

# Recommended spots



Tomonoura, located approximately at the center of the Seto Inland Sea, is a port town that has flourished as a safe haven for seamen waiting for favorable tides since olden times. The scenic beauty woven from a calm sea and islands and old town buildings dating back to the Edo period kindle a nostalgic feeling where new discoveries and impressions can be found.

For more information, visit our website!

<http://www.city.fukuyama.hiroshima.jp/soshiki/kanko/85749.html>

For spots with this mark, historical and cultural information is provided on our website! Please check out our website so you can better enjoy Tomonoura by knowing its history and culture!



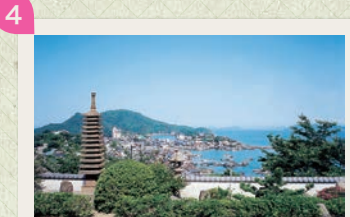
**Joyoto**  
The tower, exceeding 10m from the foundation platform, is the tallest among existing Joyoto lanterns of the Edo period. In the town of Tomo, the harbor showcases traces of the Edo period including Joyoto (all-night street lanterns), Gangi (stair-like boat landing), Funabansho (old coast guard station) ruins, Otaho (big breakwater), and ruins of Tadeba (old dock) on which ship maintenance and repair were performed.



**Irohamaru Exhibition Building**  
At the Irohamaru Exhibition Building, a shore warehouse that was built on reclaimed land during the Edo period, Sakamoto Ryoma's personal effects from Irohamaru that sank off the shore of Tomo, a diorama showing how the ship sank, and other related artifacts are on display.  
Hours • 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Closed period • Dec. 28 - Jan. 1  
Admission • 200 yen for elementary school students or older



**Residence of the Ota Family and Ruins of Tomo Shichikyo-ochi**  
This cluster of building structures, which once prospered as Homeishu breweries, consists of nine buildings, including the main house and serves as the center of the Tomo townscape.  
Hours • 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Closed period • Tuesdays (the following day if it is a national holiday) and year-end and New Year holidays  
Admission • 400 yen for junior high school students or older, 200 yen for elementary school students



**Ioji Temple and Taishiden**  
The temple was founded by Kukai in 826, where the principal object of worship remains a "wooden standing statue of Yakushi Nyorai." The current main hall was built by Mizuno Katsutane, who was the lord of the Fukuyama-han (clan domain) in 1685, and the Niomon Gate and bell tower were also built during the Edo period. Halfway up Mt. Ushiroyama is Taishiden, from which an excellent view of Tomo Port and the Setouchi Islands can be enjoyed.



**Enpukuji Temple**  
This site was originally an island that was connected with the main land when Tomo Castle was built, and given the name Enpukuji Temple on the occasion of relocation of Shakado, which was located on the south side of present day Nunakuma Shrine. During the Edo period, haiku (short form of Japanese poetry) and poetry readings were frequently held as a stage for various cultural exchanges.  
Admission • 200 yen \* Prior reservations required



**Taichoro (Fukuzenji Temple)**  
Taichoro was built as a reception hall next to the main hall of Fukuzenji Temple during the Edo period. Commanding a beautiful view of the Seto Inland Sea, the temple served as a guesthouse for Korean envoys and became the setting for historical exchange.  
Hours • 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Closed period • Open 365 days a year  
Admission • 200 yen for adults, 150 yen for junior high school and high school students, 100 yen for elementary school students



**Ryoma's Hideout in Masuya Seimon Taku**  
When the Irohamaru incident occurred in 1867, Ryoma and other Kaientai (Maritime Support Fleet) members lodged here. The hideout which is said to have been sleeping quarters for Ryoma at that time was discovered in 1989, and it is now open to the public.  
Hours • 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Closed period • Tuesday to Thursday  
Admission • 200 yen for adults, 100 yen for elementary school, junior high school and high school students



**Fukuyama-City Tomonoura Rekishi Minzoku Shiryoukan**  
At the museum on the hill of the Tomo Castle ruins, a model of the traditional sea bream netting technique and folk materials are on permanent display.  
Hours • 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Closed period • Mondays (the following day if it is a national holiday) and year-end and New Year holidays  
Admission • 150 yen for adults, free for high school students or younger



**Tomonoura Tourist Information Center**  
Get tourist information for sightseeing in Tomonoura. Maps are available in multiple languages as well as Homeishu and other souvenirs. Free Wi-Fi spots are also available.  
Hours • 9:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Closed period • Open 365 days a year



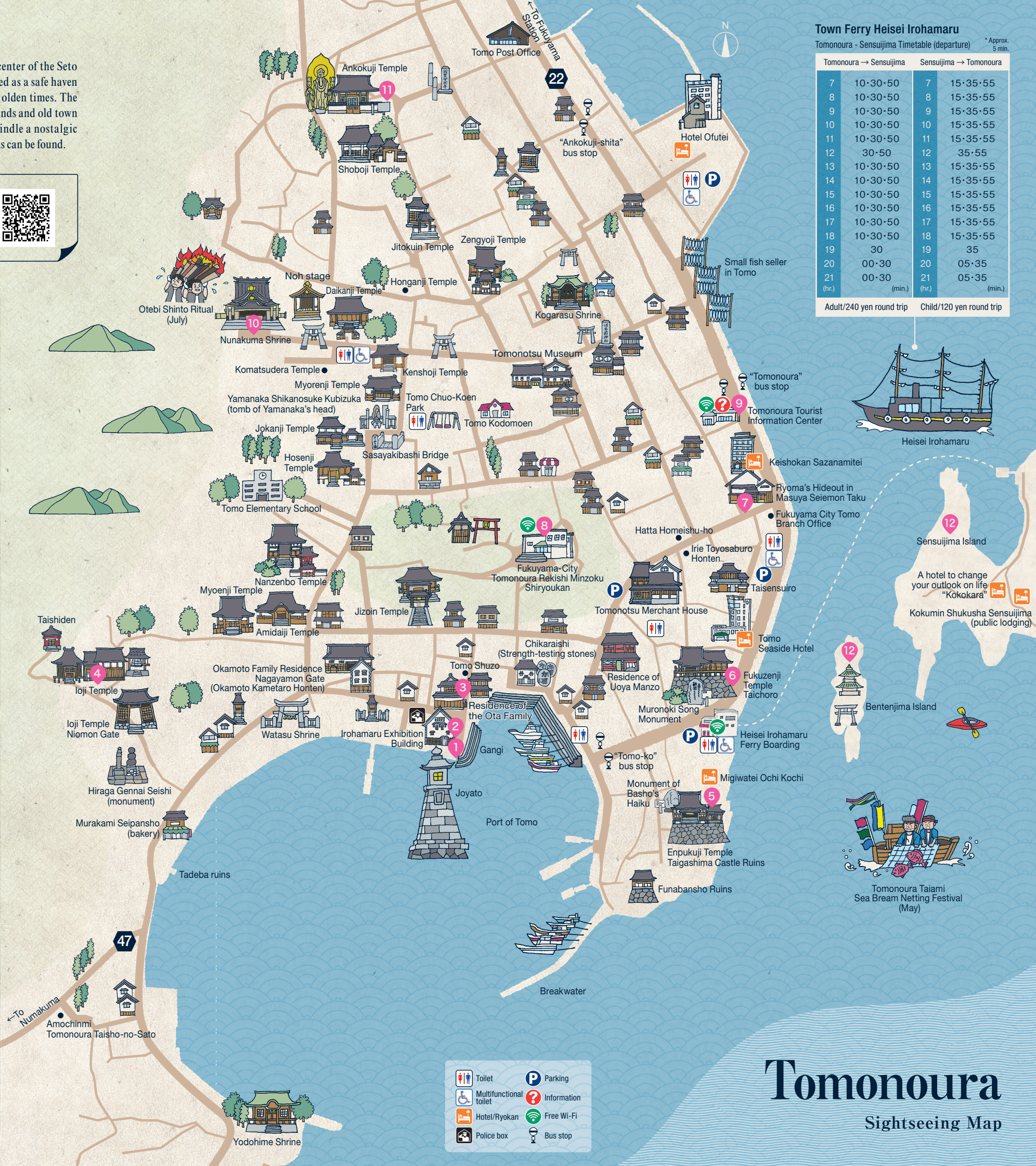
**Nunakuma Shrine**  
A large number of important cultural properties remain in the shrine that enshrines the deities of Owatsumimikoto (maritime safety) and Susanoonimikoto (perfect health). Among the most famous displays is the Nunakuma Shrine Noh stage, a national important cultural property. The only existing portable type Noh stage was transferred from Toyotomi Hideyoshi, a great admirer of Noh to Mizuno Katsunari, the first lord of the Fukuyama-han.



**Ankokuji Temple**  
The entire surroundings of the grounds are designated as a Hiroshima Prefecture historic site, and the ancient temple showcases diverse cultural assets, such as Shakado designated as a national important cultural property and Karesansui (dry landscape garden).  
Hours • 8:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Closed period • Open 365 days a year  
Admission • 200 yen for adults, 100 yen for college students



**Sensuijima Island and Bentenjima Island**  
Sensuijima Island approximately 6km in circumference and appearing as if it is floating off the shore of Tomo Port, is 5 minutes by town ferry. The name comes from its eternal beauty while white waves (Sensui) (a benevolent spirit or Taoist immortal) was completely mesmerized. Bentenjima Island is located between Tomonoura and Sensuijima Island, on which Benzaiten, a guardian deity for fishermen is enshrined. The Fukuyama Tomonoura Bentenjima Island Fireworks Display launches its spectacular nighttime event from this site every May.

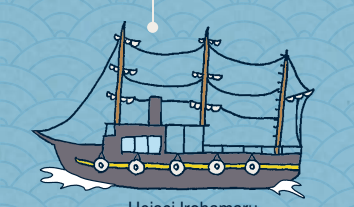


**Town Ferry Heisei Irohamaru**  
Tomonoura - Sensuijima Timetable (departure) \* Approx. 5 min.

Tomonoura → Sensuijima		Sensuijima → Tomonoura	
7	10:30-50	7	15:35-55
8	10:30-50	8	15:35-55
9	10:30-50	9	15:35-55
10	10:30-50	10	15:35-55
11	10:30-50	11	15:35-55
12	30-50	12	35-55
13	10:30-50	13	15:35-55
14	10:30-50	14	15:35-55
15	10:30-50	15	15:35-55
16	10:30-50	16	15:35-55
17	10:30-50	17	15:35-55
18	10:30-50	18	15:35-55
19	30	19	35
20	00:30	20	05:35
21	00:30	21	05:35

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Adult/240 yen round trip Child/120 yen round trip



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Kokumin Shukusha Sensuijima (public lodging)



Tomonoura Taiami Sea Bream Netting Festival (May)

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## Sightseeing Map

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- Multifunctional toilet
- Hotel/Ryokan
- Police box
- Parking
- Information
- Free Wi-Fi
- Bus stop