Toba Sea-Folk Museum

This spacious museum overlooking the waters of Toba Bay is dedicated to fishing and seamanship. Beneath a soaring ceiling designed to evoke the hull of a traditional wooden boat, visitors can view re-creations of daily life and religious traditions in Toba, such as the preparation of food offerings for nearby Ise Jingu Grand Shrine. Five spacious halls house some 60,000 items organized into exhibits on *ama* divers, famed local mariners, traditional fishing techniques, and sea conservation. The museum also has a collection of more than 100 traditional fishing vessels, carefully preserved for posterity.