

Rent a car and drive from Kagoshima Airport

Kirishima Driving Map?

Segodon
Places associated with Segodon and historical TV drama locations
Packed full of info!

Kirishima
Aira
Yusu
Isa

How to Get There

Traveling from outside the Prefecture

- Fly**
Tokyo → Kagoshima (approx. 1 hr 55 mins)
Osaka (Itami) → Kagoshima (approx. 1 hr 15 mins)
- Shinkansen (fastest services)**
Shin-Osaka → Kagoshima-chuo (3 hrs 42 mins)
Hakata → Kagoshima-chuo (1 hr 17 mins)
- Drive**
Approximate driving times to:
Mizobe-Kagoshimakuko IC: approx. 2 hrs 35 mins
Dazaifu IC: approx. 2 hrs 40 mins
Saga-Yamato IC: approx. 3 hrs 45 mins
Oita IC: approx. 1 hr 40 mins
Kumamoto IC: approx. 1 hr 25 mins
Hitoyoshi IC: 45 mins

Driving from the Izumi direction

- Izumi Sta → Isa → Kurino IC → Mizobe-Kagoshimakuko IC (approx. 40 mins)
- Kurino IC → Mizobe-Kagoshimakuko IC (approx. 30 mins)
- Mizobe-Kagoshimakuko IC → Kagoshima IC (approx. 15 mins)

Traveling from Kagoshima

- Car: Kagoshima IC → Mizobe-Kagoshimakuko IC (approx. 30 mins)
- JR: Kagoshima-chuo Sta → Kirishima-Jingu Sta (approx. 50 mins)
- JR: Kagoshima-chuo Sta → Yoshimatsu Sta (approx. 1 hr 30 mins)
- Express bus: Kagoshima-chuo Sta → Kagoshima Airport (38 mins on the fastest service)

Save money with a 1-Day bus pass

- ☆ Adults ¥1,100 (children ¥500)
- ☆ Valid for one day
- ☆ Myoken Tour Bus
- ☆ Kirishima Renzan Shuyuu Bus

See the sights in comfort by using a taxi for tourists.

A variety of sightseeing routes are also attractive. People carriers that can transport up to nine people are also beneficial for groups.

- Regular size taxi capacity (Excl. driver): 4
- Large people carrier (Excl. driver): 9
- Please book with the taxi company of your choice.

Tourism Information Center

- Kirishima City Tourism Association ☎0995-78-2115
- Isa City Tourism and Local Produce Association ☎0995-29-5013
- Aira City Tourism Association ☎0995-67-6052
- Kirishima Sanroku Yusucho Tourism Association ☎0995-74-5690
- Kagoshima-chuo Station Tourism Information Center ☎099-253-2500

Travel on accessible taxi

Inquiries: Kagoshima Taxi Association ☎099-222-3255

- Asahi Kotsu ☎0995-45-1111
- Nakamura Taxi ☎0995-42-2136

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A day trip in the Kirishima Area

Kirishima Photo Spot Tour

Visit Kirishima's legendary seven wonders!
Take photos with artwork!

- Kagoshima Airport**
40-min drive / 26km Pref. Road 60
- Kirishima Shrine**
0995-57-0001
Kirishima boasts the legendary seven wonders, which can be explored around the Kirishima Shrine. Why not seek them out during your visit?
- Roadside Station Kirishima**
You can see Sakurajima and Takachinomine on a good day.
- Kirishima Open-Air Museum**
0995-74-5945
The museum features artwork by Japanese and international artists displayed outdoors.
- Kachiguri Shrine**
A place associated with a Satsuma warlord, Shimazu Yoshihiro.
- Sogi Falls Park**
0995-28-2600 635-11, Okuchi Miyahito, Isa
The tunnel, which was dug by hand, is a popular energy vortex.
- Kamo's giant camphor, the largest tree in Japan**
0995-52-0748
The giant camphor tree, estimated to be 1,500 years old, is located at Kamo Hachiman Shrine.
- Kagoshima Airport**
25-min drive / 18km Pref. Road 40

Take a detour

- 3 Roadside Station Kirishima
- 5 Kachiguri Shrine
- 7 Shin-Sogi Bridge
- 9 Sumiyoshi Pond

A day trip in the Yusui Area

Nature's power is infinite!

Refresh your body and mind through art and music!

- Kagoshima Airport**
40-min drive / 30km Route 504 → Pref. Road 55 → Route 268
- Yoshimatsu Station**
0995-75-2013
Steam locomotives are on display outside the railway museum.
- Maruike Yusui (spring water pond)**
0995-77-1333
One of the 100 best waters in Japan.
- Kirishima Open-Air Museum**
The fully-fledged open-air museum showcases works by famous Japanese and international artists.
- Kagoshima Airport**
2-min drive / 650m Pref. Road 103
- Kirishima Art Bokujo**
0995-74-1333
20-min drive / 114km Pref. Road 103
- Miyama Conseru**
0995-78-8000
The concert hall received accolades as a 'miraculous hall' from an international acoustics society.
- Kirishima Fumoto no Eki**
0995-76-2888
The shop sells local specialties.
- Kagoshima Airport**
17-min drive / 10.5km Route 223

A day trip in Osumi District

Head to the southernmost location on Japan's main island!

Make your way to the southernmost cape on Japan's main island while enjoying the view of Sakurajima and local history!

- Kagoshima Airport**
4-min drive / 1.2km Route 504 → Pref. Road 56
6-min walk / 500m
- Saigo Park**
0995-58-3153
The park has the largest statue of Saigo Takamori.
- Barrel Valley Praha & Gen**
0995-58-2535
Tinware is a traditional craft recognized by the prefecture, and visitors have the opportunity to try their hand at making tinware. (Booking is required)
- Hinatayama Segodon Village**
Local specialty store & restaurant
- Kiriya Sakuraya**
0995-46-1117
The shop is known for Saigo Takamori's favorite, Kaku Manju.
- Satsuma Suzuki Kogeikan (tinware gallery)**
0995-45-0177
The Japanese heritage site was once part of a town where the Satsuma samurais resided.
- Uenohara Jomon no Mori**
0995-48-5701
The park conserves and utilizes the Jomon site, offering visitors an opportunity to engage with Jomon culture.
- Kurozu Restaurant**
0995-76-0007
Experience the delightful flavors of dishes prepared with brown rice vinegar.
- The old Tanaka family residence**
2926, Fukuyama, Fukuyamacho

Stay overnight in Kirishima Onsen village

Tour around Kirishima! Recommended traditional routes

Kirishima is famed for the tale of the sun goddess's grandson descending to Earth. Explore its exceptional hot springs!

Day 1

- Kagoshima Airport**
9-min drive / 4.6km Pref. Road 56
- Kareigawa Station**
5-min drive / 3.2km
The station is one of the oldest timber station structures in the prefecture.
- Shiohitashi Onsen Ryoma Park**
20-min drive / 14.2km
The legend goes that Sakamoto Ryoma visited the hot springs for his honeymoon.
- Maruo Falls**
9-min drive / 5.6km Route 223
The nearby Maruo Scenic Nature Trail is perfect for exploring the area.
- Kirishima Shinwa no Sato Park**
10-min drive / 6km Route 223
Gifts, lunch, cafe, experience ☎0995-57-1711
- Kirishima Onsenkyo**
Kirishima Onsen Center ☎0995-78-2541

Day 2

- Kirishima Shrine**
15-min drive / 9km Pref. Road 480
- Kirishima Shinsui Gorge**
10-min walk / 1km
Therapeutic trail
- Kirishima Distillery**
8-min drive / 4.4km Pref. Road 60
The spectacular hexagonally-shaped columns were formed when magma cooled and solidified.
- Kagoshima Airport**
30-min drive / 20.2km Pref. Road 475 → Route 504

A day trip in Kagoshima District

Go out the look for nostalgic scenery!

Strolling down a cobbled street, gazing up at the towering camphor trees, and taking a deep breath will stir nostalgic memories of the past and evoke history.

- Kagoshima Airport**
16-min drive / 9.8km Route 504 → Pref. Road 56
- Tatsumonjizaka trail**
7-min drive / 2.5km
The trail was part of a major highway during the Edo period and is now a government-designated historical site with beautiful cobblestones.
- Kuwashihoko Shrine**
4-min drive / 1.4km
The shrine is dedicated to the Satsuma warlord, Shimazu Yoshihiro.
- Cape Kurokawa Park**
18-min drive / 9.6km Pref. Road 42 → Pref. Road 391
The park provides stunning panoramic views of Kinko Bay and Sakurajima.
- Triumphal arch of Yamada**
10-min drive / 5.3km Pref. Road 40
The arch was constructed to honor the safe return of soldiers from the Russo-Japanese War and is a government-registered tangible cultural property.
- Kamo's giant camphor, the largest tree in Japan**
2-min drive / 350m Pref. Road 42
The giant camphor tree, estimated to be 1,500 years old, is located at Kamo Hachiman Shrine.
- Café Riview**
20-min drive / 10.4km Pref. Road 42
The charming café is housed in an old samurai mansion with an impressive gate.
- Shigetomi Beach Nature House Nagisa Museum**
4-min drive / 1.6km Pref. Road 57
The distillery is a government-registered tangible cultural property.
- Shirakane Shuzo Ishigura Museum**
Shochu tasting & gifts ☎1933, Wakimoto, Aira

A day trip in Isa District

The abundance of water refreshes the spirit!

Experience a peaceful day by visiting a breathtaking waterfall and charming brick buildings.

- Kagoshima Airport**
27-min drive / 19.1km Route 504 → Pref. Road 50
- Osumi-Yokogawa Station**
20-min drive / 13.8km Pref. Road 55 → Route 268
The timber structure is the oldest of its kind in the prefecture and is a government-registered tangible cultural asset.
- Hishikari Koryukan (Garappa Park)**
11-min drive / 7.1km Route 268
Enjoy the park's golf course and hot spring spa!
- Isa Denshokan Eiroku**
Shochu tasting & gifts ☎0995-26-5500
The magnificent waterfall, which spans 210 meters in width and has a 12-meter drop, is often referred to as the Niagara of the East.
- Sogi Falls**
Free dam tours are available on weekends and two weeks of advanced booking.
- Sogi Power Station ruins**
22-min drive / 13.2km Pref. Road 404
The ruins of the power station, built in 1909, are usually submerged in water but become visible from May to September.
- Tsuruta Dam**
21-min drive / 15.7km Route 267
Free dam tours are available on weekends and two weeks of advanced booking.
- Kannon Falls Park**
7601, Nakatsugawa, Satsumacho, Satsuma District
The park features the graceful Kannon Falls.
- Kagoshima Airport**
24-min drive / 21.7km Pref. Road 403 → Route 504