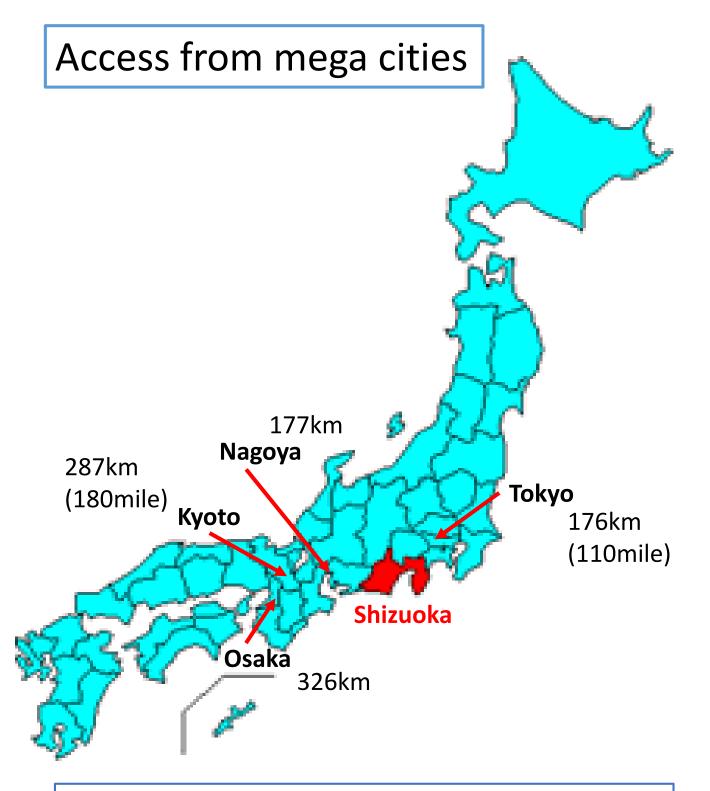
# Welcome to Shizuoka! Home of Mt.Fuji







**Convenient Transportation, Good Access** 

JR Hikari super express, Tomei express way, Shin Tomei Express way, Fujisan Shizuoka Airport,

The most accessible countryside from mega cities.

# Where is Shizuoka? Situated halfway between Tokyo & Kyoto



#### What's in this area?

Mt.Fuji, Suruga Bay, Green Tea Fields, Wasabi fields,Fresh seafoods, Izu Peninsula, Onsen(hot spring), Mt.Fuji World Heritage, etc.

### Shizuoka & Mt.Fuji area



North: Mountain area South: Seaside area Ferry ( Shimizu port~Toi port /West Izu 65 minutes) The view of Mt.Fuji from this ferry is so special!

### History & People



# People have been living there since the stone age.

(Toro Ruins in Shizuoka City) Sea, river, flat land and mild climate made it easy to live and suitable for rice cultivation.







#### **Originally 3 counties**

West: "Totoumi no Kuni"
Central : "Suruga no Kuni" (Suruga Bay came from this name)
East: "Izu no Kuni" (Izu Peninsula came from this name.) 1876, became Shizuoka Prefecture

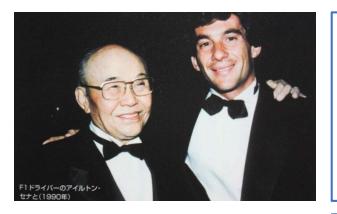
#### Shogun "Tokugawa leyasu "

was a lord who initiated a peaceful Edo period that lasted 260 years. He first lived in Shizuoka as a hostage .(8 - 19 years old.) After giving up the Shogun's title to his son in Edo (Tokyo), he moved to Sumpu Castle / Shizuoka where he lived from the age of 64 until his death in 1616.. His grave is inside the Kunozan Toshogu Shrine in Shizuoka.

#### The best Carpenters

were gathered from across the country for the construction of Sumpu Castle by leyasu. Accordingly the manufacturing industry greatly developed in Shizuoka. (plastic models, Japanese dolls, shoes, cars, motorbikes, musical instruments.)

### Culture & People



Soichiro Honda A car manufacturer, founder of Honda Co. with Ayrton Senna He started his company by making engines for bikes in 1948./ Hamamatsu City.



YAMAHA Corporation YAMAHA is the top piano producer in the world. Founder: Torakusu Yamaha (1851-1916) Hamamatsu City





# Shizuoka, Kingdom of football/soccer

Shizuoka Prefecture is the birthplace of football/soccer in Japan and counts no less than 4 professional clubs in J1 League and J3 League!

### Shizuoka, Top Green Tea producer.

40% of tea planting area and 40% of harvest volume in Japan. One of the images of Shizuoka(green tea, oranges, Mt.Fuji, soccer.)

### SHIZUOKA PEOPLE ARE •••





Famed for their health and longevity!



Onsen(hot spring spas), Especially in Izu area



Beaches, particularly in Shizunami area

### 1 Mt.Fuji Area / Fujinomiya City









#### Lake Tanuki

- Off the beaten tracks
- Leisurely time
- Mt.Fuji photo spot
- Popular with cruise ship

passengers

(guests from the U.K)

#### **Shiraito Falls**

Ranked as the most beautiful waterfalls in Japan. Part of Mt.Fuji World Heritage (guests from the Netherlands)

#### Fujisan Hongu Sengen Shrine

 Built to protect Mt.Fuji from eruptions in 806.

Part of Mt.Fuji World
 Heritage
 A majestic and beautiful

A majestic and beautiful shrine.

#### Fujisan Hongu Sengen Shrine

- Wakutama Pond
- Mt.Fuji's beautiful ground water





Mt.Fuji World Heritage Center Opened Dec. 2017 Next to Fujisan Hongu Sengen Shrine. Mt. Fuji climbing simulation Exhibition. Outdoor Terrace.

**Omiya Yokocho Alley** Popular local food shop area close to Fujisan Hongu Sengen Shrine (guests from the U.K)



**Fujisan Tea Park** Enjoy the wide Green Tea Fields and Green Tea Picking. Tasting Experience

Fuji Takasago Sake Brewery Over 180 years history. Accepting sake brewery tours.





Mt.Fuji 5<sup>th</sup> station, Fujinomiya route Access: by car 1 hour round trip walking to the 6<sup>th</sup> station is easy and recommended.







#### Paraglider at Asagiri Plateau

Access: by car Tandem flight with the instructor is recommended. (About 10 minutes flight)

#### Rafting & B.B.Q at Fujikawa River, Fuji City

Access: by JR Train From JR Shizuoka Station Only 30 minutes

Highly recommended activity!

(guests from France)

### 2 Shizuoka Area /Shizuoka City









Miho Pine Tree Grove Part of Mt.Fuji World Heritage Blue sea, Green Pine Trees, Wide sand Beach and beautiful Mt.Fuji

#### Nihondaira Plateau

307 meters above sea level. Designated as one of the Japan's most scenic spots. Suruga Bay, Izu Peninsula, Southern Alps, Panorama View.

#### Green tea fields

At Nihondaira Plateau. You can also enjoy this view. "Tea picking experience". April–October (guests from the U.K)

Nihondaira Ropeway Connecting Nihondaira Plateau & Kunozan Toshogu Shrine(5minutes) Spectacular view!







Kunozan Toshogu Shrine A National Treasure Historical and impressive shrine Mausoleum of Ieyasu Tokugawa (1543-1616, the 1st Tokugawa Shogun) No.1 spot on Trip Advisor's ranking in Shizuoka City Access: ropeway from Nihondaira Plateau or climb up 1,159 steps from the foot of this mountain. (guests from the U.S)

#### Sumpu Castle Park

Located on the former site of Sumpu Castle where the first Shogun of Tokugawa Shogunate lived in retirement. Beautiful traditional Japanese garden inside.

#### Shizuoka Sengen shrine

Located near Sumpu Castle Park (the central of Shizuoka City). More than 2,000 years history. Actually made up of 7 shrines (shrines for business, art, successful exams. etc. (guests from France)







# A small tea farm & their traditional house

VIsit of a green tea farm and tea factory, tasting various kinds of tea ,and short lecture at their old house (over 150 years old) . (by car or by our rental hybrid bikes)(guests from France and the Netherlands)







Another tea farm/ tea picking, cooking tempura, tea presenting with photo Vist of a green tea farm, tea factory, and tasting various kinds of tea . They make tempura with tea leaves and serve it to guests.(tea leaves picked by the guests) (guests from the U.S)









Shimizu Fish Market Shimizu port boasts Japan's biggest catch of tuna. There are many seafood restaurants and sushi shops. Very popular market among Japanese.

At sushi restaurant, we can provide sushi making experience with real sushi chef.

(guests from the U.S and Australia)

#### Tokaido Hiroshige Museum of art

Ukiyo-e (Japanese wood block prints)Museum You can discover famous ukiyo-e artist Utagawa Hiroshige's works. Also can enjoy ukiyo-e making experience (guests from the Philippines)



### What we can offer





Chartered Jumbo Taxi , Regular Taxi



#### Micro, Medium, Large Bus



Arrange local tours



Sushi making experience Green Tea Farm experience



Interpreter guide



#### **Guided Cycling**



### What we can offer:

tours (Tokyo~Shizuoka~Kansai)

 Day trip from Tokyo (by bullet train, JR pass users)
 2 days, I night trip (Please add our area as a new destination between Tokyo and Kyoto, Osaka)
 3 days, 2 nights ~ 5 days, 4 nights trip
 Also possible to arrange in Tokyo, Nagoya, Gifu, Kyoto and Osaka.

#### **Examples of tours**

#### Day trip from Tokyo

1. Guided bike tour to a green tea farm & tea experience

2. Chartered taxi tour for 3-4 hours in Shizuoka City

3.Chartered taxi tour for 6-8 hours in Shizuoka & Fujinomiya

4. Sushi making experience at Shimizu Fish Market

5. Japanese pottery experience

2 days, 1 night

Choose two options in above programs.

#### 3 days, 2 nights

2 days, I night program + farmers house overstay, steam locomotive trip to countryside and stay at onsen ryokan(hot spring traditional inn) or overstay at local seaside cottage (Nordic walking, Stand up paddle board and Yoga are also available)

#### Mt. Fuji Climbing Package (in summer)

(English speaking climbing guide, full rental equipments for climbing, mountain hut 1 night, 2 meals, certification paper of climbing to the top of Mt.Fuji)

#### Self drive rental car travel in Shizuoka prefecture /5 days 4 nights (English car navigation, all map codes provided for every destination)

Tokyo $\rightarrow$  Day1, Atami(rental car start)  $\rightarrow$  Day2, Kawazu (Izu peninsula)  $\rightarrow$  Day3, Fujinomiya  $\rightarrow$  Day4, Shizuoka (rental car finish)  $\rightarrow$  Day5, head to next area.

#### 2 days, I night at Osaka /Kobe by chartered taxi with an English speaking driver

Day1, Kansai airport pick up by taxi  $\rightarrow$  sightseeing in Osaka, head to Kobe  $\rightarrow$  overnight at Arima Onsen ryokan.

Day2, sightseeing in Kobe, drop off at Shin Kobe station

#### Private shore excursions for cruise ship passengers

(1)Shimizu Port (Mt.Fuji Port), (2)Kochi Port, (3)Kobe Port, (4)Hososhima Port, arrangements available for regular taxi, jumbo taxi, micro bus with English speaking driver or with licensed guide.

### Shizuoka standard plan, 4hrs









City	Time	Transport	Place
Shizuoka	13:00	Jumbo taxi or regular taxi	JR Shizuoka Station Pick up
Shizuoka	13:30- 15:00		Nihondaira Plateau, Ropeway, Kunozan Toshogu Shrine
Shizuoka	15:20- 16:10		Miho Pine Tree Grove
Shizuoka	16:50		Back to JR Shizuoka Station

Number of participants	Price/vehicle	Car Type
Max 4 English speaking driver	US\$240	regular taxi
Max 8 With English /or French speaking guide	US\$620	Jumbo Taxi

### Small Tea farm & Shrine, 4.5 hrs













City	Time	Traffic	Place
Shizuoka	13:00	Jumbo taxi or regular taxi	JR Shizuoka Station Pick up
Shizuoka	13:30- 15:00		A local green tea farm (tea picking,lecture & tea experience)
Shizuoka	15:30- 16:10		Sumpu Castle Park
Shizuoka	16:20- 17:00		Shizuoka Sengen Shrine
	17:20		Back to JR Shizuoka Station

Number of participants	Price/vehicle	Car Type
Max 4 English speaking driver	US\$280 +tea farm US\$@50	regular taxi
Max 8 With English/or French speaking guide	US\$690 + tea farm US\$@50	Jumbo Taxi

### Nihondaira & strawberry, 4hrs









City	Time	Transport	Place
Shizuoka	13:00	Jumbo taxi or regular taxi	JR Shizuoka Station or hotel Pick up
Shizuoka	13:30- 15:00		Nihondaira Plateau, Ropeway, Kunozan Toshogu Shrine
Shizuoka	15:15- 16:15		Strawberry Picking at Kuno
Shizuoka	16:50		Back to JR Shizuoka Station

Number of participants	Price/vehicle	Car Type
Max 4 English speaking driver	US\$240 +strawberry fee	regular taxi
Max 8 With English/or French speaking guide	US\$620 + strawberry fee	Jumbo Taxi

### Miho and Ukiyo-e Museum, 4hrs













City	Time	Transport	Place
Shizuoka	13:00	Jumbo taxi or regular taxi	JR Shizuoka Station Pick up
Shizuoka	13:40- 14:30		Miho Pine Tree Grove (Option: Japanese flute playing)
Shizuoka	15:10- 16:10		Tokaido Hiroshige Museum of Art (Very rare ukiyo-e museum) Japanese woodblock prints experience
Shizuoka	17:00		Back to JR Shizuoka Station

Number of participants	Price/vehicle	Car Type
Max 4 English speaking driver	US\$240 +museum fee	regular taxi
Max 8 With a licensed English guide	US\$620 + museum fee	Jumbo Taxi

### Fujinomiya standard, 6.5hrs







City	Time	Traffic	Place
Shizuoka	09:00	Jumbo taxi or regular taxi	JR Shizuoka Station or hotel Pick up
Fujinomiya	10:10- 10:50		Lake Tanuki "Double diamond Fuji" photo spot
Fujinomiya	11:00- 11:50		Shiraito & Otodome Falls Mt.Fuji World Heritage
Fujinomiya	12:40- 14:30		Fujisan Hongu Sengen Shrine (Mt.Fuji World Heritage) Lunch at Omiya Yokocho Alley Mt.Fuji World Heritage Center
Shizuoka	15:30		Back to JR Shizuoka Station

Number of participants	Price/vehicle	Car Type
Max 4 English speaking driver	US\$420 + museum fee	regular taxi
Max 8 With English/ or French speaking guide	US\$900 + museum fee	Jumbo Taxi

### Mt.Fuji and World Heritage, 6.5hrs



City	Time	Transport	Place
Shizuoka	09:00	Jumbo taxi or regular taxi	JR Shizuoka Station or hotel Pick up
Fujinomiya	10:50- 11:30		Mt.Fuji 5 <sup>th</sup> station (Fujinomiya trail)
Fujinomiya	12:40- 14:30		Fujisan Hongu Sengen Shrine (Mt.Fuji World Heritage) Lunch at Omiya Yokocho Alley Mt.Fuji World Heritage Center
Shizuoka	15:30		Back to JR Shizuoka Station

Number of participants	Price/vehicle	Car Type
Max 4 English speaking driver	US\$420 + museum fee	regular taxi
Max 8 With English/or French speaking guide	US\$900 + museum fee	Jumbo Taxi

### JR, Steam Locomotive, Onsen,







City	Time	Transport	Place
Shizuoka	10:00	train	From JR Shizuoka Station to Oigawa rail way Shinkanaya Station
Kawane Honcho	11:50- 13:00	Locomotive	Steam Locomotive Trip to Senzu Bento in the train
Kawane Honcho	14:00- 16:00	Abt train & taxi	Use taxi and abt train, Enjoy beautiful countryside scenery, after sightseeing, taxi head to Sumatakyo Onsen
Sumataky o Onsen	16:00	taxi	Check in, dinner, overnight at Onsen ryokan Suikoen special room
Sumataky o onsen	9:00- 11:00	walking	Walking to Suspension bridge and return to ryokan
Sumataky o Onsen	12:00	taxi	Taxi pick up and head to Senzu Station

Number of participants	Price/2 persons	Car Type
2 persons	US\$1,000 ~	regular taxi

Included: Oigawa railway round trip, chartered taxi for day1, and day2, Bento lunch in S.L, Abt train fare, accommodation at highly ranked Japanese-style spa resort, dinner, breakfast Non included: JR tickets, guide service (no need)

### Guided Bike tour to a green tea farm







City	Time	Transport	Place
Shizuoka	13:00	Hybrid bikes	Start from JR Shizuoka Station with English (French ) speaking guide
Shizuoka	14:00- 15:30		Green tea farm visiting, tea picking in April, tasting of some kinds of tea, lecture, chatting at the farmers 150 years old house
Shizuoka	15:30- 17:00	Hybrid Bikes	Go back to Shizuoka Station via Shizuoka Sengen Shrine, Shizuoka Sengen old shopping street.
Shizuoka	17:00		Arrive at JR Shizuoka Station Bike tour finish

Number of participants	Price/person	Car Type
2-4 persons	US\$140	Hybrid rental bikes
5-6 persons	US\$120	24 gears , helmets

Included: rental hybrid bike, helmet, bottle of mineral water, English or French speaking guide, tea experience,

### Let me introduce myself.



- •Name: Hirokane ISHIKAKI (1967~)
- Birthplace: Shingu City, Wakayama prefecture, Japan
- •Grown up in Shizuoka City, Japan
- Had also lived in Kyoto, Osaka, Tokyo, Nagoya and Numazu (Izu area)

• Overseas travel experience: Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, China, Thailand, the Philippines, Palau, the Maldives, Australia, New Zealand, Guam, Saipan, Bali,Hawaii, Spain, Ireland, Scotland(scotch whisky), England, the Marshall Islands,(scuba diving) Germany (for ITB Berlin), France

After graduating from Kyoto Sangyo University, I worked at Japan Finance Corporation for 20 years in six different locations. I like all the places where I lived. On the other hand, by leaving Shizuoka for 24 years, I noticed how Shizuoka is a wonderful place: Mt.Fuji, blue ocean, delicious sea food, green tea, warm hearted people. I started thinking that I would like to welcome more and more travelers to Shizuoka from all over the world. That's why I started this business.

I am looking forward to cooperate with you.

We are a small and young company but can take speedy action.

Of course, I can arrange also mega cities. Please feel free to ask me anything. Thank you. **Hirokane ISHIKAKI** 

### As a local inbound travel agency





We have a partnership with Shizuoka University. Shizuoka University students are eagerly studying English and communication. These students accompany our chartered taxi tour customers as volunteer guides.

We can arrange for exchange opportunities with the university.



We have a partnerships with many taxi bus companies. Most taxi & Bus companies in local of Japan are not good at communicating in English. We have many partnerships with these companies and can arrange your order smoothly. Left: A van taxi for a family. Right: Wheelchair-equipped van taxi

### E-mails from our guests

#### Quick Response

Thank you very much for your quick reply! We are very interested. The only thing is, we want to put our foot on MT. Fuji. We don't care about going to the Lake view spot, we want to actually go to a station on Mt Fuji.

#### Dear Hirokane Ishikaki-san

Thank you for your fast reply. We are a group of 3 persons. We arrive by cruise ship in Shimizu Port at 10:00 on the 21st of April. I suggest we start the tour at 11:00. We think a tour of 6 hours is good. The ship leaves Shimizu Port at 19:00.

#### Flexibility

Do you cater for any other ports in Japan. We will be at Hososhima port and did not manage to find a taxi service through the internet. Looking forward to hear from you.

Dear Hirokane,

Thank you very much for your kind arrangements.

I am so sorry we made last minute changes but your suggestions were really nice. The shrimp senbei shop is very good, my children had so much fun trying the different sanbei and we ended up buying a few packets. They also provided free coffee and tea!

Tokino Sumika was really beautiful and it is good we went there instead of Snow Town since Snow Town might be too cold for my younger boy.

#### Hospitality

We had a great day cycling in the area of Mt Fuji, the Tanuki-lake and Shiraito waterfall; beautiful places!

It was easy to arrange the trip by email and our guides were really kind and spoke English very well. The bikes were perfect (even for these tall Dutchies :)) and it was great fun to get along more with Japanese people to know more about their country and culture. Everything was organised perfectly, as you would expect of the Japanese ;) So; good day trip, real fun, go for it! :)