### Amami Brown Sugar Shouchu Spirits

In the Amami Islands, brown sugar is made by boiling sugarcane extract and used for making "shochu" liquor. Kokutoshochu (brown sugar shochu liquor) was specially approved in the Amami Islands by the Japanese government when the islands were returned to Japan from the United States in 1953. Among all types of authentic "shochu," Kokutoshochu, which has a sweet and tropical flavor, is the closest to a Western-type liquor.

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Contact Us[ Kagoshima Brewers Association Amami Branch ]  
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### Amami-Keihan(Chicken with Rice)

This is a local specialty dish of AmamiOshima. It is said to have been served to officials from the Satsuma domain during the Edo Period. It has a light taste and invites the appetite, and is perfect for the hot weather in Amami. Chicken breast tender, thin-sliced omelet, shiitake mushrooms, and green onions are placed on rice. Then, a hot chicken soup (made with local chickens) is poured on top. Try this dish at any restaurants in the city that serve local specialty dishes or at a hotel restaurant!

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### Oshima Tsumugi Silk Pongee

Oshimatsumugi is a fabric that is made by dyeing and hand-weaving a 100% silk thread. It is light, warm, and keeps its form. It feels more comfortable on your skin the longer you wear it, and the fabric has a unique color pattern. In addition, the Oshimatsumugi has been designated as a traditional craft by the Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry.

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Amami shopping street

The Amami City Shopping Area stretches across an area with Nazesuehiro town, Amami City at its center. It is full of AmamiOshima's local specialty products such as "Oshimatsumugi" and "Kokutoshochu" as well as the island's fresh meats and fishes. It is strongly recommended to go into town and interact with the locals or enjoy shopping. Sometimes events are held in the shopping area when cruise ships arrive.

Location/View 894-0027
Access 15 min. walk from port(1.5km)
Season Year-round
Related links

Contact Us[ Amami Chamber of Commerce and Industry ]
TEL:0997-52-6111

Amami Park

This is a facility for tourism in the Amami Islands. Its two main facilities are "Amaminosato," which visually introduces visitors to the beautiful natural environment of Amami, its diverse culture, and history and also serves as a community center for people; and the "Tanaka Isson Memorial Museum of Art," which showcases the work of Isson Tanaka, a Japanese artist who created paintings that depicted the natural environment of Amami.

Location/View 894-0504
Access Travel by tour:55 min. via car from berth(30km) Individual travel:Short walk(30km from port)
Season Year-round
Parking for tour buses 7 buses
Related links

Contact Us[ Kagoshima-PrefectualAmami Nature And Culture Center ]
TEL:0997-55-2333 | Website:http://www.amamipark.com/

Kinsakubaru forest

This is a virgin forest in AmamiOshima where many subtropical broadleaved trees still grow. Posters showing trees such as Castanopsis sieboldii (which is believed to be 130 years old) and the Chinese guger, as well as the Flying spider-monkey tree fern made the forest into a tourist attraction. Amami's indigenous plants, which were discovered for the first time in Japan; and indigenous species of birds and animals, such as the Lidith’s Jay (a valuable national natural treasure) and the Amami rabbit; make their habitat in the forest.

Location/View 894-1201
Access Travel by tour:25 min. via car from berth(12.3km) Individual travel:25 min. via car from port(12.3km)
Season Year-round
Related links

Contact Us[ Amami City pongee sightseeing section ]
TEL:0997-52-1111 | Website:http://www.city.amami.lg.jp/kanko/kanko/kanko/guidemap/kanko/naze2.html#
Kuroshio Forest - Mangrove Park

Kuroshio Forest - Mangrove Park is a park facility for people to return to nature. The main theme of the park is to allow visitors to get in touch with plants and animals in a precious environment where mangrove forests grow and where Ryukyu sweetfish make their habitat. The park is registered as "Roadside Station Amami Oshima Sumiyo" and it can be used to get information about transportation and tourism in Amami Oshima.

Location/View
894-1201

Access
Travel by tour: 33 min. via car from berth (21.6km)
Individual travel: 1 min. walk (21.6km from port)

Season
Year-round

Parking for tour buses
4 buses

Related links
Contact Us (mangrove public corporation Co., Ltd.)
TEL: 0997-56-3355 | Website: http://www.mangrovepark/

Ohama Seashore Park

Ohama Seashore Park is one of the most popular beach parks in Amami Oshima which has rich natural surroundings. You can enjoy a vast subtropical environment which includes coral reefs, a clear ocean, a white sandy beach, and Amami Oshima's indigenous plants and wild birds. At Ohama Beach, you can enjoy a spectacular view of the sun setting into the East China Sea.

Location/View
894-0046

Access
Travel by tour: 22 min. via car from berth (6.5km)
Individual travel: 22 min. via car from port (6.5km)

Season
Year-round

Related links
Contact Us (Michinoshima public corporation Co., Ltd.)
TEL: 0997-55-6000 | Website: http://www.michinoshima.jp/node/3

Kakeromajima

You can get to Kakeromajima Island by crossing the ocean from Amami Oshima, which is located between the main island of Kagoshima and Okinawa Island. Kakeromajima Island is a beautiful island covered with vegetation and has calm waves. It is an island where you can enjoy marine sports in the clear, blue ocean. You can also have an encounter with nature, culture and the local people - things that one tends to forget when living a fast-paced lifestyle.

Location/View
894-0046

Access
Travel by tour: 2 hr. via car from berth (58.7km)
Individual travel: 25 min. (ferry) walk (58.7km from port)

Season
Year-round

Related links
Contact Us (Setouchi Town urban development and tourism Division)
TEL: 0997-72-1111 | Website: http://www.amami-setouchi.org/
The Amami Islands are a group of eight inhabited islands that are scattered to the south of mainland Kyushu between the Tokara Islands and the Okinawa Islands. The beautiful coral reefs and the subtropical forests, where rare endangered species make their habitat, have attracted many people. In December 2013, AmamiOshima and Tokunoshima Island were selected to be included in the provisional list for the designation of Amami and Ryukyu as a World Natural Heritage.