

Art House Project

Honmura district

Honmura district has been a central place of Naoshima in religion and politics from Warring States Period to the present. Old houses stand close together in this area. Some of them are more than 400 years old. Several art works installed using the interior features of Japanese folk house.

Mysterious space using old houses

Japanese folk house often stands adjoining a small garden. When all sliding partitions of the interior are removed, all rooms become open to the garden. Deep eaves of the roof cutting the direct sunlight make the shady room reflect the bright garden. The mysterious reflection may inspire artists to make original art house.



1 Haisya



A Ando Museum



6 Minami dera

Old Japanese houses have been transformed into art houses. Modern arts create a mysterious space within dusky houses.

Contrarily, the room is completely in darkness when it is closed with the sliding partitions. A ray of light into the darkness may motivate the artists to have a new art. As these art houses are in clusters of ordinary Japanese folk houses, visitors have an illusion that they are in mysterious world.

Effect of deep eaves

Deep eaves make a illusion of cave. There is a mysterious atmosphere inside compared to the bright space under the sunshine.

Japanese house

The interior of Japanese folk house features a raised floor and a compacted earthen floor. The raised floor often comprises four rooms of which size is flexibly arranged with the use of sliding partitions called *fusuma* and *shoji*. Another feature of the house is deep eaves of its roof which helps to protect the interior from driving rain. They stop the sun from entering the interior during the summer, and they allow the low rays of sun to warm the house during the winter.

Enjoy Setouchi Outing No.14



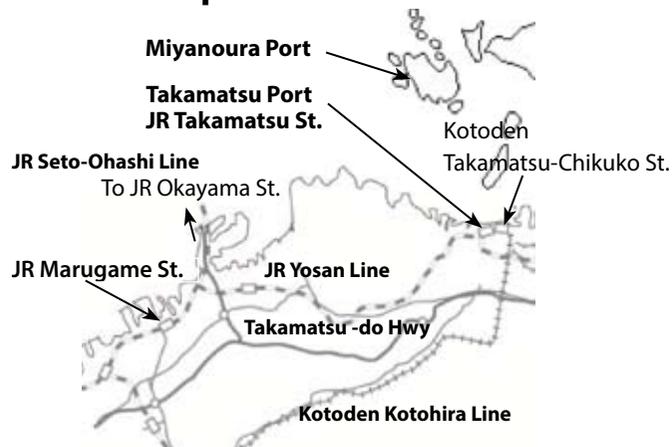
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Naoshima Day Out 2



14. Explore Art Island 2

Access map



From Takamatsu Port to Miyounara Port
- 50 min. by ferry, 30 min. by passenger boat
From Uno Port to Miyounara Port
- 20 min. by ferry, 15 min. by passenger boat



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1 Haisya



5 Go'o shirine



Discover Mysterious Japan

Art Houses



1 Haisya (dental office)

This was designed by Shinro Ohtake using a home and office of dentist. His dreamscapes are traced by collages of scraps and paintings.

2 Ishibashi

A spacial art of garden and room having paper doors on which Seto Inland Sea was painted shows mysterious room of empty. (by Hiroshi Senju)



4 Kadoya

Art house project has began with Kadoya. This work has demonstrated new arts blended with old Japanese houses. (by Tatsuo Miyajima)



5 Go'o shrine

The brilliant shrine can be imagined from glass stairs going upward from underground darkness. (by Hiroshi Sugimoto)



1 Haisya

This is an outline map using the sign board. Details are on a map printed by Naoshima Travel Bureau.



7 Naoshima Plan 2019 "Water (水)"



This is the temporary exhibition by H. Sanbuichi. The work expresses an underground water.

Modern arts in Japanese old folk houses look unbalance in familiar sceneries. People visiting Naoshima meet the surprise of the unbalance everywhere within the island.

Curious Arts



6 Minami dera

This art house provides us with mysterious experience through our optical illusion in the darkness. The artwork by James Turrell was shown in the architecture designed by Tadao Ando. Art program runs every 15 minutes. Last admittance 4:15 pm.



3 Gokaisyo

The architecture used to be a gathering place for Go player. The art work was designed by Yshihiro Suda to contrast his woody sculpture of camellia in a room to real five-colored camellia in a garden. We may realize ourselves being obsessed with a fixed idea.

Harmony of Arts and Japanese life



I ♥ Yu (湯)

This art house is a public bath decorated with paintings. We can enjoy bathing in Arts. Hours 1:00-9:00 pm.

Restaurants

A variety of restaurants serving Japanese and western foods. Look for your favorite one.

