

4-DAY TRAVEL GUIDE

4 Days in Fukuoka: Hakata, Dazaifu, Itoshima & Uminonakamichi

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HAKATA · MAIZURU PARK · MOMOCHI

Day One: Fukuoka Highlights: Fukuoka Castle, teamLab Forest & Hakata



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DACOMECCA

DACOMECCA is a huge bakery near Hakata Station, with a display packed with sweet pastries, savory sandwiches, and breads that make choosing almost impossible. We grabbed a few varieties so we could switch between sweet and...



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Fukuoka Castle Ruins & Momohori Park

Fukuoka Castle is mostly stone walls, gates, and elevated viewpoints now, but those remains make Maizuru Park much more interesting to wander. This was als...

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teamLab Forest Fukuoka

Think of teamLab Forest Fukuoka as a sister experience to Japan's famous teamLab attractions, with its own playful focus on animals and movement. You can capture digital creatures, balance, climb, and jump through responsive...

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BOSS ENZO FUKUOKA

Inside BOSS ENZO FUKUOKA, you can choose between rooftop thrill rides, VR games, baseball attractions, Sanrio experiences, and teamLab Forest beside Mizuho PayPay Dome. One highlight is SUBE-ZO, a 100-meter tube slide that...

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Fukuoka Tower

Fukuoka Tower rises 234 meters beside Hakata Bay, with a mirrored triangular exterior that earned it the nickname "Mirror Sail." The observation room sits 123 meters above the waterfront and opens up a wide view over the city,...

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Tochoji Temple

Tochoji is one of Hakata Old Town's most striking temple stops, with a bright five-story pagoda and the enormous wooden Fukuoka Daibutsu hidden inside. The contrast between the quiet grounds and the surrounding city makes it...

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Kushida Shrine

Kushida Shrine is Hakata's guardian shrine, tucked into a peaceful courtyard near the old merchant streets. I loved how calm and beautiful the compact grounds felt, especially the carved main hall, sacred ginkgo tree, and...

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Fukuoka Nakasu River Cruise

The Nakasu River Cruise is a quick 30-minute boat ride that gives you a completely different view of central Fukuoka. It slips past Canal City, the...

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Nakasu Yatai Food Stalls

Nakasu's yatai are tiny open-air food stalls lining the river at night, where everyone squeezes shoulder to shoulder around the counter. The Hakata-style ramen at this random yatai was PERFECT Genuinely one of the best...

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SAKURAI-FUTAMIGAURA · KEYA · SHIRAITO

Day Two: Itoshima Day Trip: Couple Stones, Keya & Shiraito Falls



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Ito Sai Sai Farmers Market

Ito Sai Sai is a huge local farmers market and an easy first stop when you drive into Itoshima. You can buy produce, seafood, meat, flowers, prepared food, and regional ingredients from around the peninsula, giving you a quick...

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Shiraito Falls

After stocking up at Ito Sai Sai, head into the mountains for Shiraito Falls. You can watch the water fan down the dark rock in delicate white streams, then take in the full 24-meter waterfall from the observation area. Around...

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Itoshima Berry Farm

Strawberry picking is a seasonal Itoshima treat, and this long-running farm lets you taste ripe berries right in the greenhouse. You can compare several varieties, including Fukuoka's juicy Amaou, during a 40-minute...

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Mataichi Salt Maker

Mataichi Salt Maker is a rustic seaside workshop where you can see Itoshima seawater slowly turned into handmade salt. After exploring the workshop, try the handmade flower salt pudding—it's one of Itoshima's most popular...

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Keya no Oto

Keya no Oto brings a much wilder side to Itoshima, with dark basalt columns rising above the sea around a huge coastal cave. When the water is calm, you can hop on a sightseeing boat and get close enough to really take in the...

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Keya Totoro Forest

Right beside Keya no Oto, you can follow a short tunnel of wild camellia trees that locals nicknamed Totoro Forest. The leafy path feels like a tiny step into a Ghibli scene, and after about five minutes of climbing, you will...

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Sakurai Futamigaura: Itoshima Couple Stones

Sakurai Futamigaura is Itoshima's iconic white torii standing in the sea before two sacred rocks joined by a shimenawa rope. We somehow had the beach...

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Sakurai Shrine & Sakurai Daijingu

After seeing the Couple Stones, head inland to Sakurai Shrine for a quieter final stop in Itoshima. You can walk beneath the old wooden gate, look for...

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DAZAIFU · HAKATA · TENJIN

Day Three: Dazaifu, Canal City, Tenjin Shopping & Fukuoka Food



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Dazaifu Tenmangu

Dazaifu Tenmangu is an active Shinto shrine devoted to Tenjin, the deity of learning and culture. Follow the approach across arched bridges, stop by the ox statues, and grab something sweet along the lively pilgrimage street...

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Kyushu National Museum

Right beside Dazaifu Tenmangu, Kyushu National Museum is a gorgeous curved-glass museum showing how centuries of movement, trade, and exchange with Asia shaped Japanese culture. You can explore the exhibits at your own pace...

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Kawabata Shopping Arcade

Kawabata Shopping Arcade is Hakata's oldest shopping street, and it's such a fun place to wander without a plan! Under the covered walkway, you can browse...

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Canal City Hakata

Canal City wraps shopping and entertainment around a curving open-air canal. You can wander between restaurants, character shops, theaters, and thrift stores, then pause for the dancing fountains. We had so much fun



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Ganso Hakata Mentaibu

Mentaiko-seasoned pollock roe is one of Fukuoka's signature foods, and Ganso Hakata Mentaibu is basically a love letter to it. We wanted to try it every possible way, so we ordered the mentaiko tsukemen plus a rice box topped...



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Tenjin Underground Mall

Tenjin Underground Mall turns the center of Fukuoka into a long, elegant underground shopping route filled with fashion, cosmetics, cafes, bakeries, and even restaurants - they have everything here! This was honestly our safe...



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I'm donut?

I'm donut? became my favorite donut stop almost immediately. The donuts are unbelievably bouncy and fluffy, and the creams are flavorful without being too sweet. They are such a fun little break while you are already exploring...



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Motsunabe Maedaya

Motsunabe Maedaya is where you can try one of Fukuoka's most comforting specialties: a hot pot made with offal, or organ meat-usually beef or pork intestines. It might sound strange at first, but definitely give it a try-you...

UMINONAKAMICHI

Day Four: Uminonakamichi Seaside Park & Marine World



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Uminonakamichi Seaside Park

Uminonakamichi Seaside Park is ENORMOUS-there are seasonal flower fields, long cycling paths, huge lawns, and about 1,600 cherry trees spread...

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Marine World Uminonakamichi

Marine World Uminonakamichi brings Kyushu's ocean habitats together in huge tanks filled with sharks, rays, jellyfish, and other local marine life. The seaside...

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