

Sendai, Miyagi, Japan

Gateway to the "One-Eyed Dragon" country — Sendai blends feudal samurai drama with one of Japan's most celebrated bay views and a festival culture that turns entire city blocks into forests of color.

 Pier (Sendai-Shiogama Port)

 Typical call: 8-10 hrs

 Japanese Yen (JPY)

 Japanese (limited English)

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____

Arrive: _____

All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____

Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Pier at Sendai-Shiogama Port, ~16 km east of downtown

Best For: Samurai history, Matsushima Bay, whisky, Japanese food

To City Center: ~30 min by shuttle bus or taxi — not walkable

Don't Miss: Zuihoden Mausoleum and Matsushima Bay cruise

Getting around:  Taxi  ¥3,000–¥5,000 to Sendai city center ·  Rideshare  Uber ·  Hop-on hop-off  Loople Sendai

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Zuihoden Mausoleum & Aoba Castle Ruins** — Visit the ornate Momoyama-style mausoleum of Date Masamune, then head uphill to Aoba Castle ruins for panoramic city...
 - Matsushima Bay Cruise** — One of Japan's Three Scenic Views — hundreds of pine-covered islands scattered across a calm bay.
 - Nikka Whisky Miyagikyo Distillery** — Set in a forested river valley outside Sendai, this scenic distillery offers guided tours
- of the pot stills and...

 - Osaki Hachimangu Shrine** — A National Treasure shrine built by Date Masamune in 1607, with stunning lacquerwork and gold leaf in the classic...
 - Tanabata Decorations & Ichibancho Arcade** — Even outside the August festival, Sendai's covered shopping arcades display enormous handcrafted paper streamers...

BEST WALKS

- Jozenji-dori to Zuihoden** 3 km | 45 min | Easy–Moderate — Start on Jozenji-dori Avenue — Sendai's elegant zelkova-tree-lined boulevard — then follow the Hirose River upstream toward Zuihoden...
- Aoba Castle Ruins Loop** 2 km | 30 min | Easy (with Loople bus up) — Ride the Loople bus to Aoba Castle, explore the stone walls and Date Masamune equestrian statue with city panoramas, then walk down...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		60°	41°	10d
Jun		73°	60°	14d
Aug		82°	71°	19d
Sep		76°	63°	15d
Oct		66°	51°	10d

 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY

Apr 5:01AM–6:12PM · Jun 4:12AM–7:01PM · Aug 4:51AM–6:30PM · Sep 5:18AM–5:44PM · Oct 5:45AM–4:58PM

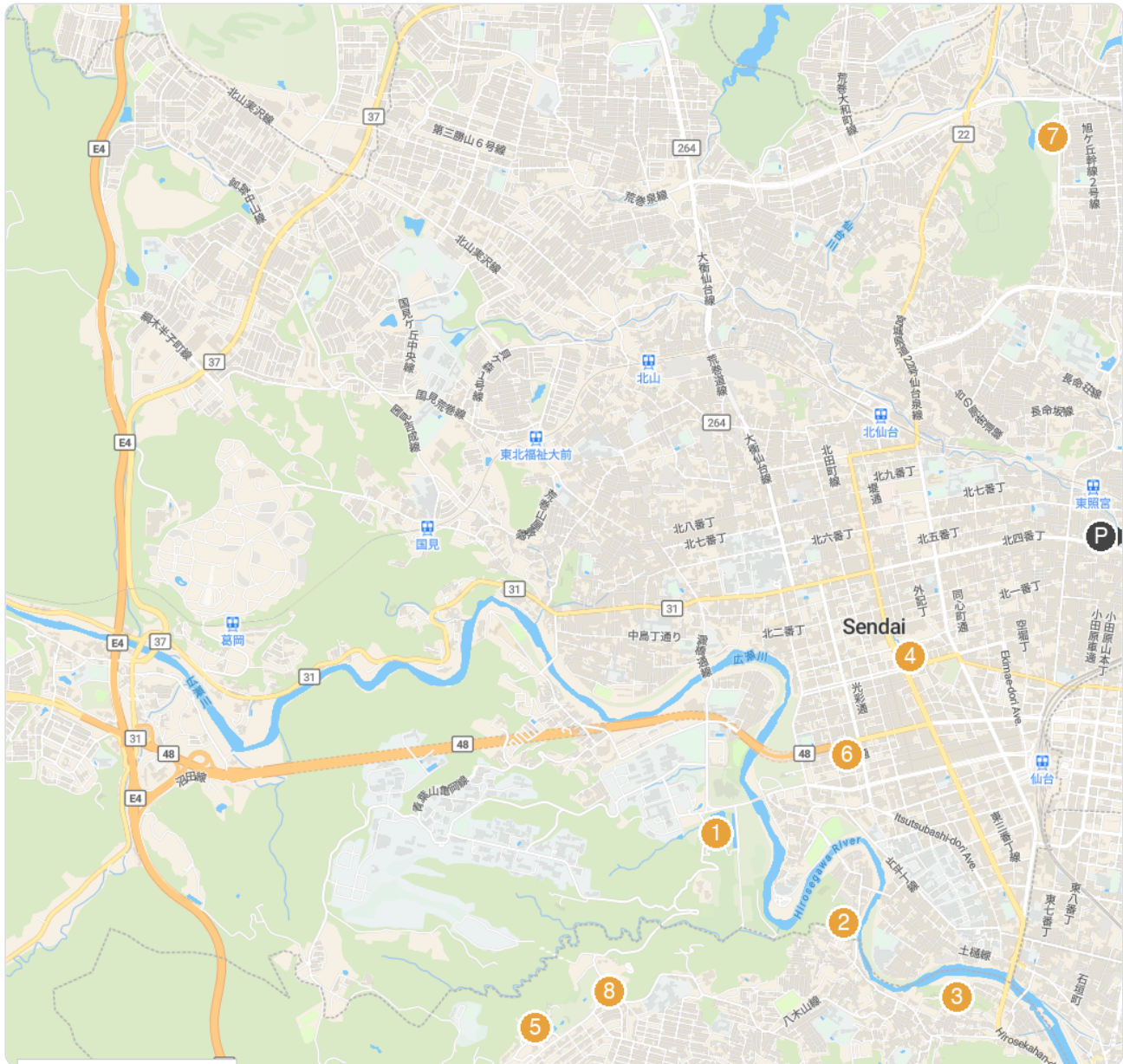
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Shuttle is essential. The port is 16 km from downtown — don't assume you can walk or that taxis will be plentiful. Confirm the ship's last shuttle time before you get out.

Sendai, Miyagi, 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 Sendai City Museum | Explore Sendai's history and culture at this city museum. | 2 Zuihōden (Mausoleum of Date Masamune) | Visit Date Masamune's ornate mausoleum, a historical treasure. |
| 3 Atago Shrine | A historic shrine offering panoramic views of Sendai city. | 4 Kotodai Park | Relax in this central park, a green urban oasis. |
| 5 Yagiyama Zoological Park | See diverse animals at Sendai's popular Yagiyama Zoo. | 6 War Reconstruction and Memorial Hall | Learn about Sendai's post-war reconstruction and remembrance. |
| 7 HOKUSHU Sendai City Science Museum | Discover science and technology at this interactive city museum. | 8 Yagiyama Benyland | Enjoy thrilling rides and family fun at this amusement park. |
| P Cruise port / terminal | | | |