

ROMANTIC RETRO TOWN MOJIKO

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Mojiko Sightseeing Guide

Glamorous and nostalgic city

Retro City Mojiko
Taking you back to
the good old days

6 三宜楼 Sankiro



Three-story wooden Japanese-style restaurant "Sankiro" was built in 1931 and one of the biggest existing Japanese-style restaurants in Kyushu. Refurbished in April, 2014. You can enjoy many exhibits which show the prosperity of Moji and the unique cavernous room called "Hyakujoma"
■ Hours: 10am to 5pm Phone: (093)321-2653 Restaurant Sankiro Saryo (093) 321-2651 ■ Closed: Mondays (When Monday is a National holiday, closed on the following Tuesday instead) ■ Tour of the hall: admission free *Please contact Sankiro Saryo as their business hours is different.

12 大連友好記念館 Dalian Friendship Memorial



This building, a replica of the historical building in Dalian, China, was built in commemoration of the 15th anniversary of the friendship between Kitakyushu and Dalian. There is a restaurant on the first floor, a resting space and exhibition space to introduce Dalian on the second floor.
■ Hours: 9am to 5pm. Open year-round
*Please contact the restaurant as their business hours is different
■ Admission: free ■ Phone: (093) 321-4151
Restaurant (093) 331- 5909

18 ノーフォーク広場 Norfolk Square



The grand Kanmon Strait spreads right in front of Norfolk Square. This is a popular place to view ships and the Kanmon Bridge. The night view of the lit-up Bridge is fantastic. This place was named in commemoration of the sister city relationship between Kitakyushu and Norfolk, Virginia, which is on the east coast of the United States.

1 関門海峡ミュージアム Kanmon Strait Museum



The Kanmon Strait Museum was reopened in September 2019 as an experience-based museum to fully enjoy the Kanmon Strait. The promenade deck on the 4th floor, inspired by a luxury cruise ship, allows visitors to relax while enjoying the magnificent view of the Kanmon Strait. Visitors can also indulge in learning about nature and the history of the Kanmon Strait by dynamic videos and interactive performances on the massive screen, one of the nation's largest in size.
■ Hours: 10am to 6pm. (Hours are subject to change depending on seasonal circumstances. Closed five days a year.) ■ Admission: 500yen (adult) / 200 yen (elementary or junior high school student); 20% discount for groups of 30 or more
■ Phone: (093) 331-6700

7 北九州銀行レトロライン「潮風号」 Kitakyushu Bank Retro Train Shiohaka-go



Enjoy relaxing and scenic ride along the coast!
■ Operates weekends and holidays from mid-March to end of November. (Operates every day during spring vacation, summer vacation and Golden Week.)
■ Hours: 10am to 5pm ■ Between Kyushu Tetsudo Kinenkan Station and Kanmonkaikyō Mekari Station.
■ Fare: 300 yen (adults) / 150 yen (children) as of Aug. 2019.
■ Contact: Heisei Chikuho Railway Co. Ltd. Mojiiko Office. Phone: (093)-331-1065

13 出光美術館 (門司) Idemitsu Museum of Arts, Moji



The Idemitsu Museum of Arts, Moji is a private museum exhibiting mainly works of Japanese/East Asian ceramics and calligraphies from the personal collection of Sazo Idemitsu, founder of Idemitsu Kosan.Co.,Ltd. The Idemitsu Historical Archives was also attached in the museum building, introducing the life of Sazo Idemitsu and the history of Idemitsu Kosan.
■ Hours 10 am to 5 pm. Closed on Mondays, during year-end and New Year holidays, and between exhibits. (When Monday is a National holiday, the museum will be open. ■ Admission: 700 yen (adult) / 500 yen (high school / university students), and free for elementary/junior high students if they are accompanied by their parents. 200 yen discount for a group of 10 or more. ■ Phone: (093) 322-0251

19 和布川第二展望台 Mekari Second Observation Deck



The terrace offers an unparalleled view of the mountains on Kyushu Island and Honshu Island, the Kanmon Strait between them, and many ships that pass through the strait. Visitors can see a beautiful night view featuring the Bridge and the city lights on the opposite shore. There is also a mural of the Dannoura battle between the Genji and the Heike.

2 旧大連航路上屋・松永文庫 Former Dalian Sea Route Warehouse & Matsunaga Archives



Built in 1929, it was originally called the Moji Customs No.1 Building. In 2003, it was reopened as a recreational facility. The first floor features display about the cities of Kitakyushu and Dalian (China), and the Matsunaga Archives housing movie and entertainment collections.
■ Hours: 9am to 5pm daily, closed 4 times per year. Matsunaga Archives closed on Mondays (When Monday is a National holiday, closed on the following Tuesday instead) ■ Admission: free
■ Phone: Former Dalian Sea Route Warehouse (093)322-5020 Matsunaga Archives (093)331-8013

8 旧大阪商船 Former O.S.K. Line Bldg.



The octagonal penthouse with its bright orange outer wall is the landmark of the area. This building was constructed as the Moji Branch for Old Mitsui O.S.K. Lines Ltd. Building in 1917. The building has been restored and presently, Seizo Watase Gallery and the Mojiiko Design House are located.
■ Hours: 9am to 5pm. Open year-round. The Gallery may be closed due to exhibition change ■ Admission(Seizo Watase Gallery only) 150 yen (adult)/ 70 yen (elementary and junior high school students) discount for groups of 30 or more Phone: (093) 321-4151

14 門司電気通信レトロ館 Moji Telecommunication Museum



This building was constructed as an office building for the Moji Post Office Telephone Department of the Communications Ministry in 1924. It displays telephones and telecommunication devices dating from the Meiji Era to the present day including the replica of the world's first telephone Alexander Graham Bell invented. At experience corners, visitors can learn how phone calls are connected using an old-fashioned switchboard.
■ Hours: 9am to 5pm (admission until 4:30pm) Closed on Mondays (When Monday is a National holiday, closed on the following Tuesday instead), during year-end and New Year holidays (Dec.29-Jan.3). ■ Admission: free ■ Phone (093) 321-1199

20 関門トンネル人道 Kanmon Pedestrian Tunnel



The Kanmon Pedestrian Tunnel, which opened in 1958, is the world's rare undersea tunnel with a path allowing people to cross under the strait on foot. This tunnel is approximately 780 meters long and it takes about 15 minutes on foot to get to Shimonoseki, the southern end of the main island. The entrance on the Moji side is located near Mekari Shrine. People on bicycles can use the tunnels as well. (You may push them as you walk)
■ Hours: 6am to 10pm ■ Toll: free for pedestrian and 20 yen for each bicycle or 50cc motorcycle. ■ By Nishitetsu bus: get off at 'Kanmon Tunnel Jindoguchi' bus stop ■ By Kitakyushu Bank Retro Train Shiohaka-go: get off at 'Kanmonkaikyō Mekari' station

3 海事広報展示館(門司側) Maritime Affairs Exhibition Hall (Kanmon Strait Live Hall)



At the Maritime Affairs Exhibition Hall (Kanmon Strait Live Hall), visitors can view live images of ships passing through the Kanmon Strait. Furthermore, visitors can learn about the detailed geological formation and seabed conditions of the Kanmon Strait with aerial photos and electric marine charts.

■ Hours: 10am to 5pm ■ Phone: (093)322-5002
■ Closed: Wednesdays and during year-end and New Year holidays
■ Admission: free

9 旧門司三井倶楽部 Former Moji Mitsui Club



This building was built in 1921 as a place to house important guests. Dr. Einstein and his wife stayed here during their visit in 1922. There is a restaurant and an event hall on the first floor and memorial rooms for Dr. Einstein and the famous writer Fumiko Hayashi on the second floor.
■ Hours: 9am to 5pm. Open year-round
■ Admission: 150 yen (adult)/ 70 yen (elementary and junior high school students) discount for groups of 30 or more
■ Phone: (093) 321-4151
Restaurant (093) 332-1000(11am~)

15 港ハウス Port House



The Port House is a collection of souvenir shops. The first floor has a market that sells local fresh marine products from Kitakyushu and Shimonoseki, souvenir shops that offer a complete set of Kitakyushu specialties, and a takeout corner.
■ Hours: Market; 9:30 am to 6 pm, souvenir shop: 10 am to 6 pm. Open year-round.
■ Phone: (093) 321-4151

4 門司港駅 JR Mojiko Station



JR Mojiko Station first opened on February 1, 1914. The symmetrical wooden structure was built in the neo-Renaissance style. In 1988, the building became the first railway station designated as a national cultural property. It has been restored to its original state after 6 years' preservation work. The grand opening was on March 10th, 2019.

10 旧門司税関 Former Moji Customs Bldg.



The Moji Customs was established in 1909. In 1912 this building was constructed and was used as the customs office until early in the Showa period. Now this brick-built, tile-roofed single-story building features a rest area and customs public relations desk on the 1st floor and an art gallery on the 2nd floor.
■ Hours: 9 am to 5 pm. Open year-round
■ Admission: Free
■ Phone: (093) 321-4151

16 海峡プラザ Kaikyo Plaza



The Kaikyo Plaza is a commercial complex. There is a market with a variety of souvenirs, local marine products and miscellaneous goods. There are also a music box museum and workshop, a glass craft shop and a restaurant that offers a great view.
■ Hours: 10 am to 8 pm (shops) / 11 am to 10 pm (restaurant).
■ Open year-round.
■ Phone: (093) 332-3121

5 九州鉄道記念館 Kyushu Railway History Museum



Visitors can have fun while learning about the history of railways at the Kyushu Railway History Museum. It is the former Kyushu Railway Building. It was certified as a Heritage of Industrial Modernization in 2007 and was recorded as a Registered Tangible Cultural Property in 2014. It displays nostalgic steam engines such as the C59 and C9600 class engines, and a track where visitors can drive a small train equipped with signals simulating driving a locomotive.
■ Hours: 9am 5pm (admission until 4:30pm) ■ Closed: 2nd Wednesday except in July (closed 2nd Wednesday and Thursday) and August (open 7days a week) ■ Admission: 300 yen (adult)/ 150 yen (elementary and junior high school students), free for children aged under 4. 20% discount for groups of 30 or more ■ Phone: (093) 322- 1006

11 門司港レトロ展望室 Mojiko Retro Observation Room



The Mojiko Retro Observation Room is located on the 31st floor of the high-rise condominium building "Retro Highmart", which was designed by leading Japanese architect Kisho Kurokawa. Visitors can also enjoy the view at the café in the observation room.
■ Hours: 10am to 10pm (admission until 9:30pm)
Café: 10am to 5pm daily (Last order 4:30pm), 10am to 7pm on weekends (Last order 6:30pm), closed 4 times per year on an irregular basis
■ Admission: 300 yen (adult) / 150yen (elementary and junior high school students) 20% discount for groups of 30 or more
■ Phone: (093)321-4151

17 栄町銀天街 Sakaemachi Gintengai



Sakaemachi Gintengai (Shopping Arcade) is spotted with a variety of unique stores and restaurants with a nostalgic atmosphere including Japanese and Western cuisines. It is a port town street with humanity.

A きものレンタルステーション レトロなでして Retro Nadeshiko Kimono Rental Station



Why not wear a hakama suitable to the area of Moji and stroll through the retro streets in a Taisho romantic way?
■ Location: Kanmon Strait Museum 1F
■ Open: Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays. (Spring and summer only). Please check business days.
■ Hours: 10am to 4 pm (admission until 2pm)
■ Rental fee: 2,000 yen for hakama 1,000 yen for yukata (for inbound tourists only)

B レンタサイクル Rent-a-cycle terminal



A bicycle is the ideal way to get around Mojiiko!
■ Hours: 10 am to 6 pm (10 am to 5 pm in November through March)
■ Fee: 800 yen per day
■ Contact: JOYINT Mojiko Phone: (093) 321-2272

C 門司港レトロクルーズ Mojiiko Retro Cruise



Enjoy the 20 minute tour to see the retro-flavored view of Moji while feeling the sea breeze.
■ Hours: 11 am ~ (10am ~ on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays) *runs every 20min.
■ Fare: 800 yen (adults) / 400 yen (children)
■ Contact: Kanmon Kisen Phone: (093) 331-0222

人力車 Rickshaw



Rickshaws are a perfect fit for Mojiiko, a romantic city full of the nostalgic atmosphere of the Taisho period. While you are taking a rickshaw, the shafu / runner pulling the rickshaw may tell you good sightseeing spots only known by local residents.
■ Fare (approximately 1km): 3,000 yen for a single passenger 4,000 yen for two passengers
■ Reservations and contact: Ebisuya Kanmon Phone: (093) 332-4444