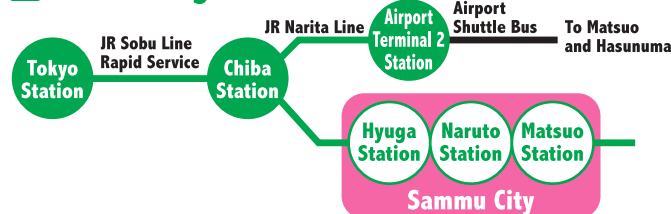


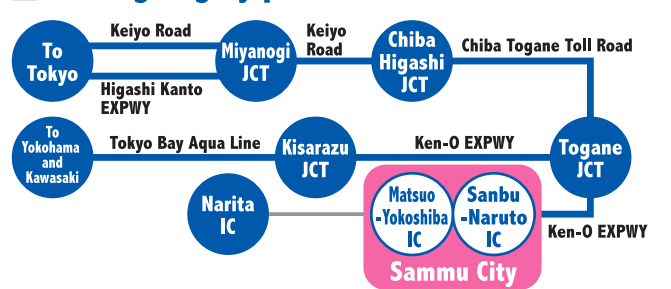
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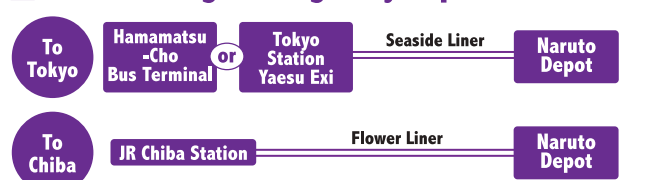
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# Flowers Nature

## Shidare-zakura (Drooping Cherry Trees)

The two drooping cherry trees (shidare-zakura) at this temple are famous. They bloom around the end of March or the beginning of April, the best time for flowering viewing excursions. "Shidare" means that the branches hang down, making them look like beautiful pink flowing waterfalls.

### The Shidare-Zakura of Chokoji Temple

This is a 300 year old tree that measures about 15meters high, and has a thick trunk that measure about 5 meters in circumference. Its full name is "uba higan shidare zakura." It has been designated as a Sammu Municipal Designated Cultural Property and Natural Monument.

### The Shidare-Zakura of Myosenji Temple

Myosenji Temple is located about ten minutes on foot from Chokoji Temple. Its precincts are covered with many shidare-zakura trees that bloom beautifully.

Direct inquiries to the tourist information  
TEL 0475-82-2071

## Sanbunomori Park — Cherry trees of the meeting place

Cherry trees have been planted all around this circular meeting place, and in the spring it is bustling with family groups who come to view the cherry blossoms.

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## Hamahirugao (Scurvy Grass)

The scurvy grass (hama hirugao; a member of the morning glory family) on the beach as Kujukurihama blooms around June, and its pink blossoms are a decorative element of early summer.

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## Naruto and Togane Shokuchushokubutsuen (Insectivorous plant community)

Insectivorous plants (shokuchu shokubutsu) supplement their nutrients by eating insects. In this community, these are rare species that have also been designated as national natural monuments (or treasures).

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education department life-learning division  
TEL 0475-80-1451

# Sea Park

## Kujukurihama(Beach)

This is a beautiful beach that faces the Pacific Ocean and is about 66km long. It got its name Kujukuri because there are 99 (kujuku) arrows placed at intervals of about 654m or 1 ri along its length.

### Swimming area

There are 6 swimming areas that are open from the end of July through until the end of August. During this swimming season, beach houses line the shore, various events are held, and it is always bustling with crowds of swimmers.

### Dragnets

This is an ancient fishing method in which nets are spread out from boats, with ropes on both ends that many people on the beach join together to drag in and catch the fish that have been entangled the net to. (July-September)

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## Hasunumakaihin Park(Seaside Park)

This park is surrounded by nature. It has the longest mini-train in Japan in its "children's plaza" and at the "Hasunuma Water Garden," you can enjoy 16 pools, as well as such sports facilities as tennis courts and a park golf course.

Open days: \* Children's plaza is open on Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays, and spring, summer, and winter school holidays (closed on rainy days): \* Hasunuma Water Garden is open during summer vacation (July and August). The Park Golf Course is open all year around.  
However, there are cases of temporary closing days due to inclement weather or maintenance work.  
Open hours: \* Children's Plaza 10:00am-5:00pm (April through October), 10:00am-4:00pm (November through March)  
\* Park Golf Course 8:00am-5:00pm (April through October), 8:00am-4:00pm (November through March)  
Direct inquiries to the Hasunuma Water Garden 9:00am-5:00pm TEL 0475-86-3171

## Sanbunomori Park(Public Park)

The theme of Sanbu Forest Park is "nature's meeting place." It is divided into 8 areas, including the landmark observation tower "Green Tower"; broad lawn "meeting place"; "Flower Valley" where flowers bloom in all four seasons; and "Restful Pond" where you can see many different wild birds.

Closed days: Every Monday (when Monday falls on a national holiday, it is closed the following day), and end of the year-new year holidays.  
Direct inquiries to the Sanbunomori Park maintenance office TEL 0475-80-9100

# Foods

## Fruits

Many different fruits are cultivated here, so you can enjoy sweet and delicious fruits during all four seasons.

### Strawberry Picking

There are more than 30 strawberry gardens with different varieties of strawberries where you can compare flavors. And since many of these gardens are lined up along National Highway Route No.126, it is known as "Strawberry Road" and there is a full line of original products made of strawberries on sale.

Direct inquiries to  
● Strawberry Picking (Middle of December-the first part of May)  
● Blueberry Picking (Middle of June-last part of August)  
● Grape Picking (Middle of August-last part of September)  
● Japanese pear (Nashi) Picking (Middle of August-last part of September)  
● Persimmon (kaki) Picking (Middle of October-middle of November)  
Direct inquiries to the tourist information TEL 0475-82-2071

## Sake (Rice wine) and Shochu (Potato wine)

While maintaining the flavor of traditional Japanese rice wine (Nihonshu) and potato wine (shochu) through use of high quality water and rice, efforts are also being made to develop new products.

### Sake brewery observation tours

You can observe the inside of the sake breweries while listening to explanations of the history and brewing methods of Japanese rice wine (Nihonshu). After the observation tour, you can taste the Nihonshu or potato wine (shochu). (The contents of the observation tours are sometimes changed depending on the time of year.)

Direct inquiries to  
Moriya syuzo(Brewery) TEL 0475-86-2016  
Kangiku meijiyo(Brewery) TEL 0479-86-3050

## Iwashi-don(Sardine rice bowl)

At the restaurant inside "Michi no Eki (Roadside station)Orai Hasunuma," the most popular dish is the sardine rice bowl. It is made up of sardines caught at Kujukurihama that are fried and put on top of a bowl of rice. Next door to the restaurant, the sardine rice bowl is also on sale as a souvenir.

Open hours: ●Shop 9:00am-7:00pm (6:00pm during the winter)  
●Restaurant 11:00am-5:00pm (Light meals during the summer-4:00pm (During the winter)  
Closed days:Every Monday (when a national holiday falls on Monday it is open the next day)  
Direct inquiries to Michi no Eki Orai Hasunuma TEL0475-80-5020

## Futomaki-sushi(Thick roll sushi)

A sheet of seaweed, thinly sliced fried egg, and vinegar-flavored rice are put on a bamboo sushi mat, then vegetables and other colored ingredients are added. When these are rolled together with the sushi mat, they become thick roll sushi (futomaki sushi). When the roll is sliced, patterns of colorful flowers and written characters are revealed.

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TEL 0475-82-2071

# Culture

## Namikiri Fudojin Temple

From the red main sanctuary that was built during the early part of the Edo Period, you can enjoy a panoramic view of the cityscape. In the spring you can see cherry blossoms and in the autumn you can view the autumn leaves.

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department life-time learning division TEL 0475-80-1451

## Gosho Shrine

The main sanctuary, that was built in the gorgeous cliff-hanging style of the Edo Period, is beautifully colored and has gorgeous sculptures. It has been designated as a Chiba Prefecture cultural property.

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department life-time learning division TEL 0475-80-1451

## Kotohira Shrine

The present sanctuary was built in 1929. Its "Grand annual festival" is held every year in October.

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## Sachio Ito (1864~1913)

Sachio Ito is a poet and novelist who was a native of Sammu City. He worked to nurture poets centered on the magazines titled "Ashibi" and "Araragi." His major worked include "Grave of Wild Chrysanthemums" (Nogiku no Haka" 1906) "The Next-Door Bride" (Tonari no Yome 1908), and "Spring Lake" (Haru no Mizuumi 1908).

### Sammu City History Folk Archives

A large number of documents are displayed here, including both folk and archeological documents, and handwritten manuscripts by Sachio Ito.

Open hours: 9:00am-4:30pm  
Closed days: Every Monday, the day after a national holiday (when a national holiday falls on Monday and it is open that day, the building is closed on the following Tuesday and Wednesday), during such activities as changing the exhibits and moving documents to other sites, and during the end of the year holidays.  
Direct inquiries to TEL 0475-82-2842

### Birthplace



### Poem inscribed monument at MotoSuka Beach

