

Nature and History

The Kuniga Coast stretches along the western side of Nishinoshima Island. Its high, sea-eroded cliffs and fascinating rock formations make it one of the most beautiful places to visit in the Oki Islands. This captivating landscape includes Tsutenkyo Arch, a sea arch colored with red, white, and gray rocks that contrast sharply with the clear aquamarine sea, as well as the impressive Matengai Cliff, which towers to a height of 257 m. Cattle and horses are grazing peacefully on top of the cliffs, creating a unique seaside pastoral landscape. The best ways to leisurely enjoy the views of Matengai Cliff and Tsutenkyo Arch are either to go to the top by bus or car and hike the short 2.3 km trail all the way down from the top, which takes about one hour and a half, or board a sightseeing boat for a two-hour cruise.

Activities

Visitors can board a sightseeing boat that cruises along the imposing coastline or hike a trail that passes through pastures grazed by cattle and wild horses. For the adventurous traveler and marine sports enthusiasts, the area offers excellent sea kayaking, snorkeling, and diving.