

Season All seasons Duration of stay 5 nights, 6 days (requires arriving the day before the itinerary begins)

Treat Yourself to a Special Getaway in Unzen
with a Touch of Luxury

Notes

Get to know Unzen and the Shimabara Peninsula in-depth with a leisurely stay in Unzen.
Discover a new you with a comfortable stay at this summer retreat above the clouds.

Activity 08 A relaxing day of Miyama
Kirishima azalea conservation

Dolphin-watching



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Activity 05 Dye a shirt or towel using gathered
leaves, wood and dyer' knotweed

Night of arrival	Depart from local airport ✈️ Aso Kumamoto Airport 🚗 70min Kumamoto
Day 1	10:00a.m. Kumamoto 🚗 40min Kumamoto Port 10:50a.m. Kumamoto Port 🚢 (Ferry) 60min Shimabara Port 12:00p.m. Lunch (60min) 🚗 1:00p.m. Tour the Springs (120min) (Explore Shimabara while touring its plentiful springs. Try kanzarashi, a delicious Japanese sweet.) 3:30p.m. Shimabara 🚗 50min Unzen Onsen Hot Springs Accommodation Facilities [Accommodation] (Unzen Onsen Hot Spring District is located near the Jigoku area partway up the southwestern slope of Mt. Unzen. Unzen Onsen Hot Springs originated as a summer retreat for the earliest international visitors during the Meiji period (1868 - 1912), and as a result, the area developed as an international tourist destination. The downtown district is home to many Western-style buildings with reddish-brown roofs. The hot springs are acidic hydrogen sulfide springs and have a strong antibacterial effect. Bathing in the hot springs is said to result in beautiful skin. Located in the middle of the Shimabara Peninsula, high-quality cuisine made with the plentiful bounty of both the sea and the mountains is yours to enjoy in town.)
Day 2	9:00a.m. Unzen Onsen Hot Springs 🚗 30min Tashirobaru 10:00a.m. Activity 08 A relaxing day of Miyama Kirishima azalea conservation (180min) (Enjoy a lunch of country-style cuisine.) 1:30p.m. Tashirobaru 🚗 30min Unzen Onsen Hot Springs Accommodation Facilities [Accommodation]
Day 3	9:00a.m. Unzen Onsen Hot Springs 🚗 60min 10:00a.m. Arima Christian Heritage Museum Learn About Christian Culture in Shimabara (60min) (The Shimabara area once flourished as a center of early Christian culture. When Christianity was banned in the 17th century, Christians took their faith underground. Learn about this history at the Arima Christian Heritage Museum.) 11:00a.m. Arima Christian Heritage Museum 🚗 15min Hara Castle Ruins, a World Heritage Site (30min) (Visit Hara Castle, where Amakusa Shiro and fellow rebels barricaded themselves during the Amakusa Rebellion.) 11:45a.m. Hara Castle Ruins, a World Heritage Site 🚗 15min Kazusa Lunch (60min) 1:00p.m. Kazusa 📷 Dolphin-watching (90min) (Approximately 300 Indo-Pacific bottlenose dolphins live in the area between the Shimabara Peninsula and Amakusa. Board a boat and head to sea for a good chance of seeing dolphins.) 3:00p.m. Kazusa 🚗 60min Unzen Onsen Hot Springs [Accommodation]
Day 4	9:30a.m. Unzen Onsen Hot Springs 🚗 30min 10:00a.m. Shimabara Peninsula Farmhouse Crop-harvesting Experience (120min) (Each season brings with it a variety of fruits and vegetables to enjoy on the Shimabara Peninsula. These are also considered to be nurtured by the volcanic terrain. Enjoy harvesting crops and preparing them for eating at your tent accommodations in the campground.) Lunch (60min) (Enjoy the Shimabara Peninsula with a lunch of Shimabara Hanto ale lunch box.) 1:00p.m. 🚗 30min Unzen Onsen Hot Springs 4:00p.m. Unzen Onsen Hot Springs 🚶 30min Shirakumonoike Campground 4:30p.m. Activity 12 Shirakumo-no-ike Campground (Accommodation) [Accommodation] (Enjoy a night spent in a tent. Tent and equipment rentals are available. [Interested parties should apply in advance.]
Day 5	9:30a.m. Unzen Onsen Hot Springs 🚶 30min 10:30a.m. Shirakumonoike Campground Activity 05 Dye a shirt or towel using gathered leaves, wood and dyer' knotweed (300min) (Delight in a meal of Shimabara ale lunch box.) 🚗 30min Unzen Onsen Hot Springs [Accommodation]
Day 6	10:00a.m. Unzen Onsen Hot Springs 🚶 15min Unzen Vidro Museum Visit the Museum and Make a Glass Accessory (90min) (The Unzen Vidro Museum houses a collection of 300 glass items, including those with roots in Edo period (1603 - 1867) Nagasaki, and 19th century European glass like bohemian glass and oil lamps. You can also make decorative straps, sandblasted items and other glass accessories as mementos of your trip to Unzen.) 12:00p.m. Unzen Onsen Hot Springs Lunch (60min) 1:30p.m. Unzen Terminal 🚗 80min Isahaya Terminal 🚗 45min Nagasaki Airport Nagasaki Airport ✈️ To your next destination

Legend for itinerary
symbols

✈️ Airplane 🚗 Train/JR 🚗 Car (rental car) 🚗 Taxi 🚗 Fixed-route bus/shuttle bus 🚗 Boat 🚗 Ropeway 🚗 Bicycle rentals 🚶 Walking 📷 Photo spot