# Itoshima 糸島

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# Imazu Bay 今津湾



Imazu Bay is an inlet in Nishi Ward, near the Imajuku station, Fukuoka City, where local fishermen gather their seafood.

### Ike no Matsubara Pine Forest 生の松原



The Ike-no-Matsubara is a pine forest owned by Kyushu University for research purposes, where air pollution is measured.

### The Couple Rock, Futami Beach 夫婦岩 二見ヶ浦



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# The Sakurai Shrine 櫻井神社



The Shrine enshrines two gods as the main deities, one to control evil and the other to exorcise and purify.

Prince Tadayuki Kuroda, the second feudal lord of the Fukuoka domain, sent his retainers twice to question the fate of the domain. As the prophecies were true twice, he was more and more grateful for the divine power and built the present gorgeous shrine in 1632.

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### Yamanohana Tombs Mound 山ノ鼻第一古墳



On the Itoshima Peninsula, there are many ancient tombs built during the Kofun period, which is evidence that this area was ruled by a large country called Itokoku at that time.



# Keya Beach 芥屋海岸



Keya Beach is located at the northwestern tip of the Itoshima Peninsula and is visited by many beachgoers in the summer. The mountain in front is called Mt. Tateishi. Although its elevation is as low as 209m, the view of the "Daimon of Keya" from the summit is excellent.

# The Great Gate of Keya





The Daimon of Keya is the symbol of the Itoshima Peninsula and is visited by many tourists. There is a promenade on the small mountain in the foreground and tourists can get to this rock.

### You can walk to the Great Gate of Keya





#### A View from the Mt. Tateishi

### The "Barley Autumn" and Mt. Koushi-dake 「麦秋」と柑子岳



A barley autumn is a wave of barley that is reaped in early summer. It was also the title of a famous film by Yasujiro Ozu. The splendid mountain in front is Mt. Koushidake, and the peaked mountain to the left is Amagatake.

### A Romantic Sunset



Imazu Bay has an inland cove, and the area around it is a romantic walkway.

# Mt. Bishamon and Imazu Beach 毘沙門山と今津海岸



This majestic rock face is the Bishamon Mountain. In the 14th century, when Japan was nearly invaded by the Mongols, the soldiers of the Kamakura Shogunate prayed for victory on this mountain top.

This mountain is easy to climb and has become a civic hiking trail

# A View from Mt. Bishamon



The splendid mountain on the far left is Mount Kaya. The mountain near the coast is Mt. Koushi-dake.

# Mt. Kaya 可也山

Mt. Kaya is called "Itoshima Fuji" because of its neat mountain appearance. Its beauty can be seen from Kyushu University. I'm sorry for the bad photos.



### Mt. Nada 灘山



Mt. Nada is located at the northeast end of the Itoshima Peninsula and is a popular hiking trail.

#### A View from Mt. Kagamiyama 鏡山からの眺め

The neat mountain in the back right is Mt. Ukidake. In ancient times, ships used the mountains on land as landmarks for navigation near the coast, so the sailors were relieved that they had reached Kyushu when they could see Mt. Ukidake.



# Raizan Kannon 雷山観音



- The Buddhist temple is located in the Itoshima city, near the Ito campus of Kyushu University.
- One of the best place for admiring the red leaves in the autumn.
- The temple is also famous for its Kannon Buddha wooden sculpture.

### The Ito Campus, Kyushu University 九州大学伊都キャンパス

