

Ishigaki Island, Okinawa, Japan

Japan's southernmost frontier — a subtropical island where turquoise bays, living coral reefs, and centuries-old Ryukyu culture sit just steps from the pier.

-  Pier (most ships dock)
-  Typical call: 7-10 hrs
-  Japanese Yen (cash essential)
-  Japanese (little English)

🗓️ MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Ishigaki Port pier; large ships may anchor & tender

Walk to center: ~10 min on foot to Ishigaki city center & ferry terminal

Best For: Snorkeling, glass-bottom boats, Taketomi day trip, subtropical nature

Don't Miss: Kabira Bay glass-bottom boat and a Taketomi Island buffalo cart ride

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  ¥1,500–¥2,000

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Kabira Bay Glass-Bottom Boat** — Japan's most photographed bay has emerald waters, black pearl farms, and no swimming allowed — which means you glide...
- Taketomi Island Day Trip** — A 10-minute ferry from Ishigaki drops you on a perfectly preserved Ryukyu village — coral-walled lanes, shisa-topped...
- Snorkeling at Yonehara or Shiraho Reef** — Yonehara Beach's shallow reef is alive with clownfish and sea turtles.
- Mangrove Kayaking (Miyara River)** — Paddle under a canopy of mangroves along the Miyara River — one of Okinawa's most accessible subtropical jungle...
- Stalactite Cave & Yaeyama Museum** — The Ishigaki Island Stalactite Cave formed over 200,000 years ago; combine it with a stop at Yaeyama Museum for context...

BEST WALKS

- Port to City Center & Euglena Mall** ~1.5 km · 15-20 min · flat — Walk north from the cruise pier along the waterfront promenade to the covered Euglena Mall shopping arcade, then continue to the...
- Torinji Temple & Gongen-do Shrine Loop** ~2.5 km · 30-40 min · flat — Ishigaki's oldest Rinzaï Zen temple dates to 1614 and houses two remarkable wooden guardian figures — a local secret most cruise...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	76°	71°	15d
Jun	85°	80°	20d
Aug	86°	81°	23d
Sep	85°	80°	21d
Oct	81°	76°	14d

 **DAYLIGHT &  MONEY**

Apr 6:22AM–7:05PM · Jun 5:55AM–7:32PM · Aug 6:18AM–7:17PM · Sep 6:29AM–6:47PM · Oct 6:41AM–6:16PM

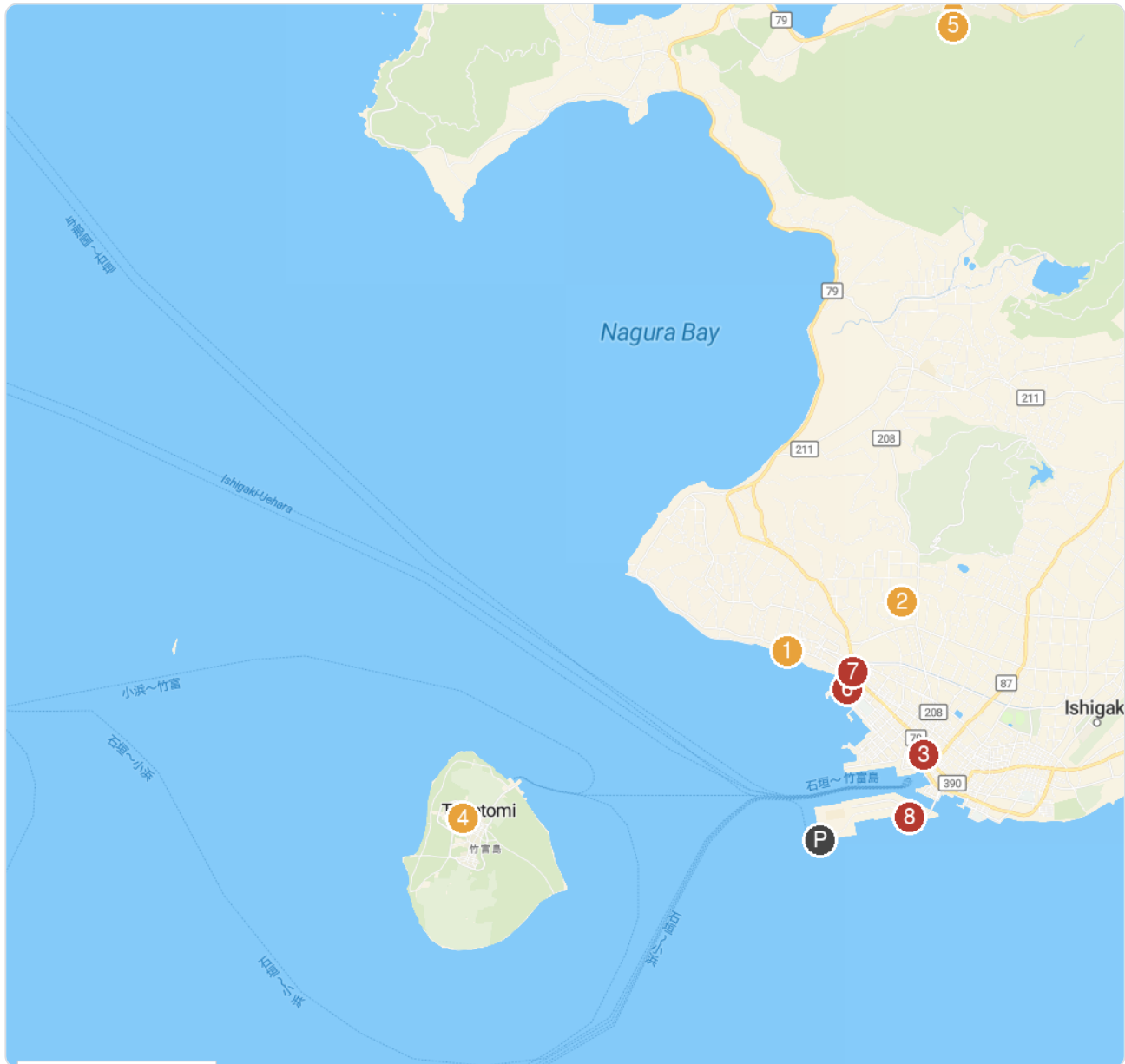
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Cash is king. ATMs in 7-Eleven and FamilyMart (near Euglena Mall) dispense yen and accept foreign cards. Taxis, buses, beach facilities, and local stalls rarely take cards.
- Taketomi Island is the insider move. The ferry takes 10 minutes and costs around ¥600 each way. Buy a return ticket at the

Ishigaki Island, Okinawa, Japan — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



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| 1 | Funakura Park (formerly known as Children's Park) | A family-friendly park with playgrounds and green spaces. | 2 | Ishigaki Stalactite Cave | Explore a beautiful natural cave with impressive stalactites. |
| 3 | Ishigaki City Public Market | Browse local produce, souvenirs, and food at this vibrant market. | 4 | Nagomi Tower | Climb this small tower for panoramic city and harbor views. |
| 5 | | Discover unique Kabira-yaki pottery and local crafts here. | 6 | Yaeyama Peace Memorial Museum | Learn about Yaeyama's history and peace efforts at this museum. |
| 7 | Arakawa Park | A relaxing local park with walking paths and green areas. | 8 | Dolphin Fantasy Ishigaki Island | Interact with dolphins through swimming and observation programs. |
| P | Cruise port / terminal | | | | |