rooms (limited to 1 group per day, 5 people max). Guests stay in the same traditional private home as the host family	Tel: 0824-72-9188 Official website: r.goope.jp/yado-ofuru
Casa Verde	Public accommodations and training facilities	165-1 Hiwa, Hiwacho, Shobara	1 night without meals: ¥3,660; With 2 meals: ¥7,510 (incl. tax)	Two-story Japanese-style training camp accommodations, number of rooms unknown (groups allowed), equipped with large public bath (public bath resumed operation from January 2024)	Mainly Japanese-style rooms (large rooms available for families and groups)	Tel: 0824-85-2230 shobara-info.com
Hibayama-onsen Inn (Kumano-yu Ryokan)	Bed & breakfast (hot spring inn)	890-2 Yuki, Saijocho, Shobara	1 night with 2 meals: From ¥7,000	Hibayama-onsen Inn self-sourced free-flowing natural hot spring (Kumano-yu)	10 Japanese-style rooms (capacity: about 30 people)	Tel/Fax: 0824-84-2334 shobara-info.com

ACCOMMODATION LIST

Accommodation Name	Type	Location	Rate (approximate)	Equipment/Features	Typical Room Type	Contact Information
Yasuhara-ryokan Inn	Japanese-style inn (restaurant hotel)	95-4 Saijo, Saijocho, Shobara	1 night with 2 meals: From ¥7,000 (incl. tax)	This small, homely inn offers homemade dishes using wild vegetables, river fish, and Hiba beef.	Mainly Japanese-style rooms (About 5 rooms in total) Western-style single/twin rooms, Japanese-style rooms (up to 4 people) *18 rooms in total, 2 shared dormitory-style rooms	Tel: 0824-82-2306 shobara-info.com
Hotel Hibaso	Hotel (Business hotel)	1-19-12 Nishihonmachi, Shobara	Single room without meals: From ¥5,500	Retro city hotel (18 rooms in total)	Western and Japanese-style rooms (single rooms to large Japanese-style rooms), 50 rooms in total	Tel: 0824-72-1717 shobara-info.com
Shobara Grand Hotel	Hotel (City hotel)	2-16-5 Nishihonmachi, Shobara	Overnight without meals (2 people per room): From ¥10,000 (From ¥11,200 with breakfast)	The largest hotel in the city center, 5 minute from Shobara IC (50 rooms in total)	Mainly Japanese-style rooms (number of rooms unknown, probably about 6 to 10 rooms) 20 Japanese-style rooms (capacity: 4 people per room) and 9 Western-style twin rooms	Tel: 0824-72-6789 Official website: shobara-gh.com
Hotel Matsumoto	Japanese-style inn (long-term stay)	507 Kawanishi, Tojocho, Shobara	1 night with 2 meals: From ¥8,140 (incl. tax)	A long-established Japanese-style inn near JR Tojo Station (founded in the 1940s)	Drive-in campsite (with electricity, water, fireplace, etc.), ten 5-person cottages, ten 10-person cottages	Tel: 08477-2-0020 shobara-info.com
Hiba Dogoyama Kogenso	Resort hotel (with hot spring)	152-10 Misaka, Saijocho, Shobara	1 night with 2 meals: From ¥11,550	Highland resort facility at 700 meters above sea level (29 rooms)	Multiple accommodations, including around 100 drive-in campsites, log cabins, bungalows, and treehouses (capacity: 4 to 10 people)	Tel: 0824-84-2170 shobara-info.com
Bihoku Auto Village	Drive-in Campground and Cottages	1300 Kamiharacho, Shobara (Inside Bihoku Hillside National Government Park)	Drive-in site: ¥4,000 to ¥5,000 per night (varies depending on site)	JAC 5-star campsite One of the largest campsites in the Chugoku region. Many forested sites, cottages, bungalows, and treehouses Snow camping is possible in winter. Also includes hot showers, private bathing facilities, athletic equipment, and ski slopes (winter) Equipment available to rent. Member of the ACN. Each site includes parking.		Tel: 0824-72-8800 Official website: bihokupark.jp (park website)
Ogidani Campground	Drive-in Campground	257 Minami, Takanochi, Shobara	Drive-in site: Around ¥5,000 (depending on the season)			Tel: 0824-86-2323 Official website: ogidani.co.jp

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