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Yumigahama

弓ヶ浜

Named after its beautiful arch shaped coat line, Yumigahama is a 1.2km long beach known for its scenery of white sand and green pine trees.

- Top 100 Beaches of Japan
- Top 100 Sea Bathing spot
- Top 100 white sand and green pines

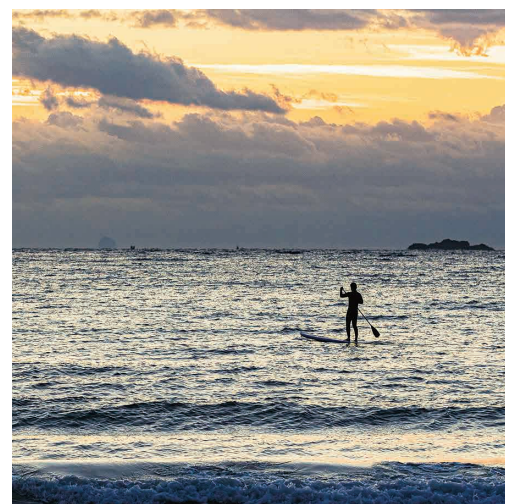


Sea Kayaking



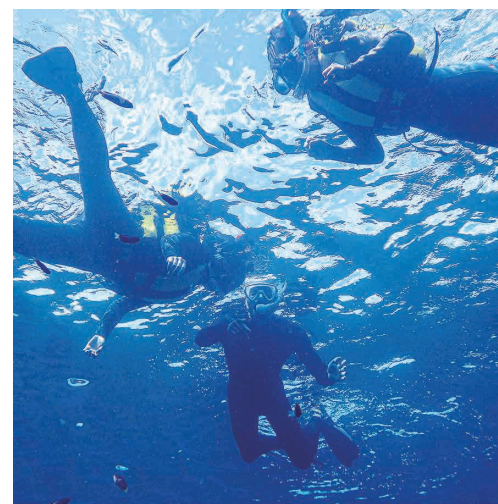
This water activity takes you on a ride on the open sea by riding a kayak boat and paddling with a shaft with blades on each end. You can paddle at your pace and enjoy the wonderful sea coast and magnificent view of the sea.

Stand Up Paddleboard



Stand up on the special board similar to a surf board, and paddle your way through the water. This marine sport can be enjoyed both at the ocean and river without worrying about the waves. It can be enjoyed by all ages.

Snorkeling



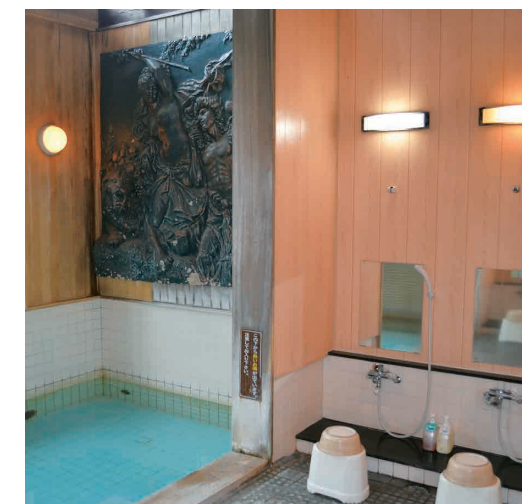
You can see many kinds of creatures, such as tropical fish, in the highly transparent ocean of the Minamiizu. Snorkelling is requires light equipment and can be enjoyed by all ages.

Fireworks



Yumigahama Fireworks is held annually on August 8th starting from 8PM. Varying sizes of fireworks are set off from the surface of the sea and explode into colorful flowers of fire reflecting in the water. This beautiful and fantastic scenery will be shown right before your eyes.

Yumigahama Onsen Minato-yu



The traditional wooden style and fine relief retro architecture warmly welcomes locals and travellers. This hot springs water temperature is kept quite hot, and perfect if you love a hot bath.



Hirizo Beach

ヒリゾ浜

This tropical fish paradise is only accessible by boat. Precious corals can be seen in this highly transparent ocean. There are many fish in every color of the rainbow.

This outstanding transparant beach is located between Nakagi and Irozaki which is designated as a Fuji-Hakone-Izu national treasure park. This unique place is only accessible by boat and people can enjoy the unspoilt natural world. Located at the tip of the peninsula and surrounded by vertical cliff, with no river near by, and being the path of the Kuroshio current at the very southern part of Izu peninsula, these multiple conditions makes this the most beautiful beach in Izu. The clear water made by bountiful Kuroshio current and vibrant tropical fish are all around the beach. Best point for snorkelling.

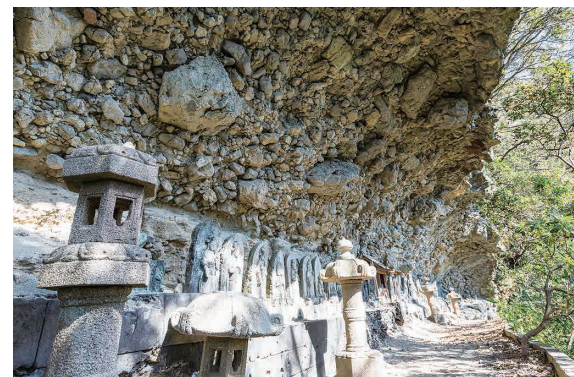
Generally coral is shown in warm sea, but we can see hermatypic coral in this relatively cold sea of Izu. To ensure environmental protection, local people advise to not hurt coral when snorkelling.



Koura

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Located in west side of Minamiizu, and the Kaze-machi port which meant waiting for favorite wind is scenic beauty and surrounded by mountain three side.



Koura has flourished as the Kaze-machi port and its gentle ocean waves is great for enjoy swimming.

The forteenth shogun in Edo period, Ieshige Tokugawa, has stopped off the port to avoid strong west wind. The Thirty-Three Kannon on the along the way to port and five temples in the settlement are reminiscent of the time.



Mera

妻良

Mera is next to Koura, which used to be the Kaze-machi port. This is a fisherman town known for its fixed net fishery.

In the summer time, water park is set on the further side of the seawall and can be enjoyed by people of all ages. The dynamic scenerly from the water park gives you a view of many signature volcanic activities from over ten million years ago.

Irozaki

石廊崎

The cape located on the southernmost point of the Izu Peninsula offers visitors views of the majestic and wild scenery created by undersea volcanos.

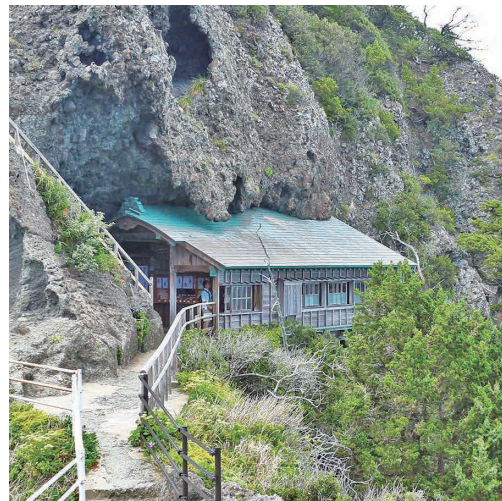


Irozaki Lighthouse



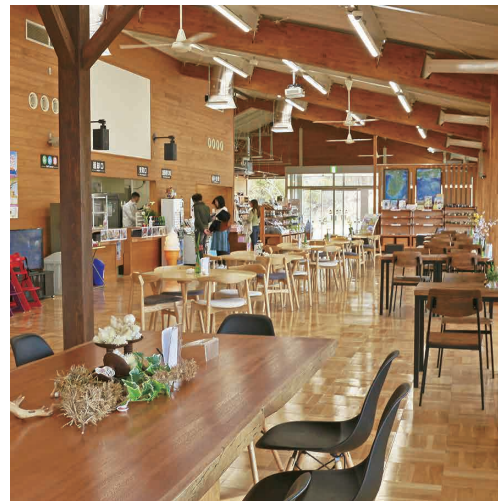
This lighthouse was built by wood in 1871. It was rebuilt by concrete and tiled since it was wrecked by typhoon. Around the day of Lighthouse anniversary (November 1st), offers visitors tour inside of the lighthouse.

Iro Shrine



The Iro Shrine is a historical shrine built over 1300 years ago. It is located midway of the precipitous cliff, enshrining the God of Maritime safety, prosperous business and academic achievement. The mast inside of the shrine is the one of the Izu seven wonders.

Irozaki Ocean park



The tourist facility is consolidated car parking space and rest house. The Minamiizu Geopark center is located next to the rest house, with souvenir shops and eating facilities.

Irozaki Coast Cruising



The sightseeing cruiser provide visitor feeling of dynamic ocean wave at Irozaki, the southernmost point of the Izu Peninsula. You will enjoy a fine view of the Irosaki Lighthouse and the Iro Shrine, the bottom of the Hirizo beach, Minokakeiwa-rock.

Geoguide



At Irozaki, an Izu Peninsula Geopark approved geoguide is situated to guide your visit. The geoguide will take you through the vantage points of Hiyoriyama mountain which was known for reading the direction of the wind over the ocean of the southernmost point of the Izu Peninsula, and the most scenic spot which is outside of the walking trail.



Shimogamo Onsen Gin-no-yu Kaikan

下賀茂温泉 銀の湯会館

Temperatures of the spring source is about 100 degrees Celsius, steam rising from the hot spring will be found throughout most of the Shimogamo area.

Ginnoyu Kaikan was inaugurated in 1996 which is popular among locals. Eating facilities and lie-down baths were newly constructed for the renewal opening in 2016. The open-air bath is also carefully maintained, and provide visitor a laid-back time.

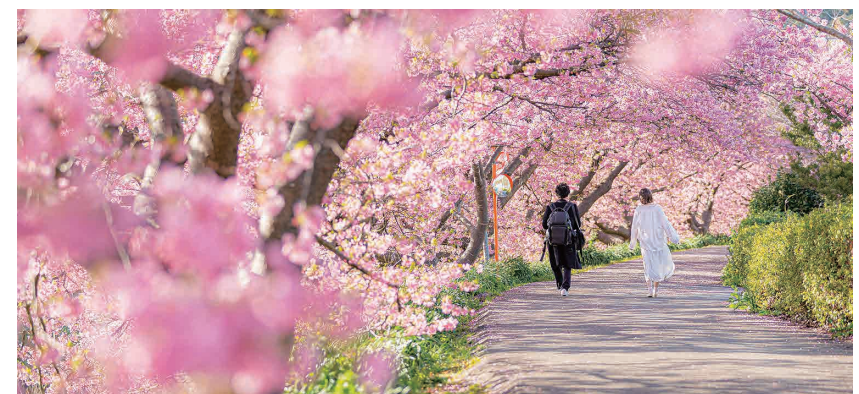


The Southern Cherry Blossom and Field Mustard Festival

From the middle of February, the Kawazu-zakura which is known as early bloomer are bloomed along the Aono River in the Shimogamo Onsen. The pink of cherry blossoms, the yellow of canola flowers along the bank of the river and the white of the steam that rises from the hot spring will make up an even more beautiful scenery. This will make you feel the early spring.

Nanohana Field

This 3 hectares field of canola flowers are in bloom when Kawazu zakura begin blooming, and visitors can enjoy the yellow carpet flowers until around the middle of March.



Matuzaki Town

Minamiizu Town TOURIST MAP

Shimoda City

Izukyū Shimoda Station

Yamatsutsuji
(Chojagahara Yamatsutsuji Park)

Margaret
(Margaret Flower Picking Garden)

Hagachizaki
Monkey Bay

Ihama

Koura

Mera

Ichijo Takenoko Mura

Izu Shimoda Riding Horse Club

Baby Berry Farm

Shimokamo
Tropical Garden

Gin-no-yu Kaikan
(Shimogamo Onsen)

Shimogamo Onsen
Yu-no-Hana

Minato-yu (Yumigahama Onsen)

Yumigahama

Izu Shimoda Country Club

Yoshida

Iruma

Yuusuge
(Yuusuge Park)

Nakagi

Hirizo Beach

Irozaki

Minamiizu Aloe Center

Shitaru

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Ichijo Takenoko Mura



Izu Shimoda Riding Horse Club



Hagachizaki Monkey Bay



Izu Shimoda Country Club



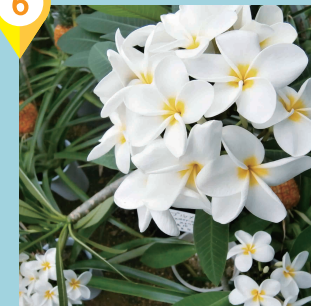
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Shimogamo Onsen Yu-no-Hana



Shimokamo Tropical Garden



Baby Berry Farm (Strawberry Picking)



Iseebi

Minamiizu is the largest catch of the spiny lobster which is known as luxury food in Shizuoka. Surviving through the wild waves of Kuroshio make the Iseebi of Minamiizu fresh and exceptionally delicious. It can be enjoyed in many ways, such as Sashimi (sliced raw fish), Onigara-yaki (Grilled Iseebi in shell), Grilled Iseebi in foil and Miso-soup.



Sazae/Awabi

Skin diving fishing is peak in around summer in Minamiizu coastal area, and turban shell and abalone which is known as valuable ingredients can be caught. These has plenty of nutrition from the rich seaweed in the shore reef of Minamiizu, so these are meaty and thick.



Giant Spider Crab

Giant spider crabs live 250m deep under the ocean, making the world's largest giant spider crab size up to 3m. The crab meat taste slightly sweet, and the crab miso paste has a rich taste. Most common way of eating is to dip the crab meat into miso paste.



Splendid Alfonsino

Living in 200m~600m below the surface of the sea, and it has unique red body and big eyes. The name "Kinme-dai (Golden eye bream)" came from the eye color that sometimes look golden depending on the angle. There is a "Jikinme" which is caught around off the coast of Niijima and "Oki-kinme" which is caught in the south Niijima. "Jikinme" is fatty and tasty, which is known as a premium branded Kinme of Izu.

Onsen Melon

Minamiizu is known for cultivating melon utilizing hot springs heat for the first time in Japan. Onsen Melon is cultivated by pulling in high temperature hot spring heat inside the greenhouse. You can enjoy this greenhouse cultivated Melon anytime throughout the year. It has a high sugar content which is over 14%, and many Onsen Melon sweets are sold in this town.



Bamboo Shoots

The bamboo shoots which are nurtured by rich nature mountain in Minamiizu are arrived in stores in spring. You can enjoy getting a bamboo shoot in the bamboo grove of the experience center and there are some slender bamboo shoot which is called "Shihouchiku" in Autumn.



Citrus Fruits

The average yearly temperature is about 17°C in Minamiizu, and many kind of citrus fruits are cultivated throughout the year. In the local produce stand, at the most over 15 kinds of citrus fruits are on shelves. Also these are shipped as ingredient of food products.



Strawberry

Shizuoka's local speciality "Beni Hoppe" is condensed sweetness by standing cold in the rich nature of Minamiizu. Also the looks is beautiful and glazed. When you eat it, the flavor and sweetness spreads through your mouth, which is definitely delicious! You can enjoy strawberry picking in the experience center and get a good taste of the strawberry to the full.



Traditions

The traditions of Minamiizu has been preserved and loved by the local people, and also an enjoyment to see.



02 ※ Intangible folk cultural property by Shizuoka Prefecture



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01.Koina Toramai:It is held every year on August 14th of the Chinese calender, which is the day before the Mid Autumn Festival. It is told that it is a dance from a scene from the Kokusen yakassen which was written by playwright Monzaemon Chikamatsu in Edo era. The performance is a story of Watonai's fight and bringing home a large tiger caught alive.

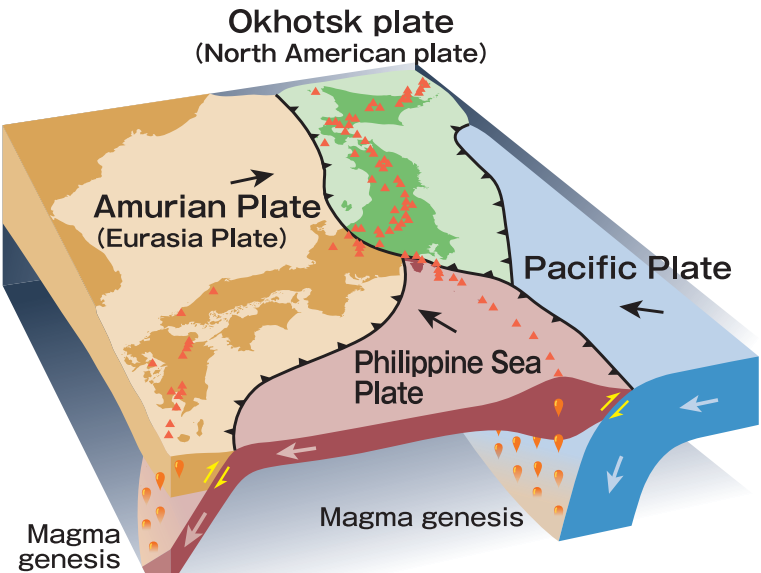
02.Mera Bon Odori:On the evening of August 15, woman wearing knitted hat and yukata circle around the high wooden stage at the center of beach and dance in slow rhythm with the sound of Japanese drum, flute and shamisen. This graceful dance come from culture of Muromachi Era.

03.Minamiizu Japanese Drum Festival:The shrine festival in each area of Minamiizu is held annually on November 1-2. A very large float used to carry Japanese drum and festival car parade down a street with the sound of Japanese drum and flute. These will be energetic 2 days.

Izu Peninsula Geopark

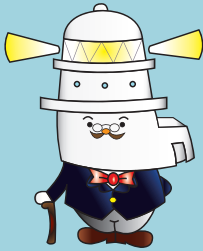
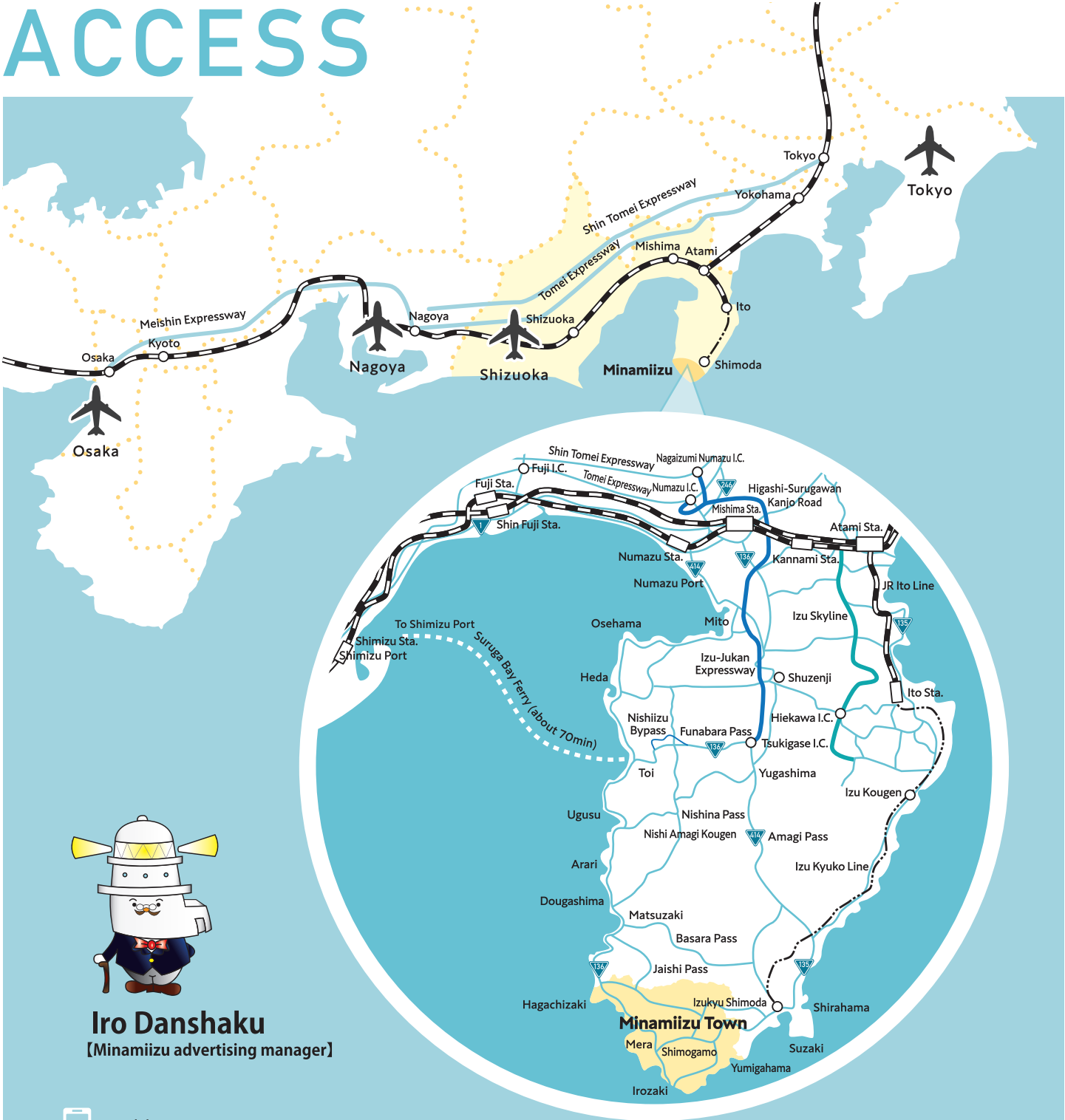
Izu Peninsula is shifting northwest due to the Philippine Sea plate. It is the unique place in the world that two active plate meet. It was certified as Geopark by UNESCO in April 2019. UNESCO and Izu Peninsula Geopark are working to achieve Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

This broucher introduces Minamiizu-Town's irreplaceable resources and assets and the way to enjoy these special features.



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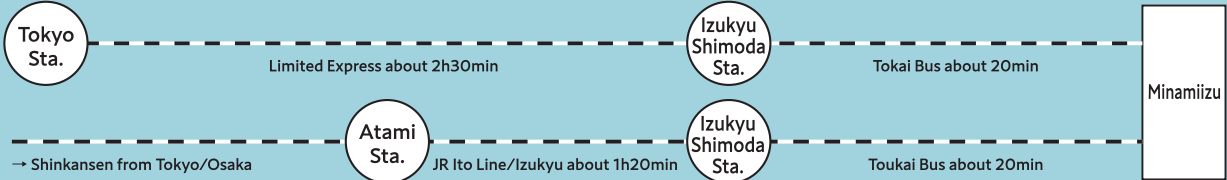
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